

**Stockwood Vale Golf Club Committee Meeting  
December 7<sup>th</sup> 2022**

**Present:** A Hooper, J Harper, M Edenborough, I Mason, P Dawson, P Hopkins, K Blakeley, A Jordan

**Apologies:** None

**The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.**

**Matters Arising.**

AJ: The on-course toilet could still do with a clean.

**ME will arrange for this to be done**

**Treasurers Report:**

Summary of financial position as at 30/11/22

	Total Funds	Committed to Charity	Net Funds
Club	11,394.88	6,043.53	5,351.35
Seniors	2,895.28	1,918.22	977.06
Ladies	4,246.34	3,689.87	556.47
Other (note 1)	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00
Total	23,536.50	16,651.62	6,884.88
Bank Accounts			
Current	22,139.70		
Savings	1,396.80		
Total	23,536.50		

Notes:

1 Other charity commitments amounting to £5,000.00 relates to funds received from the 2019/20 captain and is set aside for junior golf development projects.

2 The charity payments to the 21/22 charities have not yet been paid as we have been unable to confirm the correct bank details. We are attempting to ensure these are paid in December.

**Matters arising prior to meeting and answered in advance:**

PD: The path on the 14<sup>th</sup>, parallel to the tee box, is constantly wet with large puddles and very muddy when it rains. Can we have some hardcore laid and all the holes filled in to level up this path?

**ME: The path on the 14<sup>th</sup> needs more than just hard core. There is a drain which blocks with the mud washed down from the field above. We are aware of the problem and Steve regularly rods the drain with a bar to allow excess water to run away. Hard core is not a permanent solution.**

PD: The mats on both the 6th and 14<sup>th</sup> holes are in a state, with grass and weeds growing through them. These should have been lifted and cleaned and reset. When will this be done as an urgent job?

ME: Both mats were power washed on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November. The mats will be continuously monitored for wear and replaced when necessary.

PD: Some people have mentioned that the red, yellow and white yardage discs that were on all tees are no longer there, and if they have no measuring device it makes it difficult to estimate the yardage. Can these be replaced?

ME: I will look at re-establishing the markers on the par 3's but don't feel they are necessary on the other Holes.

### **New Items for discussion:**

JH: A number of the bunker rakes are broken. Please can we have some replacements.

New rakes are on order, ME will chase up.

JH: Would it be possible to have our club logo on the pin flags.

ME will see the flag rep when he next visits and investigate options and prices.

AJ: As we no longer have a treasurer attending the meetings, we are effectively one member short. Constitutionally, we were unable to elect more than three committee members at the AGM. I would like to propose that we ask Paul Gray if he would be happy to be co-opted onto the committee.

This was agreed by the committee. AH will ask Paul.

AJ: I would like to propose the creation of a Junior Co-ordinator role within the club. This role would primarily be one of encouraging young people to give the game of golf a try. Initially arranging and advertising an Open Day and Taster Sessions and ensuring there is planned programme for what happens next. We already have an amount of money set aside for Junior Golf which could be used for any expenditure.

It was felt that as there is currently nothing at the club to accommodate any juniors who express an interest in the sport, and as there is a general feeling amongst the membership that they would not welcome junior golfers onto the course – this was not agreed to.

ME: Due to VAT complications, we can no longer accept payment of entry fees using the club credit card terminals.

From 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023, all competition entry fees, including any charity money paid in to the shop, will be paid directly to the committee bank account using a separate credit card terminal. The club has covered the cost of the terminal, however there will be a transaction fee of around 1% deducted from any transaction.

For example;

10% of every competition fee is paid to the main club fund.

The entry fee for a competition is £5. Currently, 50p is paid to the club fund and the remaining £4.50 goes into the prize fund pot.

From 2023, once the 1% transaction fee has been applied, the net amount will be £4.95. 10% will still go to the main club fund and the remainder into the prize fund pot.

It was previously agreed that the committee and the club would share the cost of employing a firm to do our accounts.

To compensate the club fund for the small reduction in revenue resulting from the introduction of a dedicated card payment terminal, the club has offered to pay all of the accountancy fee.

### **AOB:**

PD: The Avalon league fee has increased to £25. We will continue with the post-match bacon butty food option. (2023 price TBC).

We need to ask for names of players interested in playing in the Avalon matches asap.

**ME will arrange for an email to be sent.**

IM: There's a phone app that you can use to transfer funds to your SVGC bar card. Would we be able to use the app at the club?

**ME: The retail computer system used at the club doesn't have a linked phone app.**

IM: We noticed the 17<sup>th</sup> has signs indicating the introduction of a lime and a cherry tree. Are there plans to plant two more trees at the dog-leg?

**ME: The tree in the middle of the 17<sup>th</sup> will, at some point, need to be removed. We will plant a new tree to replace it when the time comes. It is common practice to plant two trees to allow for one not flourishing.**

PH: There were some very poor behaviours from a group of males who played last Sunday which impacted upon the groups playing either side of their tee time.

**ME will investigate and deal.**

**Date of the next meeting – Wednesday January 18th 2023 at 19:00**