

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB

SENIORS SECTION MINUTES

Annual General Meeting - 12th November 2012

Present: See attached List

The Senior's Captain Doug Procter took the chair and opened the meeting at 9.05am

Item

- 1 Welcome and Apologies**

DP welcomed all members.
There were apologies from Bill Kennedy, Mike Durrant, David Harris, Alan Tuck, Harry Ivie, Henry Klepacz and Tony Ogden.
- 2 Read and Put for Confirmation the minutes of the 2011 AGM**

The Senior Captain proposed that as all present had copies of last year's minutes they should be taken as read. It was proposed by K Doidge and seconded by G Beeney that these minutes be accepted as a true record of last year's meeting. There was unanimous agreement to this proposal.
- 3 Captain's Report.**

The Captain thanked Rod Baggott for organising the various matches throughout the year. He reported that the Senior Section had purchased a replacement pneumatic shoe cleaner for the club.
Two successful open competitions had been organised by the section. He drew particular attention to the Wine Scramble which was run as a pilot event with the object of providing prizes other than golf equipment as he felt that most senior golfer were already fully equipped. The event was a great success, despite bad weather causing postponement from the original date, and will be organised again in 2013.
Monday competitions have been well supported despite the new entry procedures.
- 4 Treasurer's Report**

Copies of the Treasurer's report were provided to all attendees.
The treasurer, George Davies, stated that the minutes had been audited in an exemplary manner by Tim Bunce.
The treasurer advised that turnover this year was £17500.
The accounts showed expenditure exceeding income due to the fact that payments for last year's and this year's Knighton Heath Knockout finals dinners both appear in this year's accounts. By changing the accounting year end to October this will be avoided in future years. The declared policy of giving back as much of member's money to members is illustrated by figures of £439 for meals following the competitions with shotgun starts and £514 in subsidies towards the Christmas dinner.
Although the rescheduling of the wine scramble incurred refunds of 10 entry fees (at £45 each) to entrants who could not attend on the new date there was a surplus of £359.
The Treasurer estimated that the Senior Open, Wine Scramble and Friendly Matches bring income into the Club in excess of £8000 each year from meals and bar takings.
The Senior Section is mandated to maintain a minimum balance in it the account but the Treasurer expressed concern that this healthy balance only produces a minimum interest return. He indicated that a better return can only be gained by the money being placed in savings account. These can only be opened by individuals not clubs.

Steve Jones asked if a joint savings account could be opened by, say, the Treasurer and the Captain. Formal documentation would be required to protect the funds in the event of the death of either or both parties. After lengthy discussion it was proposed by Steve Jones and seconded by Tony Psaros that George Davies should make enquiries of several banks to determine the viability of this suggestion. This proposal was accepted unanimously.

The Treasurer Stated that 69 members had won prize money this year. He listed the top 10 and congratulated the remainder.

The Senior's Captain thanked the Treasurer for preparing the accounts and particularly for the mountain of work he has done in running the open events.

5 Match Reports

Rod Baggott tabled a hand written summary of this year's matches which highlighted the following:-

	Won	halved	lost
Away matches	6	4	6
Home matches	15	1	0
	<u>21</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>

He stated that over 40 members had played in at least one match and thanked all those members who had stood in at short notice.

The emphasis in team selection is to encourage as many players as possible to play in matches rather than team strength.

Knighton Heath now has a very good reputation among visiting clubs for the standard of catering.

Paul Townsend raised concerns about at least one club who charge visiting teams more for meals than their own members. It was generally felt that this is not acceptable but we should not retaliate by adopting this practice. Steve Jones asked if we should exclude teams who do this from our fixture list. Ken Doidge suggested a diplomatic telephone call from our Captain to the Captain of the offending clubs may be advisable. This problem will be debated further at the next Senior's committee meeting.

A letter has been sent to Weymouth Golf club advising of our concerns over the standard of the meal served at the recent match.

The Captain thanked Rod Baggott for the work he has done in organising the matches.

6 Election Of Officers

There was one nomination for Senior Captain:-

Doug Proctor

Proposed by Steve Jones

Seconded by Peter Keeping

There being no other nominees Doug was elected unanimously

There were no proposals for any other offices, therefore those existing committee members who are willing to remain in office were re-elected en bloc.

Resignations have been received from Mike Durrant and Graham Paine.

The committee for 2012/13 will be:-

Captain	Doug Procter
Vice Captain	to be appointed
Treasurer	George Davies
Secretary	Ted Coates
Match Secretary	Rod Baggott
Competition Secretary	Peter Keeping
Committee Member	Bill Kennedy

Doug Procter was elected to represent the Senior Section on the Captain's Committee. The newly elected Senior's Captain thanked the members for their faith in him and assured the meeting that if any member had any comments or queries to raise with him he is very willing to discuss them at any convenient time.

The Captain thanked the retiring officers for the work they have done over the years

7 Senior's friendly Matches

Steve Jones stated that he felt there were less people playing in matches and asked the meeting for the reasons.

Some members indicated that the rising costs were deterring them from playing

Two members indicated that they would prefer the after match proceedings to be less formal with a cheaper meal. It was commented that this would be received unfavourably by teams we play and could result in loss of fixtures.

Geoff Beeney indicated his dissatisfaction with the selection process as one reason for not playing.

Rod Baggott reiterated the selection criteria.

8 Any Other Business

George Davies added to his earlier report that although there was some initial resentment to the new method for entering Monday competitions there have been slightly more entries this year indicating that the trial is very successful.

Doug Procter suggested that the winners of the Turkey Trot competitions in 2013 should be given vouchers purchase Christmas groceries at Tesco's or Sainsbury's or a similar store. This was accepted and approved by the members.

Bob Cook asked if a second "three clubs and putter" competition could be introduced next year. This will be considered at the next committee meeting.

Mike Whittingham enquired whether any disciplinary action will be taken over members who enter competitions and do not turn up. This is particularly relevant in competitions involving teams of players.

The Captain stated that when players are prevented from playing at the last minutes they should advise the professionals shop by telephone as it is often possible to find last minute replacements.

Any member who regularly lets a team down by non appearance will be disciplined in future.

The meeting closed at 10.10 pm

SIGNED _____

Senior's Section Captain