

**Minutes of Committee Meeting
Wednesday 22nd February 2023
5.00pm**

Present Kieran Hope, Paul Manson, Norman Cox, John Morrison, Pat Roger, Derek Ball

Apologies Chris Pickles

Welcome Kieran welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Red inserts indicate comments and decisions made by the Committee.

OGV UPDATE

There has been a good start to the new franchise, the opening night went really well with lots of positive comments on the night and thereafter. As with all soft openings there have been some teething problems along the way as the month has gone on. The closing procedure and security needed to be looked at and there were 2 members of staff that parted company with them.

There are certain things that still need to be completed. The Honors boards require to be moved to the other side of the building, this is in hand and will be done as soon as the simulator works have been completed. The new taps for the bar are due in on Wednesday March 1st, this will enable them to have some of the drinks on tap that haven't been on to date, e.g. Guinness. We are awaiting the new signage from Jammiro Signs for the bottom of the road and the bottom of the path near the 9th green and 10th tee.

To be completely compliant with the Electrical works that have been getting completed by KF Watson Electrical, we require to obtain certificates for the work that OGV' electricians have done upstairs.

An official opening date is due to be confirmed in the coming days.

Paul will organise getting the necessary paperwork from the OGV electricians. Paul will also chase the joiners with regards to moving the honors boards, as well as chasing Jammiro signs.

We need to establish a point of contact, that is based at the club ref the closing procedures etc.

FINANCIALS/MEMBERSHIP

We have lost a number of members this term, we currently have 42 resignations and 5 new members having joined. There are still a number of people who have not been in touch regarding this year's membership and the final date is closing in. Various communications have been sent out regarding this and it has also been mentioned in weekly updates.

Norman Cox intends coming into the club and phoning round those who we have not heard from as yet.

The onus now on getting new members in to the club. Paul made a suggestion that we could have an "Away player membership" which would be valid for anyone who is a full member at another golf club. This has the potential to bring people in who may be considering a second membership. There would also be the opportunity to convert these to full members if they enjoyed the golf course etc during the year.

It was agreed that this was a good idea and the price was set at £400 plus union fees.

Norman announced that he and Pat had a discussion regarding the committee roles that they have and that they intend to swap roles should this be agreeable and providing the committee had no objections. The role swap would not be in full and Norman would retain the FCA regulatory information and returns responsibility and this change would form part of a handover which would then be formally handed over at the next AGM. Pat would be the Treasurer in name and take on the responsibility of the forecasting and future finances with the support of the Club Manager and committee.

This was agreed with no objections.

Paul and Pat had been working on the budget forecast in the last few days and this is still ongoing. There will be a worst case, realistic case and best case scenario produced in the coming weeks once the membership position is finalized and we know how many renewals and resignations etc we have.

This will continue to be worked on with a view to having something to share at some point during march.

GREENS UPDATE

The sand samples are back, having been tested, and the results were good. We will now be able to utilize the sand which is part of the course to top dress the greens, Tees and fairways which will be fantastic for the course and be a saving as no dune sand will need to be purchased.

Purchase Orders will need to be raised for all purchases made and signed by the Greens convener and passed to the Club Manager.

For the new tax year we will be looking to move to annualized hours for the greens staff. This will incorporate all overtime and will mean that there will be no set hours of work. There will be more flexibility for the greens team to work around the seasonal operation.

Paul will be contacting citation about the annualized hours and implementation and contract adjustment in the next week.

We will be looking to do another course walk early in the new season where the existing plan, put together by the previous course manager can be adapted to suit the needs and recommendations of the new course manager. A date and time have still to be confirmed.

SHOP/PRO AGREEMENT

Pat had been working on the contract agreement for Ryan, and once completed this will be passed to Paul and Kiran for review. Everything else is in place for Ryan to take over the shop from March 6th.

Ryan will take on the accessories items from Gamola and the clothing we are currently selling off at a reduced price.

Pat to get the agreement over for review to be pass for Ryan for signing.

A.O.B

The Sub committees will be set up again for the coming season. Social media content that has been getting done by Mission 10 needs to be reviewed as we cannot afford to keep paying someone for this.

Paul will send round the details of the sub groups to the committee members heading up each group and John and Paul will speak to Kenny ref the social media side to see what assistance his office could offer.

Date of Next Meeting – TBC

Close of Meeting the meeting closed at 7.30pm.