

Members Management Group

Meeting Minutes

Friday 16th August 2024

In attendance: G. Dalziel, J. Murdoch, C. Lumsdaine, D. Scott, J. Porteous

Apologies:

1. Course Update

D. Scott said that feedback from members and visitors alike had been positive. Weather remained an issue but the course was looking and playing well.

11th hole- D. Scott said that he had had a conversation with the manager at Kilspindie GC regarding drainage plans around the pond at their 10th hole. D. Scott has asked if the old drain connection between our 11th and Kilspindie's 10th hole could be reinstated to make use of the drainage work at Kilspindie. It was agreed this could go ahead, a meeting will take place on site to go over finer details.

Range & Short Game area – J. Porteous confirmed that contractors will be on site at the start of Sept to carry out work on the range and short game area. The hedge between the overflow car park and range will be removed and landscaped to allow the range to be more visible from the carpark and entrance, work will also be carried out to create a full short game green created in the area where the current practice bunkers are. There was a discussion on usage and rules surrounding this, J. Porteous to create rules for consideration.

Course web cam – D. Scott said that a web cam had been purchased and he was looking at how to stream this on the Craighielaw web site.

Winter Work – The weather last winter reduced the amount of bunker work that could be carried out throughout the site. Weather permitting, this winter there would be a large amount of bunkers refaced or repaired. There would also be some work carried out to the rough throughout the site with the spraying of the herbicide laser and also scarifying many areas of rough to continue to thin out the rough.

Course Furniture – Course Furniture is still being considered including introducing recycling bins with an option of bench seating.

Course Walk – Suggestion that the next MMG meeting would be a date where the MMG would carry out a course walk with Paul Hay. D. Scott to confirm date.

2. Members Feedback Survey

D. Scott asked for suggestion on what format the 2024 members survey should be. It was decided that the survey should be sent out via email and the survey should be online and look for general feedback and collated and added to the results from the 2023 survey.

3. Booking System

D. Scott said that the new management software was nearly ready to be used and noted he would give the MMG access to the system for comment prior to the system going live. It was still hoped that the system would go live Sept/Oct. D. Scott said that the release time for tee times would be moved from 7am 7 days ahead to 8 days ahead at 8am.

4. AOCB

D. Scott said a members menu would go live with the management software which would allow pricing to vary between public and members.

Clubhouse furniture – D. Scott said new furniture had been ordered for the restaurant area (area facing the course), this was the start of replacing furniture throughout the clubhouse areas with the lounge (area to the courtyard) and the members lounge next.

Drains – D. Scott confirmed a blockage had been detected in the main sewer line which was blocked from the Craighelaw Park houses and backed up to the clubhouse. Scottish Water had cleared the sewer line and disinfected all access hatch areas. It is hoped this will stop the drain smells that have been noticeable in the clubhouse recently.

Rotary Golf Day – D. Scott noted the rotary golf day was on the 12th Sept and Craighelaw was hosting the event this year, J. Murdoch has agreed to put a team together.

Wemyss Quaich event – There was a discussion on teams for the event. D. Scott confirmed all other clubs were confirmed to take part. The event would be best two stableford scores in each team to count and a club total would be calculated to find the winner. Food and drinks provided after golf and there would be no prizegiving after golf due to the length of time teams are teeing off for.

Dates of future meetings. It was felt that during the season and through traditional holiday times in the year it would be wise to move meetings out to every 6 weeks and in the off season come back to 4 week rotations where there is more to discuss.

Dates of next meetings

It was agreed to meet on the dates below at 8.30am

27th September

18th October