

Aldwickbury Park Golf Club
Minutes of a meeting of the Gentlemen's Committee
Held at Aldwickbury Park Golf Club at 7pm on the 3rd April 2008

Present **J Hunter, T Fox, S Crosby, E Diment, P Spiers, E Wyllie, I Waltham, C Robinson**

Prior to the meeting starting, JH introduced Tim Fox to committee members as the new Vice Captain. He was unanimously welcomed.

Item	Report	Action
1	Apologies for Absence: P Hayward, C Roberts	
2	Minutes of the last meeting: IW had provided notes for the previous meeting but they had not been recognised in the minutes.	
3	Matters arising: a) There are now used tee boxes on yellow and red tees. Some might perhaps be put on white tees where they are remote from yellows but this would not be pressed for yet. Keep under review. b) Understood that bunkers are being renovated in order of priority and information is available in the newsletter and on notice boards. c) Late shop opening has been mentioned – keep under review d) Solving the on-line booking flaw is in hand. e) The PSI screen will be moved when the handyman is available. The notices currently alongside need to be placed next to the new screen.	JH All EW
4	Handicap committee issues: 1) After 1 Jan 08 there should be no differences between the ladies and gents approaches 2) EW explained the significance and effect of the new rules, which he had summarised and circulated to committee members 3) Although there will be no 'general play' adjustments, there are opportunities for members to submit supplementary scores for handicap adjustment; there will also be annual reviews by the handicap committee. 4) A supplementary scores book will be placed in the pro shop for signing up prior to playing where cards are intended for submission. It is expected that entries will be countersigned by pro shop staff. (SS do not count as qualifiers but do count for handicap adjustment) 5) The content of the EW circular would be agreed with the Ladies and Aldwicks, followed by a decision of what to communicate to members 6) Following agreement with the Ladies and Aldwicks, the supplementary scores book will be used by all members. 7) Reiterated that a N/R on a medal round hole allows the round to count for handicap but not as a qualifier. N/R on a formal Stableford round counts for qualifying and for handicap 8) Nine hole competitions can count for handicap but not as qualifiers 9) EW will work with Tristan to ensure that the course is registered for 9 hole competitions with handicap adjustments	EW JH EW

5	<p>Course matters:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The 9th tee is very boggy – is drainage planned? 2) We would be happy for the rope barriers to be in place longer to ensure that the worst weather was past and that grass was again growing strongly 3) Confirmed that the tracked area to the right of the approach to the 1st green is a path in terms of allowing a free drop 4) CR expressed the concern of some club members that the course may be made easier as a result of some of the work being carried out. This will be kept under review 	JH
6	<p>Club house matters:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) An update on the investment in furniture was requested 2) There was concern over H & S regarding children on private bookings running around near the water and the 18th green 3) Questioned whether societies are sent copies of the club rules, including dress code 4) Many of the tables are too small for the plates now in use but we do not wish portion sizes to decrease 	<p>JH</p> <p>JH</p> <p>JH</p> <p>JH</p>
7	<p>Treasurer's report:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The money position was reported to be fine 2) A new mandate from Barclays is being sought 3) A copy of the past year's accounts will be passed to IW 	SC
8	<p>Competitions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) IW had circulated a note about Andy Ward's course record card. Agreed that his record should stand b) ED had queried the Texas Scramble rule regarding lowest handicap. Confirmed that the equalisation is added before the proportion is rounded. Playing handicaps are used. PS would check his view that the lowest handicap used as a baseline is taken after equalisation shots have been added c) 1) ED has met with MT for a handover and to obtain the spreadsheets. The Spring Cup was run as 3 balls but has to be 4 balls this year as insufficient times were allocated. MT spreadsheets do not handle 3 balls. TF will provide additional spreadsheets c) 2) ED needs help on 5 May and 26 May for competitions. He will email committee members on this 	<p>PS</p> <p>TF</p> <p>ED</p>
9	<p>Scratch team report:</p> <p>There was no scratch team report</p>	
10	<p>CBL matters:</p> <p>Noted that Aldwickbury Park took on the Chairmanship of the CBL w.e.f. 1st January 2008. He has offered to remain as our CBL Representative during 2008 and has therefore become CBL Chairman for the year. He seeks a successor for 2009, who should attend some of the meetings prior to that date.</p>	IW
11	<p>Juniors:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) There are currently 109 junior members, of whom around 50 play in competitions, 25 regularly 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2) EW handed out the almost final 2008 calendar. Three more matches are to be arranged together with under10/under 12 matches 3) The budget, given to SC, shows a shortfall of about £700, being a typical year. Sweatshirts have been sponsored by Harpenden Windows. Other sponsors are being sought, as are other measures to reduce the deficit. 4) Tristan is unwilling to place a levy on members with the subscription 5) EW will arrange a hole in one or nearest the pin competition at the Spring Cup to raise money; he would consider other events as well 6) IW suggested renaming the Social Committee Shield competition as a sponsorship for juniors. Raise with the Members' Committee 	<p>EW</p> <p>EW</p> <p>EW</p> <p>JH</p>
12	<p>AOB:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Confirmed that we will buy a new Union flag. CR to raise this with John Hollier, who sourced the previous one. 2) Stuart is training Miranda on various admin matters that she will take over progressively 3) Remind Tristan to pay the money for the Captains' Fund 4) The next meeting will be at 19.00 on Tuesday 3rd June 2008 in the club house 5) Subsequent meetings will be on Tuesdays 5th August, 7th October, 2nd December, 20th January, 	<p>CRR</p> <p>JH</p>

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