

QUEENS PARK GOLF CLUB

Minutes of the 22nd Oct. 2016 Committee Meeting

Opening remarks: The Captain opened the meeting at 0900 hrs and he thanked everyone for giving up their time to attend.

Attendees: The Captain, Treasurer KJ, Secretary NJ and Committee Members: Martin Trump, Rob Rollo, Eric Grice, Chris Booth and Craig Fleming.

Apologies: Arthur Brown, Vice Captain RN, Captain Elect DK and President TW .

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record

Proposer: Rob Rollo

Seconder: Chris Booth

Correspondence In/Out :

- # Letter to Craig Fleming
- # Ladies AGM Minutes Jan 2016 and Sept 2016 Minutes
- # Email from Bentlay requesting a duplicate poster to be used around their notice boards.
- # England Golf sent invitations to play Woodhall Spa (Lincolnshire).

Items Discussed

- # Bentley Motors confirmed that they have used our replacement poster around the factory and on their intranet communication network. Let us hope we have lots of new applications.
- # Some keys have been recovered thus reducing the keyholders to an acceptable number.
- # Keith has replaced our website system, one that tied the administration to himself and his laptop has been changed to a `cloud` based platform. We now have lots more avenues to consider add-on features and access by other administrators can be investigated. The Events Calendar is interactive and self updating, an improved layout can be chosen to suit mobile phones and the members area can be opened using a password you can change yourself through the website program. A BIG thank you to Keith was expressed by the Captain and Committee. We are getting the benefit, free of charge, of his occupational knowledge and the system will support, once again `free of charge`, lots of add on facilities. If any member has a suggestion to improve our website, copying something they have found on other sites or their own idea, please jot it down in our Blue Book which is kept behind the bar.
- # Challenge 21/25 posters will be displayed around the bar and hallway. If someone buys more than one drink we should check, especially if the drinks go outside, that whoever drinks them are over 18 years old.
- # The Captain has decided to speak personally to a member that AG have an issue with. The membership is not involved and the outcome of the conversation will not be published.
- # The Committee have decided that the dress code for Majors Presentation must be formal shirt, tie and trousers. Any other function should be attended wearing smart casual, which includes dress jeans, and with a collared/polo shirt. On informal visits to the clubhouse we would ask that you try to maintain a smart and clean appearance. Please remember, your dress code when playing sociable golf is the same as for competitions, we must be an example to others who visit the course.
- # The Committee has reviewed the procedure we will take when `non-appearance` occurs at competitions you have entered. First and foremost you are the responsible person and you must pay the fine, which is equal to your green fee, as soon as possible. Failure to pay your fine when you hand in your next card will make that card invalid and your score will not count in the competition and you will be suspended from further competitions until the fine is paid. If, whilst you are suspended, your entry to and score in a competition is accepted it will be removed as soon as we are aware.

It is clear from these procedures that the onus to clear the fine is on you and is not the responsibility of all the volunteers that are involved in preparing competitions to remind you. In case of 100% memory loss, once the Secretary is aware of a `non-appearance` he will email the member concerned. You should all be aware of the routes to be taken if you want your name removing or adding to a comp sheet, be also aware that the Captain can use his discretion if the circumstances described to him are acceptable reasons for the fine to be waived. The Committee want, just like you, to play and enjoy their golf. We cannot be expected to wet nurse grown men and chase them around the playground. To avoid any disappointment please follow the now very clear rules pertaining to non appearance.

Treasurers Report Mr Keith Jones

Our Treasurer reports little change to the financial situation and says it is holding up quite well. The `Club` finances are still stronger than last year due to an increase in membership. Investigations are ongoing regards a fibre optic broadband connection.

Junior Organisers Report N/A

Suspended

Greens Committee Report CF and CB

AG understand that we might move our competition tees to the left or right before we start playing. Sometimes one or the other has been accidentally moved and consequently brought into play the adjacent foliage. This effectively has reduced the teeing area and will result in excessive wear of a smaller than intended area. Please, be careful not to move the blocks forward or backwards, the greenkeepers need to manage the tees so that repairs/seeding can be under their control.

AG want the 8th tee always to be the `top` teeing area. We will introduce this change to our previous decision and start to implement their wishes once the Captain has announced the change. The explanation from AG is that the bottom tee will get too much use and the damage to it will result in us having to play off the winter mat sooner than we would if both tees are used. Please take care when walking to the top tee, especially if the ground is wet. Avoid using the steep shortcut through the trees, the safer approach is to take the circular route around the copse.

The Committee is aware of the unclear OOB line to the left of the 9th fairway, close to the tee. Discussions are ongoing.

Competition and Handicap Secretary`s Report MT, assts.DK ,ABN and NJ

Our Secretary proposed and the Committee agreed that our modern swan logo be introduced onto jumpers and shirts from the start of the new captaincy.

Our Secretary informed the Committee that from the start of next years Summer Season he will adopt the suggestion given by the R & A to increase a members handicap if seven consecutive games have increased their handicap by .1

Our Secretary wants us to consider and record clear rules that should be applied to Presidents Putter and Captains Prize competitions. Everybodys ideas will be considered at a future meeting.

Blue Book No Entries

Green Book One entry, it will be discussed at next months meeting.

Next Meeting 0900 hrs 26th Nov Meeting Closed 1126 am