

Studley Wood Seniors' Committee

Meeting held on 26 April 2018 at 1.45pm

Action Points

In attendance:

Committee: Steve Atkins (SA), Bob Clarke (BC), Mike Atkins (MA), Roy Fulton (RF), Peter Nicholls (PN), Stephen Painter (SP), Martin Wilkinson (MW), Steve Capaldi (SC)

Apologies: Paul Dore (PD)

	Subject/Discussion Points	Action
1.	Welcome – SA welcomed all to the meeting.	
2.	Minutes of the Meeting held On 20 March 2018/Matters Arising – These were approved. There were no matters arising.	
3.	Treasurer's Report – MA reported that we currently have assets of £1486.60 (£1447.60 in the bank and £39 in cash). However there were a number of payments to be made, so uncommitted funds amounted to £752.60. MW raised a concern about 'winnings', which remained uncollected for many months. SA undertook to contact the members concerned to ensure they collected these monies.	SA
4.	Organisation of Roll Ups - SP reported that for May, cover had been organized to ensure that 2 committee members and a reserve were identified for each 'Roll Up'. The draft programme for June and July was agreed for circulation to all seniors. It was noted that the programme included the required number of 'qualifiers'. SA agreed to explore the possibility of Seniors playing on Friday 15 June as the June 14 th date was not available, because of an 'association' booking on that day.	SP SA SA

5.	<p>Away Days & Tours – PN reported that 26 members had signed up for the Spring trip for Wales and planning was underway for an Autumn trip to South Devon. In addition an Autumn Away Day at Badgemore Park Golf Club, Henley (cost £40 per head) was planned for 10 September.</p> <p>For Spring 2019 a possible trip to Sherwood Forest was under consideration.</p> <p>The Committee endorsed these proposals.</p>	<p>PN</p> <p>PN</p>
6.	<p>Quiz/Rule of the Week – RF said that the quiz rounds had now been completed. RF agreed to forward the latest questions and answers to SA for circulation to all seniors</p>	<p>RF/SA</p>
7.	<p>Seniors Pairs Competition – Further consideration was given to the difficulty of agreeing dates for these matches, but it was agreed that for the 2018 competition it was too late to amend the rules to specify that if necessary matches should be played at the weekend and 5 day members should be prepared to pay a green fee to play. It was agreed that this change should be made for the 2019 competition having been raised and voted on at the next AGM.</p>	<p>MA/BC</p>
8.	<p>Annual Review of Handicaps – BC reported that he and Paul Fitzgerald had completed the annual review of handicaps for 'seniors and as a result the handicap of eight members had been increased. A further review would be undertaken in the Spring 2019.</p>	<p>BC</p>
9.	<p>Bonus Ball Game – SA reported that arrangements had been made to trial a bonus ball game in August and if there were no difficulties this format would be used again in the winter</p>	<p>SA</p>
10.	<p>Standard Scratch for Qualifying Competitions – BC indicated that with the current forward tee placements on holes 5, 7, 9, 13, 14 and 18, which reduced the course length to 6250 yards, the club was not satisfying CONGA requirements. In consequence discussions had taken place with Ken Heathcote who had agreed that a new Standard Scratch of 71 would be used for competitions off these forward tees. When winter tees were in use (course length 6100 yards) a Standard Scratch of 70 would be applied. By 2020 the new handicapping system being introduced, would supersede these arrangements.</p>	<p>BC</p>
11.	<p>Honours Boards – SA reported that Ken Heathcote had indicated that the club would provide an honours board for the 'Champion of Champions' competition. Arrangements for updating the sign writing on the boards would be further explored with Ken Heathcote.</p>	<p>SA</p>

	<i>(After note: Tom has agreed that this will be done by the club and he is now in the process of preparing to update all the honours boards in the clubhouse).</i>	
12.	Seniors' Captain Charity Day - SA reported that he had nominated Sobell House as his charity to support this year. Initial consideration was given to the format of the putting competition and arrangements for the raffle and procurement of cakes. The details would be further considered at the next meeting.	SA
13.	Men's & Club Committee Update — BC reported on the last Committee meeting and in particular stated that the Committee had raised no objection to the seniors continuing to apply a 'one member one prize' rule for the Club Seniors' Championship. BC also reported that arrangements were being made to invite members to participate in a divot filling session, possibly to coincide with a Thursday evening 200 competition evening.	BC
14	Seniors Coaching Sessions – RF indicated that Andy Charlton was starting the 'Short Game' coaching on 8 May at 1.30pm. RF would put a notice on the Notice Board. .	RF
15.	Reserved Tees – Concerns were expressed about seniors' events being interrupted by golfers starting rounds during the period when the 1st and 10 th tees were reserved for seniors. SP suggested that a "Tee Reserved" sign should be provided for use on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. The Committee supported the proposal, which would be discussed with Ken Heathcote.	SA
16.	Seniors & Ladies match – MW confirmed that this was now fixed for 9th October and he would now discuss the format with the lady's captain.	MW
16.	Silverware Competitions – RF suggested that the prizes for silverware competitions should be increased by the funding of £10 'winners' vouchers and £5 'runners up' vouchers to supplement the usual cash prizes provided from 'roll up funds'. It was estimated that this would add approx. £100 to annual costs. The Committee approved this proposal.	SA/MA
17.	Winter League – MW questioned whether there were too many Winter League prizes and thought that payment to the top 10 would be adequate. It was agreed that this would be reviewed in the Autumn.	SA
18.	New Rules of Golf – MW referred to the new rules being introduced in 2019 and suggested a seminar for members in the Autumn. SC suggested that some new rules might be trialed in the winter. It was agreed that this would be considered further at a later meeting.	SA/BC

19.	Next Committee Meeting – SA thanked all for their contributions to the meeting, which closed at 2.47pm. The next meeting would be held on 31 May 2018.	All

Signed:
Steve Atkins,
Seniors Captain
April 2018