

## **RMMGC Board Meeting**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 2.00pm**

**Meeting Room, RMMGC**

### **In attendance**

Jamie Pert (JP), Carol Lyon (CL), Steve Lyon (SL), Scott Henderson (SH), Debbie Leslie (DL),  
Edna Wallwork (EW), Virginia Jamieson (VJ), Robert Sim (RS), Gordon Maiden (GM-catering)

### **Apologies**

Michael Gove

### **Welcome**

JP welcomed everyone to the meeting and took the opportunity to thank the Enhancement Team for all their efforts. Feedback on the refurbished clubhouse has been extremely positive.

### **Prize Draw**

The annual prize draw will be made at the forthcoming AGM.

### **Review of Action Point Register**

Discussion took place around the format of the Action Point Register. The Board agreed that it was useful to have action points listed separately, rather than embedded within the minutes.

### **Q & A on Submitted Reports**

#### Secretary's Report

No questions or comments.

#### Treasurer's Report

RS reported a £11,900 deficit for January, a large part of which can be explained by less footfall and Club/bar usage, along with various overhead costs including wage increases and increased energy prices. Social event income has been encouraging.

RS confirmed a VAT repayment is due to the Club.

### Ladies' Report

Winter competitions will finish on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024. Trophies have been engraved and will be presented to the winners on the evening of Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. The fixture list for season 2024/25 has been finalised.

### House Report

SH reported that the cause of the blocked drains has been identified and rectified.

Staff are to receive fire training for the refurbished building.

The gate for accessing locker rooms and trolley sheds is ready for fitting. JP thanked GM on behalf of all members for gifting this to the Club.

The outdoor noticeboard needs to be moved further from the wall to allow easier access.

Suggestions for the patio area will be sought at the AGM.

VJ asked if we could approach Chris Beattie in regard to obtaining the garden tables/bench seats in front of the former Mercantile building.

### Match Report

MG to be asked to confirm if the trophies upstairs are surplus to requirements.

### **New Members**

We have gained one new Associate member in the past month. DL has received lots of enquiries about membership, in particular Associate membership.

### **Junior Section**

VJ reported there had been interest in a Junior competition in April/May from Murrayshall. Jason Boyd and Junior Convenors have been informed.

VJ had received a query about the lack of a Junior Room in the refurbished building. The Board agreed that Junior members are very welcome to use the downstairs facilities.

VJ enquired about storage space for the Juniors' swap gear. SH to look into.

### **Bar/Catering – update**

DL advised that ordering and other procedures for the kitchen would be re- evaluated following the move back. Staff are settling well into the new set up.

Bar and catering opening hours for the remainder of the Winter Season were reviewed and agreed. DL to inform members of the revised hours by email.

### **Enhancement Update – construction phase progress**

The Completion Certificate has been received and the move back was completed on time, thanks to the huge effort put in by the staff and volunteers.

JP advised that a number of small jobs still need to be completed but feedback from members has been overwhelmingly positive.

An issue with the Licence for the extension should be resolved by early March. Janet Hood, a legal consultant has been very helpful in this regard.

### **Tournaments**

Discussion took place around the role of Club Match and Handicap Secretary. As yet, there are no nominations for this position.

### **Fundraising for Enhancement**

DL confirmed that ideas for various social events were being discussed.

### **Newsletter**

The February Newsletter will be distributed next week.

### **Governance Review**

CL and VJ provided brief feedback on a meeting they had had around the subject of Governance, in particular on the delegation of the responsibilities of Lady Captain and Lady Vice-Captain should these positions not be filled.

This subject requires further discussion post AGM with the possible establishment of a Governance Working Group.

### **Official Opening of New Club Facility**

Paul Lawrie has confirmed his availability for the official opening of the enhanced Club. JP to liaise with Paul via Jason Boyd. No formal date set as yet.

### **A.O.C.B.**

JP sought approval from the Board on the fee structure for 2024/25 proposed by the Finance Sub-committee.

DL said it would be helpful if tables in the lounge/dining areas could be numbered. This was approved.

BM-SL/CL

CL said she had received an enquiry from a member about the need for a 'hazard strip' on the step in the ladies' toilets. Although this need was not highlighted by Angus Council Building Inspectors during 'sign off', Mind the Step notices are now in place. DL will email members to remind them we now have a disabled toilet, should they feel they cannot manage the step.

Final arrangements for the forthcoming AGM were discussed. JP thanked all Board members for their work throughout the year.

The meeting closed at 4.10pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 2.00pm