

# **Calderfields Golf & Country Club**

**2022 Club AGM.**

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023 7.30pm**

**Meeting brought to order and commenced at 7.30 pm.**



## **1) Welcome and Introduction. (Ken Jones)**

I would like to wish a warm welcome to all the Directors, Management, Committee and Calderfield's Members who are attending this evening.

It is really good to see a good representation here tonight. You will see the Agenda items outlined on the Screen in front so proceedings can be followed.

It is good to get a little bit of normality back after the last few Years being affected by Covid and hope that this stability will continue.

Sadly we lost Alan Tranter a few Months ago and many Members, past and Present attending his Funeral to pay their respects. I think we can all recognise the Development of the Club and investment in the Course and Clubhouse that was made under his leadership. It is really pleasing to hear that the Co Directors have committed to continuing this development in the future so hopefully we will continue to improve and grow.

On that note I would like to congratulate Dan on his progression to Director. We have all had dealings with Dan who has always endeavoured to resolve issues in a fair and equitable way. Our best wishes are with him in his expanded role.

Many of you will have met our New Golf Manager James Mills (or Jimmy) who has joined us to build on the historic development and many other things which I am sure he will outline in his report. A very warm welcome from all of the Committee and wish you every success and look forward to working with you.

You will see from the Agenda that we will be voting for three new Men's Committee members tonight and I will explain more about this process when we reach this Item.

## **2) Present and Apologies**

### **From Registration Sheet.**

Ken Jones	President/Club Secretary
Rob Ashfield	2022 Club Captain
John Burnett	Handicap (2022 Vice Captain)
Paul Marsh	Greens
James Mills	Golf Manager

Dave Freeman 2022 Seniors Captain.

58 Members from all sections inc above ( Appended as an attachment)

**Apologies:-** Dave Nicholls, Dave Allen, Mick Roach, Mac McDevitt, Ross Allen, Lyn Alderson, Ken Wilson, Karen Nicholls.

### **3) Acceptance of Minutes of Last Meeting:-**

The last minutes had been posted to the Website after the AGM meeting and has recently been on display in the Changing Room notice boards.

The minutes from the AGM for 2021 were accepted by Matthew Jackson and seconded by Alan Ratcliffe.

### **4) Matters arising:-**

- 1) The New SPGC Shield has been provided by The Club and played for in 2022.
- 2) Practice Nets now installed and available for use.
- 3) Work undertaken to tidy Practice area and will be monitored.
- 4) The Committee has been approached regarding a Memorial Bench to the memory of Alan Davis. Awaiting an update.

### **5)Section Reports**

#### **Captains Report – AGM 2023**

Good evening to the Directors, Management, Mr President, Seniors Captain, and Lady Captain.

Firstly I would like to say that it has been a privilege to have been Captain of the club for the past 12 months and to thank the President, Handicap Secretary and committee members for their help and guidance, it certainly made my role easier.

Although I'm not going to go through all the competitions this year, I would like to particularly congratulate.

Lee Peach on winning my Captains Cup this year,

Michael Sandel for winning the Captains Breakfast

Adam Garbutt and Steve Corfield for winning the Captains 4 Club

Well done guys!

My Captains Away day was held at Redditch Golf Club, it was an excellent day with a great turn out from the members unfortunately my golf game didn't turn up on the day, but it was still enjoyable.

Can I thank everyone for taking time out to attend the day.

As most of you know the club runs two teams in local leagues, 17-24 and the Alliance League, I'm pleased to say both teams remain in the top divisions of their leagues and I'm hopeful we can go on to win them this year.

My personal thanks to all the members who play in these matches and to the Alliance Captain, Steve Gamble. As the 17/24 Captain I know how much time can be taken up arranging the team and the matches.

Before signing off can I again welcome James Mills to the management team he brings with him some great ideas for the club and its membership, I hope the members will listen and support him over the coming years.

Finally, my best wishes to our new Captain John Burnett for 2023 and to offer my support and backing throughout the year.

Thank you

Rob Ashfield

Club Captain 2022

### **Senior Captains Report for Club AGM – 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

This report is to cover activity and information for 2022.

Firstly on sad note we lost the following:

Frank Lorton.

We had 71 members at the beginning of the year and ended with 61. We have had new members join us and thanks to everyone for making them all feel welcome.

We have managed to play 39 of our Thursday competitions with an average of 42 players each week.

We did manage to play all of our Majors as follows:

Ted Brown AM/AM – Mick Lester, Arthur Webb, Roger Lear & Don Handy – 125 pts

Geoff Radford Trophy – Steve Corfield – 40 pts

Colin Grubb Shield – Dave Beale & Frank Portlock – 56 pts

Paul Simkiss Shield – Dave Urquhart – 43 pts

Crystal Orb – David Harris – 39 pts

Seniors Club Champion – Sid Wilkes – nett 67

Seniors Matchplay Champion – Bill Rhodes

Sportsman of the Year – Kyaw Lin

### **Inter Club Matches**

PLAYED – 17; WON- 14; LOST – 3

AN EXCELLENT SET OF RESULTS FOR THE YEAR.

WELL DONE AND THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND TURNING OUT FOR THE MATCHES

### **Away Day**

My away day on 16<sup>th</sup> June was very successful with lots of positive feedback received from many members saying how much they enjoyed it and thanking me for all the hard work put into it. Walsall Golf Club was an excellent venue to hold the day. The course, facilities, hospitality and food were all excellent. Well done to Ian Gilbert as overall winner on the day.

### **Charity Day**

The Motor Neurone Disease Charity Day on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2021 was a fantastic success with a total of £940.00 raised.

Thank you to all who donated prizes, clubs and equipment for auction and to you who put your hands in your pockets.

Special thanks to Amanda Devlin from MND for all her help and support on the day.

### **Breakfast**

The Captains breakfast was a great success with a total of 58 seniors and 3 guests attending (Dave Wilson, Dave Senior & Mike Kimberley)

### **Notes of Thanks**

To fellow committee members, Phil Latham, Ken Jones, Dave Lovell & Peter Furnival for all their support during my time as Captain.

Thanks also to Bob Colebatch who despite his setbacks has always remained positive and has always continued to be a loyal supporter of the Seniors section and has helped immensely on a weekly basis.

Thanks to Ian Scott who has kindly audited the accounts.

## **Thoughts**

Dave Wilson & Dave Senior who were at both Away Day and Breakfast.

## **Seniors Committee for 2023**

Captain – Phil Latham

Vice-Captain – Ian Gilbert

Secretary – Ken Jones

Treasurer – David Lovell

Member Delegate – Peter Furnival

Report concluded.

David Freeman

Calderfields Seniors Captain 2022

## **Ladies Section: (Read by KSJ on behalf of Lyn Alderson)**

Calderfields Ladies Section Captain's Report 2022

Mr President, Directors, Managers, Captains and members.

The ladies had a good year, with new colours for competitions of cerise sweaters and white polo shirts.

We had a successful Captains Day and Strawberry fair.

Congratulations to Karen Nicholls for winning the Club Championship Trophy – well deserved.

Also winners of the:

Gill Hill Trophy – Karen Nicholls

Charity Shield – Karen Nicholls

Annette Douglas Salver – Lyn Alderson

Summer Eclectic – Karen Nicholls

Winter Eclectic - Kath Forrester.

Thank you all for your support, particularly to John Burnett who helped with the fixtures.

I would like to wish all the best to the New Captain and New Lady Captain 2023.

I wish the club every success for the future, and hope the ladies section will see new members very soon.

I hope to see you soon on the golf course.

Lyn Alderson

### **Handicap and Competition (John Burnett)**

John welcomed everyone and outlined in his report details of the Competitions and entry level for 2022.

He advised that there had been some additional requirements for members who wish to play in Majors for 2023 which entailed the qualification by playing in a number of Monthly Competitions. There were some changes to the R&A golf rules for 2023 which John ran through.

Jimmy added that rule books were held in the Shop and office for any required clarifications but an App was also available to download which covered the current rules and regulations.

The Bowker Cup was to be reintroduced as an eclectic comp in 2023.

John closed by thanking Matt and his team for the Hard work they had done over the past Year. John's full presentation is contained in the Power Point attachment contained in the AGM document.

Dave Pottinger asked if due to his limited playing would it still be possible to enter Majors.

John explained that it was only 4 Comps so should not be an issue.

### **Greens Report:**

**Report presented by Greens Chair (Paul Marsh) Compiled by Head Greenkeeper Matt Jupp.**

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Paul presented the report compiled by Matt which outlined works undertaken between October 2022 and January 2023 and plans for the future.

The entire report is now contained in the Newsletter which has since been issued and is appended to these Minutes as an attachment.

### **6) Treasurers Report ( Mens, Ladies, Seniors)**

Terry German , Ken Jones (For Jean Noon) and David Lovell presented a summary of the financial activity for each section over the previous 12 Months.

All of the Documentation is included as an appendix.

### **7) Management Report presented by James Mills.**

Jimmy ran through a Power Point presentation on the screen for all the members.

He covered in general terms topics such as Course closure history, Blue Badge policy and number of current members.

He also outlined the number of competition entries by age and Handicap range. The smart survey results were looked at in detail and Jimmy confirmed that as a result of feedback from Members the subscription period would change to start on 1<sup>st</sup> April to align income.

The full presentation is attached as an appendix to these minutes.

### **8) Confirmation of Club Captain for 2022**

Rob confirmed that John Burnett would be taking the Role of Club Captain and formally presented him with his Badge of office for 2023.

### **9) Confirmation of Vice Captain for 2022**

Rob confirmed that Jason Dudley had been selected to be Vice Captain for 2023.

### **10) Confirmation of Club Secretary**

KSJ was currently undertaking this role but invited Members from either the Committee or otherwise to come and see him if they wished to be considered for the position.

Post meeting .

### **11) Confirmation of Management Committee members**

**For 2023 the Management Committee would be comprised of.**

**John Burnett (Club Captain)(Handicap & Competition)**

**Jason Dudley (Vice Captain)**

**Ken Jones (President /Secretary)**

**Jean Barley (Lady Captain)**

**Phil Latham ( Seniors Captain)**

**Dan Lowe/James Mills (Management)**

**Greens (Paul Marsh)**

**Treasurer. (Terry German) could be invited as and when required.**

### **12) Confirmation of 2023 President.**

Jimmy confirmed that the Directors of the Club were pleased to announce they have invited Ken Jones to serve a further two year term of office.

### **13) Voting for New Committee members.(During 15 min Break)**

KSJ introduced each of the Members who had put their names forward to serve on the Men's committee and asked them to stand briefly so other members would be aware of who they were.

KSJ advised that Jason Dudley would be removed from the candidates as he would be on the Committee as Vice Captain.

The remaining five candidates are:

Alan Ratcliffe, Matthew Jackson, Paul Davis, Matt Highway, and Dave Beale.

Voting slips were issued to men's members in attendance and the votes were gathered and scored by Nick Hirst and Tony Bradley. Many thanks for that help.

### **14) Break for Voting (15Min)**

### **15) Announcement of Golf Survey Prize Draw. Jimmy**

The winner of the above Prize was drawn and announced as Matthew Highway.

Many congratulations.

### **16) New Committee Members**

This Year there were three new positions and from the voting as above would be :

3 Years Matthew Highway

2 Years, Dave Beale

1 Year Paul Davis

KSJ thanked all of the participants for offering their services and congratulated the three new Committee members chosen to be part of the 2023 team.

### **17) Questions from the Floor.**

Dave Blackwell had submitted the only question for the Committee relating to the communication to members about closures and course specific conditions in the mornings to provide maximum notice.

The Letter is appended as an appendix to these minutes.

Jimmy responded by confirming the Club is trying to introduce an early advice system via a telephone hotline once a decision has been made on the day regarding any course conditions.

This would be a dial in on the Club number and by selecting a certain number a basic update would be given.

This is ongoing but may take a little while.



Jimmy has included Committee members in the early advice via a WhatsApp group so there is little or no delay between the course inspection and subsequent advice.

This will help with the Seniors for example as many will be travelling when notices are currently sent out.

Dave Pottinger asked if it would be possible to provide a decision on the evening before but Jimmy stated that it would be virtually impossible to accurately forecast as weather changed quickly and that it may lead to unnecessary conditions being imposed for the following mornings.

A brief discussion took place with a number of suggestions being made but none were easy to implement and manage and the Phone Hot line seemed the most effective method going forward.

**Endorsement:**

Mr Dave Pottinger kindly stood and thanked the Club and Committee members for their input for the benefit of the members and stated that he knew sometimes it could be difficult keeping everyone happy.

He appreciated the efforts the Committee put in in their own time.

His thanks were duly noted and the Committee thanked him for the endorsement.

**Being no other Business the meeting was closed at 9.30 PM.**