

Studley Wood Seniors' Committee
Meeting held in the Clubhouse at 14.00 on 16th December 2021

Minutes

In attendance: Stephen Capaldi (SC), David Hughes (DH),
 Dave Drew (DD), Martin Wilkinson (MW), Terry Davies (TD), Jonathan Perks (JP).

	Subject / Discussion Points	Action
1.	Apologies Hans Menzel (HM), Stephen Painter (SP).	
2	Minutes The minutes of the meeting of 9 th November 2021 were agreed with one revision. The date of the Seniors' AGM is Thursday 31 st March 2022	
3.	Treasurer's Update A short report from (MW) stating that for the Christmas Lunch £1360 was collected, £1180 was paid for 59 lunches, with £60 for prizes and 3 requests for refunds (Covid related). Several seniors who had been unable to attend the lunch had indicated that they did not wish to receive a refund. There was a £51 surplus from the 2's Competitions in November.	MW
4.	Seniors' Christmas Lunch It was agreed the event format was a huge success, with the suggestion that £1 be added to future entrance fees to cover serving staff gratuities. An introduction of more team prizes would ensure a fun element is maintained. Thanks were expressed to the Club for the food and service, and to Graham Reed who put together an excellent entertainment programme.	SC/TD
5.	February Programme The programme for February was thought to contain a good spread of formats. As the changes from the Club for the Boxing Day Texas Scramble, (DD) was asked the make Club had moved the Boxing Day Texas Scramble from 28 th to 27 th December, the event on 28 th December would be listed as a "Seniors' Event.	DD
6.	Feedback from Club Meetings From the recent General Committee it was noted that action was in hand to recruit a new chef following the resignation of David Cavalier. Work to refurbish the Clubhouse was due to start in January. It was noted that shoe cleaning machine was to be moved from the front entrance and it was suggested that the facilities would benefit from and upgrade with all equipment, preferably situated around the exit from the 18 th green. Concern was expressed about the number of members dogs on the course "off the lead" and if seen was to be reported to the office.	SC
7.	Rules for Team Games Rules were clearly posted for all Seniors' events in the Clubhouse with participants to be encouraged to read and understand as applicable. For future team events it was agreed that there should be no 2's Competitions in view of technical difficulties within HDID. For Bonus Ball competitions the 6 extra points for 3 ball teams would be retained. For Texas Scrambles each player would in future be required to post a minimum of 4 drives whether in a 3 or 4 ball team.	TD
8.	Potential Return to a Two-Tee Start (MW) suggested reconsideration of two tee starts to help speed up play and to make it easier for Seniors to accommodate other commitments. It was agreed that Seniors should be encouraged to avoid slow play but it wasn't thought this would be assisted by two tee starts. It was also pointed out that all seniors were able to ask for an early or late start to accommodate other commitments and this was used on a regular basis. It was also noted that the club intended to offer the option of occasional 9 hole games from the 1 st tee as well as the 10 th and this would be inhibited if Seniors were seeking to use both the 1 st and 10 th tees on Tuesdays and Thursday mornings. So it was agreed to keep the current one tee arrangements for the foreseeable future.	SC

9.	<p>Periodic Shotgun Start for Roll-Ups It was thought to be a good idea and would aid both Seniors' fellowship and Club catering. 3-4 events annually to be planned into the Seniors' programme, with the first roll up Shotgun start on 31st March ahead of the AGM.</p>	SC/TD
10.	<p>AOB The results team asked for all scorecards, particularly team games, to be filled in correctly. This should include full name, playing index and handicap, gold, silver or bronze tee and the type of competition. (SC) undertook to remind Seniors of this expectation.</p> <p>(JP) had been invited to the meeting as he will take over from Peter Nicholls the organisation of tours and away days. The Committee wished to record their gratitude to Peter for all his hard work in providing varied and enjoyable locations over the years making him a very hard act to follow. (JP) with the help of (MW) and (DD) will try to follow Peter's philosophy of providing a balance between cost and the toughness of courses using the yardstick that selected courses should be a little tougher than Studley Wood.</p> <p>(TD)/(JP) informed the Committee that the updating of the Seniors' website remained work in progress and a further report would be given in due course.</p> <p>It was noted that the clubhouse would be closed on 25 and 26 December but the course would remain open over the Christmas period.</p>	SC TD
	<p>Date of next Meeting This was set as 25th January 2022 at ca 2.00pm.</p>	
	<p>The meeting closed at 3.25pm</p>	