

MINTHIS HILLS GOLF CLUB

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON : FRIDAY 5th FEBRUARY

Present	Steve Mitchell (SM)	Captain & Treasurer
	Neil Storer (NS)	Vice Captain & Competitions' Secretary
	Roy Peach (RP)	Greens' Secretary
	Sue l'Anson (SI)	Social Secretary
	Gill Cackett (GC)	Committee Secretary
In attendance	Chris Furneaux (CF)	Head Greenkeeper

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Terry Holt (TH), Joke Alexandrou (JA) and David McKibben (DM).

2. Previous Minutes

The Minutes from the previous meeting held on 11th January were read and approved.

3. Matters Arising

- a) The Committee discussed various options available for a ' play off' procedure, if required, in the Club Championships and felt that the incoming Committee should decide the best option.
- b) The new stroke allowance tables have been posted but it was reported that these only include a handicap up to 36. It is possible to have a higher handicap and be eligible for competitions.
- c) CF clarified that the Out of Bounds behind the 5th green was determined by the white stakes. It was agreed that more white stakes would be placed to further define the area.
(Action CF)

4. Committee Matters

- a) NS reported that Top Quotes will continue the Golf Insurance as last year. Members will be informed of the methods to renew their membership or join the scheme. (Action NS)
- b) The number of Knockout entries so far for 2016 is very similar in total to 2015. However, whilst there has been an increase in the number entering the Mens' competitions, this has been counterbalanced by a decrease in the number of Ladies. It is hope that more will enter in the next week or so.

NS proposed various cut-off dates for each round of the competitions. It is hoped that these will enable seasonal members to participate in the competitions. Members will be informed of the proposed dates before the close of entries on the 15th February when the draw will be made. (Action NS)

- c) The sponsorship of the Minthis Hills Mixed Open competition was discussed. The Committee is very appreciative of Management's offer to organise and advertise this event as with the other Open events run by Minthis Hills and hoped that Management will be able to contribute towards the prizes.
- d) NS reported that a number of Members have lapsed handicaps. It was agreed that these members will be individually informed of the consequences of a lapsed handicap in competitions and the procedure for re-activating a handicap. (Action GC and NS)
- e) In accordance with the guidance given in Section 3.11 of the 2016 version of the EGA Handicapping System Handbook, which states " Handicap Committees are recommended to monitor closely the scoring performance of players with a newly allotted handicap and to apply a general play adjustment, if necessary" the Committee discussed the possibility of reviewing the handicaps of new Members. It was agreed that the Handicap Committee will meet on Sunday 7th February to discuss and review the handicaps of new members.

5. Competitions

- a) The Committee reviewed the March competitions.

It was confirmed that the Bogey competition on 9th March will be a qualifying competition.

6. Social Events

The Captain thanked everyone who had helped to make the Dinner Dance Presentation Evening such a success.

7. Golf Course Matters

- a) RP reported that erosion had created a hazard approaching the bridges across the drainage ditch on the 15th hole. CF agreed to correct this. (Action CF)
- b) RP questioned the positioning of the Out of Bound stakes on the left of the 12th fairway. CF clarified that the stakes defined the Out of Bounds line and that the wall is a retaining wall.
- c) RP asked whether the water in the ball washers could be drained because some are very 'smelly'. CF agreed that the water is topped up weekly but that it could be drained and refreshed. (Action CF)
- d) The possibility of a compressed air line adjacent to the Caddy Master store to assist with trolley and shoe cleaning was raised. CF confirmed that this would be a decision for Management. (Action JA)
- e) The Captain thanked CF for the repair completed on the buggy path behind the 18th green.

8. Financial Matters

- a) The Treasurer presented the monthly accounts and reported that they were within budget.
They were accepted and approved by the Committee.
- b) The Treasurer presented the Annual accounts which were accepted and approved by the Committee.

9. Any Other Business

- a) The Captain thanked Members of the Committee for their work and for helping to make the year a successful one.

10. Date of the next Meeting

The date of the next Committee Meeting will be set by the incoming Captain following the AGM and the appointment of the next Committee.