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# Foxhills Golf Committee.

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## Minutes for Meeting, Manor House Boardroom.

Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2024 @ 19:30.

Present. IH/PB/SE/EL/MJ/SK/SG/SdB

Apologies for absence. DM

Minutes of the previous meeting. March '24 - Proposed by PB, Seconded by IH.

Matters arising not covered by agenda.

Any proposed additional act of respect/remembrance for Brian Miles (Founder member). Now adjudged to have time expired. Foxhills had flown the flag at half mast, the committee had collectively and individual paid their respects during the meeting directly after his passing.

Last Month.

Committee Meeting	Tues	Tuesday, March 05, 2024	Manor House	19:30	21:30		Committee
Brian Peyton Trophy	Sat	Saturday, March 09, 2024	Bernard Hunt (BH)/Longcross (LX)	7:00	13:00	Fourball Better ball Stableford	Club pairs competition. <i>Went well.</i>
Monthly Medal	Sun	Sunday, March 17, 2024	BH	7:00	13:30	Singles Strokeplay	Monthly Competition <i>Went well</i>
Mid Week Stableford	Wed	Wednesday, March 20, 2024	BH	9:00	11:30	Singles Stableford	Midweek Competition <i>Went well</i>
Spring Classic	Sat	Saturday, March 23, 2024	BH/LX	7:00	13:30	Singles Stableford - 1st of 3 stableford trophy comps	Club Singles Competition <i>Went well good level of entry</i>
Spring Classic Juniors	Sun	Sunday, March 24, 2024	BH	12:10	13:00	Singles Stableford	Juniors. <i>There were 15 players.</i>

## 1. Management Report.

- Opening of Ninth hole LX and the back nine LX delayed due to the bad weather experienced, excess water and particularly low ground temperatures delaying growth.
- Work on LX 12 left till the autumn.
- Driving range project now starting, exciting improvements to be made.
- No maintenance in August (LIV Tour event) moved to October for both courses.
- Slope on BH 10<sup>th</sup> - plans being formulated to help with ball running down and off to the left.
- Data Breach - Foxhills DPO checking all Systems - Golf Genius found to be secure. No news nor plans to remove Golf only category from Foxhills memberships.
- Divoting team restarted, their much appreciated, efforts.
- Greens Committee type communication with Club Committee in need of strengthening. Regular dialogue with Course Manager being encouraged.
- Brief LIV update.

## 2. Captain.

- Don McIntosh is away - no report.
- New rules (1st April an apt date) - additional actions required. Discussion/plans. Introduction of boards and the use of QR codes.
- Discussion regarding the ladies playing the Goldberg of the Gold tees was had. We would run a separate gold tee comp for ladies. If successful this year future committees could look to make permanent with its own trophy.
- Ladies were encouraged to play off tees other than the greens.
- New handicap tables for display on both first tees in train. SG/IH.
- Trophies (engraving update and new pairs plate). SdB to report back and source, multitude of suggestions including glass (best in avoiding theft/reduction in insurance premiums). Budget of £150
- Hibby Competition to be pushed still further, fee now £20 for food and prizes.
- Handicap Secretaries review of the year Mike and Sarah have proposed a minimum of 4 comp cards, in the last calendar year, for Board comps as they have limited control to adjust people who have entered 3/4 general play cards.
- Summer knock outs set up - Golf Services to action.
- Golf Services to issue instructions to members playing in competitions in a more timely manner. There have been some issues and confusion caused by late receipt of instructions. Some member complaints received.
- Mens and ladies matches (review and tee time bookings)
- Golf Charity Ball - going ahead. Captain and Golf Services planning and scheduling. 19<sup>th</sup> July tickets on sale soon.
- Hayton Cup to be organised. IH
- New Menu for committee use. Produce and share. EL/Golf Services/Chef.
- Womens - Club swap was discussed. Detail and possible roll out across the club, other areas, (ensuring inclusiveness) referred to. The Seniors have in the past organised a couple of these type events with Moor Park - they worked very well, they were liked and attended. Deemed a good idea.

- Captain made a couple of pleas for “One meeting.” Calling committee members to order both times. Committee members are asked to ensure that their enthusiasm and concentration is focussed on the agenda items as Chaired by the Captain.
- Continuous review of Competitions manual noted. Latest version on G-drive. During an impromptu democratic vote on whether 3 clubs and a putter should be in the All Winners Day eligibility criteria the Captain suggested the Director of Golf didn't have a vote but the Vice Captain correctly pointed out that in his capacity as delegate of the Club President he did. The Captain apologised. SG elected not to vote. It was decided it (3clubs and a putter) should not be included primarily as it is a non qualifier.
- Introduction of a physical Captains board detailing contemporary detail was discussed. This is to run alongside the popular digital contacts, email updates for instance.

### 3. Monthly Reports.

#### Mens

- Suggestion that there maybe a match with The London Club. Ongoing. IH

#### Ladies

2023/24 winter competitions, as previously reported, Foxhills are out of the Derry Cup but are still in the Pearson Trophy, having made it through to the last 16.

#### 2024 summer competitions

- **THE PEARSON TROPHY - TEAM CAPTAIN - MAGGIE GAFFNEY**  
Team of 7 x single matches for ladies with a Handicap Index between 12.5 - 32.4  
This competition started back in October 2023 with initial (H) and matches against Surbiton, Bletchingley and Croham Hurst.  
Foxhills won the group and the team is now in the last 16. They have been drawn against Hoebridge with the home match on 4th April and the away match on the 15th April 2024 for a place in the quarter finals.
- **THE WALLIS TROPHY - TEAM CAPTAIN - ORLA SWEENEY**  
Team of 5 x single matches for ladies with a Handicap Index between 21.0 - 36.0  
55 teams have entered the competition and Foxhills have been drawn against Chipstead in the preliminary round, with the away match arranged for Monday 8th April and the home match on Thursday 11th. We have a squad of 15 but some ladies don't have enough qualifying cards (3) which is hampering the team selection and we would like more higher handicap ladies to be part in the squad.  
Winners will go through to the Wallis Trophy and losers through to the plate.
- **THE CENTENARY BOWL - TEAM CAPTAIN HILARY STOKES**  
Team of 5 x single matches for ladies with a Handicap Index of 10 and above but playing off of scratch.  
Foxhills were drawn against the very strong Worplesdon team in the preliminary round, who proved too strong both home and away and so Foxhills will now go through to the Centenary Bowl plate.
- **THE HICKS TROPHY - TEAM CAPTAIN DARIA BLEYZ**  
Team of 5 x single matches playing off scratch.  
Foxhills have been drawn against Royal Mid-Surrey in the preliminary round with the home match on 6th April and the away match on the 19th April.  
Winners will go through to the Hicks Trophy and losers through to the plate.

- **THE WINDLESHAM CUP - TEAM CAPTAIN - SARAH HOESLI**  
An inter-club competition - 2 x stroke play - Maximum H. I. 14  
Match dates against the clubs taking part have all been arranged, Camberley Heath 8th April; West Byfleet 20th May; Windlesham 3rd June; Mill Ride 10th June; Chobham 5th August and our home match at Foxhills on 30th September. The club with the most points having played all the matches become the winner of the Windlesham Cup.
- **ANNODATA Golf Classic - TEAM CAPTAIN KIRSTINE MAYALL**  
A national Knock-out competition (semi-finals and final in Spain!) - 5 5 match-play singles - Maximum Course Handicap 24. The squad is in place, we are still awaiting the draw which was due to be done at the end of March and hope to follow our in the footsteps of our 2023 men's team!
- **DAILY MAIL COMPETITION - LADIES**  
Sheila Fleming and Daria Bleyz are representing Foxhills in the Daily Mail ladies competition. They had a convincing win at home against Chobham in the first round and have now been drawn against West Byfleet away.
- **SURREY CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS KNOCK-OUT**  
With our Club Champion unavailable, Susie Drummond, who came second in the Club Scratch Championship, will be representing Foxhills in this competition and will play the champion of Milford Golf Club (at home) in the first round.

#### Juniors

- No update received
- Brad (Juniors Pro) asked via Golf Services to provide monthly updates to Club Committee.

#### Seniors Friendlies.

- Fixture list - proposed changes - Seniors Friendly Fulwell GC Home 31<sup>st</sup> May/Away 2<sup>nd</sup> August.
- Permission sort and gained to explore - 8 games a match for Temple/Mannings Heath/Tyrells Wood/RAC. PB/SdB
- Weekend games for 7 day members being organised. Targetting Sunday afternoons preceded by brunch, home and away fixtures. PB/SdB. Suggestions Castle Coombe/Tyrells Wood.

**Treasurer.** No report

#### 4. Next Two Months:

<b>3 Clubs and a Putter</b>	Mon	Monday, April 01, 2024	Longcross/BH	7:30	15:00	Easter Bank Holiday... 3 Clubs and a Putter	All Club Competition
<b>Committee Meeting</b>	Tues	Tuesday, April 02, 2024	Manor House	19:30	21:30		Committee
<b>Junior Stableford</b>	Tue	Tuesday, April 02, 2024	Bernard Hunt	10:30	11:00	U18 Boys White Tees U14 Yellow Tees Girls Red Tees	Juniors

<b>Mid Week Medal</b>	Thur	Thursday, April 04, 2024	Bernard Hunt	9:00	12:00	TBC	Midweek Competition
<b>Mixed vs Bramley</b>	Sun	Sunday, April 07, 2024	Bernard Hunt	10:30	11:30		Mixed friendly
<b>Junior Stableford</b>	Thur	Thursday, April 11, 2024	Bernard Hunt	11:00	12:00	U18 Boys White Tees U14 Yellow Tees Girls Red Tees	Juniors
<b>Hibberd Cup</b>	Sat	Saturday, April 13, 2024	Longcross	7:00	14:00	Team competition of 6 people - 4/6 scores - shotgun with food	Club Team competition
<b>Seniors Over 55's Competition</b>	Wed	Wednesday, April 17, 2024	Longcross	9:00	10:30	Stableford - CJ tees	Midweek competition
<b>Vice Presidents, Vardon and GM Salver</b>	Sat	Saturday, April 20, 2024	LX	7:00	14:30	Vardon (Div 1) & GM Salver (Div 2) - singles strokeplay ; Vice Presidents (Div 3) - singles stableford	Board Competitions
<b>Mixed vs Bearwood Lakes</b>	Sun	Sunday, April 21, 2024	BH	10:30	11:30		Mixed friendly
<b>Ladies vs West Byfleet</b>	Tue	Tuesday, April 23, 2024	AWAY				Ladies Friendly
<b>Monthly Medal</b>	Sun	Sunday, April 28, 2024	Bernard Hunt	7:00	14:00		Blue tee medal competition
<b>Ladies v Hindhead</b>	Mon	Monday, April 29, 2024	Home	10:30	11:30		Ladies Friendly
<b>Fox &amp; Squirrel Trophy (Mens match v Mannings Heath)</b>	Sat	Saturday, May 04, 2024	Home- BH	10:30	11:30	Friendly	Mens match
<b>Ossie Alves Bowl</b>	Mon	Monday, May 06, 2024	LX	9:00	12:00	Geensomes competition with food afterwards clubhouse	All Club Competition. <i>Food to be subsidised.</i>
<b>Committee Meeting</b>	Tues	Tuesday, May 07, 2024	Manor House	19:30	21:30		Committee

Ladies vs Windlesham	Tue	Tuesday, May 07, 2024	Longcross	10:18			Ladies friendly
Mid Week Medal	Wed	Wednesday, May 08, 2024	LX	9:00	12:00	TBC	Midweek competition
Secretary's Shield	Sun	Sunday, May 12, 2024	Bernard Hunt	7:00	12:00	Fourball Betterball Stableford	Club Pairs Competition
Mixed v Mill Ride	Sun	Sunday, May 12, 2024	AWAY			Mixed friendly - 6 pairs	Mixed friendly
Seniors vs Guildford	Tue	Tuesday, May 14, 2024	AWAY				Seniors Friendly
Monthly Stableford	Sat	Saturday, May 18, 2024	Longcross	7:00	11:00		stableford
Junior Stableford	Sun	Sunday, May 19, 2024	Bernard Hunt	11:00	12:00	U18 Boys White Tees U14 Yellow Tees Girls Red Tees	Juniors
Seniors vs Goodwood	Mon	Monday, May 20, 2024	Longcross	10:30	11:30		Seniors Friendly
Ladies vs Mill Ride	Thur	Thursday, May 23, 2024	TBC				Ladies Friendly
Fox Trophy (1st Round)	Sat	Saturday, May 25, 2024	LX	7:00	14:00	Two round competition - singles strokeplay	Board Competition
Fox Trophy (2nd Round)	Sun	Sunday, May 26, 2024	BH	7:00	14:00	Two round competition - singles strokeplay	Board Competition
Seniors v RAC	Tues	Tuesday, May 28, 2024	Bernard Hunt	10:30	11:30		Seniors Friendly
Mid Week Stableford (Gold Tee Comp)	Tue	Tuesday, May 28, 2024	Bernard Hunt	9:00	12:00		Midweek competition
Foxhills Junior Open (Foxhills Event)	Thur	Thursday, May 30, 2024	Bernard Hunt	7:00	12:00	Two Tee Start... Clubhouse/Food Course reserved until all competitors through 1st & 10th	Juniors

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**5. Any other business.**

- Concern that nearest to the pin in 2 competitions - when applied to mixed field are inequitable was mentioned. Difference in driving distance between lady and men members was suggested to be the reason it being “unfair.” Complaints were received from some ladies. Research suggests that the average driving distance for women (all ages and abilities) is slightly under 160 yards, the average (all ages and abilities) for men slightly over 220 yards, an obvious issue. Suggestion is that going forward there are two competitions, of this type, one for each gender.

**6. Captains Closing Remarks.**

- Rita Vienhues has been invited to sit in on a committee meeting with a view to becoming a committee member.
- Meeting closed at 21:45

**7. Date of the next meeting.**

- Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May 2024 @ 19:30, Foxhills Manor House Board Room (Directly above the Library).