

# KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB



**MEN'S**

**SENIOR**

## **SECTION**

### **MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING**

**17th September 2019**

**Present:** Richard Collis (RC), Phil Handley (PH), Russ Tizard (RT), Maurice Randall (MR), John Bowden (JB), Phil Boddy (PB), George Davies (GD), Mike Whittingham (MW), Mike Welch (MDW) Club President.

RC opened the meeting at 09.55.

Item		Action
1	<b>Welcome and Apologies</b> Apologies from Rod Baggott (RB). RC welcomed all to the meeting and introduced Phil Handley as the new Vice Captain. MW is recording the meeting.	
2	<b>Draft Minutes of Previous Meeting (20th August 2019)</b> One correction was made to the draft minutes in Section 13.1 to clarify that the Reciprocal arrangements with Ashley Wood remain the same after they cancelled the Seniors Friendly fixture. . The Minutes were accepted by the Seniors Captain and the Committee members. The approved minutes are to be issued to the manager.	MW
3	<b>Matters Arising/Actions from Previous Meeting</b> 3.1 MW confirmed that he had sent an e-mail reply to Mr J Cousens the Seniors Vice Captain and Match organiser at Ashley Wood. The content of the e-mail was read to the committee.	
4	<b>Review of AGM</b> 4.1 Several members have commented that the AGM meeting went on for too long. This was mainly because questions were taken from the floor and the ensuing discussions took up quite a bit of time. Only one question was received in writing before the meeting. 4.2 MW apologised to the committee to explain that the recorder did not function correctly at the AGM and the AGM minutes have been put together from a few notes and memory. He has circulated the minutes to the committee and asked if the committee think the minutes are an accurate report of the meeting. To provide better communication with our Senior members he will put the minutes on the web site as soon as possible. 4.3 The General Manager has been asked to identify where he has put last years AGM minutes on the web site as members and the committee have not been able to locate them. 4.4 The discussion on match dates for 2020 requires Rod Baggott, Alan Hebditch and Rick Handford to get together to try and agree suitable fixture dates wherever possible which do not clash or on adjacent days.	MW
5	<b>Matters Arising from AGM</b> 5.1 A question was asked at the AGM as to whether the Seniors had a good working relationship with Manco and the Captains Committee. The Seniors Captain and Vice Captain attend the Captains Committee meetings but we have no representation on Manco. MR confirmed he will be applying for a Directors position at the Club AGM	RB

- 6 Items from the Captains Committee**
- 6.1 The 100 Club raffle is off to a slow start but is expected to pick up once winners start to be announced. The first draw is on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> of September.
- 6.2 Preferred lies have been considered but will not be introduced given they will start as normal on 1st October and a couple of county matches were played without preferred lies. JB pointed out that the club can ask Dorset Golf Union to allow preferred lies at any time.
- 6.3 On the course a new seeder has been purchased for 12-13K which will insert seed into slits made in the fairway. The current seeding work is still using the demonstration model. It is still a long term fix to reseed the fairways.
- 6.4 More marked out drop zones will be provided shortly..
- 6.5 The Hardy B Team is currently top of the league.
- 7 Seniors Monday Competitions**
- 7.1 The Clutterbuck Competition on 2<sup>nd</sup> September had 60 entries.
- 7.2 The Seniors 4 man Texas Scramble on 9th September had 52 entries. 2 teams dropped out on the day but were not charged.
- RT/RC to discuss with Andy Windsor to ensure that entrants are charged if they are on the start sheet at an agreed time on the Sunday before the competition.
- 7.3 The committee discussed the need to ensure that rules for competitions such as Texas Scrambles and Bowmakers are clearly communicated to ensure all players are adopting the same practices in relation to dropping near the chosen ball, order of putting etc.
- 8 Match Reports**
- 8.1 No report.
- Matches played after the August 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting
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| 21st August (away) v Purbeck         | Lost | 1.0 – 5.0 |
| 27th August (home) v Meyrick Park    | Won  | 3.5 – 2.5 |
| 4th September (home) v Barton on Sea | Won  | 5.5 - 0.5 |
| 12th September (home) v Burley       | Won  | 6.0 – 0.0 |
| 16th September (away) v Dorset GCC   | Lost | 2.5 – 3.5 |
- This year we are still having a lot of difficulty getting enough players for the matches. We need to address this issue and find out if members think we have too many matches, are the tee off times too late, are the meals too expensive and should the dress code be less formal.
- 9 Knighton Heath Knock Out 2019**
- 9.1 The final of the KHKO and the Plate Competitions were played at Knighton Heath on 12<sup>th</sup> September. In the KHKO Final Meon Valley beat Parkstone 5.5 – 4.5 and in the Plate Final Weymouth beat Salisbury and S/W 6.5 – 3.5.
- 9.2 This was the end of a very successful year for the KHKO Competition and the in house catering for the day was excellent. The Committee would like to thank Andy Groom for organising and running this years competition.
- 10 Seniors Local Winter League**
- 10.1 MW confirmed that he had sent out all the information to the 8 Winter league Captains so that they could start making arrangements for the matches. PB has put a list on the notice board asking for names of those interested in playing in the Winter League matches.
- 10.2 PH reported that the General Manager and Captains Committee had requested that Seniors arrange matches in the Winter months on Mondays.
- 11 Treasurers Report**
- 11.1 The treasurers report up to September 16<sup>th</sup> as circulated by GD was explained in detail and accepted by the committee.
- 11.2 GD reported that the monthly balance has decreased by £1909 mainly for the costs from the Seniors Open Bowmaker Competition, medal engraving and the restarting of the Wine Club payments.
- 11.3 GD is to ask Virgin Wine what is the best arrangement to continue with the wine club payments. Will they allow us to have a KH Seniors Account with the Wine club.
- 11.4 GD confirmed that the Seniors Post Office Account has been closed and the balance transferred to the HSBC account.
- 11.5 Currently our account with HSBC is a KH Seniors Account and is approved by the auditors.

RT  
RC

All

GD

- 12 Communication**  
 12.1 RC explained that one important aim he has for this year is to improve communication with all Senior members. PH has put together a brochure titled Seniors Section Information. He will provide copies to all committee members to see if any changes/further information is needed. We then need to get these printed and made available to all Senior members. The General Manager has agreed to print the first batch of the brochures. **PH**  
 12.2 RC explained that he was putting together an online survey for all Senior Members. He or PH will distribute this to the committee members for feedback at the next meeting. **All**
- 13 Seniors Dinner**  
 13.1 The Seniors Christmas Dinner is planned for Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December. The entertainment has been booked for £300 by Denise who recommended Greg Valentine.  
 13.2 The proposed list of invitees is as follows;  
 Club Captain + 1, President + 1, Professional + 1, General Manager + 1, Wally Hammond.  
 Attendance will probably be limited to 66 and we need to agree a subsidy when the meal cost is known. Last year the subsidy was £7/head and the committee agreed to keep the same subsidy. We need to agree who is to gather the names of the Seniors who have supported us in matches to put these forward for the event. **RC**  
**PH**
- 14 Members Age for entry to Seniors**  
 14.1 The proposal to reduce the age for members to play in Seniors matches to 55 was discussed at length at the previous meeting by the committee. Any proposal to change age limits formally will need to be discussed and approved by the club management at an AGM before it is introduced. For next year it was agreed we have a list of 55+ players who would like to play in matches that we could ask to play if we are short. If we did this we would need to inform the other team captain.
- 15 Correspondence**  
 15.1 RC has received an e-mail from Barton on Sea to say they have changed their handicap limits for participation in Seniors Matches to 30.
- 16 AOB**  
 16.1 MW asked if the Seniors should have a representative on the greens committee. The members of the Greens Committee are listed under Course Management but are all on the management committee plus the head greenkeeper. The Captains Committee have an input to the Course Committee regarding any problems/issues with the course or any complaints but are not represented on the Course Committee. However it was noted that playing members who sit on this committee are drawn from Manco  
 16.2 MW asked if we should continue providing coffee before a match and a bottle of wine for nearest the pin on the 11<sup>th</sup> to clubs who do not reciprocate this at their home match. The committee agreed to continue providing coffee and a nearest the pin prize for all matches.  
 16.3 MW commented that at DGCC when they have roll ups on 4 days a week each member submits a card to update their handicaps. This is exactly what Meyrick Park do. When we play them their handicaps are always much higher than ours. RT said the new slope system should sort out a lot of the handicap problems but by all means get Andy Windsor to check the handicap of any other club member.  
 16.4 GD reminded RC to get his Seniors Captain sweater from Andy Windsor and give him the invoice.
- 17 Date of Next Meeting**  
 The meeting closed at 11.52.  
 The next meeting date is October 15<sup>th</sup> at 10.00. MW to confirm the next meeting date with the office. **MW**

**SIGNED**

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 Men's Senior's Section Captain