RMMGC Board Meeting

Monday 29th July, 2:00pm, Millennium Lounge, RMMGC

In attendance

Jamie Pert (JP), Pete Wood (PW), Steve Lyon (SL), Alan Mercer (AM), Scott Henderson (SH), Robert Sim (RS), Debbie Leslie (DL)

Apologies

Carol Lyon (CL)

Welcome

JP welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Prize Draw

1st Gordon Maiden - £100

2nd Neil Paton - £50

3rd Moira Smith - £25

Review of Action Point Register

The Action Point Register was reviewed. A small number of items are ongoing.

Q & A on Submitted Reports

Secretary's Report

SL reported that 28 additional new members have been approved in the past month.

RS asked for an indication of the dynamic of those members that did not renew their membership at the last renewal. It was confirmed that a small number of members across different categories chose not to renew. However, it was encouraging that a high percentage of those who took Introductory Memberships last year went on to take Full Membership for the current season.

Bar and catering figures continue to remain positive, post enhancement.

Treasurer's Report

RS confirmed that financial results remain positive and represented a significant swing against the same period last year. Recent donations have also boosted our financial position.

JP thanked DL and bar/catering staff for their efforts during a very busy period.

House Report

No questions or comments

SH confirmed he will be having discussions with the electrician and John Cullen regarding external lighting for the patio area.

Match Report

Discussion took place with reference to rules governing external competitions. It was agreed that entry procedures should adhere to rules described by the external organisation.

AM advised that the date chosen for the Captain's Prize competition clashes with the MGLL Links qualifying event. It was agreed to move the Captain's Prize to Saturday 31st August. Entrants to be responsible for booking their own Saturday priority times.

New Members

New membership applications continue to be received across different categories. Overall numbers continue to follow a positive trend.

Junior Section

AM advised that feedback on the Junior Section continues to be positive.

DL advised the Board that the Junior Section had recently visited St Andrews to experience the 'Home of Golf'.

Bar/Catering - update

DL confirmed that Murray Ruickbie will be leaving at the end of August to head off to university. It was agreed that Murray will be a great loss to the Club.

New staff behind the bar, Leisha and McKinlay, have settled in well and look like being welcome additions to the team

Enhancement Update - patio proposals

Phase 2 brick slips have still to be ordered.

Tournaments

Progressing satisfactorily.

DL confirmed she is contact with Laura Forsyth re the forthcoming Adana Day event.

BM-SL/CL

Fundraising for Enhancement

DL confirmed a number of future events are in the calendar.

JP discussed an email he had received from a member which had suggested that notification to members, regarding forthcoming events, could be improved. It was agreed that JP would reply to the member in question.

A suggested date for the proposed Wine Tasting was agreed. This will take place on Friday 25th October.

Newsletter

The frequency of newsletter issue was discussed. It was agreed that this topic would be revisited once the new website is up and running since the new web format allows 'news' to be updated on a regular basis.

Governance Review

As part of the Governance Review, JP suggested that it might be beneficial to retain the past captain's attendance at Board in an advisory capacity, once their official term has ended. It was agreed that this required further discussion.

A.O.C.B.

DL advised the Board that a stock take was due.

A member had suggested to the Board that a mural could be created on the wall in the proposed patio area. General agreement among Board members was that this raised too many potential issues including cost, design etc. Consensus was not to pursue this idea.

JP raised the subject of disabled car parking at the Club. It was agreed that this would not be pursued until MGLL have resolved the existing car park status with Angus Council.

It was agreed that the matches against Blackheath would continue to be organised by Chris Curnin.

It was agreed that the patio area would be No Smoking. DL to issue a further communication to members regarding rules for smokers in the outside areas.

PW advised the Board that Alan Hemsley had volunteered to offer advice/assistance to the Club bearing in mind his golf background.

The meeting closed at 4.15pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 20th August 2024 at 2.00pm