



C.D.H. Number - 4105771

Minutes of Men's Committee Meeting

Wednesday, 16th March 2016, at 7.00pm

Present: - Bruce Bull, Gerry Santangeli, Bernie Mullen, Robert Martin, Alex Coull, Elliot Coulter, Kevin Willis, Andy Hendry, Craig Clark, Willie Daisley, Stuart Martin and Callum Richardson.

Apologies: - David Wallace.

Welcome: - The Captain welcomed all to the meeting.

Previous Minutes: - Proposed by Willie Daisley and seconded by Kevin Willis.

Matters arising: - Kevin reported that Enjoy Leisure and ELC are not prepared to purchase and provide new tee markers on the course. This is very disappointing to hear, however, they are needed. Kevin will ascertain costs of markers and we will try to offset the anticipated costs by securing sponsorship. Andy would look into securing sponsorship and this would hopefully alleviate any fears of increased start of season expenditure costs. We would hope to decide on a course of action after the A.G.M.

Craig Clark confirmed that the Defibrillator Case would be erected by the weekend.

Secretary's Items: - We have received letters etc from the following: - 2016 Lombard Trophy, C.H.A.S., Prostate Cancer UK and Sportif Judo.

Treasurer's Report: - Bernie reported that club funds stood at £19700. Disappointingly one member has failed to deposit funds for three consecutive months. A letter requesting early settlement will be sent out, with any future participation in the scheme being denied.

Competition's Report: - With regards to the forthcoming Winter Open it was reported that only 21 spaces were available currently. Volunteers for Starters were asked for. Clarification and proper delineation of G.U.R areas will hopefully be provided allowing for clear advice to all players in the competition.

The Annual Review of Handicaps had occurred with suggested amendments of 2 decreases and 6 increases. David has spoken to all the individuals concerned advising them of the whether the recommendations had been implemented.

Green's Report: - Kevin reported that the green keepers had been active and busy preparing the course.

A long discussion followed on a member's complaint to ELC regarding the new greenside bunker at the 17th. Regarding any reply it was confirmed that it was the Council's responsibility to respond.

It was also noted that the dishing element should be incorporated in all bunkers to bring consistency in course presentation.

Junior's Report: - Committee members and new Professional Gordon Hillson had attended a workshop on Junior Golf at Meadowmill. It was a positive meeting and reassuring to hear that other club's had their own issues regarding junior provision and support.

The Committee wished to congratulate Graeme Turnbull and his fellow Interview Panel members on their choice of Gordon Hillson and Philip Saddler as the Club's New Professionals. Since they took up their position they have quite literally been a 'breath of fresh air'. Thanks also go to Graeme Turnbull, Elliot Coulter, Bruce Bull, Craig Clark, Jimmy Boyle, Robert Martin, Lucy Saddler and last but not least Sheepy for their sterling efforts and technical assistance in the renovation works of the shop. Apologies to anyone who has not been named. Philip and Gordon have also been grateful to the welcome afforded by members as well as the many messages of support as they embark on this new adventure.

Already plans are in place for teaching initiatives as well as quality products being sold in their shop. The guys have been given access to the club's computer to allow them a facility to do administration for them and the club.

House Committee: - John Medley had been in touch to inform the committee of Bob Wallace's concerns regarding disabled access both externally and internally. We will endeavour to secure a copy of any D.D.A. Report on the clubhouse to assess the current situation.

Information regarding future building improvements was also sought. This is a section covered in the forthcoming Member's Survey.

It was also felt that this was a matter for the forthcoming Executive Committee to take on as they will have a better control of current finances.

Satellite television and its provision is currently being investigated.

Any other business: - Kevin reported that plans are well underway for the next Social Evening, which would be a Pig Race Night. Could this be incorporated as a Captain's Welcome Night for members new and old?

Elliot reported that the Outing was fully supported and all deposits collected. The issue of cheques for deposit towards travel have been solved with both £50 cheques cashed and recorded.

Andy Hendry enquired if the practice net would be repaired and hopefully for the Winter Open. This is in hand.

Stuart Martin took the opportunity to give his thanks for the support and help during his time on the committee. In closing he thanked Bruce for his efforts as Captain and wished the Captain and Vice-Captain elect, Gerry Santangeli and Kevin Willis all the best for the future.

Callum thanked those who had participated in the recent Jimmy Hay Memorial match with the Levenhall Arms, it had ended as a draw but Levenhall retained the trophy as current holders.

Also a past member had been in contact regarding clarification about re-joining.

To allow prudent management and overseeing of new membership applications, they would be expected to fill in an application form which would be vetted by any two members of the committee. This should negate the possibility of any delays in approval.

Finally the outgoing Captain Bruce thanked the committee for their hard work and support over the past two years. It has been an emotional

rollercoaster at times but the future looks bright regarding finances, club professionals etc. He finished by wishing his successor Gerry and his Vice Kevin all the best for a successful term of office.

**The date of the next meeting –
Wednesday 13th April at 7.30pm.**