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Minutes of the Men's Golf Section EGM.

Tuesday 14th May 2024

- Minutes of the previous meeting recorded as a true record.
 Proposed. R Mansfield Seconded L Woodall
- 2. Present. S Smith Capt. D Callaghan. R Mansfield. J Hall. L Woodall. M Friend. H Woolway. R Richardson. Apologies. L Simpson. D Hobbs. S Johnston. M Tamsett. J Parry. P Jarvis (Sen Cap)
 No Apologies. A Forster.
- Action from previous meetings. Captain. (unless included in his monthly report.
 Moving 1 of the 3 bins at the 1st tee too nearer the corner of the offices. New ones being Purchased.
 Team Apparel. The kit is now out and in place for all members and team players.
- 4. Tonight's EGM. 1/ Changes to the Terms of Competition 2/ Competition secretary.
- 5. The Captain welcomed our 2 new Committee members to tonight EGM meeting Harry & Ross.
- 6. Matthew Tamsett was also invited to tonight's meeting (to join the Team) but unfortunately he was away at the CGU county week, he was therefore voted in as a new Committee member.
- 7. New Competition Secretary.

As no current member wished to take up this role, the Captain & vice-Captain put forward Matt Tamsett to which he had agreed to undertake the role of Competition Secretary, the committee here present Voted unanimously in favour.

An Email address has been set up for communication when needed. cfcompsec@gmail.com

8. Captains Report

Since the last report, the season is well under way with our regular cup fixtures and weekly competitions. The course is looking in excellent condition and credit to Nathan and all his team in all their efforts to keep it in top condition especially with all the bad weather we have had over the past months.

The next major competition is the Anniversary plate, in association with the Ladies, which is fully booked and looking forward to the day.

As previously mentioned, please ensure that you have read the Terms of Competition to ensure that you are legible to win the competition as per the 6 Card rule, to avoid any disappointment. The Men's Order of Merit is also now live on Howdidido with points for the ten specific competitions throughout the year. Details of the scoring can also be found in the Terms of Competition.

Terms of Competition <u>Details (chinafleetgolfcommittee.co.uk)</u>
Men's order of Merit <u>Hudson Shield 2024 - HowDidiDo.com</u>

Plymouth Area League (PAL). This competition is back underway with new team members. Team Captain Mark Friend has a great squad of players, and we aim to get to the final this year. We started off with a draw at home against Trethorne and away to Looe this Friday 17th May.

Fixtures are on the CFCC Men's section website and PAL Facebook page.

County Week is a Mullion this year with members taking part in these events. Unfortunately, our Team A and B failed to reach the finals however I thank them all for their support this year especially with the rescheduling of fixtures with long journeys and late tee times.

The Annual St Pirans Cup event against St Mellion is scheduled for the weekend the 15th /16th June 2022. We are on home soil this year and hope to win this trophy back from St Mellion. Any support on the Saturday and Sunday afternoon would be most appreciated to cheer on the team.

Captains Charity Day is schedule for the 8th June this year.

My charity this year is the Cornwall Air Ambulance who will have present on the day.

The format for the day will be a 4 Ball Texas Scramble with you playing off different tees, much like last year, however we are adding a Greenkeepers revenge on a few holes.

Details of the prizes will be posted on the Men's Section Notice board.

Let's hope the weather is kinder to us this year.

AOB Actions

Moving Bins- Extra Bins are being ordered.

Website Advertising – Still in discussion

9. Competition's update & report.

Saturday Roll Up - 06/04/24

Division 1

Pos	Name	PH	Points
1	Steve Vieira	16	42
2	Jack Rendle	15	39
3	Tom Collins	13	36

Hong Kong Cup – 12/04/24

Division 1

Pos	Name	Gross	PH	Nett
1	Jack Screech	76	6	70
2	Andrew Mitchell	79	9	70
3	Nathan O'Sullivan	82	11	71
4	Luke Atkinson	79	8	71

Division 2

Pos	Name	<u>Gross</u>	PH	Nett
1	David Pothecary	87	18	69
2	Steve Lamb	83	13	70
3	Mark Jennings	83	13	70
4	Steve Vieira	88	18	70

Division 3

Pos	Name	<u>Gross</u>	PH	Nett
1	Carl Atkinson	99	27	72
2	Mike Oliver	98	24	74
3	Steven Smale	109	26	83

Saturday Roll Up - 20/04/24

Division 1

Pos	Name	PH	Points
1	Mark Cockcroft	7	38
2	Shaun Matthews	4	36
3	Alan Blaikie	6	35
4	Kevin Jones	8	34

Division 2

Pos	Name	<u>PH</u>	<u>Points</u>
1	Tim Patrick	15	31
2	Anthony Braddon	13	29
3	Stu Potter	15	28
4	Robin Mountford	21	28

Men's Monthly Stableford - 21/04/24

Division 1

Pos	Name	PH	Points
1	Charlie Blatchford	10	35
2	Jordan Davidson	3	35
3	Andrew Mitchell	8	31
4	Mark Cockcroft	8	31

Division 2

Pos	Name	PH	Points
1	Joe Syndercombe	14	36
2	George Broadey	14	36
3	John Sanders	18	36
4	Sam Copp	17	33

Division 3

Pos	Name	<u>PH</u>	<u>Points</u>
1	Matt Dale	21	41
2	Peter Grant	23	36
3	Peter Brandon	20	33
4	Robin Mountford	23	32

Saturday Roll Up - 27/04/24

Division 1

Pos	Name	<u>PH</u>	Points
1	Richard Keith	7	39
2	Andrew Mitchell	7	37
3	Stephen Weeks	11	36
4	Mark Cockcroft	7	36

Division 2

Pos	Name	PH	Points
1	Anthony Braddon	13	39
2	Jiv Livock	14	35
3	Stu Potter	15	34
4	Steve Hatherley	21	32

Saturday Roll Up - 04/05/24

Division 1

Pos	Name	PH	Points
1	Tim Patrick	15	37
2	Steve Lamb	11	37
3	Stewart Yetton	13	35
4	Joe Syndercombe	12	35

Monthly Medal – 05/04/24

Division 1

Pos	Name	Gross	<u>PH</u>	Nett
1	Mark Cockcroft	79	8	71
2	Peter Lightfoot	84	10	74
3	Tom White	78	4	74
4	Nigel Hill	82	7	75

Division 2

Pos	<u>Name</u>	Gross	PH	Nett
1	Chris Sharp	86	15	71
2	Stephen Smith	90	16	74
3	Steven Ryder	91	16	75
4	Sam Copp	93	17	76

+20 Stableford Division

Division 1

Pos	Name	PH	Points
1	Adam Hanvey	24	37
2	Raj Patel	21	36
3	Matt Dale	20	33
4	Robin Mountford	23	30

Upcoming Competitions

+11/05/24 – Spring Team Challenge

*18/05/24 – Anniversary Plate

*25/05/24 – Saturday Roll Up

Hudson Shield Order of Merit 2024

Current Leaders.

Points
10.00
10.00
10.00
9.00
9.00
9.00
8.00
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8.00

Can also be view on Howdidido

10. Changes & updates to the Rules of Competition for ratification and approval including a 2 match ban which came up in the AOB section for Men's section Trophy & Cup competition's, failure to inform their withdrawal or not show up in team held events.

These were voted on and passed unanimously by the members here present.

11. CGU Knockout report.

Club Championship "B" Team

Venue was at St Austell GC. 21st April, opponents Mullion.

Team Players.

Mark Fox & Jack Whiteley

Ross Richardson & Rory Coles

Steve Milligan & James Parry

We Arrived early for our B team Match against Mullion.

The weather was good course, conditions good, although the greens were not up to their usual standard with still two temporary greens in place on the 13th and the 18th.

Mullion put out a strong team consisting mostly of scratch and low handicap players, with all China Fleet teams receiving shots 7, 6 & 7, respectively .Mullion had an early lead in the matches, but all three matches were turned around on the back nine,

Team one (Mark & Jack) had a very close match going down the 18th and played the last hole perfectly to close out there match 1up, team 2 (Ross & Rory) played a great back nine and used their shots effectively to close out there match 5&3, team 3 (Steve & James) were having a great battle at the back and were 1up on the sixteenth when they decided to call there match a half on hearing China Fleet had already won the first two matches.

A great result for China fleet B team again with the next match to be played on Sunday the 5th of May venue and opponents TBA

China Fleet B team Captain

Andy Forster.

The Committee thanks all the team members for taking part and representing China Fleet golf section.

CGU Knockout report.

Club Championship "B" Team

Venue was at Carlyon Bay GC. 5th May, opponents Truro. Quarter final.

Team Players.

Charlie Blatchford & Jack Whiteley

Ross Richardson & Rory Coles

Steve Milligan & James Parry

Unfortunately, our recent match against Truro at Carlyon Bay ended in a 2-1 loss for the China Fleet B Team. Despite the outcome, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to all team members for their dedication and effort throughout the match.

While the result may not have been what we hoped for, each member of the team played with determination and sportsmanship, showcasing the true spirit of our club. We commend everyone for their hard work and commitment, which helped us reach the quarter-finals.

Although this season's journey may have come to an end, we look forward to the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. With the support and camaraderie of our team, we are confident in our ability to bounce back stronger next year.

China Fleet B Team Captain

James Parry

The Committee thanks all the team members for taking part and representing China Fleet golf section.

- 12. Summer Scratch League held every Monday evening has been well supported and Captain Mark Friend is well impressed with the standard of play, mixing and rematching players each week accordingly.
- 13. Royal Cornwall Goblets.

5 pairs were chosen to represent China Fleet at Mullion GC. 12th May.

Pairings were.

Mark Fox & Andy Forster

Jason Friend & Charlie Blatchford

Richard Mansfield % Andrew Mitchell

Alan Blaikie & James Parry

Peter Mackley & Peter Brandon.

Weather held up nicely for all that took part on the day, winners on the day came in with 40 points.

Our closest pairing came in with 37 points 10th.

The Committee thanks all the players for taking part and representing China Fleet golf section

14. Royal Mail foursomes update.

Players David Thompson & Nathan Bowden.

They had a bye in the 1st round and they were then drawn to play Boringdon GC away in the 2nd round.

The match is to be played between 3rd & 27th May.

15. Seniors Captain report.

No report

16. Treasurers report.

Current running balance £1463.61 (no updates since April 15th)

17. Green Keepers report.

Weather

With some drier weather over the past few weeks, we have been able to get the mowers back out onto the course and are starting to see some definition again. We are now playing catch up with regards to some of the more behind the scenes tasks such as spraying of weeds on tees, approaches, and fairways, and also feeding the fairways with liquid nitrogen and iron, to kick start growth. We will attempt to divot some of the more popular, landing areas in the fairways as soon as we can.

Could we arrange a divot evening during May?

Winter rules has now been extended until the 31st May.

This year has been the toughest winter we have experienced, with record breaking rainfall for 2023, followed by almost 2 feet of rain falling in 2024 so far. This has left us behind on most of our normal maintenance procedures, so please be patient with us as we prepare the course for this summer, we have a lot of catching up to do!

We have now been able to sand and level the 16th drain, which we will keep returning to over the next few months in order to bring this area back into play.

Greens

Monthly pencil tining and light top dressing on the greens was carried out last week. We have fallen behind with this due to the awful weather over the winter, so it is vital that we continue with this so that we do not accumulate thatch and take a step backwards after all the hard work over the last few years. This week, the first of our summer feeding spray applications was applied, this should kick on the growth as we go into the season. A plant growth regulator was also applied to reduce the annual meadow grass seedhead bloom we often experience this time of year.

Short game area

The whole fairway has now been overseeded, and is now showing signs of germination. Apart from a few tweaks, and levelling in a few areas, the fairway will be cut and dressed once per week from now until opening. We still have work to do with blending, levelling, and seeding the mounding around the outside. The new green had its first cut at a slightly lower height of cut of 10mm, and we would aim to cut this no lower than 8mm going forward, (normal green height ranges from 3mm-6mm) however,

due to the grass species on the green and the fact that we expect a lot of wear, especially from pitchmarks, we need to protect the green as much as we can. The idea is that the ball will react to a pitch or chip shot as similar as possible to the greens on the course, however, it is not designed for putting practice.

We will look into installing artificial grass 'pods' later in the year, in the more popular locations. There will be a bunker installed on the left had side, just short of the green, however, we need the ground conditions to improve prior to this.

Bunkers

All bunkers have now been edged and trimmed around to tidy them up for the spring. Again, we are behind on a lot of spraying, and we are due to spray weed killer and growth regulator around all bunker face to reduce maintenance.

Once the weather improves, all bunkers will be checked for sand levels and consistency, and adjusted accordingly, this will take some time, however. Normally by now all of this is complete, and many bunkers would have had new sand installed, yet again the weather has hampered our plans.

Projects

The 15th bunker is ongoing. We needed to finish off some drainage, then level the area in preparation for turfing, then slowly bring the bunkers back into play.

Tees

All tees have now been fertilised, and we are now into regular mowing regimes. The approaches and areas surrounding greens will be fertilised next week.

Many thanks

Nathan

18. Any other Business.

Email received about our latest pairs team event. Ruling Required. 2 match ban was voted on. Helpfulness regarding on course Knockouts matches from the duty on course Marshall. Some feed back from the low handicap players, Some of the fairways seem to have got narrower, Noticeably the 1st fairway cut left side after the red tees and before the gap needs to be taken closer to the hedge line. 2nd fairway left side. 4th fairway after the bunker left side. 10th fairway left side after the hedge. 13th right hand side. Plus others.

Divot repair boxes in the new chipping area when complete and in play.

8th June Captains Charity Day, help is required by all on the Day, liaise with the Captain.

Meeting Closed 20.40
Next Committee Meeting June 11th