

WARKWORTH GOLF CLUB

COMMITTEE MINUTES 12th JUNE 2019

Present:

ML (Chair), DC (Captain), TC (Secretary), GD (Treasurer), JG, DM, KD, CD (lady Captain), KB, PL

Apologies: None

Membership: noted that RB has resigned as Match Secretary due to family commitments. He will continue to carry out the duties whilst a replacement is sought.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held 8th May were approved as a true record.

Matters Arising not Covered Elsewhere:

1. The Secretary advised that the revised procedure for recording visitors will go live on Friday.
2. Noted that the momento for RY in recognition of his course record is in hand.
3. The Secretary advised that the contract with BRS has been signed and we are awaiting them setting us up.
4. The Greenkeeper has been given the up-to-date fixture list.
5. The website has been updated to include details of bar opening hours.
6. ML advised that the signage is all on order and should be delivered in the next couple of weeks.

Correspondence:

1. Letter from SW concerning rules for arranging knock-out matches. Revised procedure agreed that will be introduced for the 2020 competition.
2. Letter from RY concerning the 2018 outing bus money. Agreed it was impractical to arrange a refund and so the money will be used for the specific purpose of improving the course for the benefit of members. The Greens Committee will agree what to purchase in conjunction with the Greenkeeper.
3. Letter from DG concerning 'no-shows' for competitions. Agreed the past practice of warning then banning for two competitions would be reintroduced.

Membership and Finance:

The Treasurer tabled the May income figures (previous year in brackets)

Item withheld

Overall membership is running well ahead of budget but green fee income remains a concern.

Current membership is 188 men (+5 in the month), 24 ladies (+1) and 32 juniors (+6) 30 boys and 2 girls.

Discussion over payments to/income from franchisee. Agreed ML and GD would meet to agree the current position and then meet with CL to resolve any issues.

Greens Matters

DM took members through the minutes of the June greens committee. No issues requiring committee action.

There was a discussion over the state of the fairways. Advice from County is that the Club could only re-introduce preferred lies on limited fairways. It was decided this would be too difficult to action - requirement for notices etc and possible confusion by players. Noted that work on the fairways to fill divots is planned. Agreed that the Greens Committee would discuss with the Greenkeeper how to repair fairways in a staged way - likely to require significant area of fairways being dealt with to be designated GUR.

Handicaps/Competitions:

1. JG will assist TC run the Open Scramble on 16th June.
2. TC will arrange assistance to run the NNL Field Day on 22nd June.
3. The Captain advised that his company will henceforth sponsor the Whisky Foursomes and it will be called The Lakes Distillery Whisky Foursome. Agreed that it would be moved to a week-end and this year run on Sunday 7th July, 3.00pm Shotgun start.
4. ML/DC to liaise to agree a date for the annual Chairman v Captain Ryder Cup match.
5. The Secretary will contact PD to see what, if anything, is planned for the Joe Shotton day. If he is not arranging evening entertainment then the Club will.
6. Agreed that for the Club Championship players should go out in reverse handicap order. The Secretary will organise but is away on the day so a substitute will be needed to run the event.

House/Social Matters:

KD updated members on progress. The decorating is complete and the carpet tiles have been laid. A new dryer supplied by ML is awaiting fitting in the ladies toilets. The excess chairs on the decking are to be moved into the back of the trolley shed.

The kitchen requires finishing following the re-wiring - metal splashback (ML) and some holes to be filled.

CL has purchased a blind for the dining area and would like a H/C boiler behind the bar. ML will look into this, especially electric demand.

DM intends to check the wiring in the coming week..

Personnel:

No matters

Captain's Matters:

The Captain thanked KB for his help on the outing which went well.

Tickets are on sale for the Captain's day disco and he asked members to 'spread the word'. There was some discussion over 'the Captain's Putter' and it was agreed this be discontinued now there is a trophy.

He is hoping to put on another event and organise the annual dinner. However, he will be unable to present the Championship Medal on August 10th - ML will stand in.

Ladies' Matters:

No matters.

Seniors' Matters:

The Secretary advised that the section was intending to purchase a seat to replace the metal one by the 1st tee.

Juniors Matters:

Junior coaching is being well supported.

The next event is the R I Scott Trophy on Sunday 30th June. The Captain will try to attend to present the cup to the winner.

Marketing:

Agreed to place a September advert.

Health and Safety:

The risk assessments for the shed remain outstanding. DM will take this up with the Greenkeeper to ensure they are done as a matter of some urgency.

Any Other Business:

1. Agreed we should reconsider prices for visiting parties.

Date of Next Meeting:

Agreed as Wednesday 10th July, 7.00pm