

Minutes of the Captains Committee held on Wednesday 6 August 2025 at 17:30.

Present	M Taylor (Captain), A Parsons (Chairman), C Bartlett (Ladies Captain), A Cumming (Ladies Vice-Captain), G Tutton (Vice Captain), M Green (Seniors Captain), T Townsend (Seniors Vice Captain) & M Welch (President) K Eden (General Manager)	Action
1910	APOLOGIES	
	N/A	
1911	MATTERS ARISING	
	MT enquired about the progress of the purple tee markers. KE to follow up with GH for an update.	
1912	12 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	
	The minutes of the meeting held on 4 th July 2025, were tabled for discussion.	
	On a show of hands, the majority of the Committee approved the minutes, and the captain was authorised to sign them as a true record.	
	Proposer – MT Seconder – AP	
1913	CAPTAIN – MT	
	MT thanked all involved for their efforts in the Club Championship and Higher Handicap Championship.	
	 Men's Open Fees – MT suggested reviewing the entry fee for members in future Men's Opens due to low bookings this year. KE to discuss with the incoming Club Captain. 	
	 Captains' Day – MT attended the Past and Present Captains' Day and suggested future events be held on Sundays to encourage greater participation. KE to review with the incoming Captain. 	
	 Richard Bestwick Trophy – MT requested a sign-up sheet for Men, Juniors, and Ladies. KE to prepare and place on the board in early September. 	
	 Double Bookings in Competitions – MT noted ongoing issues with double bookings. The earlier trial system worked well; the incoming Captain to consider reintroducing it. 	
	Competition Date Changes – MT requested the 11th and 18th competitions be swapped. KE to amend the website accordingly.	
	 Carveries for Mixed Competitions – AP proposed offering carveries at all mixed competitions, with public attendance also welcome. All agreed to trial this with pre-booking in place. 	

	 Christmas Carols – MT asked AC to begin booking bands for the event. Adult & Junior Competition – MT and GT confirmed participation at 	
	Ashley Wood GC.	
1914	MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – AP	
	 AP reported that the 2025/26 membership season is progressing well. The auditors are currently on-site to complete the 2024/25 financial year-end. The golf club is presently in a strong position. MG enquired about the status of the reservoir project, and KE advised that the available landfill funding is insufficient to cover the project costs. The matter will be reviewed by the project team from 	
	Manco.	
1915	SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS	
(a)	<u>Ladies – CB / AC</u>	
	CB noted that the Ladies' Invitation had been a great success.	
	Match Results:	
	 Coronation Foursomes at Yeovil – finished mid-table. KHGC Interclub (7 July) vs Ferndown (A) – lost 3½ – 1½. 	
	 Woods vs Weymouth (9 July) (H) – won 3½ – 1½. 	
	 Woods vs Yeovil (17 July) (A) – lost 0 – 5. Four friendlies played – KHGC won three. 	
	 Mixed Friendly vs Lyme Regis (27 July) (H) – won 6 – 1. 	
	CB also reported that the September Coffee Morning is fully booked.	
(b)	Seniors – MG / TT	
(5)	 MG noted that some members are still unaware of the red zone area on Hole 2 and the associated rules. KE confirmed that this information had been included in the most recent Greens report. MG also raised concerns about the presence of children's catapults on the course. 	
(c)	<u>Professional – AW</u>	
, ,	AW reported that the carpets in the pro shop will be replaced on Monday.	
(d)	Handicaps & Competitions – GT/ AW	
	GT suggested reviewing the number of medals in future, with the possibility of introducing additional Stableford or other fun competitions. He also proposed holding one medal per month on each of Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday, spaced across the month.	

Juniors - AW (e) AW reported that 48 players have confirmed entries for the Juniors Open on Thursday, representing the largest field the club has seen in some time. The Junior Championship is scheduled for 21 August and will be played over 36 holes. It was agreed that the Junior Stableford event will be removed from the calendar. (f) Social - MT & CB MT reported that the "2 Beatles" Tribute Night was cancelled due to insufficient bookings. It was noted that, in future, tribute nights should not be scheduled on the same days as competitions. MT confirmed that the Shambles shotgun start is scheduled for 29 August, with a full field already booked. The event will include golf, a buffet, and prizes. MT noted that the Captain's Dinner and Dance is approaching and that planning will be undertaken in coordination with Emma. Match / Competition Results – GT (g) Club Championship – Overall Gross: C. Laird; Godfrey Elliott Bowl (Best Nett): C. Hill; Ladies Overall Gross: S. White; Ladies Overall Nett: C. Welch. The Higher Handicap Championship was won by D. Hatch, with J. Gee as runner-up. Hardy B is performing well in the league table, with Hardy A also positioned near the top. The Scratch Team won their final match in the EAGG league and, for the first time, has qualified for the Plate Knock-out stages, to be played against Millbrook GC on 24 August. 1916 **MANAGER - KE** Membership Analysis Update Full Playing Memberships – 401 5 day playing Memberships – 95 Other Playing Memberships - 51 Total playing Memberships – 547 Total Members - 661 1917 CORRESPONDENCE KE reported that correspondence had been received from a member raising several issues: • Winter tee times – Concern regarding 3/4 balls being sent out during winter from the ball chute area. MT advised that the starter/marshall will manage this during the winter period going forward. Weekend availability – Request to free up more Saturday and Sunday mornings for roll-up groups. GT noted this will be considered when planning next year's calendar.

- Outdoor music Concern over music being played too loudly outdoors. KE will remind staff to ensure more mellow background music is played in the club.
- Children on the course Concern about small children walking the course with parents and potential health and safety risks. The Board agreed that responsibility for children rests with their parents and that the club does not wish to discourage children from walking or playing on the course with their parents.

1918 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Senior Vice-Captain and Captain raised the following points:

- As the club develops, it is important to adapt accordingly, including reducing the number of committees. Recruitment for committee roles has become increasingly difficult, with no members expressing interest in the Vice-Captain position this year. Trevor had officially resigned as Senior's Vice Captain and given his notice.
- Match organisers will still be required to arrange club events.
 Members will need to volunteer for these roles, as is the case
 currently. At present, organisers report to the Seniors Captain, who
 then reports to CapCom. In future, organisers could attend CapCom
 directly to report on matches and events. It was noted that these
 organisers are key contributors to meetings.
- Regarding representation of the Seniors, it was emphasised that all members of Knighton Heath Golf Club should be treated equally, regardless of age, gender, or fitness. Any issues from the Seniors should be directed to the Club Manager rather than the Senior Captain, whose role would otherwise be to bring such matters to CapCom for discussion.
- It was further proposed by the Senior Captains that the Seniors Terms of Reference and the Seniors Section sub-committee be dissolved going forward. This proposal received unanimous support, with the intention of helping to improve the club in the future. All voted in favour of the above decision.
- KE was tasked with sending a notice to the membership regarding the above decision.

GT reported that work will commence shortly on dismantling the old container used by the greenkeepers, which will then be ready for removal. This will allow Claymoor to proceed with construction by setting the foundations for the new containers. Further information will be communicated to members regarding the temporary closure of the oncourse toilets during this period.

MG inquired whether the Senior Championship could be scheduled immediately following the Club Championship weekend. GT and KE will review this proposal for next year's calendar and consult with the greenkeeping team to assess feasibility.

Meeting closed at 19:30					
NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE 3 rd September 2025					
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