

Kings Hill GC
Men's Section Committee Meeting, November 2014

Held on Thursday, November 14 2014 at 7.30pm

Present: Alex Parietti, Captain (AP), Ken Stevens (KS), Phil Allen (PA), Bruce Wilton (BW), Trevor Barker (TB), Adrian Cole (AC), Pete Burns (PB), Andy Jones (AJ), Michael Blanning (MB)

In attendance: Ben Blackburn (BB)

1. Apologies

Simon Webb, Graham Bentham, Glenn Halsey

2. Minutes of September meeting and AGM

Agreed and accepted

3. Matter arising

It was noted that all action points had been completed; no matters arising

4 . Report from Management

Renewals- 7 day is full and waiting list still rising, most resignations were 3 and 5-day; end-Sep 2015 is the target date for completion of the members' bar extension, footings to start in March and other work before then; new pro shop till now working; good feedback from the various opens held this year; continuing good relations with KGU and other bodies, some new hosting first for 2015 already confirmed, including a Kent Men's 1st team fixture, the Top Club final and the Guildford final; the club has a stand at the London golf show (at Bluewater) this weekend.

5. Committee meeting schedule and organisation

Following discussion, **it was agreed as follows:**

- **4 meetings this year:** Nov 2014, Mar/ Jun/Sep 2015. MB to propose dates
- **Regular one-on-ones** between Captain, Secretary and committee members on their areas of responsibility
- **Regular communication by email** amongst the committee, organised by MB as Secretary

Regarding committee responsibilities:

- **Competitions:** PA will post summary of all the competition details for the year to come (number of prize-winners, etc) on the board

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- **Trophies:** KS agreed to be in charge of trophies and medals (maintaining inventory for insurance, engraving, tracking whereabouts, etc)

6. Communication with members and responsiveness to their wishes

The committee are committed to improve these. **It was agreed** that:

- **AP** and **PB** will finalise a **comprehensive survey**, send it to committee members for final comments, and then send it out to all members of the section.
- **AP** will shortly send out the first of a series of “**Captain’s blogs**” using the club email system. Copy to be put on notice-board. Starters will ask all players if they received it and if not, will take their correct email details; AP will then make corrections in the system.

7. Use of the cash balance of the section

BW presented figures going back several years, pointing out that large yearly surpluses in previous years were only avoided by excessive spending on meals for teams, a practice that has now stopped. After discussion, **it was agreed:**

- **To cut the midweek medal fee from £2 to £1** as a benefit to Seniors, who are the main participants in the event
- **To spend a significant sum next Summer/early Autumn on items for the extended members’ bar**, for the benefit of *all* members of the section, details to be decided once the building work is nearing completion.

8. Team captains/entry to team events

It was agreed to enter the following events with the following captains:

Kent Golf league A and B: Asad Babaddi and Jeremy Brewer respectively (cost: £110)

Invicta: Mark Hutchinson supported by Chris Broughton (free)

The cost for the following events is around £30 each:

Yeoman: Chris Broughton

Kent foursomes: Asad Babadi

Guildford: Asad Babadi

Medway foursomes: tbc

Top Club: Bruce Wilton

Four Hills: tbc, assuming agreement can be reached with the other clubs on a speedier format

Friendlys: Trevor Barker. The committee is very keen to expand the number of members playing in friendly matches, particularly of new members as for one thing this is an excellent way to begin representing the club.

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Mixed friendlies: tbc. AP is in discussions with the ladies' section.

9. Changed format of certain comps

It was agreed:

- That the **March medal**, also the PGA qualifier, will be a **drawn comp**
- To invite two specific members to submit plans for making the **Richard Moore trophy** “**bigger**” and more like a **professional event** (e.g. leader-board; food afterwards) with the intention to then go ahead with their plans

10. Club ties

It was agreed that BB would send to AP the mock-ups already made for a club tie, with the intention to agree a final version and the sales arrangements between the club and the section.

AOB

Concern was expressed, after the log-jam on the course today – a busy Seniors morning when a golf society also had a large block booking – that the rights of paying members to the course are not sufficiently defined.

Meeting finished at 9.50pm

Signed Captain Date