

Spean Bridge Golf Club

Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 7th March 2017, 7.30pm, in the Clubhouse

Present: Colin Davidson, John Muncie, Harry Campbell, Ken Dalziel, Allan Reid, Aeleen Campbell, Pat Davidson, Jim Paterson, Galen Dalziel, Willie Atkinson,

Apologies: David Langan.

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.

Correspondence.

Colin had received material from Scottish Golf; he is now Child Protection Officer for the club.

Minutes of 14th February 2017 meeting.

The minute of the last meeting were approved, proposed by Allan, seconded by Ken.

1) Financial Report.

Allan said that the club's accounts were as expected at this time of year, with some invoices pending. Allan was thanked for his work as Treasurer as he is handing over to Harry.

2) Course development: bunker sand, etc.

Aeleen's efforts persuaded a Jewson's rep to visit the course the previous week. He recommended sand and gravel, described how bunkers should be built, and will send us drawings. Sand will cost £55 per ton bag, with 8 tons required and gravel for drains will cost £45 per ton. It was decided to go ahead with this, with detailed costs and work being handled by Allan as project manager.

3) Competition to commemorate Neilly Fraser.

Several suggestions were considered before we agreed to Willie's suggestion: that the *Hotel Trophy* competition should be replaced by the *Neil Fraser Trophy*. This will be a mixed event. Colin is to speak to Mary Fraser about this.

4) Sunday competitions tee-times booking issue.

It was generally felt that there was already flexibility in this and we restated that tees are reserved, 10am to 11am, but competition tee-offs are allowed from early morning until 2pm. Members should make their own pairing arrangements. John has re-instated the forum on the website and this can be used by members looking for playing partners on any day of the week. It will also be available for members to exchange views on any matter but will eventually be removed if there is no demand for it.

5) Tee Off Times booking system.

Galen re-introduced this topic. He believed that it would be good advertising for us and would cost us nothing. Since several new committee members were unfamiliar with this, we decided to look into it further and put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

6) Junior coaching 2017.

Galen agreed to organise this.

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- a) Galen said that Howdens may sponsor a hole and the Opens. We agreed on figures to ask them for this.
- b) John raised the matter of changing the Senior qualifying age. It was decided to remit this to the next AGM.
- c) An introductory offer was suggested to attract new members. It was decided that this would apply in April and May. New members will be asked for an initial payment of £40. If they want to continue after May, they will be asked to pay the balance within 14 days thereafter.
- d) Jim asked about our lease, in view of the BA's change of ownership. John will look into this.
- e) Galen suggested a new inter-club competition but we decided against this.
- f) Galen suggested a group outing to Gleneagles or Castle Stuart. There was general support for this and Galen will take it further.

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 4th at 7.30pm in the Clubhouse.