

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Held at
KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB
THURSDAY 30th APRIL 2009

Present:

John Smith	-	President
Douglas Pratt	-	Vice President
Iain Donnelly	-	Captain
Bill Kennedy	-	Colts Manager
Anthony Eden	-	Seniors Captain
John White	-	Executive Member
David Steward	-	Executive Member
Ian Hulse	-	Secretary

Apologies: Giles Legg - Vice Captain

ACTION

Meeting opened at 17:35 hours:

Item 1 - Welcome: The meeting started with a minute silence as a mark of respect for Jack Roberts County Junior Secretary.

The President welcomed everyone to the Executive meeting. With a special welcome to our new club members John White and David Steward and he hoped they both would get fully involved in County Matters. He then welcomed the new County Vice President Doug Pratt and wished him well in his four year tenure on the County Executive.

Item 2 – Minutes of the Meeting 26th February 2009: No Amendments.

The minutes were signed by the President as a true record of events.

Item 3 – Matters arising: None.

Item 4 – Captains Report: The Captain gave a brief on the start of the season to the meeting pointing out the coaching and the positive aspects that came out of the weekend warm weather training. He has arranged sessions at Broadstone in preparation for SW Week which are currently going well. The friendly against Broadstone went well and the BB&O which was a mixture of squad and colts players resulted in a narrow defeat 6½ - 5½. There was one more friendly against the Army before the first SE League match against Hampshire on Sunday 10 at Stoneham

Item 5 – Juniors Secretary's Report: With the departure of Jack Roberts the Secretary briefed the meeting it was the wish of the Junior Sub Committee to have Bill Kennedy take on the position of Junior Secretary. Bill briefed the meeting on his willingness to take on this role. The President supported this but would like to see the Junior Committee work towards a younger replacement in the future.

Bill then updated the meeting firstly on the under 14 results which started with a resounding win over Hampshire but due to the kind generosity of Bill allowing the single to be played of handicap saw us once again defeated by Cornwall. The Peter Alliss was again successful with young Oliver Stocks taking the trophy and doing the double in also winning the OOM. As for the under 18 they started off with an excellent week in Spain where they all worked very hard under the guidance of the County Coach. This was followed by the ladies match which was drawn and the Four Counties Tournament in which our performance was disappointing, the Henderson reached its climax and it resulted in Alex Kerr taking the Stroke Play and losing in the final of the Match Play to the new Henderson Champion Robert Condliffe from Bridport.

We now look forward to the SW Under 16 and Under 14 championship at Taunton Vale GC.

Item 6 – Senior Captains Report: The teams have been selected for the first two matches and letters have been sent out. The captain is hoping to give Kent a shock beating at Knighton this year and the club as been kind enough to allow an additional practice round. With the SW qualifier on home soil the captain was very upbeat and ready to get the season under way.

Item 7 – Colt Managers Report: It is hoped this year will see a joint venture with the Vice Captain taking a more leading role with the Colts team, although he will be tied up with SW Week for the first friendly of the year against the IOW.

The secretary did inform the meeting a letter of resignation from the Colts League had been registered with the SE group secretary as instructed in the December meeting minutes.

Item 8 – Secretary's Report:

Correspondence: Letter sent to the Carrington expressing the Counties disappointment in both the room and food at this years Dinner. Secretary has received a letter back expressing there disappointment in our comments. He had also received a call from the manager at the Wessex Hotel asking if he could host the dinner the next time it is held in Bournemouth so that he may make amends for our disappointment at the Carrington, he has received some very critical remarks from Ferndown Members where he is himself a member. The VP stated we should perhaps have a tasting prior to the dinner.

Finances: Secretary briefed the meeting that the accounts.

EGU Matters: The meeting briefly touched on the issue of the merger and this was to be fully debated at the May meeting.

Meeting schedule along with proposed amendments were discussed and in the main agreed.

Item 9 – Any Other Business (AOB):

- a. The secretary briefed the meeting on the Junior Sub Committees wish to see a Trophy be put in place in memory of Jack Roberts and that instead of the County running an event the county should present the Trophy to Weymouth GC, the VP said the club had discussed the matter and would like the trophy to be for the Scratch element of the Jubilee Competition, Secretary to purchase Trophy and the President will present to the club at the County Championships.
- b. The meeting had been informed of the sad death of Ben Enoch Cornwall due to a traffic accident secretary to send the Counties condolences.

Item 10 –Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Executive Committee is to be held at DG&CC Tue 26 May 2009 at 1700 for a 1730 hour start.

All

There being no further business the meeting closed at 1900 hours.

Signed as a True record:

John Smith President 26 May 2009