

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB



MEN'S

SENIOR

SECTION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

17th December 2019

Present: Richard Collis (RC), Phil Handley (PH), Russ Tizard (RT), John Bowden (JB), Phil Boddy (PB), George Davies (GD), Jeff Gee (JG), Mike Whittingham (MW).

RC opened the meeting at 10.02.

Item

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on**

- 1 Welcome and Apologies**
Absent Rod Baggott (RB) and Mike Welch (MDW) Club President.
RC welcomed everyone to the meeting.
MW is recording the meeting.

- 2 Draft Minutes of Previous Meeting (19th November 2019)**
No changes were made to the first issue of the draft minutes.
The Minutes were accepted by the Seniors Captain and the Committee members.
The approved minutes are to be issued to the manager.

MW

- 3 Matters Arising/Actions from Previous Meeting**
3.1 MW reported that a letter of thanks approved by RC had been sent to the Head Greenkeeper with a copy to the Club President and the Club Manager.
3.2 RC reported that in the winter months the head greenkeeper puts the flags on the higher parts of the greens and in no set order.
3.3 JB referred to an item in the minutes of the last Manco meeting which said that a new risk assessment had been carried out on the 14th and 1st holes following two incidents. The committee agreed that a hole by hole risk assessment needs to be carried out on the complete course on a regular basis and documented for members. PH reported that a member of Manco has responsibility for Health and Safety and there is health and safety guidance available to players on the club web site. PH said that in his opinion, the guidance does not constitute a risk assessment as such and that he hopes to continue his dialogue with the Chairman regarding risk management of both the course and Knighton Heath Golf Club as a business in the New Year.
3.4 The request for a shotgun start for the Bottles Competition in 2020 will be brought up at the next Captains Committee meeting.
3.5 The committee discussed a number of areas of the course where it was felt that additional signage was necessary for example better signage to the first tee via the chute to prevent visitors walking up the road and gathering en-mass on the tee itself. It was agreed that RC and PH would raise this and a number of other areas at Captains Committee under the on-going discussions around Risk.

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- 4 Items from the Captains Committee**
4.1 The Club Captain would like the Hardy B matches to start before 13.00. This was rejected as it is in members time.

4.2 The Dorset County Golf Union has asked permission to use Knighton Heath for the following Competitions. Dorset Boys Competition on 13-15th April 2021. Christmas Golf Competition on December 1st and 9th 2021.

5 Seniors Christmas Dinner

5.1 The Seniors Dinner went to plan and the staff looked after all the guests very well. The meet and greet by RC and his wife was well received. A representative from Julia's House and Naomi House attended the dinner and the presentation was made to both charities.

6 Seniors Monday Competitions

6.1 The Seniors Bottles on December 2nd had 80 entries
The Bowmaker Competition on December 9th had 80 entries.

Both of the above Competitions were very well supported.

7 Match List for 2020

7.1 The Match List for 2020 was tabled. PH confirmed that the dates/start times are all agreed and in the diary. PH also confirmed he has an up to date list of all the Match Captains/organisers for each of the clubs and he will e-mail this to the committee so that the match captains have a contact for each match .

PH

7.2 The Knighton Heath match captains will be agreed at our next Seniors Meeting

All

8 Seniors Local Winter League

8.1 PB reported that no further matches have been played due to course conditions. Match dates have been re-scheduled and are on the Seniors Notice board.

8.2 MW confirmed that Weymouth have arranged the end of season invitation day for Tue May 5th. They would like each club to send 8 players they will hold a drawn 4 man Scramble on the day.

9 Knighton Heath Opens for 2020

9.1 GD suggested we leave the Opens Entry Fee at £96/team as we made a reasonable profit from each Open this year. This was agreed by the committee. It was also proposed that we have one prize table for the Wine Scramble but try two prize tables for the Bowmaker. RC to consider this suggestion.

RC

10 Senior Captains Away Day

10.1 JB reported that he had contacted four clubs that we had not played recently. Brockenhurst Manor was expensive at £59 for coffee, 18 holes of golf and lunch. High Post would not provide costs for 2020. For Chilworth the provisional cost for coffee, 18 holes of golf and lunch is £30. Dibden would provide Coffee/bacon roll, 18 holes and dinner for £31. This club is easier to get to and the course is in very good condition. The committee decided to accept this venue. Date to be agreed.

All

11 Seniors Questionnaire

11.1 PH reported that he had received feedback on the Questionnaire and will implement any changes required before distribution to members.

PH

12 Treasurers Report

11.1 GD reported on the accounts submitted to the committee for the month 19/10 to 16/12 which show a decrease in the balance of £956. GD explained the decrease was due mainly to the costs incurred to date for the Seniors Christmas dinner. The monthly account closing balance was accepted by the committee.

13 Seniors Committee Draft Terms of Reference

13.1 PH reported that, as part of the drive to improve communication between the Seniors Section Committee and the members, he had prepared a draft Terms of Reference for the Seniors Section Committee which he will send out to the committee for feedback and discussion at the next meeting.

Once approved by the Seniors Section Committee, it will be passed to the Captains Committee for ratification.

14 Correspondence

14.1 RC has received a letter of thanks from Julia's House for the donation and an e-mail from Naomi House with thanks for their donation.

Note; The donation to Julia's House was doubled as it was given to the charity from an individual under the Big Give scheme in early December and as they are also registered for gift aid this was further increased by £125.

15 AOB

15.1 JB asked what was the correct sweater colour for the Seniors Matches. RC confirmed this was maroon.

15.2 RT mentioned that he had several photographs from the Christmas Dinner and asked if the Manager could put the gift presentation photographs on the club web site of the next news letter.

15.3 RC announced that PH is now the Seniors Representative on the Handicaps and Competitions Committee.

RC

16 Date of Next Meeting

The meeting closed at 12.02.

The next meeting date is Tuesday January 21st at 10.00.

MW to confirm the next meeting date with the office.

MW

SIGNED

Men's Senior's Section Captain