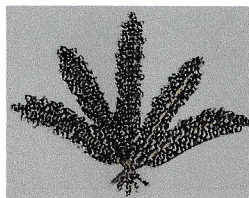


KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB



MEN'S SENIORS SECTION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

1 November 2022 - 9.30am

Present Jeff Gee (JG), Derek Haines (DH), Graham Paine (GP), Brian Saunders (BS), Peter Battley (PB), Andrew Curtis (AC), Steve Grundy (SG)

Apologies: David Warburton, John Regler

Richard Pearce, the immediate past captain, was co-opted onto the committee, recognising that his experience and knowledge would be of great value.

Action

1 Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 4 October 2022

A typographical error was noted and a correction agreed. The minutes were then accepted and signed.

2 Matters Arising/Actions from Previous Meetings

The entrance for the Knighton Heath Knockout has been set at £60.

Potential costs of food for the Seniors Open events had been obtained for budgeting purposes. Although there is some uncertainty in these it was agreed that the proposed increase in entry fee to £120 per team was reasonable and probably the maximum acceptable. Entry forms for the Wine Scramble have been issued.

3 Finance

Seniors' Accounts - JG had circulated the latest balance sheet and income and expenditure account. This showed the position up to 30 September 2022.

JG was asked to confirm that the Charity money in the seniors account would be payable in the last week of November. This is necessary in order to enable the charity to benefit from the matching funds in the Big Give.

JG

The Big Give requires the donation to be matched to come from individuals. Recognising that all the funds raised had been made by individuals it was agreed that JG is authorised to make the payment to the charity and reclaim the amount from the seniors charity fund.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

DH

4 Report from Captains' Committee/MANCO

DH reported that a trial of online entry for matches had been initiated. Entry for seniors' matches is presently made via a notice on the Seniors Notice Board. It was agreed that there could not be two means of entering names for matches. The present process is that the first 12 names entered on the entry sheet are selected (for the first of two matches in a fixture). There are spaces for reserves who are called upon if needed. Those that play in the first match are invited to play in the corresponding away/home fixture..

An online entry process needs to be able to support the manner in which the Seniors' Committee wishes to operate match selection. DH was actioned to seek clarification on how the How Did I Do system operates. GP and DW will then investigate how the system can be used to deliver the Committee's requirements.

**DH
GP/DW**

5 Competitions

Maurice Randall will be organising the Knighton Heath Knockout. DH will "shadow" Maurice with a view to taking over the role for 2024.

A date of 16 July 2023 has been agreed with the Lady Captain for the Doug Proctor competition.

It was agreed that the Bottle Competition will consist of three divisions. The first five players in each division will receive a bottle. SG will procure wines within the budget. There will be no meal included as part of the competition.

SG

SG was asked to compile a "book" which will include details of the rules and arrangements of all the senior competitions. This will provide reference material for the future.

SG

6 2022 Matches

Two matches for the Winter League have been arranged by Richard Collis. It needs to be decided whether online booking or notices should be used for these matches. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

BS

Canford School has asked for matches with Knighton Heath to be reinstated. It was agreed that the fixture lists for 2023 and 2024 are full. The new fixture with Southampton is provisional for two years. Canford School's request could be considered once the continuing status of the Southampton fixture has been decided. DH will reply to Canford school to this effect.

DH

7 Richard Collis

It was noted that Richard Collis had been elected to the Management Committee. He has resigned from the Seniors Committee. In accordance with the decision taken at the AGM, Andrew Curtis becomes a committee member.

The AGM decision is copied here for reference.

“[Mike Wakeham] proposed if Richard

Collis was elected to MANCO at the club AGM then whoever came second in

tonight’s vote (and had been successfully elected) would fill the vacancy left by

Richard. This was agreed by the meeting.”

AC had been voted second at the AGM.

8 Seniors Questionnaire

BS described the findings of the questionnaire which were set out in his paper. It was noted that four seniors had indicated a willingness to join the committee. It was agreed that BS would pass the names onto DH. DH will contact them to thank them for their interest and to say that, although there is no vacancy at present, their interest will be noted and they may be contacted should an opportunity for them to assist the committee arise.

DH

It was agreed that the level of interest in a nine hole qualifier justified taking this matter forward. It was suggested that a nine hole competition could be run simultaneously within an 18 hole competition. SG, with JR and GP will confirm that this is possible. It was observed that the recognised nine hole course includes holes 1-7 and 10 and 11. SG will seek confirmation that if players play holes 8 and 9 while playing a nine hole competition, the score will remain qualifying.

SG/JR/GP

SG

The replies showed a strong preference for moving the Seniors Dinner away from Christmas, but there was no clear preference for an alternative date. It was agreed that the next Newsletter should propose a February dinner and seek an indicative level of interest.

DH

The question on any other matters affecting seniors had received a wide range of responses. A significant number related to concern about the increases in the cost of food and drink at the club. Recognising that the Club has recently taken action over these costs it was agreed that no further action should be taken by the Seniors Committee over this.

Some concern had been raised about drawn competitions and playing in handicap order.

It was agreed that an opportunity should be taken to reiterate the reasons these decisions and that only one competition is played in handicap order and that brings the seniors into line with the club championships and normal practice.

Richard Collins was picked out of the draw for the box of balls.

BS was asked to produce a summary of the findings and the response of the Committee that could be included in a Newsletter.

BS

The questionnaire replies showed that a majority of the respondents did not know any or only one of the committee members. It was agreed that photos of the members will be taken at the next meeting to be displayed on the Seniors Notice Board in the changing rooms.

9 Greenkeepers Lunch

The lunch with the greenkeepers has been arranged for 6 December at 12:00. All committee members are invited to attend.

10 Correspondence

None

11 Any Other Business

The Poppy Day competitions will run for five days in a row in November. JG stated that he believes that, despite the worthiness of the charity, it is wrong that members are effectively obliged to contribute if they wish to play golf in this period. He asked DH to raise this matter at the Captains' Committee. JG also questioned why the Monday Poppy Day event was titled "Seniors". He feels it should be open to all members.

DH

Date of next meeting: 6 December 2022 9.30 a.m. in the Club House.



SIGNED _____

Men's Seniors Section Captain

DATE 6/11/2022