KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB



MEN'S SENIORS SECTION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

4 April 2023 - 9.30am

Present Jeff Gee (JG), Graham Paine (GP), Brian Saunders (BS), Peter Battley (PB), Andrew Curtis (AC), Derek Haines (DH), John Regler (JR), Richard Pearce (RP)

Apologies: Steve Grundy

1 Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 7 March

The minutes were accepted and signed.

2 Matters Arising/Actions from Previous Meetings

The Newsletter had been issued and will be put on the Notice Board.

The group of senior members that had received a letter about slow play had met with DH and PB. The meeting was constructive. DH and PB will suggest to the Captain's Committee that the procedure for dealing with slow play complaints be amended to ensure that the initial stage is an informal conversation rather than immediately sending a disciplinary letter.

DH/PB

Three sponsors for the Wine Scramble and the Seniors' Open have been found.

A Physio will provide two free sessions for each event.

RT Swimming Pool Service will provide £1200 in return for their signage being displayed. Poole Audi will provide three prizes for each event.

The Seniors Captain at Dudsbury has suggested that we exchange four ball vouchers. It was agreed that the Dudsbury voucher should be used as a prize in a silent auction at the Wine Scramble.

3 Finance

JG set out the experience so far of the delivery of the requirements of the Service Level Agreement (SLA).

It was agreed that a letter be sent to the Management Committee setting out the concerns of the Seniors Committee. JG was to draft a letter for comment by all Seniors Committee members.

However, an email communication was subsequently received (5th April) from the General Manager showing that emails were sent to JG on 8th February and 6th March, although these were never received by JG. The February report was attached to the 6th March email. The General Manager also indicated that the Management Committee intended to seek a change to the SLA to allow production of the monthly report within 10 working days of month end (instead of on the last working day of the month).

JG

The March report was also received on 5th April.

4 Report from Captains' Committee/MANCO

There has been no meeting.

5 Competitions

A 9-hole competition has been planned and announced for Monday 17. However, it appears that this has not been set up on the booking system and 18-hole rounds have been booked in the period allocated to the 9-hole competition. DH will discuss this with Andy Windsor.

6 Matches

Southampton have not responded to queries about the provision of coffee before the planned friendly match. DH will ring the Southampton fixtures secretary.

DH

JG pointed out to the committee that the rules had changed relating to standing behind a partner putting in a 4-ball competition. Rule 23a states that it is not allowed to stand on or close to the line of a partners' putt. It was felt that this rule might not be widely known and that it could usefully be included in a future Newsletter.

GΡ

GP has written to Came Down about handicap limits. Knighton Heath will not impose a limit.

Ashly Wood have not yet been contacted about their approach to visitors not staying for a meal after a match. DH will talk to Ashley Wood at the forthcoming match.

DH

The sign-up sheet for the Ashley Wood away match will include a note to ask players to confirm whether or not they will stay for the meal and that any change to this must be made at least 3 days in advance of the match.

There are two spare spaces for the Wine Scramble. Helpers will be needed for the event. A notice requesting helpers will be posted on the Notice Board preloaded with those already recruited.

7 Seniors Newsletter

The Newsletter was issued.

8 Correspondence

None

9. Any Other Business

Winter League: DH proposed that the meals for Alan Hebditch, who was the Starter, and Richard Pearce, who organised the league, should be paid for from Seniors' funds. This was agreed with one abstention.

The Finals Day (3 April) was a great success with attendees praising the event and the food.

Knighton Heath won the final.

There had been a significant delay in serving the meal. The last table received its food at 6:20 whereas it had been due at 5:00.

The staff present worked extremely hard but it was felt that the event was understaffed. Because of the lateness of serving a significant number of puddings and after meal coffees were wasted. A letter will be sent to Simon Rook, the Management Committee and The Club Manager setting out the issue to help to ensure that future events do not suffer the same problems.

Date of next meeting: 2 May 2023

SIGNED_
Men's Seniors Section Captain

DATE ____9 May 2023_____