

## **Draft Minutes of 21<sup>st</sup> AGM Of Overstone Park Golf Club**

Held Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021 in the Restaurant @ 18.00

There were 27 Members present at the start of the meeting with one late attendee.

### **Apologies**

**Ray Draper, Katie Watkins, Alastair Rowton, Jim Morton, Ivan Roy, Gina Collier, Richard Collier.**

### **Opening Address**

Kevin Donaghue (Resort Manager) welcomed everyone to the meeting.

He told the floor that contrary to some people's belief he is fully on the side of the members, and he does everything he can to try to run the business. He added that this is a very difficult time due to Covid and key staff also leaving. He mentioned the departure of Lawrence Ryan and informed everyone that Craig will hopefully put his experience to good use and continue the excellent work.

Alongside him at the top table were.

James Gardner, Golf Manager

Craig Morris, Course manager

Lorraine Betts, Lady Captain

Dick Chapman, Seniors Captain

Chris Hoy Honorary Secretary.

### **Reports.**

#### **Club Captains Report**

This was read out by Chris Hoy and is attached

#### **Lady Captain report Attached**

This was read out by Chris Hoy as Lorraine could not be heard by all present.

#### **Senior Captains report Attached**

#### **Course managers' report**

Due to his newness in the role Craig did not make an official report but basically informed the members that he knew what is required and would strive to continue to present the course in a great condition.

He also added that he was fully aware of the issues with the 4<sup>th</sup> Green and the bunkers but his hands were tied as all investment needed approval by Kirk (the owner).

#### **Golf Managers report Attached**

After James read out his report outlining the plans to improve the availability of tee times and stopping the potential failings, he was given a warm round of applause.

**Prior to the treasurer's report Chris thanked Averil for all her work over the previous years and added that she will be sorely missed.**

**He also explained that she had been the driving force behind the new defibrillator which it was hoped would never have to be used but was a good investment as insurance.**

#### **Treasurer's report. Attached**

### **Amendments to the Constitution.**

Chris asked to amend the constitution retrospectively to allow the captains role to be held jointly.

Rosemary Scott and Glyniss Wingell objected to this and stated that this potential change should have been posted on the notice board as is required by the constitution.

Chris pointed out that this had only come about in the last couple of days and so there had been insufficient time hence his request to change it retrospectively.

Rosemary asked why Andrew wanted to be a joint Captain and he explained in great detail how he felt this was a step towards taking the club into the 21<sup>st</sup> century and they exchanged views. Due to how close they were sitting to each other it was not audible to the minute taker.

Mark Newton then put forward a suggestion that the approval be voted on, subject to an EGM be called to discuss in full.

The vote was taken and passed by a majority of 25 to 2.

#### **Election of Officers**

Andrew Macdonald was ratified as 2021 joint club captain

Katie Watkins was ratified as 2021 joint club captain

Leomelia Davis was ratified as 2020 Ladies Vice Captain.

Asy Ho was appointed Club Treasurer.

#### **A.O.B**

Rosemary Scott pointed out that the minutes of the last meeting needed to be approved. The 2020 AGM had only taken place via e mail exchanges by the top table and so had not been presented.

Fred White asked how many people were trained to use the defibrillator and it was explained that no training was required.

John Hughes explained about the hole in one trophy.

Mark White asked if the club was one greenkeeper short with Craigs promotion. It was explained that they were but were trying hard to employ a new member of staff, but it was proving difficult.

Kerry Hambleton asked a question over red shirts and explained she had e mailed her query to OPL and had not even had an acknowledgement. KD to investigate in.

Meeting Close at 7.10.