

RMMGC Board Meeting

Thursday 20th February 2025 at 1:30pm

Meeting Room, RMMGC

In attendance

Pete Wood (PW), Carol Lyon (CL), Steve Lyon (SL), Alan Mercer (AM), Debbie Leslie (DL),
Jamie Pert (JP)

Apologies

Scott Henderson (SH), Robert Sim (RS)

Welcome

PW welcomed everyone to the meeting and took the opportunity to present JP with an engraved crystal decanter in recognition of his contribution to the Board and leadership as Club Captain.

Prize Draw

The Annual Prize Draw was held at the AGM on 5th February. As such, there is no February monthly prize draw.

Review of Action Point Register

The APR was reviewed and updated.

PW suggested that the revised Members Welcome Packs be distributed to new members from the 2024/25 season, as well as those joining in preparation for the new season. This was agreed.

SL advised that the fees displayed on the Club website need to be updated to reflect the 2025/2026 season. DL to forward new fees to Mike Cummins for uploading.

DL had met with a representative from Clear Accept regarding debit and credit card charges. The cost to the Club of members paying their fees by card at the bar is substantial. DL to email members requesting that, where possible, fees are paid by BACS or cheque.

Q & A on Submitted Reports

Secretary's Report

Discussion took place around the format of this report, given the forthcoming change to the title and focus of the Secretary role. The Board agreed that there is no need for Bar and Catering figures to form part of the Secretary's Report since these figures are already included in the Treasurer's Report. Going forward, the Club Secretary/Membership and Marketing Director's report will focus on these two elements, i.e. membership and marketing!

PW asked for a report to be produced indicating average spend on bar and catering among Associate members compared to golfing members.

Treasurer's Report

Overall, our financial position remains on a sound footing. A meeting will be arranged between PW, RS and DL, the focus of which will be to budget for forthcoming salary/wage increases.

DL advised that a 'blanket increase' to bar prices is impractical since the cost of some items has increased more than others. A notice advising members of forthcoming bar price increases will be issued mid March.

House Report

With SH on extended vacation, there were no comments or questions.

Match Report

AM to meet with Alistair Boyd, the new Tournaments Convenor, next month. Gemma Phillips now has full responsibility for the Tournaments email account. Prize money for this year's tournaments was approved.

New Members

There is continued interest from potential new members. A number of new applications were approved.

Junior Section

Keith Norman had approached both CL and PW about a meeting to discuss the Junior Section. PW to reply to Keith offering a few dates.

Bar/Catering - update

DL advised that staff appraisals are ongoing.

DL advised that limited catering will be introduced on Mondays (10:00 - 14:00) as of 31st March.

Tournaments

See Match Report

Fundraising

DL advised the Board of forthcoming social events confirmed for March, April and May.

The postponed Cheese and Wine event has still to be re-scheduled. DL/PW will meet to discuss.

Newsletter

The February Newsletter will be distributed before the end of the month.

Governance Review

CL shared the draft Special Resolution required of Companies House relating the changes to the Club Articles of Association. These were approved and will be forwarded to Companies House in due course.

A.O.C.B.

PW advised the Board that Graham Robb has volunteered to be involved in the Membership and Marketing sub-committee.

DL advised that there had been a few recent incidents of poor behaviour and verbal abuse of staff. It was agreed that a notice should be displayed in the bar, reminding all members that verbal abuse and disrespect towards staff is unacceptable.

JP shared an actual size tracing of the draft new Club Captains/Champions Board. CL to confirm the dates of tenure for both former Lady Captains.

The meeting closed at 16:40.

Date of next meeting: Monday 24th March 2024 at 1:30pm