



Royal Cinque Ports Artisan Golf Club

RCPAGC Committee Meeting – 21st July 2023

Minutes

Attendees: M.Mackay, P.Lansdown, R.Dempster, S.Skirrow, J.Ellis, D.Oliver, S.Killip, B.Smith

- a. Club Captain
 - i. J.Ellis will put himself forward for captaincy for the 2024 season with B.Smith putting himself forward for vice Captaincy and a view to put himself forward for captaincy for the 2025 season.
 - ii. The committee will now look to find a suitable candidate to captain the club for our 100th year in 2026.
 - iii. The committee would like to remind the membership that you do not need to be on the committee to be club captain and anyone is welcome to put themselves forward for consideration.

- b. Open Qualifier
 - i. The R&A and the parent club wish to pass their thanks on to all the Artisans who supported the open qualifier either by Divotting or by Marshalling the whole day was a success.
 - ii. £500 donation from R&A for use of the club house, this money will be used to fund the club BBQ.

- c. Summer BBQ
 - i. People attending – 30 Artisans have said they are attending with 15 guests. The club have invited 10 guests plus green staff (numbers tbc).
 - ii. There will be a budget of budget of £500 for food and any remaining will go back into the club for future events.
 - iii. Timings – 7pm to late
 - iv. This event **will not** have a free bar.

- d. Fixtures & Matches
 - i. Matches
 - 1. ROB tray – Committee - M.Mackay
Handicap Committee – M.Austin
 - 2. President Bowl – Committee - N.Jones & P.Lansdown
Handicap Committee - S.Killip

- ii. Fixtures



1. The committee have made the decision that a new match with Sunningdale will take the place of the pro's prize. Due to the size of the team able to play Sunningdale (8) there will be careful team selection with priority going to those who support the club and players who played the previous year will not be selected the next year.
2. Petrol Money – The club have made the decision that any traveling players will need to cover petrol and suggest car sharing with everyone chipping in to support the driver.
3. Denham – The committee have voted that for Denham away there will be a set fee of £20 per person regardless of travel arrangements and this will cover the coach with the club paying the remainder of the fee. Breakfast will be covered by traveling players.

e. Finances

i. Monthly update

Income	
Subs	£1,857.00
payments	
bank charges	£24.00
website maintenance	£200.00
Charity day	£2,778.00
Total	£3,002.00
Bank balance	£14,966.22

- ii. The committee will vote across money next season which will be approved at the AGM. This will allow us to have a forecast spend and have more control about what is being used.
- iii. Sum-up review – The card reader has been a success allowing our membership and guests an alternative way of paying. The card reader will now be left out midweek for anyone to use. Instructional video for use is on the WhatsApp group.
- iv. A check has now been written out for Green Zone, Max Friend donated the flower money for presentation, and this will be presented to Anne Collins at the BBQ.
- v. Bar book – The latest debtors list has been released on the WhatsApp group. Everyone is reminded that according to our club rules there is a £15 limit and this should be paid off no longer than a month period.

f. By-law update

- i. No Return By-Law proposal – Matt Thomas



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Upon declaring an intention to complete a round for scoring purposes, members are expected to complete this round and subsequently submit a scorecard to the handicap committee, unless there is a valid reason. These reasons include - illness, injury or fading light.

In addition, when entering a club competition, a player is expected to complete the round for handicap purposes.

If it is concluded the player has omitted to submit a score for no valid reason, the handicap committee will consider applying a penalty score and/or disciplinary action.

The above by-law has been voted in by the committee (8/8) and will take immediate effect. What this means for players is that if you decide to NR from the competition due to being unable to complete your card you should continue to score the card and hand in at the end of your round.

- g. Divotting
 - i. Currently no penalties being served
 - ii. If you swap a divot please make sure you put your name down on the list.

- h. Knock-out ruling Entry
 - i. The Committee will review the current ruling around eligibility for knock-out competitions. The change to be proposed at the AGM will see anyone who wishes to enter the club knockout comp must have played in 3 club competitions the previous year (2 singles & 1 Foursome). This will ensure that everyone playing this competition has an active handicap. This will be presented at a ruling meeting before the AGM and will be explained further in this meeting.

- i. Request to extend August k/o deadline.
 - i. A request was made to extend the August knock out deadline. The Committee have voted (8/8) to stand by decision made at AGM where dates would not be changed unless there were extended circumstance.

AOB.

- Any plumbers – We need to have the club toilets checked as it has been reported of a potential blockage.



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- Golf tops – Ben Smith will be placing a last time order for any more tops, please speak directly with Ben if you are interested.
- The club will look to replace the current sign on the front of the club, the view is to modernize it in line with our current club tops.
- Dean Oliver has taken the action to get new club score cards but is currently waiting for graphics to be sent to him. Once done cards shouldn't take too long to be issues to Artisans.