

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB



MEN'S

SENIOR

SECTION

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

4th October 2017

Present: There were 23 signed in members present. On signing in members were given the following data; AGM agenda, a list of the results of the 2016 Seniors matches played to date, a copy of the treasurers report for the year and 2 voting forms for the election of officers.

The Seniors Vice Captain Maurice Randall (MR) took the chair and opened the meeting at 09.05 am

Item

Action

1 Welcome and Apologies

The Secretary welcomed the members present to the AGM meeting. He explained that the Draft AGM minutes for 2016 had been made available on the Web Site 6 weeks before the meeting and the notice for the AGM, the election forms for officers and postal voting forms were put on the Seniors notice board in accordance with the club rules.

Maurice Randall welcomed all Senior Members to the meeting especially those who were new members to the club. He then introduced each of the committee members present at the meeting.

The Secretary is recording the meeting.

The Secretary announced that apologies had been received from 9 members unable to attend the meeting. Peter Smith, Bill Kennedy, Henry Klepacz, Malcolm Burbidge, Steve Jones, John Bowden, Alan Hebditch, Ken Doige and Phil Boddy. The 7 postal votes which have been received will be opened by the adjudicators of the election voting.

2 Summary and Confirmation of Minutes of AGM 16th November 2015

Maurice Randall, the Seniors Vice Captain, gave a short summary of the minutes of last years AGM which were acceptable to him as an accurate account of the 2016 AGM.

The minutes were accepted as a true record of last years AGM by Russ Tizard and seconded by Bill Lennon.

The signed copy of the minutes are to be issued to the General Manager.

The draft minutes of the 2017 AGM will be issued to the General Manager several weeks before the next AGM.

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3 Seniors Vice Captains Report

MR welcomed all the Seniors Members to the meeting. For this years AGM it is disappointing that only 23 members have signed in but 52% of the club are Seniors. He hopes we can welcome any new Senior members to the club and include them in our competitions and matches this year.

He proposed a vote of thanks to Alan Magee and his staff for the condition of the course and to the catering team and the bar staff for the way they support us in the Senior matches.

MR thanked the members of the committee for the work they have carried out this year.

4 Treasurers Report

GD reported that the Auditors were very satisfied with the Seniors Financial report submitted in July which now has to line up with the club accounting year and be audited by the clubs auditors. The Auditors put in writing each year that they are concerned that the Seniors have a separate savings account which is not in the name of KHGC in addition to the HSBC bank account. GD discussed the Auditors views in the letter of the Seniors having a separate savings account and asked the members present at the meeting if they wished the Seniors Section to continue to have a separate savings account in joint names. The meeting voted 27 For and 1 Against to continue with a separate Seniors Savings Account.

GD explained that the Seniors account summary circulated for the meeting represents a complete year for the Seniors. He expanded on all the outstanding items which are to be paid for out of the current balance and which items are subsidised by the Seniors in the year. He also mentioned several items which had been purchased for the club and the donation which was made to a Poole Charity. He asked that if any member has a query on the accounts please would they contact him to discuss it.

GD discussed the the amount of work he had had to do to run 3 Open Competitions this year which had brought in approximately 500 visitors to the club with a resulting income to the club for food and drink.

RB proposed a vote of thanks for the excellent work GD does for the Seniors.

5 Match Reports

RB reported that the results of all the matches played in 2016 to date was given out before the meeting. A total of 37 members have played in the 26 matches played. At home Knighton Heath won 9, drew 2 and lost 2 . Away Knighton Heath won 5, drew 0 and lost 8.

The home match against Highcliffe was cancelled by Highcliffe as they only wish to play one match with us each year. The Away match date at Hamptworth was used to play a Windell league match and not rescheduled. The home match against Rushmore was cancelled and both matches against Wellow were cancelled due to bad weather and not re-arranged.

This year we will only complete 31 matches but these bring in good business for the club. We have excellent bar and catering facilities which are appreciated by our visitors and we we form good friendships with members of other clubs. We need to consider whether the number of matches need to be reduced further.

Alan Hebditch thanked the members for supporting him in the Friendly matches that he arranges and the assistance from RB.

6 Competitions Report

PD explained that many of the scheduled Monday Competitions have had to be moved about this year to accommodate other events.

26 competitions are planned for the year with 20 held so far.

These have been 9 stableford (handicap qualifiers), 4 team events, 3 of 4BBB, 1 medal, 1 greensome, 2 shotgun starts for trophy events.

A total of 4 competitions have been drawn tees and teams as requested at last years AGM.

The best attended competition with 64 members was a 4 man Bowmaker multiplier plus.

PD reminded members that the Trophy presentation evening was on Friday 14th October.

The top four winners in this years competitions were Alan Tuck, Mike Iddles, Andy Groom and Bob Michael.

7 Election of Officers

MW reported that last year after the club rule changes and Andy Groom was elected as Club Vice Captain, John Bowden was elected as Seniors Captain and Maurice Randall was elected as Seniors Vice Captain, both to stand for one year. Rod Baggott and Russ Tizard were elected as committee members to stand for a term of three years.

This year Paul Donaldson is stepping down from the committee which is a real disappointment as he has done a good job on the Committee organising the Monday competitions. He is only stepping down as a result of an e-mail complaint from another Senior member which has been discussed in detail by the Seniors Committee and the Captains Committee.

MW explained that under the club rules any Senior member can apply for a position on the Seniors Committee providing the length of membership requirement is met and a correctly completed nomination form is received by the secretary by the set date.

MW explained that batch of voting forms which were handed to him at the start of the meeting he has had to reject. It was explained to the member who submitted the forms that to be accepted if these were classified as postal votes they had to be with the manager on the set date or if they were submitted as meeting votes the members have to sign in and be in attendance. The dates for the return of postal votes and the voting by attendance at the AGM meeting was displayed on the notice board in accordance with the club rules.

MW explained that for the meeting the members present have 2 voting forms.

Form 1 for Captain and Vice Captain and Form 2 for Committee Members.

For each nominated candidate listed you have 1 vote either For, Against or Abstain. For a member to be elected a positive vote must be received ie For – Against. Please fill in the forms and fold in half. The completed forms will be collected and given to the adjudicator, who will also open the 7 Postal Votes.

Nomination for Seniors Captain

Maurice Randall Proposed by Jeff Gee and Peter Fox

Nominations for Seniors Vice Captain

Russ Tizard Proposed by Mike Whittingham and Andy Groom

Richard Collis Proposed by Maurice Randall and Phil Handley

Nominations for two Seniors Committee Members

Phil Boddy Proposed by Russ Tizard and Malcolm Burbidge

Richard Collis Proposed by Ron Foster and Bob Butcher

The adjudicated voting results including postal votes were given to the Seniors Secretary who announced the results as follows;

Seniors Captain

Maurice Randall For 29. Against 0. Abstain 1

Seniors Vice Captain

Russ Tizard For 22. Against 1. Abstain 4

Richard Collis For 9. Against 8. Abstain 6

Committee Members

Phil Boddy. For 21. Against 2. Abstain 3

Richard Collis For 27. Against 0. Abstain 2.

MW announced that Maurice Randall is duly elected as Captain, Russ Tizard as Vice Captain, Phil Boddy and Richard Collis as Committee members for 2018.

8 Any Other Business

As he was waiting for the voting returns from the adjudicator MW explained the current position with the Winter League.

MW explained that last year we held a Local Winter league with five clubs, Barton on Sea, Bramshaw, Came Down, Weymouth and Knighton Heath. The league matches were very competitive but after the matches kept informal for dress code and bar type meals. The informality was well received by all clubs. Weymouth won the league and the Winter League Shield was presented after an invitational day Bowmaker competition for the five teams at Knighton Heath.

This year three other clubs have asked to join the Winter League, Meyrick Park, Salisbury and S/W and Purbeck. The league will now be split into an East and West Division to reduce the number of matches and the amount of travelling. The winners of the East/ West Divisions will play each other for the Shield.

No questions were received in writing before the meeting.

The Captain asked for any Questions from the floor.

Question 1 from the floor asked why the Seniors Open Events were so expensive for club members to enter. GD explained that he gets no discount for members meals and most of the entry fee goes on the prizes. The club have now asked for donation for each visitor. Hence there is only a small entrance fee reduction for home players.

Question 2 from the floor asked if the Seniors Match Sheets could be made larger and clearer. RB responded by stating that a larger sheet was available but these were not passed to him within the time frame for the sheets to be displayed and he was having to use the older smaller match sheets. Also when several matches are to be displayed there is not enough room on the notice board to use the larger sheets.

MR asked the members present how they thought the roll ups were working for the Seniors. Is there enough time set aside for the roll ups or are they clashing with the Ladies roll ups or visitors and societies. The response from two roll up organisers is that the roll ups are growing from new members joining and reaching a maximum number for the start time available. It is an important way of welcoming new members to the Seniors.

MR asked Bill Lennon who is a director of the club and is on the Management Committee how the club feels the Seniors are run. The Management Committee think the Seniors make a useful contribution to the club. There is always a problem from the Auditors each year with the Seniors Account balance. There is a lot of pressure at the club for tee times/reservations and there has to be a balance between sections. All golf issues are controlled by the Captains Committee on which the Seniors are represented by the Seniors Captain and Vice captain.

MR thanked all the members for attending and closed the meeting.

9 Date of Next AGM Meeting.

The committee have again been asked by the General Manager to have the next Seniors AGM before the club AGM. The next Seniors AGM date is Monday 3rd September 2018, starting time to be confirmed.

The AGM meeting closed at 10.20.

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Men's Senior's Section Captain

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