

Minutes of Club Committee Meeting

Monday 9th January 2023 @ 18.00

Present: Vic Fox (VF) President, Trish Harrogate (TH), Karen Cleave (KC), Luke Van Zijl (LVZ), Natasha Adams (NA), Margaret Elston (ME), Mandie Rose (MR), Veronica Barker (VB), Jon Sharpe (JS), Simon Goldsmith (SG) Nick Rimmer (NR)

Representing the Board: Cliff Nightingale

1. Welcome

2. Apologies

Chris Jones

Minutes of meeting dated 5th December 2022

Agreed

3. Matters Arising

Discussions have taken place with management, the Board and representatives of the relevant committees around non member coaching. **ACTION** CJ will arrange a meeting to clarify the position on his return.

4. Management Report - Report attached.

5. Presidents Report

VF offered his sincere thanks for the support of the Club Committee over the past 2 years – the AGM will be held on Thursday 16th February.

6. Board Report

CN reported that the last Board meeting did not have a quorum so no decisions were made there were discussions around subscriptions, guest passes, the levy.

Contingencies will be discussed at the January Board meeting and there are a few options to be considered. The issue of shares is still being worked on and once complete the process of issuing shares will be revised. There is currently an energy survey taking place across the Club, the results of this will be available at the next meeting. The planning application for the new driving range has been deferred by Exeter City Council to the February planning meeting.

Membership report / Election of new members

Circulated.

7. Health & Safety - Report attached

8. Safeguarding

Nothing to report

9. Any other business

Section reports

Mens & Ladies golf

As we write myself & Christine are nearing the completion of our captaincy. Since we are now holding bi-monthly club committee meetings this will be our last report.

We wish to thank the board, management teams & our president for all the support throughout our captaincy year & wish all other sections another successful year.

We have been privileged to play week on week upon what has become one of the best golf courses in the South West and this is down to management support backing John Parr & his green staff teams to improve all golfing facilities within our financial constraints.

Our competitive fixtures have brought success with the ladies, juniors & men's teams, with the highlight being crowned Devon Men's Champions for the 8th time in our History and 1st time since 2010.

Our thanks go to Darren Everett & his pro shop team for looking after our members superbly well once again this year.

Our biggest thanks goes to our members who have supported all of our events this year & contributing over £15,500 to our charity Devon Freewheelers AKA Bloodbikes.

We have one final members event on 19/02 which will be one last showdown to thank everyone for their support throughout the year & present our charity with their final cheque. If we exceed £17k this will mean that Bloodbikes will be able to purchase a brand new quad bike to put on the road.

We are also very proud that all sections have contributed to the purchase of 2 on course defibrillators for the safety of our members & visiting golfers.

Thank you everyone it's been a blast & very interesting!

Good luck to Geoff Fidler & Vicki Rogers as incoming captains who get ratified latter part of Feb '23 at the respective AGM's.

Tennis report

Very little to report from the last month, the weather has played havoc with the cold snap and heavy rain preventing much time on court. We look forward to courts one and two being resurfaced and allowing play to go ahead no matter how much rain has fallen. Our section Christmas dinner was a great success and we would like to pass on our thanks to all the staff for their hard work and quality of food and service.

We would also like to pass on our thanks to Les and Vic who provided nourishment and support at our tinsel tennis tournament (the Prosecco was very much appreciated, closely followed by the mince pies and sandwiches). They have certainly set the standard for future tournaments!

Rackets report

The squash and racketball section had a well earned break from the Devon leagues since the last report, although the courts have remained busy, especially with members trying to burn off excess boxes of chocolates and Christmas dinner!

Mike Harris organised a New Year Racketball competition, with 25 clubs from all over the UK descending on Exeter this weekend to compete in a Teams event which was played between two venues, EGCC and Devon & Exeter, with Exeter Golf & Country Club winning one of the sections and runner up in two others!

First week of January was also the British Junior Open, the most prestigious Junior Squash tournament in the world, with over 1000 juniors participating, including my son, Ioan Sharpe who finished 49th out of the top 128 players in the top U19's category (he's only just moved up from U17's). This puts him in the top 50 junior players in the world. Testament to the support and coaching from the club and Mike Harris.

We now enter a busy period of league and cup fixtures starting again this week for squash and racketball, a chance to burn off yet more Turkey and Nut Roast!

AOB

Some discussion took place around marketing emails, driving efficiencies, savings and suggestions to generate income. NR advised that an agenda item will be added to encourage the Club committee to come up with ideas to put to management and the Board.

ACTION add item to next agenda

VF thanks KC for her hard work and involvement as a Club Committee member as her 3 year term comes to an end – KC said that she has enjoyed her time on Club Committee and is happy to continue to offer support where needed.

Meeting closed: - 18:55

Next meeting date – Monday 6th March 2023 @ 18.00

ACTION LOG 2022/2023

Date first discussed	Action	Who?	Completion date	Details
April 2018	Men's golf lockers to be repaired	CJ	To be added to next year's Capex list 22/23, which will then need to be signed off by the board	Ongoing, discussed in 2018 and was added to 2019 Capex list, it didn't happen as other expenditure was more important/urgent, then Covid in 2020 and no Capex budget in 2021
March 2019	Sports Managers to be spoken to by Sports Captains and assist in organising a Junior Awards ceremony	All Captains, Managers and sports section HODs	Sports Captains to liaise with the Sports Managers about this.	Ongoing
Feb 2020	Golf Honours Boards	CJ	To happen when the corridors and development has been completed in the Hub, and sports corridor areas. Golf Captain and Director of Golf to liaise with GM and Board about this when we know what space we will have to use. Honours boards and anything similar that is golf related is a sensitive subject so it is important that the design team are aware of what is wanted by the golf committee.	Prices/styles will be sought for new boards The new bar phase of development after the new changing rooms are complete will have an area for the new honours boards. This area has been agreed in the design.