

**MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON  
MONDAY 23rd September 2019**

**Present**

Captain	S Hanmer	Y
President	I W Sherlock	Y
Lady Captain	C E Bennett	Y
Honorary Secretary	S Martin	Y
Captain Elect	W Evans	Y
Past Captain	C I Sherlock	Y
Competitions & Handicaps	A Lambert	Y
Honorary Treasurer	J Orchard	Y
Greens	G White	Apologies
Greens	M Wild	Y
Opens		Vacant
Junior Development	L Butterworth	Apologies
Social	J Hall	Y
House/Clubhouse	D Clarke	Y
Development		
Bar/Clubhouse Development	D Howles	Y
Marketing	M D Barlow	Y
Health & Safety	D Lewis.	Apologies

**Captain**

- Captain welcomed all and congratulated Jacob Hall on winning the Captain's Prize.

**Minutes of Meeting Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

Proposed by Jacob Hall and seconded by Martin Wild as a true and correct record.  
Signed by Captain.

**Ladies Captain**

- **Report circulated.**
- Ladies' Academy going well
- Potentially losing a few ladies to Fairfield GC via their mistaken offer
- Ladies to consider starting at 12pm on Sundays

**Matters Arising from Minutes of Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

- None

**Secretary's Business Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2019**

**Membership:**

	7 day	6 day	5 day	3 day	Country	PMG	Junior	Social	Total
<b>Men</b>									
Nov 2015	254	73	26	21	1	-	28	111	514
Nov 2016	254	74	26	59	1	-	76	103	593
Nov 2017	259	54	32	100	1	6	66	89	601

Nov 2018	298	29	21	115	1	31	69	79	643
Sept 2019	289	38	16	102	1	65	67	82	660

#### Women

Nov 2015	50	1			-	5	39	95
Nov 2016	48	1			-	5	42	96
Nov 2017	45	2			0	10	39	96
Nov 2018	52	3	1		0	12	34	102
Sept 2019	50	4	1	0	1	11	31	98

- The above figures include 42 men aged 18-30 and 1 woman aged 18-30.
- **Trial membership** – Yellow Bags Tags with expiry date. **5 Trial members**
- **3-Day** – Red Bag Tags.
- **PlayMoreGolf** – Green Bag Tags.
  - **Rule 4.4 Defaulters:** Money Claims in course for three members

#### Subscriptions 2019

- All under control – for now!

#### Albatross Digital Marketing

- Propose we continue paying for sifting until end of December. If we don't generate anymore income, we will still have covered costs. **Agreed.**

#### Member Retention

- Survey now closed. 210 people responded. Overview circulated. Generally good news but plenty to work on. Next step is meeting with County Liaison Officer to review and prioritise actions.

#### Honorary Membership Proposal

- Martin J Wild – for his outstanding golfing achievements representing AULGC and Lancashire. **Agreed**

#### Societies & Parties

- **Societies** for financial years to:

Sept	Sept	Sept	Sept	Sept	Sept	Sept	Sept
2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
£14K	£17K	£15K	£17K	£14K+	£15.2K+	£14.1K+	£12.K
- Last Sept projected Society income was £14.5K
- NW Seniors Tour booked for 25/11/19 and 6/7/20.

#### Room Hires for financial years to:

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|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Sept | Sept | Sept | Sept | Sept | Sept | Sept | Sept |
| 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| 29   | 30   | 46   | 76   | 114  | 101  | 84   | 85   |
- 33 in BRS to 28/2/19 plus ClubV1.
  - Total number of bookings by Sept last year was 84
  - Bar Sales Tracker Spread continues to reflect good progress.

## **AGM 2019**

- Those retiring in rotation need proposers etc. not on committee.
- There are 3 vacancies for 3 years and 1 for 1 year
- No amendments to Constitution
- Ideally all will attend

## **Insurance**

- 3-yearly Risk Review undertaken. Details circulated. Follow-up notes circulated for action and confirmation 16/9/19.

## **Complaints**

- Gents Autumn Open – 2 visitors forgot and disappointed 2 members - resolved.
- Member practicing to 15<sup>th</sup> green – resolved.
- Gents Autumn Open Day – 2 members ineligible: no marker – resolved
- Greens renovations - resolved

## **Heads Meeting**

- Set for 25/9/19

## **1<sup>st</sup> Aid Course**

- Set-up for Golf Pro
- Assistant Golf Pro to follow soon

## **Catering Review**

- Undertaken by Captain & President with Michelle & Janine 18/9/19. Good, positive outcomes.

## **Reciprocal Golf**

- Davyhulme Pk GC have politely declined for now.

## **Whole-in-1 Golf**

- Notice to terminate contract on expiry (7/10/20) sent 16/9/19.

## **Willow Wood Charity Golf Day**

- Friday 13/9/19. Excellent feedback from all concerned. 23 teams took part and we are told £10K was raised.

## **Prostate Cancer Golf Day – Micky Forrest**

- Friday 25/10/19. Shotgun start 1pm. Progressing well.

## **Golf Course Rating/Worldwide Handicapping**

- England Golf will measure/rate course soon.

## **Committee Trip & Dinner: Friday 30/8/19**

- Went well though numbers were lower than normal. Perhaps it was the August date?

### **Past Captains' Meeting 5/9/19**

- Steve McGee is the nomination for Captain Elect 2020

### **Past Captains' Golf Day & Dinner Friday 11/10/19**

- Invitations sent 16/9/19

### **Committee Golf Day & Dinner: Friday 8/11/19**

- Invitations sent 19/9/19

### **Sponsorship**

- Williams BMW invoiced for penultimate tranche of sponsorship

### **Telephones**

- BT lines in course of transfer to LBTelecom to modestly reduce cost
- Engineer has reprogrammed all handsets to go to voicemail after 15 seconds. Pro and House Manager have recorded appropriate messages in shop, Bar and Bungalow 18/9/19

### **Ashfield Cup**

- Suffered at the hands of the weather Sunday 22/9/19. Men lost at DGC. Women abandoned at AULGC.

### **Treasurer's Report**

#### **Management Accounts for 11 months to 31/8/19 circulated**

- Figs show a surplus of c£33K YTD
- Subs includes £14.5K from PMG
- Cash 2019 £89K v 2018 £66K

### **Marketing**

- **Report circulated.**
- Additional banners erected adjacent to practice putting green.
- Meeting 28/9/19 with 2020 Captains.

### **Junior Development**

- **No Report**
- Academy developing rapidly – still need help with coaching
- Junior Open 30/8/19 attracted only a few players

### **Social**

- **Report circulated**
- 93 attended Dual Band Night – went well
- Annual Prize Night will be 18/10/19.
- Annual DD is Saturday 2/11/19
- Drive, Chip & Putt idea progressing slowly
- [events@ashtongolfclub.co.uk](mailto:events@ashtongolfclub.co.uk) working ok

### **Health & Safety**

- **Report circulated.**
- Assessing options to further mitigate risk on 8<sup>th</sup> hole

- Preliminary work completed on Pond. Completion set for next week.
- Insurance work to complete in next few weeks.
- Buggy Users meeting went well. Follow-up in course.
- First Aid training for golf pros in course.
- Key for access gates at 6<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> are the same. Held by greens & in pro shop.

### House

- **Report circulated.**
- New lamps fitted to balcony heaters
- New sensor fitted in gents locker room
- New tablecloths received & Laundry service set up
- Party organisers to pay laundry costs

### Bar

- **Report circulated.**
- Sales still going well
- Winter Bar Hours under review
- 3<sup>rd</sup> free Sky TV box to be fitted shortly
- Special offers went well at Dual Band night

### Greens

- **Report circulated**
- Greens renovations completed w/c 16/9/19
- Spongy greens ironed between scarifying and dressing to improve playability
- Renovations took too long. Options for acceleration under review
- Greens will be dressed again, lightly, during next week
- Winter plan includes paths, tree felling, fairway scarification (1<sup>st</sup> 2 weeks in October)
- **Agreed** winter comps will be 15 holes
- **Agreed** fairway mats will be mandatory when playing from fairways only in winter
- **Agreed** Winter wheels optional at present
- **Agreed** authority to close the course delegated to Mike Boyle along with Greens Secs
  - Greens Sec's decision is final.
  - Golf pro to sound hooter from putting green and 5th green; one long blast to close and 3 short blasts to reopen.
  - If play cannot resume within one hour then non completed rounds will be refunded (or credit note) the entry fee. Completed rounds to stand under the normal parameters re players completed against numbers of entries.

### Competitions

- **Report circulated**
- **Agreed** winner's prize for *semi-majors* to increase starting with winter KOs
- **Agreed** winner's and RU prizes for majors to increase
- **Agreed** to maintain Status Quo on **All Finals Day**
  - Course closed until after the Finals

- Players should not enter comp if not available on All Finals Day
- Players to be reminded at ¼ finals stage
- Alternative Finals Day is for players in two finals

**Opens**

- **No Report.**

**Suggestion Book**

- New shrubs adjacent to 1<sup>st</sup> green and 13<sup>th</sup> fairway to be protected via free relief
- New litter bin to be located at 2<sup>nd</sup> tee for coffee cups etc.

**Next Meetings**

- **Budget Meeting: Wednesday 25th September 2019 at 7pm**
- **Calendar Meeting: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019 at 7pm**
- **Full Committee: Wednesday 23rd October 2019 at 7.30pm**

**Captain** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposed by:** .....

**Seconded by:** .....