

Minutes of a Meeting of the Bakewell Golf Club Management Committee held in the Clubhouse on Mon 15 Apr 24

Chair David Wilde

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Secretary: Phil Buckley

Present:

Maureen Birds, Michelle Haynes, Steve Hudson, Paul Outram, Steve Rawlings, Nigel Trend, Andy Williamson, Peter Wright, Jean Goodwin, Paul Chadwick, John McGough, Val Cousin,

In Attendance:

Tom Mizon

Apologies:

Mike Bright.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Accepted as a true record.

1. Matters Arising

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| a. | Mansfield BS account change of mandate. | Phil | Complete |
| b. | Facebook profile Investigate admin for Instagram account (David Webster?) Email Michelle with fb log in. | Paul O & John | Ongoing Paul O Paul O |
| c. | House tasks and work schedule Some tidying up done. Rubbish moved to greens shed area. Skip to be ordered when ready. Ladies changing room should be cleaned up and decorated. Gents changing room needs new hand dryer and toilet tissue dispenser. Showers are shut off due electrical risk and lack of Legionnaires testing. Discussion on going with future for showers in changing rooms. | Paul O | Ongoing John |
| d. | Fire safety policy review ongoing. Fire safety policy to be reviewed in house. | | Phil, Paul O, Andy |
| e. | New handicap data sheets. | Peter | Complete |
| f. | Publicise DDCE workshop | Phil | Complete |
| g. | Refuse requirements to DDC | Tom | Complete |
| h. | Reserve parking space draw | Steve R, Andy | Complete |
| i. | Irrigation service request | Paul O (Ed) | Complete |

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| j. | Empty 'orphan' lockers | Paul C | Ongoing |
| k. | Peak Advertiser summer publication ad | Paul C | Ongoing |
| l. | Website membership details update | Phil | Complete |
| m. | Ladies' recruitment drive Michelle reported several ladies were taking advantage of beginner lessons and would be encouraged to try playing the course and consider membership. | Jean, Comps, Paul C | Ongoing |
| n. | Ascertain next Grindleford Gallop date | Phil, done | Waiting for notification |
| o. | Sort conflicting events 17/18 Aug 24 | Peter & Jean | Ongoing |
| p. | Beginner ad via email | Phil | Complete |

2. Secretary

The intention is to conduct a quick survey of up to 3 holes prior to each management committee meeting. On this occasion the email to invite committee members wasn't sent properly and only Phil and Peter walked out. In future there will be a rendezvous at 6.30pm in the car park for those wishing to take part and the feedback to Paul O will be immediate.

Points raised:

- a. Redundant backing board for course rating sign to be removed.
- b. Do we need the tee position to the right of the first tee (and have to maintain it)? Could we move the senior position for the 10th up to the forward part of the first tee?
- c. GUR on the first fairway. Is it still needed?
- d. **HIGH PRIORITY** Badger damage hollows around ALL greens need to be filled in (with soil?) and levelled.
- e. Rabbit holes on ladies 14th tee need filling in.
- f. Divot filling boxes on par 3 tees should be put in place asap.
- g. Path from 5th to 6th tees in poor condition (needs to be levelled).
- h. 6th and s15th tee very uneven with holes. Need filling.
- i. Out of bounds line to right of 5th hole needs better definition/properly installed white posts or maybe markings on trees? Loose material (branches cuttings) on in bounds side needs to be moved to out of bounds side.
- j. Bunker lining on both 5th hole bunkers is showing.
- k. Drainage on 6th fairway. There are significant areas of sogginess.
- l. Left bunker on 6th. Not sure the refurb has come out the way we expected it to. It's just about halved in size and isn't revetted as the other bunker on that hole is. Further discussion required post season pending how the bunker stands up to play.
- m. Fairway on 6th seems to have been widened, is this part of a plan?
- n. Badger damage on 6th fairway needs repair.

3. Finance

Financial report for April to be held until the end of year report for the next meeting. A verbal overview of current financial state reflected a stable situation. There were several outstanding subs payments to be made which, once completed would clarify the year-end balance.

A list of non payers to be passed to Paul C to send reminders.

Nigel

4. **Membership**

Nothing to add until re-joining situation clarified.

5. **Greens**

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Areas of deep water to be signed. Discussion on whether life rings should be in place decided against but most appropriate safety equipment, if any, would be buoyant ropes. **Paul O**

6. **Fixtures Events and House**

a. Fire extinguisher and emergency lighting checks to be carried out by OHEAP.

b. Ed would mow the clubhouse frontage if garden furniture was moved. Tom agreed to liaise with Ed and move furniture when required. **Tom**

c. Andy Elliot was to look at improving the toilet and shower areas, potentially including the new hand drier. Liaison **John**

d. The decision not to allow dogs in the clubhouse was reversed to potentially improve the income stream for catering. Tom and Claire would monitor the situation to make sure dogs were kept under control on leads in the clubhouse.

e. Quotes had been obtained for a new cottage door. The lower quote of £1300 was approved and would be progressed. **John**

f. Payment schedule for dues from Peak Hospitality to be worked out and agreed with John. **Tom**

7. **125th Anniversary Arrangements**

a. Marquee and entertainer arranged.

b. A DJ was still needed after initial enquiries had been made. A possible provider was suggested and Val agreed to see if he could be available. **Val**

8. **Competitions**

a. The first ladies comp was to be held on 16 April. The reorganised Bunny Hop comp would take place on 2 May with almost the same number of participants as on the original list.

b. Mens comps held so far were the opening Stableford, Bakewell Sports Trophy and April Par.

9. **Men's and Ladies Golf**

Taskers A team lost against Ormonde Fields on 2nd play off hole. Taskers B conceded to Sherwood without a shot being fired due to weather/course conditions.

2 matches to be played in the interclub foursomes.

Drabble cup was coming up and a request for volunteers to play was to be made.

10. Junior Golf Report

Junior Coaching started on Monday 15th April – 18 juniors are attending across 3 separate sessions. All juniors attending are now full members. We have a total of 28 full junior members to date.

Get into Golf Rookies starts on Friday 19th April. So far we have successfully managed to fill the 5-6pm slot but we still have plenty of spaces on the 6-7pm slot. The marketing material arrived during the school holidays so it has not been ideal timing. The road banner will be put up this week.

A Junior Organiser meeting took place on 19th March at Alfreton Golf Club. Burton, Ashbourne, Buxton & HP and Bakewell have all agreed to the exchange of four-ball vouchers for use in Junior Fundraiser events.

Adult Coaching:

Improver coaching started on Monday 15th April with 6 adults signed up. Two of these are ladies who have played before but who are not existing members.

Adult beginner lessons start on Wednesday 17th April with 10 adults signed up across two groups. Five of these are ladies.

Once the above coaching is complete, we will run a Women on Par event one weekend afternoon for new ladies and existing ladies. Our application to England Golf to host Women on Par was successful and they have sent some marketing material and 'goodies' to use on the day.

Clothing:

A discussion has taken place with Kick Off Sports in Matlock who are going to develop a Club Webshop for us so that members can order clothing embroidered with our logo directly from them. The Committee agreed that the men's teams would wear the same colour team shirt as the juniors – navy blue. There will be a limited range of clothing available to begin with and this can be extended once we receive feedback from members. Michelle proposed that a supplementary charge be made on items for sale with profit going to the club even though other users of the scheme didn't do this. It was felt that this was a good idea as long as profits went to the junior section. **Michelle**

11. Health and Safety

A tree close to the garage in the car park was giving cause for concern as it grows up into some cabling. An assessment would be carried out to see what we needed to do. **Paul O, John**

12. Course Projects

A proposal for a par 5 hole on the course has been discussed informally for years. Rob Birds had come up with a diagrammatic plan for a par 5 hole to run from a new tee position to the right and rear of the current men's 11th tee position. It was agreed that a par 5 hole on the mens course would be a worthwhile enhancement to the course. In addition, there would be a safety benefit in that the current 11th mens tee would become the new 2nd tee, removing the need for players to be in the firing line of players making approach shots to the 1st green. The first step would be to obtain a rough estimate of work required and likely costs. It was hoped that Rob would be able to enlist the help of a course architect friend to give us an idea of the scale of the project. Maureen agreed to liaise with Rob on arranging such a visit. Rob had previously suggested that the visit could take place in conjunction with representation of the committee **Maureen.**

13. **Any Other Business**

- a. Paul O raised the issue that the boiler room should be locked. Discussion took place on the serviceability of the lock and location of keys which Paul O would look at.
- b. Paul O wondered whether redundant equipment such as old pumps etc could be removed from the boiler room and Tom agreed they could be. **Tom**
- c. The practice facilities such as the driving net and bays were in need of tidying up. Paul O volunteered to look at what was required. **Paul O**
- d. Paul O suggested local businesses may be prepared to sponsor advertising space as a way of fund raising.

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Bakewell Golf Club
Greens report April

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Considering the amount of rain that we have had the greens are in remarkably good shape. The preventative spray has held off any disease. I'll apply another spray in the coming weeks to help maintain a good healthy grass coverage. Once we start to get warmer soil temperatures, I will look at scheduling in scarification of the greens and top dressing them plus over seed.

Tees, the grass coverage has improved significantly after the feed application with a nice thick healthy sward. A granular wetting agent has been applied. This will help going into the season to maintain the correct moisture level of the next few months. Will try to spike them to let them breathe. The 1st men's and ladies tees have had some repair work and is recovering well.

Fairways,

Managed to mow the majority of the fairways the only ones I couldn't do due to being too wet are the second half of the 2nd, 3rd and 7th. When the ground conditions improve I will straight back on it to get them all mown. They are starting to dry out. They will be cut twice a week.

Semi rough, again struggled to get out and cut recently, but have managed to cut this week but couldn't cut 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 due to it being too wet.

Badger damage

This has eased off for the moment but I will remain on top to make sure the it is not a major issue at the beginning of the season.

Signs

All signs have been cleared and wiped down, we need a replacement for the sign next to the bell on the 3rd.

Pot holes

Have been filled along the 5th path. The 1st path across the bridle path has had the pipe unblocked and new path gravel applied. We are looking at ways to help stop that section being washed away during heavy rain.

Strimming

All tee banks have been stirmed plus car park banks and surrounds.

Bunker edging

This will commence this week, sand will be moved about and topped up where necessary.

Management Committee Incumbents 2024

Chair - David Wilde

Club President – Michael Bright

Club Captain – Stephen Hudson

Ladies' Captain – Jean Goodwin

Treasurer – Nigel Trend

Greens Chair – Paul Outram

Men's Comps & Handicaps – Peter Wright

Ladies' Comps & Handicaps – Maureen Birds

Membership Secretary – Paul Chadwick

House & Events – John McGough

Junior Organiser – Michelle Haynes

Welfare Officer – Val Cousin

General Member – Steve Rawlings

General Member – Andy Williamson

Club Secretary – Phil Buckley