

SENIOR'S AGM MONDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

CAPTAINS REPORT;

1. OVERVIEW
2. MATCHES/COMPETITIONS
3. CHRISTMAS DINNER
4. RELATIONS WITH CAPCO MANCO
5. OPENS
6. CHARITY
7. THANKS

1. The impact of Covid was reduced in 21/22 allowing a relatively normal year of activities. We welcomed many new Seniors to playing in Matches against local clubs. Club competitions were well supported, despite a few problems with weather. We all benefitted from the steady improvement of the Course and the new irrigation system.
2. Full programme of, matches against local Clubs, Seniors Club competitions and Trophies was resumed this year. The Seniors played 25 matches, home and away against Golf Clubs in the local area. Winter League had 4 Clubs, including ourselves. This was played as home and away games. Meyrick again came out on top. The decision to make all Seniors Club Trophy Competitions 'drawn' entry events was largely acceptable to most Seniors. This is in line with main Club events: it gives an added significance to these Competitions, and enables people to experience playing with others rather than their regular partners. Regrettably the Dug Procter Match, Seniors v Ladies in June was cancelled due to pressure of fixtures at that time. We hope to rearrange it later this year.
3. Christmas Dinner was poorly supported this year. The committee are looking to instigate an Annual Seniors Dinner in February to replace the Seniors Christmas Dinner which clashes with the main Club Christmas Dinner.
4. The year was characterised by many long discussions and exchange of views with CAPCO and MANCO relating to the position and status of the Seniors Committee and its functions. The Seniors committee two years ago agreed a policy of non- subsidy of Seniors events. All monies raised through Seniors Opens, etc would be transferred to KHGC accounts for the financing of projects jointly suggested, and agreed by the Seniors Committee and MANCO for the benefit of the whole Club. It was agreed that the Seniors prize money for Senior's competitions would be changed. The £3 per player with 10% going to admin costs and 90% to prizes would be replaced with main Club prize competition fees, £2 per entry with 30% to Club funds and 70% to prizes. This has resulted in a smaller prize pot for Seniors' competitions. In addition, players can enter the sweep stake. It has also been agreed with MANCO that the Seniors finance account will be closed, and all monies will go into the main Club account. This account will have a ring-fenced section for the Seniors jointly managed by the Club manager and the Seniors treasurer.
5. Opens. Wine Scramble 19th June; Bowmaker 14th July; Once again up and running, successfully organised by Richard Collis with assistance from the Seniors Committee and non- committee members. These have proved excellent events this year, favoured by good weather, and large entries. Many thanks are due to Richard Collis for all his hard work and time put in to make these a real benefit to the Club and its reputation in the area.
6. Charities; Ukraine This was linked to the Seniors Competition on Jan 31st the raffle and contributions raised about £500.

Honeypot Children's Charity. This is the Seniors charity for the year. Currently we have raised over £3000 with the help of raffles at the Opens, and the 'big gift' system of contributing funds. The final effort of fund raising will be made with 4B Auctions for, Remedy, Royal Winchester, Ferndown and the Raffle on the Clutterbuck Day . Many thanks to all the members who have supported this very worthy Charity.

7. Thanks. First, I must thank the Seniors Committee for all their time and energy put in to enable all the Senior's Games, Matches, and events to take place successfully. Special thanks to Jeff Gee our treasurer who has been excellent in maintaining our accounts . Also in the Bar, Club house and Kitchen thanks for providing friendly, good service to all our Match and Open events visitors. Special mention for Megan and Tom. Thanks to Denise in the Office for such cheerful and useful advice, keeping us up to date with meals etc and many other things too many to list. In the Pro Shop Andy provided willing and invaluable assistance in many ways during the year, not least in wrestling with a sometimes-uncooperative software, always cheerful and supportive of extra demands made on his time. He kept all our competitions running, with notices going to all players concerning start times etc. And: Not least to Graham and his team of Greenkeepers who make all our golfing activities such a good experience.

I wish the future Captain, Vice-Captain and Committee every success in the coming year.

Richard Pearce
Seniors Captain 21/22