# **RMMGC Board Meeting**

# Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2023 at 2.00pm Pert Residence, Montrose

#### In attendance

Jamie Pert (JP), Scott Henderson (SH), Michael Gove (MG), Debbie Leslie (DL),

Steve Lyon (SL), Carol Lyon (CL), Edna Wallwork (EW), Virginia Jamieson (VJ)

# **Welcome and Apologies**

JP welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies were communicated on behalf of Robert Sim (RS) and Gordon Maiden (catering).

# **Prize Draw**

The monthly prize draw was made. This month's winners are:

 $1^{st}$  prize – Brian Leask  $2^{nd}$  prize – Alan Crow  $3^{rd}$  prize – Keith Campbell  $4^{th}$  prize – John O'Hara

# **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 have been approved by the Board and uploaded to Dropbox under MOM. An abbreviated version has also been posted to the Club Website for members to view.

# Q & A on Submitted Reports

# Secretary's Report

CL explained the revised column headings in the table displaying a three-year comparison of catering income.

## <u>Treasurer's Report</u>

Whilst unable to attend the meeting, RS had submitted a comprehensive written report and discussed its contents with JP. Our cash balance remains healthy.

# Ladies' Report

It had been brought to DL's attention that a Ladies weekly competition result, posted on the website by our Website Administrator, did not include 'Alternate Day' scores. DL to contact Website Administrator and request that this be corrected.

MG had received a query from a male member whose wife had been unable to enter a competition. VJ intimated that any lady wishing to enter a competition outwith the allocated priority times should contact her, or Lynn Coull.

# **House Report**

The hot water dispenser in our temporary premises has been replaced and will be moved back into the permanent clubhouse on completion of the renovation work.

# Match Report

MG confirmed that he will not be standing for the position of Club Match and Handicap Secretary in 2024.

#### **New Members**

We recently welcomed one new Ordinary Member (Introductory Offer) and one new Junior Member. DL confirmed that a second new Junior Membership application had been processed today.

EW suggested it might be appropriate to start promoting Winter Membership. DL to action.

#### **Junior Section**

Competitions are progressing well. The Sixes League Final will take place at the Paul Lawrie Centre on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September.

## Catering - update

The kitchen has been extremely busy. It will be open on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August to cater for visiting golfers, and every Monday in September from 10.00 – 14.00 (hours may be extended to cater for visiting parties).

A disco has been booked for the Christmas Party Nights and the menu is currently being finalised.

A new 'Front of House' staff member has been appointed and will start on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September.

Interviews to be held for a new bar person. Jenny Fischer's sister is kindly assisting until such time as the successful applicant is appointed.

# **Enhancement Update – construction phase progress**

External scaffolding has been removed and restoration work on the grounds started.

All old lockers have now been ripped out and the intended positioning of the R&A lockers finalised. Some lockers will be moved from the old Mercantile building into the current Gent's Locker Room. Going forwards, it is intended to make the ground floor locker rooms unisex, in order to maximise the use of these spaces.

The new bar is currently being priced.

JP to meet with Doreen Leask, Brian Ritchie and Harry Faulkner on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August regarding the sale of memorabilia.

#### **Tournaments**

Am-Am: there had been some confusion surrounding the format for this competition.

Mark Rennie, Tournaments Convenor, is fully aware of the 'teething problems' he has encountered during his first year in post and is already planning for 2024.

Adana Day: Frances Milsom and Ron Henderson have arrangements well in hand. DL to ask Frances who will be running the auction.

# **MGLL** Update

DL to email MGLL, requesting that a RMMGC Club Representative attend the September Board meeting. Board members to send any questions to DL in advance of the meeting.

## **Fundraising for Enhancement**

An email will be issued to all members w/b 28th August regarding the 'Buy a Brick' campaign.

EW suggested putting a 'loose change bucket' on the bar.

Our aim is to raise £35,000 thus allowing us to provide a quality fit out of the clubhouse, without the need for a bank loan.

DL spoke about plans for 'Pie and a Pint' or 'Curry and a Pint' evenings during the Rugby World Cup (September/October).

Tom Murray has kindly agreed to act as 'Master of Ceremonies' for our Musical Bingo Night (date TBC).

MG will host Quiz Nights on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September and Friday 10th November.

The following dates for two Live Music events have been confirmed:

Remedy – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Sorella – Saturday 17th February 2024

Discussion ensued about a Club Warming / Official Opening and whether we should name the restaurant and lounge.

#### BM-SL/CL

#### Newsletter

The August Newsletter was distributed last week. The Board agreed it was great to see the strong presence of 'Junior Good News'.

# A.O.C.B.

# **Prize Givings**

Ladies: dinner on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October with possible prize-giving in the new clubhouse.

Gents: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November

# Replacement tills and PSI

Software no longer supported so replacements are necessary. Cost can be spread over several months, interest free.

# **Noticeboards**

JP stressed that noticeboard space will be at a premium in the renovated clubhouse.

The Board agreed there is a need to ensure that any information displayed on notice boards is well presented.

Some Board members have noticed the presence of non-RMMGC announcements on the existing noticeboard. DL confirmed that permission to display these notices had not been requested. Situation to be monitored and a reminder of Standing Orders, Par 4.1 issued to members, if necessary.

# Office Staff

We are delighted that Gemma Philips will now be in the office 3 days per week, increasing her working hours from 10 to 15 hours per week.

The meeting closed at 4.50pm.

Date of next meeting: Monday 25th September 2023 at 2.00pm