

**Stockwood Vale Golf Club Committee Meeting  
July 27th 2022**

**Present:** M Edenborough, J Gray, J Baker, A Hooper, P Dawson, A Jordan  
(minutes)

**Apologies:** I Haddon, A Yeatman, L Cheal

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

**Matters Arising.**

As the evening entertainment for the Captain's Charity Day was cancelled the £600 from club funds will not be paid. However, there will be expenses for the day. AY to feed back details to next meeting.

**Treasurers Report:**

| As at 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2022 | Total Funds | Charity | Net Funds |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---------|-----------|
| Men's                            | 4795.55     | 3385.53 | 1410.02   |
| Senior's                         | 2800.93     | 1347.72 | 1453.21   |
| Ladies                           | 1030.52     | 657.50  | 373.02    |
| Other                            | 7254.37     | 0.00    | 7254.37   |
| Total                            | 15881.37    | 5390.75 | 10490.62  |
| Current Account                  | 14,484.70   |         |           |
| Savings Account                  | 1,396.67    |         |           |
| Total                            | 15,881.37   |         |           |

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

None

**New Items for discussion:**

AH: Please can we increase the numbers making the cut into Round 2 of the Club Championships? Maybe 28 or 32 players, or within 10 shots of the lead. A larger second day field may also increase the numbers of supporters who watch the final round players finish and would make for a better atmosphere.

ME: The top 16 scores from Day 1 were all within 10 shots of the lead. Coincidentally, these were the only players to be within 10 shots of the lead.

If it was extended to the top 28, it would then be a 13-shot difference and the top 32, would be a maximum of 14 shots off the lead.

These margins were felt to be too great to stand any chance of competing for the lead. Also, making it to the top 16 is an achievement not mirrored by making it to the last 32.

It was therefore agreed to continue with a 2<sup>nd</sup> day cut of 16.

AH: A member was in the draw for the first day of the Championship. He had an early tee time – woke up not feeling very well – contacted the club and withdrew from the competition. He later felt better and attended the club to join a later two ball tee time. He was told by the pro shop that he was not allowed to re-enter the competition as no alterations to the start sheet are permissible. He then discovered that another member rang the pro shop as he was running late and was given a later tee time.

Please can we have some clarification as to whether there is a difference between withdrawing and running late.

ME: No amendments are allowed to the start list of the Men's Championships. The reallocation of a later tee time for the member who was running late was incorrect and should not have occurred.

### Captain's Charity Day.

The pace of play on the Captain's Charity Day is invariably slow. We discussed if there are any ways to increase the speed of play.

Topics discussed were:

The length of tee time intervals, playing over two days, limiting team sizes, acceptable formats, blocked tee times to clear any logjams and players not keeping to their tee times.

The results of our discussion are:

Increasing tee times from 8 to 10 minutes (over the same period of time) equates to a reduction in field size of 36 players.

Playing over the course of two days, whilst increasing the potential size of entrants, is likely to have little impact on any issues on the Saturday.

Teams of four are more sociable for this type of event and no team format is noticeably more time consuming than another.

The periodic blocked tee times work as a firebreak and achieve their objective. We agreed that having a Starter on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tee has the greatest potential for having a positive impact upon this issue.

**AOB:**

JG: Raised the issue of people failing to turn up on the Seniors Competition Day  
Bowmaker leaving teams of only two players.

ME: As this is a randomized draw made by the computer, it lacks the usual approach to a team member being unable to play in a competition which they have entered as a team. i.e., they will contact the other members of their team who will then arrange for a replacement. The pro shop would be unable to undertake this task. Therefore, as there is no-one responsible for amendments to the teams, the solution is to make any adjustments or rearrangements on the day.

PD: Raised the condition of some of the bunkers.

ME: We are currently speaking to other clubs who have experimented with different types of bunker linings. They have experienced varying amounts of success. We will update you with our plans when we have gained more information.

ME: Weather permitting, we will start the annual greens maintenance on Monday August 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Date of the next meeting – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 19:00**