

# MINUTES OF CAPTAIN'S COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2012

**Present:** J Baxter (Captain), T Rounsevell (Vice Captain), Mrs. P Moon (Ladies Captain), M Buse, N Buse, Mrs T Gliddon, T Clagett (General Manager)

**Apologies:** Baroness Seccombe (President)

The Captain opened the meeting by asking for a moment of reflection on the recent loss of member Andy Jolley

## 1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> November 2011 were approved.

## 2. Matters Arising

- Team Colours – The Vice Captain updated the meeting on recent discussions regarding team uniforms. The Ladies do not wish to change to Black& White. It was suggested that considerations continue with Men, Seniors and Juniors for the time being.
- Request for Charity Event – The Captain has been in touch with both Matt Westlake and Mark Arrowsmith, both of whom are running in the London Marathon as a fundraising effort for FLEET. It has been agreed to allow a charity day on the Holywell Course to assist in their efforts. They have received a letter from the Captain and will agree a date with the General Manager.
- Atlantic Links Competition – The proposal for a competition between the five AL clubs is still in the planning stages with a format to be proposed at a later date.
- Teams – A de-briefing of all team campaigns, future captains and team selection strategies is needed at some point in the near future. The Captain will meet with Nigel and Mike Buse soon.
- Diary Clashes – The Captain raised diary clashes and undertook to help avoidance next year.
- Handicap Allowances – A previous comment on the use of  $\frac{3}{4}$  handicap in certain competitions was again discussed. It was agreed that the committee will set the condition of the competitions and these will be noted in advance.
- Course Videos on Website – There is a concern that the current videos do not show the Club appropriately. This will be brought to the attention of the webmaster.

## 3. Captain's Business

- New Committee Members – The Captain listed the names of some prospective candidates for committee. The Captain also noted that as ever, candidates for Vice Captain/Captain could be solicited from the floor as well as the committee. There was also a discussion on and support for co-opting members to assist with certain projects if required.
- Response to Member – At the recent combined meeting of the Management & Captain's committees, Miss S Roworth presented the meeting with three questions, two of which were answered on the night. The third question related to handing back of unused men's competition times on Saturdays. The committee agreed that as the block times had been adjusted to allow for member play after 11.30 that no other times would be handed back. Additionally, Miss Roworth had written a letter about advance tee time bookings for the Roworth Salver on Sundays. This matter has been discussed by the Ladies Committee and it was agreed this would become a Club competition administered by the Ladies section, who will control the tee times similarly to all their competitions.
- St. Kew Friendly – The Club has received a request for a friendly match against St. Kew. Whilst the diary has already been agreed for 2012, it was felt that perhaps a friendly on the Holywell Course could be discussed.
- Jubilee Celebrations – The Captain and Ladies Captain have been discussing ideas about how to celebrate the Jubilee in terms of a golf event. There will be something for all members and both courses will be used.
- County Week – The Captain reminded the meeting about County Week 20-26<sup>th</sup> May. All efforts will be made to present the Club in the best possible light. Courtesies for members are being requested at neighbouring clubs.
- Friendly Matches – The dates for the 2012 Mens and Mixed Friendlies are:
  - Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Men v Royal North Devon – home
  - Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July – Men v Burnham & Berrow – home
  - Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> August – Mixed v Royal North Devon – home
  - Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September- Men v Saunton – away

The Captain will run the Burnham & Berrow match, Mike Buse will captain the Saunton match and Nigel and Mike will appoint captains for the other matches. The Ladies Captain agreed to ask Maxine Rich about the proposed mixed friendly with Launceston.

- New Members' Evening – The Captain summarised the discussion points from the evening. The concern of new members about opportunities for competitive golf on Saturdays was emphasised. Overall there was a very nice atmosphere and warm support for the club from all who attended.

#### **4. General Manager's Business**

- Clubhouse Development – The General Manager updated the committee on current discussions on the clubhouse upgrades. The Management Committee has agreed to delay any start until more details are agreed on all facets of the project. In addition, the plans should be made available for members to see.
- CGU Constitution Delegate – The constitution of the Cornwall Golf Union has now been amended to form a smaller executive committee. The Committee agreed to propose the General Manager as their proposed delegate to be elected to the executive.
- EGU/EWGA Merger – The General Manager reported that the merger of the two unions is now complete and will now be called England Golf. It remains to be seen as to what this means for the club in future.
- EGU Handicap Seminar – The General Manager reported on some of the changes to the CONGU handicap system from a recent seminar by the EGU. These changes will now be built into the computer software along with alterations on how various competitions are structured and players' handicaps are affected.
- Tee Requests – There have been some requests to host competitions on the Church Course from the Cornwall Lady Vets in 2013 and the Golf Club Secretaries Championships in 2014. The committee were agreed that these could be dealt with administratively.
- EGU 'Lighter Later' Campaign – The EGU has asked clubs to support an initiative to retain daylight savings time through the winter months.

#### **5. Golf Report**

- Diary Clash – N Buse recommended changing Men's Invitation Day to 8<sup>th</sup> July to avoid a conflict with the last day of The Open. This to be noted on the board and website as soon as possible. The Captain will consult with Pete Smith about the possibility of a giant screen on the Saturday of The Open.
- Competition Entries– The competition programme has been well-received and entry numbers are very encouraging, showing an increase over previous years. The Captain referred to the warm congratulations of Kenton Williams.
- County Team Planning – The committee should plan well in advance for the 2012 team efforts. Team captains and the selection process need careful scrutiny.
- Club Championship – The Men's Club championship (Magor Gold Medal) will be discussed to determine whether or not it should be exclusively a 36-hole event.
- A Jolley– Discussions are underway as to how to commemorate the name of this popular man. It has been suggested that a competition take on his name and ideas are already being explored.

#### **6. Juniors**

The Captain explained that the ongoing success of the Junior programme depended to a large extent on the adult volunteer help with running the coaching and skills sessions. The Junior Academy is looking for more volunteers so they do not have to continually rely on the same people year over year. He asked the committee to help in coming up with names of potential volunteers.

#### **7. Social**

Rex Molloy visited the meeting as head of the current Social Committee. Rex explained his plans for the immediate future which include:

Burns Night - Wednesday January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Sports Therapy Talk – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February

Captain's Charity Evening with Music Therapy Trust – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April

The Social Committee is hoping to have a summer party of some sort. It was agreed these events are more successful when they follow a golfing event.

#### **8. Ladies' Captain's Report – No Report**

## 9. Membership

Mrs. T Gliddon presented the new recommendations for membership:

### Residential

Dr Michael Kent  
Mr Nigel Coulsen-Stevens  
Mrs Revel Webb  
Mr Ben Chapman  
Mr Mark Gregory  
Mr Andrew Griffiths

### Holiday House

Mr Peter MacColl  
Lady Caroline Spencer  
Mr John Fordham  
Mr Paul Merritt  
Mrs Angie Spring Rice  
Mr Michael Dewhurst

### Country

Mr Keith Gadsden  
Miss Jin Page  
Mrs Mercedes Hanger  
Mr Russell Day  
Mr William Hamilton  
Mr Jonathan Wells  
Mr Christopher Nolte  
Mr William (John) Odell  
Mr Duncan Humphreys

These recommendations were agreed.

## 10. Member Issues

- There have been some queries on what 'CDH Number' means and how do members find out their CDH? This is an identification number for a member's computer database record with the EGU/EWGA. Players can apply for a card online which will give them access to their handicap record.
- Postage for annual subscription and diaries. Members have suggested that next year the local renewals could be left for collection for a period of time to help save the postage fees. This will be put into practice next year.

## 11. Any Other Business

None

**Next Meetings:** Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2012 at 4.15 pm