

WARKWORTH GOLF CLUB

Note: items deemed confidential have been withheld from the published minutes

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held Monday 23rd January 2017

Present: J A Gray (Chairman), G Sawley (Captain), T Capron (Secretary), G Douglas (Treasurer), C Douglas (Lady Captain), K Dalby, A MacKay, D Metcalfe, J Gray, J Douglas, I Moyes

Apologies: D Coates, R Barratt

Minutes of the Meeting Held Wednesday 14th December 2016:

These were approved as a true record.

Matters arising not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:

- (i) AM is of the opinion that the damp on the committee room is getting worse which suggests the roof is still leaking. GD to follow up with Neil Brown. **Treasurer**
- (ii) No progress on the VAT refund. GD to chase up with the accountant. **Treasurer**
- (iii) The Secretary reported that he has a photo of IM as Safe-Guarding Officer but he has still not yet publicised the position. **Secretary**
- (iv) The Secretary advised that he has not yet followed up the idea of a defibrillator. **Secretary**
- (v) It was noted that CCTV has been fitted to the machinery shed. The required is ready and will be posted shortly. **DM**
- (vi) Following queries from members about the recent handicap review the Match Sect explained the process and how decisions are reached.
- (vii) It was agreed the 'Big Raffle' is over-priced and it was agreed to have a ticket cost of £5 rather than the £10 previously agreed. **Secretary**

Correspondence

A letter from the Lady Captain concerning Honorary Memberships was considered. It was agreed that if the Club is to continue giving Honorary Memberships there needs to be some proper criteria against which they are judged. The Secretary will produce a draft. **Secretary**

An email from XX was considered. In view of the matters raised it was agreed that before any decisions are made the Chairman would meet with XX to discuss the content further and report back. **Chairman**

Finance and Membership

Item withheld

It was noted that the finance group had met and agreed a budget for 2017. As a result of this £6,000 has been allocated to the Greens Cttee for spending on machinery updates.

It was agreed a group comprising TC/GD/GS/KD would meet to discuss the bar income.

Greens Matters

The Greens Cttee minutes from 9th January were considered. Key matters discussed/agreed were:

- Progress on the bridge
- Employment of the asst greenkeeper prior to summer to assist whilst the bridge is being completed
- Rabbits culling
- Removal of molehills
- Not to change the conditions relating to Killie and the road
- Additional gorse planting

Next meeting of the committee is on Monday 6th February at 7.00pm.

Competition Matters

- 1) The Club has entered the Daily Mail foursomes and subject to their agreement will be represented by Dave Gray and Garry Henderson. **Match Sect**
- 2) The Club representatives in the inter-county foursomes will be Ross Young and Garry Henderson subject to their agreement/availability. **Match Sect**
- 3) It was noted that the Daily Mail Classic is not being run this year.
- 4) The Open Texas Scramble on March 5th is full. The Secretary cannot run the event on the day but will ensure all is ready before the event. The Chairman will give out cards etc. and JG will check cards after play. Prizes to be £120/£80/£60. Captain to make the presentation.
- 5) There was discussion following the cancellation of the recent Irish Rumble. It was agreed it had been incorrect to pay out the 2s money. Henceforth Club policy will be that if a competition is cancelled for any reason there will be no pay-outs and monies will be carried forward to the revised date/re-funded as appropriate.

Captain's Matters

The Captain will liaise with the Treasurer to purchase Club shirts for the match-play team before the start of the season. He will continue to seek team sponsorship.

Ladies Section

It was noted that there have been thefts of minor items from the Clubhouse.

It was agreed that new brushes would be purchased for the shoe cleaner.

Treasurer

It was noted that there is difficulty getting trolleys in the shed due to the amount of 'rubbish'. Area will be cleared.

Juniors

It was agreed that there will again be six coaching sessions. The secretary will arrange these.

Seniors

No matters

Update on the Bridge

See greens report

Environment Agency/Flooding

The Chairman reported on recent correspondence from Steve Stubbings. He has sent this information to DG and will continue to follow this up.

House/Social Matters

It was noted that the Stewardess is on holiday on the day of the Inter-County foursomes (April 9th). Nevertheless the Club needs to provide a meal for the County Executive. The Treasurer will deal with this.

Personnel Matters

AoB

- 1) It was agreed to introduce a new local rule concerning movement of the ball on the green, in line with R&A/USGA recommendations. **Secretary**
- 2) A new towel-holder is required in the Gent's locker-room. The Treasurer will source this. **GD**
- 3) New cigarette waste boxes are needed. The Captain will source these. **GS**
- 4) The Captain will re-arrange the locker-room notice boards. **GS**
- 5) A Pearl Wedding at the Club on Saturday 1st November was agreed. IM to manage. **IM**
- 6) IM gave an update on the forthcoming visits highlighting, in particular, the bigger marquee for the 22nd July. **IM**

DoNM

Next meeting Wednesday 22nd February, 7.00pm in the clubhouse.