

## WARKWORTH GOLF CLUB

### COMMITTEE MINUTES 8th MAY 2019

#### **Present:**

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

**Apologies:** PL, RB (match secretary)

#### **Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

The minutes of the meeting held 13th March were approved as a true record after noting that KB had given his apologies which had not been recorded.

#### **Matters Arising not Covered Elsewhere:**

1. No further information about a charity event with the Co-Op but noted that ex-greenkeeper APD is doing the Coast-to-Coast walk and any sponsorship money is going the British Heart Foundation.
2. The Secretary advised that we are still awaiting delivery of the visitors bag tags.
3. Noted that the momento for RY in recognition of his course record is in hand.
4. The Secretary advised that the contract with BRS has been signed and we are awaiting them setting us up. The system includes BRS pay which means that in future players will be able to pay for open competitions when booking.
5. The secretary reported that APD is delighted that he is to be an honorary member.

#### **Correspondence:**

None

#### **Membership and Finance:**

The Treasurer tabled the April income figures (previous year in brackets)  
Item withheld

Overall membership is running well ahead of budget but green fee income remains a concern. However, it should be noted that 2017/18 was the Club's best year ever, by a considerable margin. Comparing the four months from the start of the year the comparable figures are: 2017 - £7415; 2018 - £11304; 2019 - £7192

Current membership is 183 men, 24 ladies and 30 juniors - 22 boys and 4 girls.

#### **Greens Matters**

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

Noted that the greenkeeper requires access to the fixture list. After some discussion it was agreed he should not have access to the members area of the website (which is where the fixture list is held) and that the Secretary will provide him with a print-out.

**Handicaps/Competitions:**

- The match secretary is not able to run the bank holiday scrambles due to other commitments. He has posted the start sheet for 27th May and ML will close the competition. At the request of members the start time will be moved back to 5.00pm.
- the Lady Captain advised that her Captain's Day will run from 12.00 - 4.30pm. As usual a 9 hole am/pm medal will be organised for the men.

**House/Social Matters:**

KD updated members on progress with the decorating.

DM has not had the time to look further at the wiring and will report back at a future meeting.

In view of competing attractions the proposed social event on 1st June will be re-thought and possible postponed to a later date.

ML asked for views on how the recently agreed franchise with CH is progressing. Generally satisfaction but some concern over no payments for stock bought or the actual franchise. The Treasurer will follow this up with CH. We also need to get actual opening hours so these can go on the website.

**Personnel:**

No matters

**Captain's Matters:**

The Captain update on progress with the outing. He will organise the betting sheet.

He intends to run a disco on Captain's Day.

**Ladies' Matters:**

Noted the County Ladies v juniors match is on Sunday 19th May. The tee is reserved from 11.00am. The Secretary will check what tees they will use and advise the greenkeeper. Noted the Captain, Lady Captain should be there to greet the executive. Other members of the committee if available.

**Seniors' Matters:**

None

**Juniors Matters:**

A field of 10 had compete for the Chairman's Cup - the best junior field for some years.

Junior coaching starts at 6.00pm on Monday 13th May. RW is liaising with LH and any member of the committee is welcome to come along and see how it goes.

**Marketing:**

The website has been updated to show the cost of joining from May to the end of the year.

**Health and Safety:**

ML questioned the completeness of greens risk assessments. DM will check that all is in order with the greenkeeper.

**Any Other Business:**

1. ML reported that he has agreed for the updated signage to be provided in return for a golf morning. ML will arrange and advise the Secretary of the date so the tee can be booked. The draft signage has been sent to all committee members and any comments to ML by Friday 17th May.
2. ML reported on the idea for a reciprocal agreement with Ryton. There was some concern expressed over how the reduced fee would be managed and also activity over the winter period. ML will report back at the next meeting.

**Date of Next Meeting:**

Agreed as Wednesday 8th May, 7.00pm