

Minutes of Risebridge Golf Club Executive Committee
Meeting Held on Tuesday 13th February 2007

Present.

Chairman. Mr L Bushell
Secretary. Mr S Ball
Captain. Mr R Alexander Snr
Vice Captain. Mr J Young (Arrived 8.50)
Membership Sec. Mr D Jacobs
Social Secretary. Mr G Ragavelas
Handicaps Sec. Mr A Price
Mr G Hawkes, Mr M Holmes and Mr O Duncan (Arrived 8.35)

Apologies for absence. Mr B Lawson, Mr C Palm and Mr R Alexander Jnr

Meeting Opened. 20.10.

2861. Minutes of the Last Meeting.

RA Snr pointed out that the sum in 2845 should read £3064 not £3464, this was corrected before the minutes were posted.

There being no other corrections the minutes of the previous executive committee meeting held on January 9th 2007 were agreed as a true record.

Proposed. Mr D Jacobs
Seconded. Mr G Hawkes

For. 7
Against. 0
Abstentions. 3

2862. Matters Arising.

With regards to 2844 SB confirmed he had written to Ron Maydon, but as yet had not received a reply concerning the date of a meeting. SB confirmed that Ron Maydon had contacted a member of the club regarding clubhouse works, however this member was now too busy.

Forms have been completed re the change in banking signatories. It was noted that no cheques had been returned, so it was thought this had been successful.

DJ confirmed he had made progress on 2860 regarding Club Badges, he found an example of the old style club badge and this was viewed by all for reference. It was noted that minimum order seemed to be for 50 garments. DJ to update when further details on design are decided.

2863. Correspondence.

None.

2864. Finance.

RA Snr confirmed as per Matters Arising that the change in bank details had 'gone through.'

Around £5000 has been paid out this month the majority of this concerned the renewal of the Club insurance policy, which was £3196.46. RA Snr advised that we will need to tell the insurance company when the building is demolished as our insurance needs will change when we move to the new premises.

There was a short debate regarding the level of insurance needed in the new building. It was decided that this should be an agenda item for the meeting SB & LB have with Ron Maydon.

RA Snr also advised that our PPL licence is valid for four performances and again we will need to ascertain if this will be needed in the new building.

Bar takings were noted to still be down on previous years.

It was noted that we had 'acquired' four chairs for the bar. These were obtained by a club member from a pub clearance. RA Snr advised the member was looking for £60, ie £15 per chair. Whilst the chairs are undoubtedly an addition to the bar the committee were concerned that they would likely to only have a very short life, due to the impending move. This coupled with the fact we did not actually request the chairs led to a suggestion that we should make a counter offer of £30. LB is to speak with the member concerned & find out what happened to the existing chairs should they be needed again.

2865. Handicaps.

Results as follows;

January Midweek Medal.

Not Played - Course Unplayable

January Monthly Medal

Winner.	Mark Holmes,	Net 70
Runner Up.	Steve Ball,	Net 72

February Monthly Medal.

Winner.	Brian Hayward,	Net 70
Runner Up.	Steve Ball,	Net 72

The Captain advised we were drawn at home in both Leslie F Wood & Thornton Cup competitions and asked if we should play at home. After a short discussion it was agreed it would be prudent in the current circumstances (Course/Building works) if these matches were played away. It was felt that any future home draws could perhaps be played once the works were completed.

Finally, whilst not a club event, it was noted that a 'Sunday Swindle' had started. This is in effect a small sweep amongst those who play on a Sunday and is not directly connected to the club.

2866. Seniors.

In BL's absence RA Snr reported that the senior friendly fixtures had now been confirmed, with some matches dropped. It was also noted that the seniors AGM took place last week.

2867. Bar.

AP reported that we are no longer taking advanced bookings for the hall. He felt in the circumstances (building works etc.) that it was wise only to accept bookings on a month to month basis. It was agreed this was a sensible approach for the time being.

2868. Social.

GR had spoken to the owners of Carrington Hall (next to the club) and had been quoted a figure of £350 for holding the presentation evening. This included the cost of the DJ and cleaning the hall at the end. It was felt that this represented good value and GR was given to go-ahead to confirm the booking.

A problem has arisen concerning the date of the Dinner Dance. It was noted that this now clashed with a private event which a large number of club members would be attending. The question therefore arose if it would be wise to reschedule the Dinner Dance in order to maximise those in attendance. LB had already contacted Old Brentwoods concerning dates, but unfortunately they had not got back to him. If we were to change the date we would need to avoid April 21st and May 5th, the possibility of holding the event over the Easter period was also discussed. It would appear the ideal dates are either April 28th or May 17th; this is of course subject to Old Brentwoods having these dates available. LB is to chase Old Brentwoods in this respect and will update GR who is to visit the venue on Saturday.

JY asked if GR had plans to organise any other functions. GR has no problems with an event, likely to be a quiz night if enough interest is shown by members. The committee felt a quiz should attract enough people. If a quiz were to go ahead, possibly at the end of March SB & JY volunteered to organise.

2869. Greens.

GH spoke with PJ concerning the state of the driveway and reported that the green staff had carried out some temporary repairs. It was felt this may be an ongoing problem.

Reconstruction work to the bunker on the left hand side of the 17th green has now been completed.

GH reported that interest for the reduced season ticket was high.

PJ has told GH that the back winter mats are apparently the clubs responsibility. Though it was noted that although the club paid for the bases to be laid they had never been previously responsible for either the upkeep or purchase. AP advised that currently only one mat was missing (3rd Hole) with play currently from the front mat.

Possible changes to the position of the 2nd & 6th tees were discussed. It was agreed though that this would remain speculation until the changes were actually made.

Finally JY requested that the 'mushrooms' be put on the back tees for the opening tee closure and volunteered to carry this out if need be.

2859. Membership.

DJ had no new members to report, but now had receipt of membership records.

Apparently there is some interest being shown from a group from Fairlop Waters, but nothing concrete as yet.

2860. Any Other Business.

RA Snr reported that the teams for Leslie F Wood and Thornton Cup were now on the board. He reminded the committee that caddies were always needed as were supporters. It was hoped that we could take quite a crowd away with us this year.

Finally MH gave a quick demonstration into the proposed club website. MH has been working on this since the last meeting and those present were

impressed with the content of the sit so far. MH has proposed a number of useful features such as results and membership application pages. This was coupled with an attractive design which was easy on the eye, a must for an effective website. MH is hopeful in acquiring the www.risebridgegolfclub.co.uk domain address and will report further progress at the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.35