

# Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2025 at 1.30pm Millennium Lounge, RMMGC

#### In attendance

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

# **Apologies**

There were no apologies

#### Welcome

PW welcomed everyone to the meeting.

## **Prize Draw**

- 1st Ron Aitken £100
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Roger May £50
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Garry Murray £25

# **Review of Action Point Register**

Callum Cranston has now taken additional photos of the clubhouse for the website. PW to contact Callum.

Carpet cleaning in agreed areas to be carried out on 6/10/25, in conjunction with cleaning the kitchen extraction system.

A new vegetarian menu is ready for launch.

New website - ongoing

# Q & A on Submitted Reports

#### Membership and Marketing Report

Membership numbers remain positive with good retention of new applicants across all categories. The number of new applications has slowed. This is to be expected as we approach the end of the season.

The Players 1<sup>st</sup> members' survey is now ready for distribution. The Membership and Marketing subcommittee will meet once the analysis has been completed to identify priorities.

An application has been submitted to the Scottish Golf Women and Girls Club Education Fund. If successful, this will be used for licensee and food hygiene training for female members of staff.

DL advised that a new menu, specifically for Junior members, will be introduced.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

RS was pleased to report that our overall financial position remains positive. Last year, September and October figures dipped and it is anticipated a similar situation will arise this year before recovering again in November and December.

#### **House Report**

A discussion was held regarding the trolley stores. It was agreed that work is required to improve the storage and reduce congestion. It was decided that the installation of shelving would be beneficial. SH to look into options and cost materials.

## Match Report

AM brought forward a proposal to trial a mixed 18-hole Winter Eclectic on the 1562 course. This is not intended to replace any existing women's winter competitions. Due to a lack of flexibility in the computer system, AM advised that he has had to create a mixed tee manually. He acknowledges that this is not a perfect solution but, having tried various scenarios, concludes this is the fairest option. It was agreed that the trial should be implemented.

Discussion was held with reference to the minimum number of cards members should normally be expected to submit during a season. It was agreed that from next season onwards this should be set at five. Exceptions for illness etc. would however be applicable. CL to update Standing Orders to reflect this.

AH queried why AM had decided to take bunkers out of play during the winter season. AM explained that due to a combination of maintenance, reduced greenkeeper attention, potential flooding and frosting, the fairest option was to allow relief from all bunkers for everyone over the winter.

# New Members and fees update

Income from membership fees is in line with predicted income. One new Ordinary member was approved. One existing Associate member has purchased a MGLL Winter season ticket and upgraded their RMMGC membership to Winter Golfing.

BM-SL/CL

## **Bar/Catering Update**

DL put forward winter opening hours for Board approval. The proposal was discussed and agreed.

DL advised that the chefs are keen to provide catering on Mondays (9.00am - 2.00pm) over the winter. The Board agreed to trial this. Uptake will be monitored.

At a recent Club event, some members who had not pre-booked food were unable to get a table. Going forwards, members will be recommended to pre-book before going out to play golf.

DL advised that catering supplier Bidfood is offering an alternative wine selection. Initial feedback has been positive.

The members' Christmas Party Night has sold out. Open Party Nights are well subscribed.

#### **Tournaments**

DL/AM advised that our final tournament (Senior Men's Autumn Open) is fully booked.

Preparations for next years events are already in hand.

## Fundraising, forthcoming events etc.

Planned events include another issue of Wall of Support. CL to update flyer and application form.

Coffee mornings will be reinstated from November. A Quiz Night and Fish Fryday has been organised for the end of October.

Themed nights are planned for the New Year period.

#### **Governance Review**

Nothing to report.

## Resilience

Work in progress.

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

PW shared a letter he had received from a member regarding winter membership/visitor access. The Board agreed that, in the interests of consistency and fairness to paying members, Standing Orders must be adhered to.

MGLL Representative to be invited to attend November meeting of the RMMGC Board. PW to take forward.

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February was proposed as the date for the 2026 AGM.

The meeting closed at 3:55pm.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 28<sup>rd</sup> October 2025 at 1.30pm