

Minutes



OPGCMA Main Committee

Meeting: 12/09
Date: Tuesday 1st Dec 2009
Venue: Oak Park Committee Room

Present

Norm Adam Captain
Brian Matthews Vice Captain
Lucy Church Ladies Captain
Cliff Simmons Comps Com
Roger White Treasurer
Linda Warren Juniors
Gosta Bergkvist Seniors
Gill Hawker New Members
Gavin Grenville-Wood Club Pro
Apologies
Neil Dockar Handicaps
Tracey Hart Social

Matters arising / Outstanding from previous meetings

ITEM	Discussion	Follow up / Action
	NA to invite Mark Cooper to attend Main Committee in January to update us on the IT situation	NA to ask for January.
	CS is it possible for us to purchase a new white board for majors.	RP is willing to assist with this item CS to get quotes.
	CS due to the impending changes regarding active/ inactive handicaps would it be possible to have some harmony across the men's and ladies.	Discuss with ND about this item. See notes from ND
	Gavin reported on the introduction and progression of the Academy. The academy is unique to Oak Park and is being monitored by Crown Golf for use in other clubs. The goal of the Academy is to bring new golfers into the game result of the introduction was better than anticipated with a very good uptake and this has produced some challenges. A large number of children have joined but there are also adults resulting in 25 people joining the club as full members. We now have 18 juniors with Congu handicaps and they will be the premier league and compete in Junior competition during the year. All competitions on the Woodland side are flexible and full consultation with Comps Com to ensure that they do not interfere with current competition most will take place in the afternoons. Ada Holmes has been appointed as Junior Captain for 2010. Gavin is very keen to not only teach good golf techniques but to ensure that good behaviour is part of the classes including dress code and behaviour on course and in club house. Gavin answered questions regarding the academy and assured us that he is keen to work with OPGCMA at all times he is not part of Crown Golf and has to work with them as well as us to achieve his goals.	

Sub Committee Reports

Item	Discussion	Follow up / Action
08/09.12.1	<p>Treasurer's Report:</p> <p>Roger would like to thank Brian Matthews for standing in while he was on holiday and the way that the accounts were handled at this time. All monies in order and no issues at present.</p>	
08/09.12.2	<p>Ladies Captains' Report:</p> <p>A quiet month – Triple Six on Tuesday 3rd November was cancelled due to bad weather. Rosemary Pinchin won the November medal with a net 73. We tried a new format for the Mixed on 11th November called Melody. Teams of 3 and 4. Each player had to take 4 of their gross scores on a hole over the 18 holes, 5 for the 3 balls. It was enjoyed by all but found that the high handicappers found it quite difficult. 17th November was the annual Lady Captain v Lady Vice Captain with 20 ladies on each side taking part. Lady Captain's Team won again. Mixed American Foursomes on Sunday 22nd November was cancelled due to bad weather. Not to be out done, lunch was brought forward and all those booked stayed and a good time was had by all. November Stableford was won by Christina Leopold with 37 points.</p>	
08/09.12.3	<p>CompsCom Report:</p> <p>Club Championship and Handicap Salver</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Comps Com continued the discussions for allocation of prizes and the ability to win both competitions. <p>CS led by putting forward a proposal for discussion:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Club Championship and Nett salver prizes to be 1st and 2nd 2. Individual Medals to be 1st, 2nd and 3rd 3. Introduction of a Rabbit Style competition for the higher Handicap section 4. Increase of entry fee to £ 10.00 <p>Following much debate, a decision was made to change the prizes to: All four Competitions to be 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes only.</p> <p>As agreed at Main Committee, OPGCMA would cover the cost of the Competition hardware, to allow the prize fund to increase. The committee agreed that the allocation of the prize fund be as follows: 37.5% to the Championship 37.5% to the Net Salver 12.5% to each of the individual competitions Example Assuming an entry of 80 competitors @ £6, the prize fund would be 85% of £480 = £408.</p>	

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	<p>37.5% of the prize fund will be allocated to the Championship eg £150 to be divided into 1st prize of £75, 2nd prize £50, 3rd prize £25. The same allocation will apply to the Handicap competition.</p> <p>12.5% of the prize fund, eg £50 will be applied to the individual results, on handicap, of each of the two rounds, giving 1st prize of £25, 2nd prize of £15, 3rd prize £10.</p> <p>It was also agreed that Items 3 and 4 would at this time not be considered.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">2. Comps Com voted unanimously that if any player, played sufficiently well to win both the Club Championship and the Net Salver, this would be the case.</p> <p>It is recommended that these decisions be taken to the Ladies, Seniors and Junior sections to try and get the competitions to full under a common umbrella. It is understood that due to numbers of entrants, that the percentage payouts may not equate and may need to be adjusted by each section accordingly.</p> <p>Prize Giving</p> <p>Consideration has been given to limit the amount of time is available to collect/issues vouchers to competition winners.</p> <p>It was proposed that 3 months be a deadline for prize collection following the dated Club Night.</p> <p>The proposal to be taken to Main Committee for approval and the final decision as to where the funds be returned to.</p> <p>Handicaps</p> <p>The presence of Neil Dockar allowed some specific points regarding Handicaps be reviewed, with regard to Inactive/Active handicaps, Neil has suggested that if there are any main concerns that individuals concerned visit the EGU Website regarding the Decisions on the Congu unified Handicapping system. With regard to the Club2000 system, it has been confirmed that Handicap Certificates etc will indicate an INACTIVE handicap.</p> <p>A secondary issue has been raised with regard to the Maintenance of Village & Junior Handicaps as Margaret Church questioned that it is the responsibility that OPGCMA maintain these Handicaps.</p> <p>If Competitions and handicaps be maintained on the village, this may diminish the current small woodland Lady membership.</p> <p>Items for discussion with Crown Golf</p> <p>1) None</p>	
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<p>08/09.12.4</p>	<p>Seniors Report:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Men's Roll-Up. The first Men's Roll-Up played on the 16th November had 27 players. The next one, combined with Christmas lunch takes place on the 14th December. Richard Pilbury did not want to accept more than one pre-booked Roll-Up per month, so the date for each month in 2010 is being presented to Richard tomorrow the 2nd December. 2. Winter League. During November the Tops won the match against Milford at home but lost against Pyrford away. 3. November Senior's Stableford was won by Derek Cranfield. 4. The mixed Seniors Greensomes Competition yesterday, the 30th November, was cancelled due to heavy rain. 5. Next Senior's Committee Meeting is on the 7th December. 	
<p>08/09.12.5</p>	<p>Juniors Report:</p> <p>On Sunday the Academy Champs were held which was the culmination of the terms competitions with between 60 & 70 children taking part. Unfortunately the day had to be abandoned about half way through due to the course becoming unplayable through torrential rain. At that point there were only 7 no shows with one of those being due to 'Swine Flu' the age of these children ranged from 6 upwards, I found this absolutely amazing, it just shows what enthusiasm and dedication there is in the section as a whole, from both the juniors and their parents. I for one would not have gone out in those conditions. The meal was brought forward to 3.00p.m and I have to say the kitchen came up trumps as the meal was originally going to be on a rolling basis and they changed the whole thing at a minute's notice from Gavin</p> <p>Prizegiving took place at about 4.30 p.m. Ada Holmes was the winner of the order of merit which has been running through the summer, and was also announced as next year's Junior Captain. Winners names to follow.</p> <p>We now have 19 juniors with congu handicaps and several who have sufficient cards in and are awaiting processing.</p> <p>Gavin, Paul Mayo & myself attended a Child Protection Course on Wednesday of last week at Camberley. We are shortly due to have a meeting with the Golf Mark Accreditation Scheme which should result in Oak Park receiving an accreditation. There are very few clubs in Hampshire which have this. It will mean that we have achieved a very high standard of care and coaching with the juniors.</p>	
<p>08/09.12.6</p>	<p>Handicaps Report:</p> <p>Report for the Handicap section: November was, as usual, a quieter month with 3 new handicaps awarded (lowest being 17). Preparations are now underway for the Annual review. As was done last year we will, in addition to the standard reports generated by the handicap</p>	

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	<p>computer system, request feedback from the members. A copy of the feedback request has been put onto the website and also the Men's notice board in the locker room. All data needs to be with the Handicap committee no later than 12th December, and the results of the Annual review will be effective from 1st January 2010.</p> <p>Various discussions have taken place regarding the change to the Ladies handicap system from January 2010. This does not apply to Men. In simple terms if a lady member does not complete 3 qualifying rounds in a 12 month period then her handicap will become "inactive" until such time as 3 qualifying rounds are achieved. So called inactive handicaps are still valid CONGU handicaps (particularly for social golf), but they may be ineligible for certain competitions.</p>	
08/09.12.7	<p>Socom report.</p> <p>The arrangements for the xmas bash are in full swing with seating plan filling and all others arrangements coming together nicely.</p> <p>The burns night on 23rd January is also progressing with myself and Ian Munro in liaison over the details. The xmas clubnight Monday 21st is also being worked on</p> <p>That is a summarised report.</p>	
08/09.12.8	<p>New Members Report:</p> <p>Limited numbers of new members this month mainly intermediates. All followed up where possible. Current membership on Woodland as follows 7day 331 5day 180 intermediates 50</p>	

Any other Business

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DONM: Tuesday 5th January 2010