

Spean Bridge Golf Club

Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 22nd April, 7.30pm, in the Clubhouse

Present: John Muncie, Ken Dalziel, Tricia MacIvor, David Langan, Allan Reid, Willie Atkinson, Jim Paterson.

Apologies: Aeleen Campbell, Sheila Cameron, Colin Davidson, Angus Morrison, Calum Coltart.

The minutes of the previous meeting had earlier been circulated to members. After no objections were received, they had been published on the clubhouse notice board and on the website.

Matters arising

- a) The Gents Fixture List has now been put on the clubhouse notice board and the website.
- b) The suggestion box has been bought and will be installed outside near the side door.
- c) The new shed is now in use, freeing space in the men's changing room. Junior equipment is also there.
- d) John's work on the new score card is underway.
- e) David reported that he has contacted David MacDonald who has quoted for the proposed Captain's Bunker. The committee has accepted the quote and asked David to organise this. The completion of the Third Tee path will also be done by this contractor, who will be asked to quote for other projects.
- d) The Tradewinds Race Night prize has been passed on but the prizewinner has not yet claimed it.

Correspondence

The club has been invited to join the All Square Golf website. We agreed to this so long as there is no cost.

We have been invited to join the Glen Spean & the Great Glen Tourism Marketing Group, but have decided against doing so.

1) Water supply: present situation and financial agreement with forestry company.

John reported that, after a friendly exchange of emails, Mr Rik Epens of Killiechonate Forestry has agreed to settle this matter and pay our costs.

Ken reported that the recently damaged filter unit has been repaired but the pump is not working properly. He will buy a new pump and fit it.

2) Financial Report.

Alan reported that subs for the new season are coming in satisfactorily and that few expenses are due at the moment. The bank mandate for the new club officials is not yet ready.

3) Course improvement projects.

There was a general lack of enthusiasm for using work parties. It was felt that any work needed should be handled by contractors. David made the point that a three-year development plan should be undertaken. There was general agreement that path improvement should be the immediate priority.

4) Possibility of leasing equipment.

Colin has been in touch with Fairways and is waiting for them to send an example of the costs involved.

5) Practice putting green

Colin has put edging in place and put on weedkiller. Calum is to investigate top soil for it.

6) Preparation for the new season.

It was agreed that early planning for events should be our policy. We discussed the first two events, the David McCook Memorial competition on June 28th and our Open on July 5th.

Aeleen had presented a plan for the charity mixed doubles on May 31st, which would allow the winners to give the money to a charity of their choosing. We thought this a good idea and that £5 per head would be a suitable entry fee.

Aeleen also informed us that she has agreed to let Calum hold the Travis Perkins competition on August 2nd in return for his help in recruiting teams for the Camanachd Texas Scramble.

A.O.C.B.

- a) Alan pointed out that the new Junior Coaching season begins on April 23rd.
- b) Jim expressed concern that the side door had been left unlocked one day last week. This should not happen, although the back door giving access to the toilets, etc., should be open all day.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday May 20th, at 7.30pm