

Dear Member

The club has managed to continue operating throughout the last two difficult years and we are grateful to the membership for their loyalty and paying their subscriptions on time.

My personal thanks go to General Manager Reunert Bauser and his team for all their hard work over the last year. Thanks also go to Des Spencer our financial director who has helped Reunert to keep a close eye of the finances of the golf club.

My thanks also go to Graham, Mark, and the rest of the green staff for all their hard work maintaining the course to a level that we the members expect. I am sure you are all aware that Graham Hastie joined us on the 1st of March from Stoneham Golf Club. I am pleased to say that since his arrival and the hard work of his dedicated team we have been inundated with complements on the improving presentation and condition of the course.

Andy Windsor and his dedicated team plus Chris Hill deserve a massive thank you for all their hard work organising our monthly club competitions.

Thanks to Tom, Megan, Emma, and the rest of our hard-working bar staff, who work tirelessly to ensure everyone is looked after when they visit the clubhouse. Also, a big welcome to our new head chef Martin Hayward who comes with vast hands-on experience having worked in France at a Michelin star restaurant, on the Cunard QE2, Crown Hotel (Lyndhurst), Royal Bath and more recently at Bingley's Bistro.

After 15 years of loyal service, I would like to also thank Trish Clements for her hard work and dedication and both myself and the committee wish her future health and happiness.

Knighton Heath GC continues with the projects on the golf course and in the club house. Projects that will move the golf club forward and which will improve the experience felt by both members and visitors alike.

Irrigation System

A big thanks also goes to M.J Abbots and Maurice Randall who have worked tirelessly to ensure the irrigation system has been installed with a minimum of disruption around the course. The original plan was to install this system starting in October 2022 as it was deemed that our existing irrigation system had reached the end of its useful life. Plans had been in place to design and install a new state of the art system including a new larger water storage tank supplied from our new borehole.

We were able to bring the project forward a year to last December as M. J. Abbott of Salisbury were due to start a project on a Scottish golf course which did not materialise. Abbott's then approached

KHGC with an attractive offer, which was approved by the management committee.

Winter projects 2022-2023

Rope Drainage 1st,7th and putting green

Front right of 15 & 17th Fairway bunker reconstruction.

14-15 path, winter project

Knighton Heath GC continues to attract new members which total just under 60 new members since

last July, I would personally like to take the opportunity to welcome them all to K.H.G.C.

The management committee has discussed and reluctantly agreed to an increase of 7,5% (rounded-

up) to the full member subscription rate i.e., (£1.79 pw). This will be apportioned according to the

fixed percentage applicable to each of the other category, as done in previous years. The decision

was not taken lightly but is in response to the world that surrounds the golf club and the running

costs that go up every year.

The management committee has also agreed on a bar card levy of £50 per subscription year (less

than a £1 per week), which will apply to all membership categories (excluding junior members). The

levy will allow members to purchase bar and food items, pay for social events, club competitions etc.

The levy must be used by 30 June 2023, or it will be reclaimed by the club and utilised for social

functions expenses.

The management committee and I look forward to an exciting future for Knighton Heath GC and we

are all working very hard to ensure it remains one of the best courses in Dorset. In closing I would

like on behalf of the management committee to wish all members and their families good health over

the coming year.

Kind Regards

Andy Parsons Chairman