



Minutes of Men's Committee Meeting
Wednesday, 22nd October 2014 at 7.30pm

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

Apologies: - Jimmy Gibb

Welcome: - Captain Bruce Bull welcomed all to the meeting and then informed the Committee that Jimmy Gibb has decided to resign.

The Captain reluctantly accepted his resignation but thanked him for his efforts during his time of service.

Previous Minutes: - Proposed by Kevin Willis and seconded by Elliot Coulter.

Matters arising: - The issue of the use of the Social Fund was discussed at length and clarified.

The George Cowan Memorial Trophy will be dealt with soon as the priority recently has been on the trophies etc for the forthcoming Presentation Dance.

There has been no progress with regards to ELC funding of the urgently needed kitchen floor repairs.

Secretary's Items: SGU Membership Cards (3), C.H.A.S. Newsletter. Letter from Graham MacPherson proposing a 3 person team Texas Scramble on a Saturday for the Hussein Ali Trophy. The suggested date is too close to the Club's own Charity Texas Scramble and it was agreed that Gerry take the earliest opportunity to speak with Graham to discuss the matter further.

An e-mail from Graeme Turnbull was received and the gist of it read out to the Committee. Point 1 referred to the CRUZ Sponsorship Board for the recent St. Margaret's Open. Point 2 concerned a request for a Junior Convenor.

A letter of apology would be sent to Graeme with the Committee's responses to his concerns.

The matter of Sponsorship 'Thank You' letters being posted in most cases along with some being left for uplifting from the bar was also raised by Stuart Martin. The cost saving was minimal and in future all such letters are to be posted

Treasurer's Report: - Bernie reported that club funds currently stood at £17,300 this included 2no. £500 amounts for a) SiMBA and b) either CHAS or Clic Sargent. The Club has written a cheque for £460 for the House to cover the outstanding membership (£200) and £260 towards the Bar Vouchers total (£2260).

We have received our advance warning letter with regards to SGU fees which will be £11 per head.

The new Welcome Club Logo sign account is also due as well as the engraving and keepsakes cost from W.Main.

Competition's Report: - Gerry advised that the trophies and keepsakes were ahead of schedule with David Main heading offshore two days prior to the dance. Late returns of trophies were proving a headache as originally it was thought all cups etc had been returned. It's been a challenge but hopefully everything will be 'alright on the night'.

Attention now will turn to getting the 2015 Season Schedule finalised. Also any updated rules and protocols regarding qualifying, fees etc will be collated and available for the Sub-Committee to make decisions etc.

A notice for this year's Townies v Out of Townies will be posted on the notice board very soon. £5 participation fee will again be levied with the monies to be collected one week in advance of the date of the event.

Notices have been posted regarding costs and rules for the Winter Stableford and Winter Pairs competitions.

Green's Report: - Kevin reported that winter works had started, concentrating on repair/enlarging works on various bunkers. The issue of repairs or replacement toby covers was also raised and Kevin will aim to get an update on this matter.

Kevin also reported that a meeting is due to be scheduled soon with Council officials to report and advice on progress on the winter works and the general condition of the course.

With regards to the bench replacement Kevin will email all committee members with a link to compare and decide on a preferred option.

Junior's Report: - As previously discussed the appointment of a Junior Convenor is seen as a priority.

House Committee: - Nothing to report other than the House Manager John Medley emailed ELC Chief Executive to request a meeting and the matter was passed to her P.A. This did result in the access door being replaced and painted.

Any other Business: Kevin did report that Bob Darling has been approached with regards to the posting of Monthly Minutes in the Clubhouse. It was explained that once approved they are posted on the Members Website and in the Bar.

Both Elliot and Robert confirmed their intention to run the raffle during the Presentation Dance.

With regards to the Dance the Captain confirmed the names of his invited guests.

With regards to a potential function on Hogmanay, the Bar Steward is to be contacted to ascertain the bar opening hours for this particular evening. Also the House Manager will be contacted to have a Winter Bar Opening Hours' Notice posted so that all users are fully aware of these times.

Bruce reported that a final check had been made regards Hall availability for setting up the trophies with Dunbar RBL. The Band also confirmed that will be setting up from around 6.30pm.

Bruce also informed the Committee that the Ladies Dance would be in the Clubhouse on the 29th November with Phil Murray providing the music.

Please contact Pam Bull, Rae Muir or Pauline Oliver if you wish to purchase tickets.

Nominations or suggestion were invited for the post of Inter-Club Match Convenor and without any coercion Callum Richardson volunteered his services, straightaway this was accepted.

It was also proposed that David Marr and Stuart Martin be approached to be this year's Captains for the David Blacklock Trophy Match in December.

The date of the next meeting will be on Wednesday 26th November 2014 at 7.30pm.