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Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 13th September 2016, at 7.00pm

Present: - Kevin Willis (Chairperson), Rae Muir, Pam Bull, Elliot Coulter, Andy Hendry, Craig Clark, David Wallace, Alex Coull, Duncan Laing, Diane Gibb, Graeme Turnbull and Fiona Hendry .

Apologies: - Gerry Santangeli.

Welcome: - Acting Chairperson Kevin welcomed everyone to the meeting. The Committee wished the Captain well with regards to the timing of his impending operation and recovery thereafter.

Previous Minutes: - Proposed – Andy Hendry and Seconded – Pam Bull

Matters arising: - Golf Seminar at North Berwick GC Monday 26th September – A.Coull and G.Turnbull will attend, the cost is £25 each, and this was approved.

Letter to Rab Hanney was emailed to him outlining Club's thanks and viewpoint on future Kevin Phillips Memorial Trophy competition.

Secretary's Items: - 2 SGU vouchers for payment and a letter for the attention of the Captain.

Finance Report: - Men's accounts - >positive movement in month of £1541 - balance at end of August was £32,346 >Ladies account - positive movement in month of £637 - balance at end of >August was £7,127

>House account - positive movement in month of £4,385 (excluding VAT) - >balance at end of August was £31,262.

Andy enquired as to where the incoming sponsorship monies had been banked and asked that receipts be provided to the donors.

David explained that his Sub-committee are working on a year end of the 20th September. The main account will be with the Bank of Scotland.

David intimated that he would like all the current Chairperson's to prepare a Budget requirement for the forthcoming year.

House Report: - Graeme circulated a current account sheet of the House Income and Expenditure (Appendix A). He noted that there has been a welcome increase in bar income, but the overall trend would be a decrease on the previous year.

There was a discussion on the main stair carpet and Graeme was to get a formalised quote with an immediate order made for a replacement to the first floor only. This action was approved by a vote. It was hoped that this would be in place for the Ladies Presentation Dance on the 26th November. Duncan asked to be kept informed as to when the old carpets would be lifted as he hoped to install network cabling to the exposed floors before any new carpets are laid.

Concern was expressed regarding items left in the foyer, alleyway, outside and in the lounge. Duncan volunteered to get table taken to tip, this has been done. Andy offered to sound out the Council regarding securing space within Visitor's Changing Room for items such as the barbecue, patio tables and chairs.

Match and Handicap's Report: - Craig and Pam reported on the various competitions played recently Hussein Ali Memorial Trophy, St. Margaret's Open, September Medal, Ladies Outing and Ladies September Medal.

Craig also reported that all but two prizes have been sent out or handed over to the recipients. There had been concern expressed by a winner regarding the location of the prize/donation. Andy explained it had been extremely difficult to secure prizes for all the holes and it was a case of

accepting what he could at such short notice. Clearly the appropriate Sub-committee have to get their organisation of this competition prepared well in advance next year.

It was suggested that both the Ladies and Men's' trophies should be collated and presented as one lot for engraving to David.

As the forthcoming September Match play Finals are over 18 holes, no meals will be provided.

Green's Report: - Andy presented the minutes of his recent meeting (Appendix B) to those present.

With regards to the provision of on-course bins there has been no positive news from either ELC or Enjoy Leisure with regards to sourcing them or paying for them.

Andy was also pleased to report that the Greens Sub-committee had met last night and the following proposals were discussed:-

- Provision of Y metal sections as supports for rakes
- Sand in the bunkers
- Tee Marker Alignment
- 6th Medal tee to be strimmed
- Concern regarding condition of the 6th and 15th greens
- Replacement Astroturf for paths

These will be discussed further with the Head Green Keeper. Also Andy would discuss with the Head Green Keeper what items could be removed from the Visitor's Area and stored within the storage shed.

The greens are due to be aerated immediately after the Finals Day.

Junior's Report: - The Junior September Medal saw nobody turn up to play, it will be re-scheduled.

The Junior Coaching Programme on Saturdays has been well attended.

The vouchers for coaching lessons are in hand.

A list of competition and medal winners will be compiled with a view to

organising a Junior Presentation Night.

Social Report: - Diane reported on a successful quiz night both in the numbers who attended as well as the bar takings on the night.

The Friday Night Sweeps have on occasion fell victim to the weather and the last competition will be on the 30th September.

A Halloween Night is to be scheduled for Saturday 29th October. Tickets will cost £5 and will include a buffet. It is hoped that attendees will dress up in Fancy Dress (although this is not mandatory) and Kevin will be on hand with the Karaoke machine. We will also be looking for donations for an on the night Raffle.

The Kid's Xmas Party will be on the 10th December from 2 until 4pm. It is also hoped that Xmas Meals will be available from 7pm on the same day.

It was also noted that the David Blacklock Trophy match between the Townies and the Out of Townies was currently scheduled on the same day as the Ladies Presentation Dance (26th November), it was agreed to move the match back by one week.

Any other business: - In view of there being two Professionals on duty some days it was agreed to get another laminated car parking sign ordered with a space to be allocated thereafter.

The issue of clearing away the various items currently deposited in the lounge was discussed and they are to be moved out as soon as possible.

Concern was expressed regarding visitors being found in the downstairs locker room with their clubs etc. An inventory of club keys will be drawn up as well as the names of key holders being ascertained.

A long discussion followed with regards to access arrangements for the Ladies Locker Room. Graeme again drew the short straw to organise the purchase and fitting of a new Keypad entry lock for the afore-mentioned room.

Pam stated that the Ladies are due to have a housekeeping/spring clean of past competition scorecards with all unnecessary cards being cleared out and removed.

Diane reported that a Sports & Injury Therapist was interested in possibly renting a room in the clubhouse. Graeme agreed to meet with the lady in question to ascertain her requirements and establish if the option could be taken further.

The issue of Club Diaries versus Fixture Cards was discussed and due to data protection concerns over phone numbers for example as well as the cost implication of production it was decided to remain with the fixture card (which hopefully will be proof read thoroughly) prior to printing.

Access handrails, Bob Wallace in particular has badgered members with the club's lack of disabled access facilities and it was heartening to hear that a club member will provide handrails for the front steps. Craig will liaise with this gentleman with regards to delivery and subsequent installation.

Duncan brought the committee up to speed (no pun intended) regarding superior broadband. It seems the Pro's got the last connection and BT won't install another box until a guaranteed number of subscribers have been achieved. We are in a queue for this but Duncan is clearly doing everything possible with regards to progressing this issue.

The Club's Facebook page is under the control of past member Dougie Muir. This will be closed and a new page connected through the website will be created. Any updates to the website will then be automatically channelled onto the Facebook page.

Duncan forewarned all committee members that at the next meeting he will have his camera ready to take mug shots of all for inclusion on the website.

The Captain's Photos will be collated and prepared for re-hanging. We will look at suggestions as to where they will be located. If we can find the unused frames previously purchased they will be used to allow uniformity in colour and style.

Kevin has spoken to Bruce Bull with regards to him assisting him in a super sub role at the dance. This is principally due to Gerry's ongoing health issues and his potential recuperation period at this time.

With regards to the dance, tickets will be printed with prize-winners being offered the first call. The Caterers will be doing the buffet, price and numbers to be agreed as soon as possible.

As always donations for the raffle are important as the monies accrued contribute to dance costs. David has agreed to further investigate VAT cost implication of monies raised in functions like the dance.

Finally it would appear that we are on track with keepsake choices and collection of all trophies to be engraved.

After a short debate the issue of the letter addressed to the Captain was left to the Captain and Vice-Captain to consider its contents and any further action.

Date of next meeting – Tuesday 18th October at 7pm