

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB



MEN'S

SENIOR

SECTION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

15th April 2014

Present: David Duckenfield (DD), Richard Pearce (RP), Doug Procter (DP), George Davies (GD), Peter Keeping (PK), Rod Baggott (RB), Paul Donaldson (PD), Mike Whittingham (MW), Andy Groom (AG), Ted Coates (EC), Reunert Bauser (Club Manager) part time

DD took the chair and opened the meeting at 10am

Item

Action

1 Welcome and Apologies

DD welcomed all committee members to the meeting
There were no apologies

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting (11th March 2014)

The minutes were considered an accurate record of the meeting and were signed by the Seniors' Captain.

3 Matters Arising

DD stated that all matters arising will be covered by the agenda items.

4 Report From The Captain's Committee

DD reported that the change of Senior section name to Men's Senior Section is approved.

The Captian stated that the club rules should be redrafted and discussed at an EGM before being presented at the next Club AGM. A rules subcommittee will be set up and RP will represent the Seniors on this committee.

MW has drawn up a suggested set of rules for the senior section which will have to be considered and discussed fully once the new Club rules are drafted. MW will submit 2 draft copies to the Seniors' Captain and vice-Captain to be circulated as considered necessary. It was agreed that the eligible age for Seniors must be incorporated.

MW/DD

DD stated that this item must be kept on the agenda with updates from RP at each meeting.

EC

The kitchen refurbishment is now complete.

Reports have been received that certain members are disappointed that they were unable to use the course during the winter and were considering joining another club.

The management committee has reported that some new members have been seen practising on the course and/or starting play from tees other than the 1st or 11th tees.

Additional advertising is being considered for the Mountbatten roundabout. Request for a brown road sign have been considered and corporate membership is being considered to increase club revenue. Accommodation has been identified for "Stay and Play" deals.

DP stated that the Club website does not have up to date minutes for the Captain's Committee or the Management Committee. DD to raise at next Captain's meeting

DD

5 Treasurers Report

The Treasurers report was tabled and accepted by the meeting with thanks to GD from the Seniors Captain. A copy was distributed at the meeting.

GD reported that the bank balance is currently healthy because entry fees to the Senior Open and KHKO have been received.

GD advised that the balance on the Seniors' Club Bar Card is shown as Clubcard credit on the balance sheet. He emphasised that it is all members' responsibility to keep track of their accounts. This can be done on home computers or by using the computers in the Clubhouse foyer or the professionals shop.

GD reported that the addition of an all-day breakfast after the Captain v Vice-Captain match did not result in an increased turnout or larger numbers staying for the results ceremony, as hoped. It was agreed that for next year the event should have a shotgun start with food afterwards, to hopefully attract more interest.

DD agreed to put a case to the Captain's Committee for an additional shotgun start bearing in mind the additional revenue which will be generated from Senior participants remaining in the bar after the match.

DD

6 Match Reports

RB reported that four matches had been played since the last meeting and results were:-

Highhcliffe	Away	Won	3½ - 2½
Burley	Home	Won	5 - 1
Canford Magna	Away	Lost	4½ - 1½
Hamptworth	Away	Lost	4½ - 1½

Team sheets are now posted for Parkstone Home and Sherbourne Home and the entry sheets for Came Down and Rushmore are also on the notice board.

DD commented that we had been short of entries for Burley and Canford Magna. RB stated that the cause was late withdrawals due to unforeseen circumstances. He added that although we have lost the services of some of the "old stalwarts" new members are giving good support.

7 Competition Secretaries Report

DP advised that he had requested that the Club Manager attend the meeting for a short while to explain how the computerised entry system operates.

The Club manager was summoned and explained that there are two steps to the process:-

- 1) Entering the competition – this can be done on a home computer, using the How-Did-I-Do website, on the computer in the professionals shop or by telephoning the professional who will make the entry on the computer for the member
- 2) Registering for the competition – this is done by swiping the members Club card in the professionals shop immediately before playing the competition.

Stage 2 deducts the entry fee from the members account. If members fail to register they are disqualified from the competition and the computer will not accept their score.

The Manager explained that withdrawal from the competition is possible up to 24 hours before the competition start time. At this point there is a cut off allowing further entries but no withdrawals.

Following completion of the competition GD and the Manager reconcile the accounts by allocating 10% of the entry fee to the Seniors' Club bar card and the

appropriate prize money to the winners' Club bar cards

DP added that for team competitions (Texas scrambles, Bowmakers, etc) it is essential that all members of the team swipe their cards to register.

It was agreed that a notice must be displayed in the professionals shop and on the Seniors' notice board to remind competitors of the importance of signing in with swipe cards.

DP

DD thanked the Manager for his help.

DP advised two possible dates for the rearranged match against the Ladies section (postponed due to course closure) they are 22nd June or 13th July.

Notices are on the Seniors' board for the two May competitions.

DP advised that the draw for the two Seniors' knockout competitions will be done by the Professional who will exhibit them on the Seniors' notice board. The "play by" dates are synchronised with those for the Club dates.

DP expressed concern that once the draw for the Woodland shield is shown on the notice board members will add their names in empty spaces. Following lengthy discussions it was agreed that no further entries will be accepted after the draw is published on 21st April. This will ensure a random mix of playing partners to foster camaraderie among the Senior Section. DD will add a note above the entry notice to explain that entries close on 21st April.

DD

RP enquired how the all-day breakfast is paid for. GD advised that he receives an invoice from the Manager which he pays by BACS transfer.

8. Knighton Heath Knockout

AG reported that the two Preliminary matches have been played. The results were:-

Knighton Heath 2 lost to High Post 6½ to:3½

Dudsbury 1 lost to Weymouth 6½ to:3½

Weymouth are now at home to High Post in the 1st round proper.

Two matches have been played in the first round proper. The results were:-

Barton on Sea beat Canford School 9:1 at home

Hockley beat Hayling 6:4 at home.

AG reported that Yeovil are having trouble getting agreement for dates from West Wilts and have offered 4 so far. If the last is rejected the match should awarded to Yeovil.

AG reported that all competing Captains have been asked if they would prefer the format as 4BBB. Replies so far indicate that the existing format is fine. It was agreed that the singles format will be retained as it is the only local Seniors competition of this kind. AG commented that Clubs view this competition seriously and are entering strong teams.

AG asked if Weymouth have now paid their entry fee. GD advised that they have.

9 Seniors' Open Competition

GD reported that entries are slightly up on this time last year. He added that he has received 4 entries from golfers in the West Midlands as a result of the advertisement on the Dorset County Golf website.

GD emphasised that Captains of match teams must promote our open in their after dinner speeches as this is our main source of income. It was agreed that each Captain should provide a few entry forms to be distributed to potential entrants. RP will arrange copies with the Manager

RP

DP raised the topic of Committee members playing in the event stating that some Committee members have been prevented from entering in the past because of

their duties in organising the event. After considerable discussion it was agreed that RP and GD will draw up a schedule of duties and provide a task rota to allocate the duties more equally

GD explained that the current policy is to only open the event to KHGC Seniors if all places are not taken up by visitors.

DD proposed that KHGC members playing with a guest from another club should have the opportunity to enter immediately, with the entry fee at the member's rate. This was seconded by RB and passed 6 votes to 3 with 1 abstention.

DD proposed charges will be £20 for visitors and £15 for members for this year. This was seconded by DP and passed 7 votes to 2 with 1 abstention.

It was proposed by DD and seconded by RB that the first prize should go to visiting golfers only. This motion was carried.

10 Nomination and Voting Procedure.

See Item 4 paragraph 2

MW

11 Correspondence

There has been none since the last meeting

12 Any Other Business

AG reported at a recent Seniors home match service had been slow and a complaint had been made directly to staff. The club policy is that any complaints should be directed through the Club Manager. It is hoped that anyone who has strong views about difficulties within the club would not voice these publicly to prevent damage to our reputation. DD will seek to resolve issues of this nature to the satisfaction of the committee.

DD

RB commented that many of our opponents have 11am start times for the Seniors' Matches and suggested that this should be brought to the attention of the management to be applied to our matches. DD to progress with Captain's Committee.

RB asked if entry fees for the Wine Scramble will be the same as the 4BBB Open. GD advised that this would be the case.

DD

PD tabled artwork for a possible replacement Club tie. This received the approval of the Committee.

DD

19 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Tuesday 13th May 2014 at 2pm

The meeting closed at 4.30 pm

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Men's Senior's Section Captain