

Elton Furze Golf Club General Committee Meeting

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday 20 June 2017

Present:

David Tansley	Chairman
David Smith	Men's Captain
Marilyn Smith	Ladies' Captain
Roger Mayhew	Seniors' Captain
Peter Burgess	Men's Vice-Captain
Jenny Walters	Ladies' Vice-Captain
Colin Bayliss	Juniors' Organiser
Rob Stone	Men's Handicap Secretary
Barbara Stone	Ladies' Secretary
Sue Dibble	Members' Representative
Chris Cordery	Secretary

Apologies: Trish Crighton, Paul Bolden, Sue Anderson, Andy Anderson, Liz Johnson

Item	Discussion	Action
1	<p>Introduction</p> <p>The meeting started 40 min late because some lady members had been delayed after playing in an inter-club match.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.</p>	
2	<p>Apologies</p> <p>The Secretary recorded apologies for absence.</p>	
3	<p>Minutes of Last Meeting</p> <p>Minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 May 2017 were approved.</p>	
4	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>All actions agreed at the last meeting had been taken.</p>	
5	<p>Reports</p> <p><u>Chairman</u></p> <p>David had not circulated a written report because most of what he had to say came from a meeting he had had with Ben earlier in the day. The main points were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 ball-washers had been ordered and were expected to arrive next week • The Committee had already agreed to a notice containing some Club information being put on the frame of the new clock and Chris was asked to work with Ben to ensure the wording and format was acceptable to the Committee • The Club now had its full complement of 4 full-time and one part-time greenkeepers • Despite his objection to the Club's new rule for qualifying for the Club's most high-profile competitions, Ed Conduit had not resigned as he had suggested he would do • The new path surface near the 4th tee had been laid incorrectly and this would be resolved in the next few days <p>Written reports circulated before the meeting were accepted and the following points were discussed ...</p>	Chris

	<p><u>Seniors</u> Alan Turner had informed the Seniors' Captain and the Committee Secretary that he was resigning as Seniors' Vice-Captain. He had concluded that there was more time involved in being a captain than he was able to give and some recent family illness had made it difficult to focus on the tasks he was required to undertake. Nigel Widdowson had expressed interest in taking over and Chris was asked to organise an EGM in case there were other people who wished to be considered for the role.</p> <p><u>Handicap Limits</u> Rob reported on some early thinking on the part of members of the Competitions and Handicap Committee about the handicap limits used in the PGA qualifier and Elton Masters. This was not a straightforward issue to resolve and Rob was asked to bring some firm recommendations to the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Pace of Play</u> Rob had identified a small number of people who, whilst playing in competitions, regularly held up faster players. He agreed to remind them about their responsibilities as far as pace of play was concerned and the Committee expressed willingness to take further action if they didn't respond appropriately.</p> <p><u>5 Qualifiers Rule</u> The meeting confirmed that the 5 Qualifiers rule that was passed at the last AGM included the fact that competitors who had not played in the necessary number of qualifying competitions were ineligible to win any prizes, including money, in 'Boarded' competitions, whatever place they finished.</p>	Chris
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6	<p>Committee positions 2018 Chris asked those Committee members whose terms of office were due to come to an end in December to consider whether they wished to apply for re-election in good time so that replacements could be sought.</p> <p>Furthermore, all Committee members were asked to be active in looking out for Club members who may wish to serve on the Committee in the future.</p>	Andy, Sue, Rob, Chris, Barbara All
7	<p>Major Project The Committee discussed its appetite for taking on one or more challenging development projects in the near future, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To put together and promote a social programme that was attractive enough to encourage Club members to take part To promote greater interest in the Rules of Golf, with the intention of getting some Club members to qualify as referees <p>There was a general willingness to take on something like this and the Committee agreed to consider whether there might be other, perhaps more important, challenges to take on and return to this subject at the next meeting.</p>	All
8	<p>Correspondence There was no correspondence that needed to be addressed at this meeting.</p>	

9	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p><u>Rakes in bunkers</u> David S asked whether there should be a policy about where rakes should be placed in relation to bunkers. As far as anyone could remember EF had never had such a policy and the R&A gave only guidance. It is for clubs themselves to decide whether rakes should be placed inside or outside bunkers and David T agreed to speak with Ben on the subject. It didn't really matter whether the Proprietor or the Committee took the lead on this as long as both sides agreed and greenkeepers were informed.</p> <p><u>Mixed Match on 2 July</u> Jenny drew the Committee's attention to the shortage of men signed up to play in a mixed match scheduled for 2 July. Jenny agreed to make the relevant poster on the Club noticeboard more prominent and male Committee members agreed to see whether they, themselves were available to play.</p> <p><u>Ladies' Club Championships</u> Barbara reported that holding the Ladies' Club Championship during the same weekend as the Cambridgeshire Bicycle Race had worked well.</p> <p><u>White tees</u> Rob questioned whether regular use of the white tees devalued their 'competition' status. Some Committee members considered that it helped players get comfortable with the increased course length this enabled compared with playing from yellow tees. Despite Rob's point, there was no appetite for asking Ben to withdraw his permission to allow Club members routine use of white tees.</p> <p><u>Committee Position Role Descriptions</u> Chris thanked those people who, some time ago, provided draft role descriptions for the Committee positions they filled. It was only recently that he had had time to consolidate all the inputs and he informed the meeting that he intended to send a draft final document to Committee members for proof reading once the golfing season quietened down a little. This would enable the document to be ready for the appointment of new committee members at the end of the year.</p> <p><u>CAGU Club Officers competition</u> David T had 2 of the 3 people he needed to enter the CAGU Club Officers' competition scheduled to take place on 31 August at Bourn Golf Club. He and Peter Burgess intended to play and Roger agreed to see whether he was available. Barbara volunteered to be a reserve in case no-one else put themselves forward.</p>	<p>David T</p> <p>Jenny</p> <p>Chris</p>
10	<p>Dates of Next Meetings</p> <p>The next meetings will be held as follows:</p> <p>18 July 2017 – 7.15 pm 19 September 2017 – 6.00 pm 17 October 2017 – 6.00 pm</p>	<p>All</p>

These minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting

David Tansley
Chairman

18 July 2017

Ladies' Captain

Report to June 2017 Committee Meeting

The fourth draw for the 100 Club was made after May's committee meeting, the winners being

Justin Blaine £100
Kathleen Hopkins £25
Esme Bayliss £25

The next draw will be at the June Committee meeting.

Match results for the past month are:

Ladies v Milton Away –Halved
Mixed v Ramsey Away – we lost 3.5 to 2.5
Mixed match v Rutland County Away – we won 4 to 2

I purchased 2 new hairdryers, 1 Hair-straightener and 1 Hot-brush for the Ladies' changing room.

The Charity Day was held on Saturday 17th and was very successful. The weather was beautiful, if a tad hot! Thank you from both David and myself must go to (in no particular order):

Jenny Walters for running registration
Chris Rudkin and Dave Burns for creating and running the Pot of Gold
Peter Burgess for donating a beautiful fruit basket (created by his wife) and running its raffle
Paul Fowler for donating the Teddy
The ladies who donated cakes for the halfway house
Terry Francis for spending the day on 12th with his "Hold the Green" challenge
Matthew Rea for taking so many drives over the extremely hot day
The club house staff for working so tirelessly
And, last but not least, to the members who supported the event and took part in the many fundraising activities.

The Captains' Charity raised approx £1700, which was a great achievement.

Marilyn Smith

Men's Captain

Report to 20 June 2017 Committee Meeting

A long but very successful Charity Day raised nearly £1,700.00 for our chosen charity Parkinson's UK. Many thanks to those who played to make the day a success and special thanks to those who helped us make the day a success including Terry Francis (12th green), Matthew Rea (driving on the 10th – apologies to those whose ball he lost!), Chris Rudkin and Dave Burns for the Golden Pot, our Vice Captains for all their efforts (and Mrs Burgess for the excellent fruit hamper), Pat Furzeland for pushing the longest day challenge, the bar and catering staff who helped make the day run well. Well done as well to our Junior Captain for running the putting competition and raising £100.00 for her charity.

Congratulations to all the prize winners.

We have had one friendly match against Ramsey which was won 4.5 to 1.5.

The Scratch Team have qualified in 4th place in their league meaning they are now in a 4 way play off to qualify for promotion to Division one.

The Derek Burridge team are in the semi finals and have a home match against Brampton coming up.

The CAGU Greensomes Friendly League team have 2 matches left to play. They require 7 points from the last 2 matches to ensure they qualify for the play offs. Having scored a minimum of 6 points in each match so far it looks to be well within their grasp.

David Smith

Seniors' Captain

Report to 20 June 2017 Committee Meeting

Let me first report on the inter-club matches, the results have been poor, with only one win and a half against two losses. We still struggle to raise a team consisting of 8 pairs. The Seniors' committee are considering reducing the size of next year's team to only 6 pairs in the hope that this will make a difference. There have been many other suggestions such as smart casual being the order of the day after showering. Another is to shorten the day by just having a light bite after the game, served on a rolling basis as you come in. Personally I don't think this will make a jot of a difference to the numbers that sign up to play. I have enrolled a total of 38 players who have committed to playing in these matches, however there are so many other games on the go at this time of year, in the way of 'Opens' etc. these can affect the availability of players.

We have had one other problem which was the resignation of our Vice-Captain Alan Turner through family problems. This has now been resolved as Nigel Widdowson has stepped up to the mark and offered his services, which has been accepted by the Seniors' Committee.

I would just like to wish Colin & Steve good luck in their golf marathon quest on Wednesday.

That's all for now.

Roger Mayhew

Treasurer

Report to June 2017 Committee Meeting

The balance of the current account as at 31.05.17 was £10,883.48 and the deposit account £3000.00.

Money paid into the bank in May was £3865.44, money paid out totalled £2649.70.

Liabilities:

£4893.24	Prize Fund
£1290.00	Charity Fund
£590.37	Skelton Eclectic Fund
£1050.00	7 months 100 Club prizes
£996.00	Computer Fund
£666.66	Captains Grants
<u>£1762.40</u>	Owed to EFGC – Food for Mixed Open & Match Meal
£11248.67	

Assets:

£10883.48	Bank Account
£3000.00	Deposit Account
<u>£1415.00</u>	May Competitions
£15298.48	

The Seniors' Captain has taken his allocation of £333.33 for his Captains Grant, the Men's & Ladies' Captains have not been paid theirs yet hence I have put £666.66 into liabilities this month.

50 Club Ties have been ordered – this is the minimum order – these should be delivered in 4 weeks so should arrive in the first week of July.

Trish Crighton

Handicap / Competitions Secretary

Report to June 2017 Committee Meeting

July 2017 Program issued.

Competitions.

All competitions completed up to 16/06/17

Review of PGA and Elton Masters max handicap limits (on going)

Well done to Adam Brown for winning both the Gross and Nett in the club championship.

Midweek Medals and Roll Ups updated, sent to all members, and posted on notice board, now have 2 midweek medals and 2 Roll up medals from June to September. Next year's plan is to have roll ups on Tuesdays and Midweek Medals on Wednesday.

Pace of Play

Feedback from June Medal

Club V1

No issues at the moment

England Golf Registered Players

I have given Zoe a list of registered members that appear the England Golf system, I have broken this down into:

1. Away Players
2. Pending Players
3. Registered Players

Zoe is going to identify all the people who are no longer members, I will then send these to EG for the system to be updated.

Rob Stone & Andy Anderson

Ladies' Competitions & Handicap Secretaries

Report to June 2017 Committee Meeting

Mixed Open

Great feed- back from those attending. I have thanked Ben Martin for all the hard work his staff put into the day, it was very much appreciated.

Ladies' Open

We only have three tee time available, hopefully we can fill these.

Rudkin Salver was very well supported over the two days with 28 pairs entered. Winners C Webber & B Stone 43 points. Runners Up C Bayliss & H Bayliss 42 points.

Ping Competition

Winners S Anderson & A Fray with an amazing score of 45. Runners up A Cordery & J Ross with 42 points. Hopefully Sue and Anna score will be enough to get them through to the Ping grand finals at Gainsborough.

Club Championships

The ladies had a most enjoyable relaxing day on the course without any disruptions of the bike race.

Gross winner A Banham with 163 (83-80). Runner Up M Steel with a gross 181 (91-90)

Nett winner B Stone with 140 (67-73). Runner up M Steel with 143 (71-72).

Ladies' Invitation Day

The sign-up sheet is filling up quite nicely. Help for the day has been organised.

B Stone & S Anderson

Juniors' Organiser

Report to June 2017 Committee Meeting

Three kids from the Passport programme have joined as Junior members – other additions include Allan Young's 2 lads!

Had our second Junior comp on 11th June. Jack Roe won with 20 points in the main tee competition, Spencer Currall (new member aged 6!) won the Junior tee competition with 21 points.

Jack Roe is a fine player – would hope that he can be included in some Men's friendly matches as the summer wears on, he'll represent EFGC well. Broad agreement also that he can join in with Seniors' fun comps on Tuesdays, to give him a competitive edge.

Had 1 Junior practice session – 4 kids present. Aiming to run one late next week and then onwards through the Summer hols along with Junior comps.

Zoe is planning some marketing for a Junior open day early in the summer hols – and Matthew will be organising Summer camps over the next couple of weeks.

No new developments on the Academy or Junior tees.

Colin