

Kings Hill Golf Club

Minutes of Seniors Section Committee Meeting

Virtual Meeting via Zoom due to Covid 19 (Course closed 4Jan -29Mar)

15th April 2021

Present: Steve Hook (SH – Chair), Peter Flack (PF), Brian Tucker (BT), Mike Kavanagh (MK), John Moss (JM), John Holt (JH), Larry Davis (LD), Brian Duffy (BD), Dave Sealey (DS)

Apologies: Ken Copleston (KC), Bill Grimley (BG)

Matters Outstanding

- 1.1 **Delayed Starts:** C/F: SH to chase up with Mel to ensure it was sorted for next winter. **Action SH**
- 1.2 **Return of Cards:** See item 3.4 below
- 1.3 **Handicaps:** It was now confirmed that it is the course handicap must be recorded on all cards
- 1.4 **Kent Seniors Events:** KGU have confirmed that only one player per club can be entered this year for the individual event and for us that will be last year's senior championship winner, Martin Crouch. Clarification is still required of what payments have/need to be paid this year for not only the individual but also the pairs and the County Team Knock Out seniors' competitions – and indeed whether the latter will take place this year. **Action SH**
- 1.5 **Divisional Split:** It was agreed to leave the split as it is as the moment until things have settled down and review it again at the end of June. **Action BD**
- 1.6 **Prostate Competitions:** It was confirmed that the last minute was wrong and the full £5 entry will go to charity with the captain donating bottles of wine to the winners.
- 1.7 **Kings Hill Seniors Open.** MK reported that further take up has been slow but will be circulating the details further. It was confirmed that all payments will be handled by MK who will deal directly with the office – the seniors section will not get involved.
- 1.8 **Founders Trophy:** It has been agreed that additional shots will be awarded on the basis of 0.15 per year of membership and this will be added to one's handicap index and then rounded to give one's playing handicap. LD has produced a spreadsheet that generates the playing handicaps.
- 1.9 **Kent Vets Leagues (KVL & KSSL):** It was confirmed that these will go ahead – starting from April with no food initially.

2. Treasurer's Report

- 2.1 **Current Balance** BT advised that the current nett balance stands at £4095.
- 2.2 **Seniors Tour:** We still have a full complement of 40 players intending to go and BT reported that final balances from players are slowly coming in. Such payment needs to be in by 10th May.
- 2.3 **Tour Accommodation & Buggies:** SH indicated that little progress has been made on finalising details but expects this to become much clearer after 17th May. **Action SH**

3. **Back to Golf Arrangements**

- 3.1 **Friendlies:** It was noted that item 1.3 of the last meeting had been recorded incorrectly. Matches will continue to be on a home & away basis this year– but NOT for the 3 early season home friendlies. These have been cancelled and will not be re-arranged. JM to confirm this years fixtures. **Action JM**
- 3.2 **Seniors Singles KO:** It was agreed that this would be run this year but it was noted that the round completion dates would need to be strictly adhered to. BD to set it up on V1. **Action BD**
- 3.3 **Seniors Championship:** The format for this year was discussed but it was agreed we needed to review last years arrangements before making a decision. Deferred until next meeting. **Action DS**
- 3.4 **Return of Cards:** A document was circulated prior to the meeting which outlined the key procedures to follow when playing in the seniors competitions and made reference to the potential penalties that may be applied should they not be followed. It was agreed that a further special meeting would be needed to review this in more detail and SH would arrange this asap. **Action SH**
- 3.5 **Food:** SH advised that carveries are highly unlikely to be available for matches this year and that we would need to choose from the 2 course options made available.
- 3.6 **Qualifying Competitions.** DS reminded the committee that the England Golf guidelines are that all individual competitions (ie our 'fun' games as well as Grand Prix events) should in future be treated as qualifiers for handicap purposes. Members had differing views on this and it was agreed to discuss this further at the next meeting. **Action DS**

4. **Next Meeting**

20th May at the clubhouse.