

# **KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB**



## **MEN'S SENIORS SECTION**

### **MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING**

**7 March 2023 - 9.30am**

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

**Apologies:** None

#### **1 Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 7 February**

The minutes were accepted, subject to an agreed change to Item 2, and signed.

#### **2 Matters Arising/Actions from Previous Meetings**

The 9 Hole Competition was advertised in the latest Newsletter.

A meeting between DH and PB has been arranged with those senior members that received a letter from the Captains Committee about alleged slow play.

It was agreed that documented guidance on maintaining speed of play will be sought and will be provided to all seniors.

It was confirmed that the "90 Degree Rule" does require that trolleys are left to the side of the fairway while players move to their ball to play their shot. This can contribute to slow play.

DH is awaiting replies from potential sponsors of the Wine Scramble.

#### **3 Finance**

JG had not received the financial statement from the Club Manager as required by the Service Level Agreement. This meant that he was unable to provide a Finance Report. He was also therefore unable to confirm whether the cost of inscribing competition result boards had been refunded to the Seniors account as requested. This payment had not been authorised in accordance with the SLA.

#### **4 Report from Captains' Committee/MANCO**

The previous Captains' Committee had determined that the Veterans' Cup due to be played on the Coronation Bank Holiday was to be replaced by a mixed competition. The Veteran's Cup will now be played on 5 June.

#### **5 Competitions**

A change to the rules governing qualifying events has meant that the course did not meet the qualifying standard for a number of competitions. This was because of reduced distances on some holes. The Greens Committee is considering options to address this issue.

There have been some problems with the booking system for the Captain/ Vice Captain event. It is believed that these have been corrected. A Newsflash will be used to inform senior members that they should be able to enter if they wish, as there are still spaces.

**DH**

The Nine Hole Competition will be held on 17 April. Cards for the Nine Hole course from the yellow tees will need to be ordered for the event. It has been confirmed that players will be able to play holes 8 and 9 that do not form part of the nine-hole course. This will not be deemed to be "practising on the course". The event will begin at 11:30.

It had been agreed that the committee would monitor the split of players between the different divisions in competition. The split for the recent Bottles Competition was:

Division 1 23 players

Division 2 22 players

Division 3 29 players

#### **6 Matches**

The start sheets for the first two matches have been put on the Notice Board.

Came Down Club has asked whether we apply a maximum handicap in friendly matches. It was agreed that we should not. GP will inform Came Down

**GP**

Ashley Wood have written to say that some visiting players have not stopped for the meal without giving notice. They use external caterers that charge for missed meals at a rate of 50% if 48 hours' notice is given or 100% if 24 hours' notice is given. They asked that visiting teams provide firm numbers 7 days ahead. The committee felt that this would be unworkable and that instead we could agree to meet the 48/24 hour requirement. The

committee agreed that, in general, if a player chose not to stay for a match meal without prior notice, they would be expected to pay the cost incurred by the home club. If there were exceptional circumstances that caused such costs for the home team, the Knighton Heath captain of the day could cover the cost and be reimbursed subsequently.

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.

GP will respond to Ashley Wood.

**GP**

## **7 Seniors Newsletter**

The Nine Hole Competition will be “advertised” in the next Newsletter including the ruling on playing holes 8 and 9.

**DH**

## **8 Correspondence**

None

## **9 Any Other Business**

Winter League: The home fixture against Canford School will be played on Thursday 16 March. Special dispensation was sought for this as home Winter League matches should be played on Mondays.

There are outstanding matches remaining in the league but it is expected that these will be played before the due date of the Winter League final.

The Final Day (3 April) will include the final match and an event for teams of 6 invited from the other clubs in the league. There will be meal with a budget set at £20.

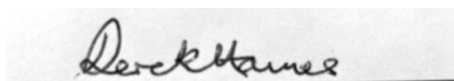
It was agreed that two potential additional clubs, Came Down and Dorset Golf and Country Club that have indicated a desire to join the Winter League, should be asked to confirm that they will join. Dates accommodating the extra matches have been included in the Diary.

Seniors Brochure: It was agreed that a new brochure would not be produced. The photos of the Committee Members will be posted in the Locker Room and may be used in other communications with the senior membership.

Captain/Vice Captain Competition Catering: It was agreed that there would be no special catering (for example an all-day breakfast) for this event as there would not be a shot gun start.

Club Communication: It was agreed that it was unfortunate that obituaries for club members had been incorporated within newsletters covering other events and matters. This was felt to be insensitive. It was agreed that this should be brought to the attention of the Management Committee.

**Date of next meeting:** 4 April 2023

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**SIGNED** \_\_\_\_\_  
Men's Seniors Section Captain

**DATE**        4 April 2023