

FRESHWATER BAY GOLF CLUB

CAPTAINS' COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 12th June 2019

17:00 START OF MEETING

1. **Members Present;** All eight committee members and the Secretary were present.

2. **Acceptance of Minutes of Meeting held on 9th May 2019**

Proposed by Richard Frost Seconded by Peter Bonnell CARRIED

3. **Matters Arising**
 - a. Although the Royal Solent Yacht Club has indicated that it is willing to hold the FBGC 2020 Dinner & Dance, as yet the Secretary has not been able to arrange a date for it.
 - b. The new Head Greenkeeper will be James Sanders and he will take over week commencing 8th July.
 - c. The Entrance Road will be having some remedial work carried out in the next month.

4. **Reports**

Club Captain

- a. Peter Bonnell reported on another successful Taster Session being held, and from it he has arranged to play a few holes with a potential new member, Mike Wells. Another session has been arranged for 29th June. It was agreed that this would be the last event that FBGC pay for Chris Tyson's services, but we may well continue to run beginner sessions using volunteers from within the Club.
- b. After a slight mix up at the start of the event, the Captain's Cup new format seemed to work well, with everyone enjoying the day.
- c. The Bingo Night went well, with Dave McArthur proving to be an entertaining host. A slight profit was made which was given to the Captain's Charity.
- d. The Foursomes and Greensomes league matches are now well underway, with John struggling to field teams in the Greensomes. The Foursomes team are doing fairly well.
- e. John has nearly finalised his team for the Club Match away at Wellow, and the food for this event will cost £14.00

Lady Captain

- a. FBGC Ladies achieved another good result in the IWLGA League, this time gaining all 4 points.
- b. The Ladies have requested that the crossing of the chalk path up by the 10th green is filled in and smoothed out.
- c. Pat Long informed the committee that her parking space seems to get squeezed by other cars parking too close to it.
- d. Pat Long asked that the bar staff desist from putting the scores into the psi terminal for Ladies Competitions, so that the ladies can check their scores properly.

Senior Captain

- a. Chris Sprackling's main concern is an upcoming home fixture against Meyrick Park. The visitors are bringing over 30 players with them, so Chris is hoping to match it with a similar number of home players. This will obviously lead to a long tee reservation required, and also some headaches on getting everyone sat down and fed after the match. Her will liaise with the Secretary and the away captain regarding start times formats etc.

Discussion then took place about the proposed cost of the day; it was agreed that it would be a running buffet at a cost of £15.

- b. It was agreed that for the Seniors Open there would be no handicap limit for the divisional prizes, but the overall prize (The John Cottle Trophy) the handicap limit will be 28.

Secretary

- a. The Secretary informed the Committee that Chris West will no longer be running the fristab away day, so a suitable replacement needs to be found.
- b. The new caterer, Sandie Strickland has now started; the Secretary asked that all the captains liaise with Sandie about any catering requirements they may have regarding team matches, social events etc.

5. Golf Diary

- a. It was agreed that the Ray Cooke Memorial will be a turn up and play event, rather than start times.
- b. The President's Salvors will be a foursomes competition.
- c. It was agreed that members will be able to play on either day of the Club Championship, rather than have to commit to both days.
- d. Following on from a conversation with Ruth Stafford, it was agreed that there will be a trophy played for in John Stafford's memory on Wednesday 11th September.

6. Social Diary

- a. John Sexton is trying to arrange entertainment for 29th June, which also coincides with Steve Orchard's Charity Walk. There will be a £5 charge to those people coming along, which will help cover the cost of the music as well as a finger buffet.
- b. John has sorted out entertainment for his Captain's Day on 26th July.
- c. John has talked to Bob Godden about doing a cheese and wine tasting evening later in the year.

7. Any Other Business

Ros Pinnell asked whether the Club were looking to put on any events over the Christmas / New Year. John Sexton said that he hoped to be holding a Christmas Social Event as well as an early December quiz, and possibly a New Year's Eve Party as well. The Secretary informed the Committee that it is very hard to get staff to work on New Year's Eve.

Chris West commented on the fringe in front of the 14th green being too long, as a good shot can get penalized. The Secretary said that he is looking to keep the fringe much shorter in the future.

Pat Long would like to see the scrub on the 14th cut lower so that the green can be seen from the Ladies Tee.

John Sexton and the Secretary will be looking at changing some of the honours boards, as quite a few of them have run out of room.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 8th July 5pm