

Minutes



OPGCMA & Crown Golf

Meeting:

Date: 12th October 2009

Venue: Oak Park Committee Room

Present

Norm Adam	Captain
Lucy Church	Ladies Captain
Richard Pilbury	Oak Park Manager
Craig Earnshaw	Head Ground Keeper
Apologies	
Brian Matthews	Vice Captain
Margaret Church	Ladies Vice Captain

Matters arising / Outstanding from previous meetings

ITEM	Discussion	Follow up / Action
Crown Golf report	RP explained a change to the arrangements for weekend bookings. Following analysis of weekend bookings there have been on average 8-12 tee slots unused by members on Saturdays & Sundays and Crown Golf would like to use these slots for non members. The following items would not change, all competitions in the diary will have their allocated tee times retained both men and ladies. The members 12 day window for booking will stay in place and take precedence over any other bookings. There will be no societies booked before 12:00 at weekends so this will not affect members. Non members will only be allowed to book if tee times are not taken by members and booking will only become available 7 days in advance. There are currently 320 7day members and the majority who play at weekends play in competitions and those who book social golf tend to book in the 12 day window and would be unaffected. RP will put these changes in a poster and place on notice board, he is willing to take all queries from the members regarding this item. NA asked about the recent changes to the Junior Academy and how this would affect weekends and RP is willing to discuss this with Gavin and the committee but felt that this could be resolved. NA explained that the committee were meeting with Gavin to discuss these issues in the next week.	
Craig's report	The rough has now been cut and will be cut again before the winter to ensure that it is contained. The picking up of the grass is now taking place and will continue over the next two months with the cutting burned where possible near the 16 th . The bridge on the 5 th will be rebuilt in the next week and new tee markers are being prepared and will be in place soon. The current warmer spell has meant some continued growth on the course but this will slow down as the weather cools. The tees will be tined and dressed but this should only improve them and ensure they are ready for the new season. The course has improved over this year and the weather has not been as difficult as last year. The greens are now better than they were at this time last year and will fare well during the winter period. Problems with badgers are being tackled on the 8 th /9 th and this should be	

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contained.

Claret Jug. NA & LC commented on how well we had been looked after by Crown Golf at St Mellion and the team had done its very best and achieved 11th place on a very difficult but interesting course. The accommodation, food and organisation had been first class. Discussions with senior managers of Crown Golf had been very positive and their positive view of Oak Park had been confirmed. Discussion on the upgrading of changing facilities and general facade of the club house had been received with favourable comments.

AOB LC commented on the improvement on the loo on the hill. LC also asked about the range of clothing in the pro shop for ladies. RP said that there had been a range of ladies clothing put into the pro shop but that little had been purchased. He would look into the use of an internet shopping facility and its progress. Wet weather gear for ladies would also be tackled.

DONM: Monday 9th November 15:00

Course Walk Thursday 15th October 12:00 postponed another date to be discussed by NA & BM

Staff v Committee Thursday 12th November. 8 teams for this match.