

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

REPORT



Meeting Date: 2nd June 2025 7.00 pm.

In Attendance

Peter Furnival – President / Paul Davis – Captain (PD) / David Dudley (DD) – Vice Captain / John Burnett (JB) Handicap Secretary / Rob Ashfield (RA) / Craig Andrews (CA) / Nick Hirst (NH) / Neil Beech (NB) / Alan Ratcliffe (AR) Club Secretary

Apologies

Terry German (TG) – Treasurer / Jason Dudley (JD) – Outgoing Captain / Matt Highway (MH)

Minutes of last meeting

These were accepted.

Correspondence

PD following communication with the Canal and River Trust, they have planted various types of thorn bushes to plug gaps down the Canal boundary. Suggestion Box

Matters Arising

Matters still outstanding; -

Fairway mats – due to a 11% negative response from the survey the fairway mats will not be brought in as a compulsory requirement over the winter period.

The committee discussed this and felt that we could introduce it for Texas Scramble competitions over the winter to get members used to and to see the benefits of mats, thereby look to introduce gradually with other comps. Team comps would only need 1 mat between a group and thereby make it easier to monitor, club to obtain quotes for mats.

Question raised about using the back the 7th Tee area and reverting this hole to a par 5 and shortening the 6th to par 3 or the 16th to a par 4? To be discussed at the Management meeting. – Review when course is remeasured next year.

Back of 17th green needs to be marked on GUR – not growing with bare surface. – Management believe grass is now growing, if it does not then they will dig up and resurface.

See AOB for carry over from the previous meeting.

Captains Report

During May we held six competitions which consisted of four Stableford and two medal competitions.

I would like to thank John for his time and effort for putting these competitions on and giving our members every opportunity to get in their cards to enter the club's major competitions.

All of the competitions were extremely well attended which has been an excellent trend for this year so far.

It saddens me to see that Simon our new head green keeper has left us, some details have been rumoured around the club regarding his resignation but please wait for the club to announce a statement which I am sure will happen shortly.

In the meantime, we have got Wayne acting as our head green keeper who has got a wealth of expertise and I'm convinced that he will do a fantastic job and the course will continue to improve.

Thank you to Jason Dudley for exposing the sprinklers and yardage markers and thank you to Adrian for painting them.

Finally on Sunday 8th our vice-captain is hosting the club's annual invitation day, I'm sure that we will have a good turnout and hopefully we may gain a couple of new members so good luck Dave.

Paul Davis
Club Captain.

Income & Expenditure report

Outgoing April to end of May

- Handicap Master £637.20
- Tom (engraving/boards) £120
- Peter Furnival (Tie's) £157
- Rob Ashfield (Paul Whatton - Race) £45

Incomings

- Calderfields Comps £1244
- Presentation £161.80

This should be the last quarter for the main outgoings.

I haven't received any invoice or contact reference the payment for the polo shirts, once I get this I will pay straight away.

Handicap / Competitions report.

The Matchplay competitions are closed, and the draws have taken place and put on the system and will show on BRS.

I have printed the monthly general play v's competition report for the handicap committee to review; this will be a monthly report from now on.

I have been working on the spread sheet to show all winners for the first part of the year in readiness for Alan to arrange a voucher evening. I have also looked at designing a new voucher as all winnings will be added to the membership cards via the club. Template shown to committee.

As I wasn't here the weekend was the pin positions moved from the Saturday to the Sunday as it was a major competition?

Adrian has put a general information pack together for all members explain what players are required to do when playing in competitions. I have proofread it, and all looks good.

The women's Captain contacted me in reference to letting the women join in our 18-hole Stableford and medal competitions – suggestion from the committee was to have 3 divisions I will have to look in to this and see how I can set the competitions up, will feed back at next meeting.

Update on the End of Season Bash:

Date confirmed and booked 25th October 2025

Singers booked.

Money being raised to support the evening underway.

John Burnett

Handicap secretary.

Handicap sub-committee to assist John will be Alan Ratcliffe, Rob Ashfield and Nick Hirst.

Greens Report

No report this month, due to Head Greenkeeper leaving the club.

Matt Highway – Committee Leader, David Dudley and Craig Andrews

A.O.B.

Arranged in subject sections.

Handicap / Competition questions

None.

General – to be brought up at next Management Meeting by President / Captain and reported back to committee.

JB - On Sunday a few members complained about slow play – I think some of this was due to the playing format (medal). But saying that I don't think it helps when we line up on the tee as soon as the group in front has teed off waiting for them to play their second shot so we can instead of waiting the full 8 minutes! – is it possible for us to find a couple of members to manage the start of major competitions ensuring the 8 minutes before each group.

Can something be done about the service at the members end of the bar as members are still having to wait to be served – Can the partition be pulled across as before, this may help with reducing the number of carvery diners taking up the seats in the golfer's lounge (Alans Bar).

JB and PD – On Bank holiday there was no food available for members due to a wedding event, leaving them disappointed and some questioning if it's better to not stop behind but go elsewhere or move to other clubs.

PD – Exit gate, move electric gate to rear entrance.

Suggested the committee grant a green top for the President to use at events. This was agreed.

NH – Thanked John for doing the Raffle tickets on the Race Night, disappointed with the lack of representation from members, was this due to it being on a Saturday?

Course – to be actioned by Greens and reported back to committee.

NB – Conifers 7th & 11th need "Lolli popping" – note PD will be looking to assist with this. General tree maintenance and grass length between trees, i.e. 14th.

AR – State of greens poor, note with the recent wetter weather and a new head greenkeeper we hope this will improve over the coming weeks.

DD – Also raised the issue with long grass between trees'.

Updates /News.

None

Meeting closed at 9.15 pm Next meeting

Monday 7th July – 7.00pm