



KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 31 July 2019 at 17:30 in the Clubhouse.

Present	J Airth (JA-Chairman), B O'Hara (BOH-Voce-Chairman), M Collins (MC-Captain), A Groom (AG), K Harrington (KH), C Knight (CK), A Penny (AP), & D Spencer (DS) C Flay (CF-Vice-Captain) R Bauser (RB-Manager)	Action
	<u>Other Codes used in minutes</u> – J Wilson (JW), R Tizard (RT), A Magee (CM), A Windsor (AW) & A Hebditch (AH).	
	APOLOGIES	
	B Lennon, T Townsend & M Welch.	
1589	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	
	On a show of hands, the minutes of the meeting held on 22 May 2019, were unanimously accepted as a true record and the Chairman was authorised sign them.	
1590	MATTERS ARISING	
(a)	<u>Boundary Fence</u> AG asked about the boundary along the 15 th . BOH said that he had looked at the boundary markings together with CM. Iron stakes had been placed along the boundary in-conjunction with the chartered surveyor. The blue line demarcating the boundary was therefore correct.	
(b)	<u>Committee & Dining Room chairs</u> RB said that a supplier had agreed to send 3 samples at a cost (deliver & collect). The Committee agreed to review towards the end of the year.	
(c)	<u>Tree Work on the Course</u> RB said that the Tree Survey had been completed and that an action plan and report was being compiled.	
1591	CHAIRMAN	
	Nothing	
1592	CLUB CAPTAIN	
	<i>Minutes of the Captains Committee meeting held on 3 July 2019 were tabled for discussion.</i> MC gave a brief summary of the minutes highlighting items 1359a & 1359d. RB said that he would again circulate the Captains Charity Pro-Am proposal as drafted by AW.	RB

1593	FINANCE	
(a)	<p><u>The Unaudited YE Management accounts and report</u> for 30 June 2019, had been circulated and were tabled for discussion.</p> <p>DS tabled a detailed report highlighting the following each of the income and expenditure areas.</p>	
(b)	<p><u>Additional Course and Clubhouse projects</u></p> <p>A document outlining the above approved projects which were not included in the initial budget was circulated and tabled for discussion.</p>	
(c)	<p><u>Draft Budget 2019/20</u></p> <p>The following documents were tabled and circulated for discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of the budget - Subscriptions income - Historical Comparisons - Cash Flow Forecast <p>DS gave detailed account of the budgets for each department.</p>	
1594	SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS	
(a)	Course	
	<p>The course report for July 2019 had been circulated for discussion.</p> <p>BOH highlighted the following winter projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deep aeration & Nutrizone application – signs are very positive which would hopefully lead to fewer temporary greens. Their will be no deep aeration done next year. • 6th – 7th path – good improvement, 14th path standing area still to be done. • 8th drain – grass coverage coming back. • Putting Green & Patio – positive remarks from members, very good addition. • Tee plates – good addition to the course. <p>BOH highlighted the following points, re course watering and fairways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The greenstaff are hand watering a number of tees and greens daily as the sprinkler system was not efficient enough to reach all areas. <i>See notes at end of minutes for areas.</i> • The club is a heathland course and as such the soil structure is very free draining. • Due to the changes in climate conditions (extreme heat) a possible solution would be to change the grass to the more resilient strain, fescue, which is more drought tolerant and would adapt to the harsh weather conditions. • To implement the above and invest in the course the club would need to purchase an “over-seeder” whereby the CM could over-seed as and when conditions allowed. • Initially only the worst areas on the fairways would be over-seeded. <p>JA – fringes of some of the greens were falling apart. Sprinklers were not efficient and certain areas were not being watered (<i>See notes at end of minutes for areas</i>).</p> <p>DS – 3 quotes would be required in terms of the purchasing policy. RB said that this was in hand by CM. Cost of additional seed required was also required.</p>	

	<p>AG – proposed that the Committee could not make any decision until all the quotes were to hand together with any additional seed costs.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to the proposal. RB to action and forward details.</p> <p>AG said that the greenstaff should be wearing hard hats on the course to avoid being hit by a golf ball on the head. There was a risk assessment in place which indicated that it was a low risk and therefore not necessary.</p>	
(b)	Corporate & Marketing	
	Nothing to report	
(c)	Membership Category Review	
	Completed. Remove from Agenda.	
(d)	Disciplinary Appeals	
	Nothing to report.	
(e)	Health & Safety	
	An Accident report was tabled as at 31 July 2019.	
1595	MANAGER	
(a)	<p><u>Proposed AGM dates</u></p> <p>A schedule of important deadline dates working towards the AGM was tabled.</p>	
(b)	<p><u>Life Membership</u></p> <p>To discuss as Captains Committee.</p>	
1596	CORRESPONDENCE	
	None	
1597	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
	<p><u>100 Club Draw</u></p> <p>A proposal document by CF was tabled for discussion.</p> <p>The Committee unanimously agreed in principle to the following, subject to the Gambling Act regulations allowing such a draw;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The club would open a banking account. • Preferred payment method would be by standing order. • Monthly reconciliation of the account and subsequent draw would be administered by an appointed Captains Committee sub-committee. • The appointed sub-committee in conjunction with Manco would agree on funding for specific projects. • Advertising to members would be done through the club office. • Agreed rules would need to be approved. 	

1598	DATE OF NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY 21 August 2019 at 17:30 There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:10.	
	CHAIRMAN	DATED

Over-seeding to encourage recovery

Fescue on the fairways and rye in the rough. Fescue is more drought tolerant and will deal with dry spells better than any other species and the newer rye grass cultivars will give good coverage in the rough.

Over-seeding would take place as follows:

- greens once a year (bent grass)
- tees twice a year (rye grass)
- approaches twice a year (fescue & rye mix)
- fairways & rough in the autumn with as much seed as is affordable

Over-seeding needs to be done each year in autumn.
It is not a one-time deal and the bare areas will take time to improve.

Daily hand watering areas of the greens not covered by the sprinkler system (inc wetting agent). Watering takes place at 6am each morning after the first cut.

- 1st – left side and back left
- 2nd – Left side
- 3rd – front right (mound)
- 4th – front middle, back left & rear
- 7th – front right
- 9th – left side
- 10th – left side, back & right
- 11th – back & large hump in centre
- 12th – all left side
- 13th – all
- 14th – front & left side
- 15th – right side
- 16th – all left & front
- 17th – all left side
- 18th – front right & back right

Sprinkler System

Watering takes place at 10pm.

One cycle water's all greens, on completions the next cycle waters all tees.

Each tee & green is watered for +-10 minutes, total time around 6,5 hours.

Size of tank – 21 000 gallons, cost £110 per fill.

It takes one tank to water the course, wetting agent pellets are also introduced with the water to reduce the costs.

Watering each day would therefore cost £ 3 300 per month.