



Men's Section Committee Minutes

Date	Time	Venue
4 th May 2021	19:00	Zoom

Attendees Name	Role	Attendees Name	Role
Richard Deeks (RD)	Captain	Phil Tovey (PT)	Vice-Captain
Steve McMullen (SM)	Treasurer	Andy Ward (AW)	Communications
Les Ward (LW)	Competition Secretary	Steve Hunt (SH)	Midweek Competitions
Dave Watson (DW)	50+	Steve Batchelor (SB)	18-49
Matt L'Affineur (MLA)	Handicap & Rules & Foxes Team Captain	Richard Andrews (RA)	Scratch Team Captain
Ian Braithwaite (IB)	Charity & Fundraising	Matt Vine (MV)	Charity & Fundraising
Richard Reid (RR)	Secretary		

	Agenda Item	Action
1.	Apologies for Absence - PT	
2.	<p>Captain's Update</p> <p>Club Committee feedback RD fed back on a number of matters that were discussed at the last club committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Captain's drive in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This was postponed and will now most likely take place alongside Captain's Day later in the year. A club committee working group is working on the arrangements. • PayPal IG issue: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The club committee rejected the idea of a free competition. The Club Captain and Club General Manager are working on a more appropriate solution. • General Manager report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barry gave a comprehensive report covering gym opening times, new members of staff, club discounts and the opening of the range bar. - The course manager is leaving and Richard Andrews will take temporary charge whilst a permanent replacement is found. - Barry recognised that there had been some issues with service times since the club reopened and asked for patience whilst we get back to normal. - Barry welcomed the section's decision to allocate competition prize money onto members' levy cards. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Barry raised awareness that the Club Company is looking at having everyone's renewals on the same date but there remain logistical issues to overcome. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course manager update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bridge on #1 and walkway on #11 complete. - Deep drilling on 2 greens completed during lockdown. - Club continue to review whether remaining bunkers can have the grey sand. - RA then gave the committee his own thoughts on where he would prioritise his attention. • Scratch matches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RD raised the issue of scratch matches being played as 2 balls which Barry agreed to accommodate. <p>Charity Day update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RD updated that the decision had been taken to continue with a shotgun start with doubling up on 12 to 13 tees. Priority will be given to men's section and guests. • IB confirmed he would be 'hard-selling' the lottery at a competition ahead of charity day. • MV confirmed that he could adapt guest attendance to match availability. <p>Communication process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RD confirmed his commitment to a monthly update alongside specific comms when required which will include team performances. • Individual competition performances will be communicated separately by LW, SH, DW and SB. <p>New Member Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The tracker is now being maintained and MLA thanked LW for resolving a number of IG-related issues. • RD will share the tracker with Craig at some point to ensure we have captured everyone. <p>Diary matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RD & LW have reviewed and made some changes such as Ryder Cup being brought forward by a week to accommodate the Goodfellas. 	
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3.	<p>Matters arising</p> <p>Use of surplus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SM updated the committee on working group progress with how we can best manage the section surplus position going forward and suggestions for how best to use the existing surplus. • The ongoing surplus position will broadly balance given the commitment to pay prizes for 2 additional competitions and to fund entry to a HGU competition for the winner of the Club Championships. As such, the working group will not be recommending any further suggestions for ongoing expenditure although the group does think we should be more transparent on prize money and the fixed costs of the section. • In respect of the existing surplus, the group are working on the idea of a post-covid Toptracer event. The committee welcomed this idea. • A further update with firm recommendations will be provided to the June committee. 	
4.	<p>Outstanding actions</p> <p>RR confirmed that all previous actions were either covered by the agenda or had been resolved apart from the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Montgomery memorial. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RD updated that his preference would be for a men's section memorial bench (made from composite material) which could then display a plaque for Don and could then be used for future deserving members. The committee approved this idea and RD will approach Barry for a contribution. • Committee jumpers. RD confirmed following the meeting that jumpers had now arrived. 	RD
5.	<p>Any Other Business / Section updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IG: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LW & SH have been working on resolving the issues directly with IG including the scorecard freezing after hole 1 and connection issues between Android and iPhone. SH also agreed to make the midweek competitions enterable on the day. • Cost of food for Team matches. This continues to be discussed with Barry. • RA reported that there were now no spare ball-lifters. Given the hoped-for lifting of social restrictions the committee agreed that there was no pressing need to purchase further replacements. 	
6.	<p>Matters for escalation to Club Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee raised a concern that tee-times were being booked for single players as a way round the 'anonymous' ruling. • The committee agreed that we should have an additional Board for the Foxes team. • Concerns were once again raised about speed of play. 	RD

7.	Date of next meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7th June 2021 @ 7pm• Main agenda item: Use of Surplus	
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Meeting closed @ 8.15pm