

Minutes of a Meeting of the Bakewell Golf Club Management Committee held in the Clubhouse on Mon 19 Aug 24

Chair: David Wilde.

Secretary: Phil Buckley.

Present:

Maureen Birds, Michelle Haynes, Paul Outram, Andy Williamson, Steve Rawlings, Nigel Trend, Peter Wright, John McGough.

Apologies: Steve Hudson, Jean Goodwin, Paul Chadwick, Val Cousin, Mike Bright.

In attendance:

Tom Mizon.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Accepted as a true record.

1. Matters Arising

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| a. | Formulate new employment terms for Ed and Jack in consultation with Ed. Phil, Paul O, Nigel. | | |
| | Carry forward. | | |
| b. | Electricity contract. | Nigel | Complete |
| c. | Greens expenditure authorisation. | Paul O, Nigel | Carry forward |
| d. | Greens staff time sheets. | Ed, Paul O, Val | Complete |
| e. | Clubhouse alarm zone change. | John | Carry forward |
| f. | Access to BRS for Tom to book visitors on. | John | Complete |
| g. | Green fee charge to be changed on till. | Tom/Claire | Complete |

2. Secretary

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| a. | Club phone number management trial. Forwarding of Club landline number to secretary's mobile number a work in progress. | | Ongoing |
| b. | Taking payment for greens fees not on BRS. | Now in operation allowing secretary to take payments for offline advance bookings. | |

3. Finance

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| a. | Assistant greenkeeper, potential full-time contract/review of staff contracts. Meeting to be arranged followed by meeting with greens staff. | | Phil, Paul O, Nigel |
| b. | Electricity contract. Changed to 3 separate more economical contracts covering Clubhouse, Cottage and Greens Shed. | | |
| c. | Jul finance report presented. In summary, open comps attendance low resulting in low income. Question posed on discontinuing opens as income from visitors on those days was likely to be higher | | |

than the net income raised from opens without the need for the organisation involved. Junior section net surplus £677.

Telephone expenditure high mostly due to a BT callout charge. Over by £590. Challenge charge. **Phil**

Repairs and renewals underspend not doing rewiring.

Over on greenkeeping wages. Ed overtime and full time second greenkeeper £3000 plus. Tractors and mower upkeep £6387, well over budget for year.

Overall variance of £10000+ due to course supplies and greens charges.

Financial forecast updated. £800 above budget due to savings on rewiring.

Variance of approx. £5800 deficit forecast due to second greenkeeper. Aiming for a budget deficit is far from ideal and should be mitigated. Discuss green fee charges. **Phil, Nigel +**

4. **Membership**

Nothing to report.

5. **Greens**

Report at page 5.

Start planning for winter projects. Clear brief on project programme required. **Paul O +**

Request for ladies 2nd tee be moved to lower level agreed. **Paul O (Ed)**

Men's yellow tee to be moved to same tee box as the white. Agreed. **Paul O (Ed)**

Volunteers for course work last Wed in month. Email members. **Phil**

6. **Fixtures Events and House**

a. Power problem in changing rooms fixed (light fitting in ladies changing room). Gents changing room new led units to be fitted (on order). **John**

b. Leccy to have a look at clubhouse clock. Estimate for outside emergency lighting.

Plumber to look at gents showers. We should close off completely. **John**

Question asked on whether the clubhouse was being locked up every night. Tom assured the meeting that it was, apart from the Men's changing room being left on the combination lock. It was sometimes being opened before the greens staff arrived.

c. The clubhouse window frames needed painting. Materials would be acquired for volunteers to use. **Paul O**

Request for volunteers to go out for painting next Mon and Tue 10am. **Phil**

7. **Competitions**

a. **Club Competitions**

Since 24.07.2024

Captain's day

Jack Warner

August Medal

Cockerton Cup

Cockerton Cup consolation

Steve Smith Trophy

President's day

b. Derbyshire competitions

Bretby Cup (Men) was on 28th July at High Peak.
Teams scored 116 & 106. Winning score was 120.

Handicap League

Finished second in North League

	Played	Points
Chesterfield	3	11
Bakewell	3	8
Ormonde Fields	3	5
Shirland	3	3
Alfreton	3	3

Interclub Foursomes

7+ (11th August) Played final at Morley Hayes against Chevin. Team (Bamber, Scott, Callaghan, Wright) lost by 2 holes.

**c. Course Re-rating
Measurement**

The course was remeasured on 5th August.
Re-rating will be based on these measurements.
New par 5 measured at 481 yards.

Fixed Point markers

A number of the fixed point markers still need to be moved as too near the back of the tee.
White: 7th(new), 13th, 17th, 18th

d. Ladies completed two board comps. Monthly competitions are not being well supported and withdrawn from county comps due to lack of support.

8. Captains

Nothing to report.

9. Health and Safety

Nothing to report.

10. Junior Golf

a. A photo and write-up appeared in the Peak Advertiser of the junior section donating £400 to the Bakewell & District Friday Group. This was half of the proceeds raised on the day of the Junior Fundraiser.

b. Junior Captain's Afternoon will take place on Sunday 22nd September.

c. A number of our juniors have recently obtained a handicap or are in the process of obtaining one. The hope is to be able to enter a team (or teams) into the Derbyshire Junior League next year.

d. Another set of Beginner and Improver Lessons will be advertised to start in September.

11. **Any Other Business**

a. Michael Trew has agreed to be Vice-captain for 2025.

b. 6th June would be 2025 Captain's away day at Chapel-en-le-Frith,

c. With the probable lack of a Lady Captain for the foreseeable future the question of whether we should just have a Club Captain in the future whether that be Male or Female. It was felt unlikely that the Men wouldn't have a designated Captain in the future so the current situation would continue. A Lady Captain in the future could be Club Captain if that were agreed between the two.

d. With the plan that all tees were to be evaluated for use by both sexes it was reaffirmed that the tee colours would be changed to a (yet to be decided) range.

e. The sponsorship of tees by members last took place some time ago and was due for renewal. Steve Rawlings agreed to undertake renewal of the sponsorships. Charges were discussed with a suggestion that businesses might be approached and or the places could be auctioned off rather than have a standing charge. Most tee markers were sponsored by club members and it is known that some will wish to maintain their current places. It was also felt that the acquisition of hole 'map' information boards should be revisited which is where some corporate funding might be obtained. Options would be investigated. **Steve Rawlings**

12. **Date of next Management Meeting**

Monday 16 Sep 24 at 7.30pm in the clubhouse.

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Greens Report August

The greens coverage is good, there's been a little bit of disease but have had a spray to keep it at bay.

There was a slight leak next to the first green, this has been fixed.

Tees

Are in good condition, a replacement sprinkler head was needed on the 18th white tees.

Fairways

No issues at the moment to report.

Semi rough

Again no issues to report.

Strimming

All strimming is being carried out once every other week.

Wragwort

We have been continuing to pull up the wragwort around the course. This will take a while as we have to burn it to make sure that it doesn't go to seed. A spray has been ordered to help with the control. We need volunteers to pick the field next to the first. Unless we can get a farmer to spray it off with a tractor mounted sprayer as it too rough to be able to take ours on there.

Moles

A huge thank you must go out to Doug Cousin for his hard work catching moles, so far about 28 since June! And there is still plenty of activity out there. He has requested some volunteer help with the repair of the patches from the old mole hills. Just a couple of people for a few hours is all he needs to get it done. Committee to send letter to members requesting help.

Signage

New signage to replace existing worn signage around the course is on order.

New signage for the carpark is also on order. Old signage to be removed.

Club house

Still being instances of the clubhouse not being locked up when we come to open up, no alarm set for the majority of the time.

All flat roofs have been cleared of growing weeds.

Most accessible gutters to club house have been cleared for winter.

Painting of windows to be scheduled over next few weeks.

Skip is to be ordered over next few weeks.

New mats to entrance doors will go in once painting is complete.

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