

## **RMMGC Board Meeting**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2024, 1.30pm, Millennium Lounge, RMMGC**

### **In attendance**

Jamie Pert (JP), Carol Lyon (CL), Steve Lyon (SL), Alan Mercer (AM),  
Scott Henderson (SH), Robert Sim (RS)

### **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Pete Wood (PW) and Debbie Leslie (DL)

### **Welcome**

JP welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **Prize Draw**

1<sup>st</sup> Maureen Moir - £100  
2<sup>nd</sup> Angus Towns - £50  
3<sup>rd</sup> Carol Lyon - £25

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

The Action Point Register was reviewed. Points for action:

DL to challenge Clear Accept over charges for card use.

Training to be arranged for DL/CL/SL on new Club website ahead of launch.

Bar till requires new software driver – Club Systems.

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

#### Secretary's Report

CL reported on continued membership growth which is particularly pleasing as we move into the winter season. In the past month we have gained a further ten new members: 4 Winter Golfing, 1 Junior and 5 Associate.

The above brings our total membership to 713 which is 94 more than this time last year (total membership excluding staff is 696).

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Bar and catering figures continue to show significant improvement on last year, with considerably more members regularly using the enhanced facilities.

#### Treasurer's Report

RS reported that overall figures continue to follow a positive trend against this time last year.

JP advised that 2025 budget figures for the Club will be reviewed in January.

RS confirmed that the salary increase for DL has now been applied.

RS advised that issues surrounding utilities invoicing have still to be resolved.

RS reported that Prize Draw income is down slightly. Action: all to consider how we might promote the Prize Draw.

#### House Report

SH confirmed that Alan Middleton would be undertaking a regular fire safety inspection.

SH reported that problems with the drains had again been encountered. Drain Dogs were employed to resolve the issue and reported that a build up of fat deposits was partly to blame. Kitchen staff have been instructed to use a different method of disposal for waste fat.

SH reported that he has replaced the glass oven door at a cost saving against a contractor quote.

DL/GP to assess Christmas decorations and purchase replacements, as required.

JP reported that Pert Bruce had suggested using laminate flooring as wall protection in the rear passage areas. All in attendance agreed this was a good option.

#### Match Report

In response to low entry numbers for sweeps, AM proposed that a payout for best gross scores be introduced. This was agreed by the Board.

Dates have now been finalised for all 2025 Club Opens. Prices will be set following confirmation of green fees from MGLL.

AM proposed that qualifying for the Original Gold Medal (OGM) be opened up to all Saturday competition winners. The Board agreed to this proposal.

AM advised he had received notification of a UK Inter-club Mixed Foursomes event, each Club team comprising five mixed pairs. If players progress, travel expenses may be incurred. It was agreed that details would be sent to all adult golfing members, including notification of potential expense. Subject to interest, the Club may consider contributing to costs.

A Mixed Stableford will be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2025 (1562 course only). The Club will donate a bottle of the winner's choice as a prize.

JP and SH advised they had received a query from lady members regarding the Ladies' Winter Eclectic not being played if frost greens are in effect, when the men are permitted to

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play on frost greens. AM advised that the ladies in question should discuss their query with Edna Wallwork.

JP advised that Virginia Jamieson (RMMGC Captain for Angus Ladies County Golf) has proposed a match against RMMGC Gents. AM to look into this and propose a date.

### **New Members**

JP confirmed that fee income remains in line with the budget for the year.

### **Junior Section**

The Junior section remains well supported and the recent Junior Prize Giving was very well attended.

### **Enhancement Update**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> phase bricks have now been fitted onto the Wall of Support. There will a 3<sup>rd</sup> phase in the Spring.

### **Tournaments**

The programme of events for 2025 has been finalised (see 'Match Report').

### **Fundraising**

A full program of events is in place for the run up to and over the festive season.

It was agreed there is a need to monitor attendance at live music events, and the frequency with which these events are offered.

### **Newsletter**

CL advised that the November Newsletter will be distributed next week.

The Club has been nominated for the SG Club of the Year Award 2025. JP asked that this be included in this month's newsletter. CL/SL have completed and submitted the required online form, in support of our nomination. Shortlisted Clubs will be notified by the end of January 2025.

RMMGC will host the Gents Angus County dinner on 7<sup>th</sup> December. Representatives from the RMMGC Four Man and Six Man County Championship winning teams will attend. This is the first time that the same Club has won both categories in the same year.

### **Governance Review**

JP/CL/SL had met to discuss required revisions to the Articles of Association, in light of changes to the Board structure. CL to make then necessary changes and forward to the

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Board for comment/approval. Input is required from a legal representative before any changes can be finalised.

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

A date of 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025 was proposed for the next AGM.

JP advised that MGLL are keen to be involved in discussions with the Club about how they might contribute towards a Corporate RMMGC membership package. CL to speak to Gordon Shepherd and Murray Smith re promoting this category.

The new 'Club Captain/Champions Board' has been ordered.

To date, no reply has been received from Buckingham Palace regarding a new Royal Patron for the Club.

It was agreed it might be beneficial for Gemma Phillips to be trained to handle staff wages as back up for DL.

The meeting closed at 15:45.

Date of next meeting: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 1:30pm