

# THE DARENTH SENIORS

## Minutes of Committee Meeting(DarCom 04) (Rev00), held in the Club House on Thursday 8th November 2018

The meeting opened at 2.43pm

Present were: Bob Spillane, Bernie Deacon, John Rampling, Niall Maxwell, David Vidgeon, Trevor Harvey, Paul Braithwaite, David Watts & David Long

Apologies for Absence: Duncan Lipscombe

The Minutes of the previous meeting of 30th August 2018 (DarCom 03), having been pre-distributed were accepted as a true record and signed by the Captain.

MATTERS ARISING: There were none.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT: As appended.

Matters Arising: PB enlightened meeting that a replacement for Terry Hewlett will be commencing the following week, being an associate of Jason's from Crondon Park, who had previously shared the role as Golf Manager prior to Terry's arrival. The day's slow play was commented upon, with various remedies suggested to speed up play, without resolution.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: As appended. Secretary requested clarification on keepsakes for Seven Springs Cup winner, with meeting opting for the non-provision of such; but were in favour of keepsakes to be presented to the winners of the Captain's Bell and the Captain's Scratch Trophy.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Report and Balance sheet as appended. Explained that debtors outstanding was in relation to clothing, and late payers needed to be chased up. Meeting advised that Jason was to refund those who ordered the black sleeveless jumpers, which had been delivered sans names. Ultimately he will gift those jumpers to the Section, which should balance the shortfall in the original costing. PB advised the meeting that the second tranche of our bursary will be paid to us in the New Year.

SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT: Report as appended.

ALMONER'S REPORT: Reported that sole Lame Duck was Ken Coulston, on whom NM gave an update. A couple of other members were also updated upon.

COMPETITION & HANDICAP SECRETARY'S REPORT: As appended.

MATCH SECRETARY'S REPORT: Reported results of latest matches, and summarised the season's results as a tally of 3 wins, 4 losses and 3 halved matches.

### BUSINESS

a) **RULES CHANGES:** Meeting advised that the Rules sub committee as set up at the previous meeting to scrutinise the impending rules changes had convened. They had gone through all of the new proposals, most of which were of no issue. There were only really two changes to be considered. One being losing a ball and playing a dropped ball under stroke and distance, (two shot penalty) from the vicinity of where the playing partners agree. Player can select a spot from where he can take a swing. However, if the player had already played a provisional ball and fails to find his original ball, then he must proceed to play with his provisional ball without the option of a drop. A player **MUST** have played a provisional ball if there was a reasonable certainty that his first ball was OOB, or very likely to end up lost. Committee were in agreement to adopt this recommendation. A further topic considered by the sub-committee had been capping scores in strokeplay competitions. They were to recommend capping at par plus 3, on a one-year trial basis (to ensure that no one

could win a competition with a capped score). However, information had since come to light that this being a contentious issue, there was to be a meeting held between club managers and handicap secretaries with the KGU sometime in December. We would therefore await the outcome of recommendations from that meeting.

AOB:

PB suggested that with new members around it would be good if we had a group to catch up with them, to play a round, and extol the virtues of the Section. There being no interest, the issue was dropped.

JR asked what was the latest situation with our ties. Was informed that there was impasse with Jason who doesn't like our colour choice and would like it to be grey. We can't use his logo without his blessing. Our alternative is to design a tie without The Darenth logo.

NM asked for clarification on membership fees for our new members. It was agreed that they should be charged £15 being a pro rata membership of the annual fee for the Section, plus any union fees where applicable.

The Date of next meeting will be on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019, at the Club House.

The meeting closed at 4.04pm

XX Captain signs here XX

## The Darenth Seniors

### Captain's Report Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September we played this year's last home match against Birchwood Park Golf Club resulting in a very good win. (Result by TH).

This year's return match away to Parkwood in the Broken Wood Trophy didn't go so well for us! (Result by TH).

On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October we had our first get together with Darenth Ladies. It was decided to play with the Ladies rather than against them to try and create a friendlier atmosphere. I have to say I think it was the right decision as everyone appeared to really enjoy the day. Playing a Mixed Fourball Betterball format the winners were David Jones and Rosemary Weight with 46 points. Runners were Dave Long and Wenche Chapman with 45. We finished off the day with Sandwiches and Chips which I thought went down very well.

Sadly I hear that Terry Hewlett has left The Darenth. I think I can safely say that we will all miss him, he has been a good friend to the section and assisted us greatly since our arrival here. His replacement whoever it may be has a hard act to follow.

Bernie Deacon  
Seniors Captain

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT: DarCom04**

Following a bit of pruning, and with the enrolment since the last meeting of Barry Bright, Peter Shove and Peter Whitaker, our membership level stood at 52. However, with the signing-up this morning of Bill Hilton, we are now 53.

I will, this week, be ordering our keepsake trophies, and taking our perpetual trophies in for engraving, in readiness for the forthcoming Extravaganza.

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## DARCOM04 - Treasurers Report

- 'Profit' from Summer Dinner £4
- Total spend on section to date £410
- Debtors outstanding £264
- Creditors outstanding £13
- Projected loss on clothing £45
- Bank balance at present £1,789
- Projected funds after payment by debtors & to creditors, £2,040
- No further expenditure advised at this time.

Niall Maxwell  
Treasurer

The Darenth Seniors  
Income & Expenditure as at 31/10/2018

Income	
Bursery	£ 1,000
Membership	£ 1,470
EGU	£ 446
KGU	£ 607
Summer Dinner	£ 1,740
Donations	£ 20
Clothing	£ 2,708
Total	£ 7,991
Expenditure	
Stationery	£ 106
Trophies/Medals	£ 161
Website costs	£ 40
Summer Dinner	£ 1,736
EGU fees	£ 446
KGU fees	£ 594
Handicap Master	£ 102
Clothing	£ 3,017
Total	£ 6,202
Funds in	£ 7,991
Funds out	£ 6,202
Net	£ 1,789
Bank	£ 1,789
Debtors	
Clothing (outstanding payments)	£ 264
Creditors	
EGU (inc VAT)	£ -
KGU (inc VAT)	£ 13
Net TDS funds	£ 2,040

## **Social Secretary's Report**

Committee Meeting (Darcom 04)

Date: 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018

### **“Senior's Christmas Extravaganza Luncheon” Update & Timings**

Confirmed with Kerry the “Senior's Christmas Extravaganza Luncheon” scheduled for Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 12:30pm for 12:30pm for 1pm start is booked.

The cost will be £30.00 per person.

What we get is a 3 course Christmas menu with all the trimmings plus coffee or tea with mince pies. This has been arranged with Jason earlier in the year and the cost to the section will be £26.00 per person.

- Tomato Soup
- Turkey plus all the trimmings
- Christmas Pudding
- Mince Pies
- Coffee or Tea

The balance will cover a glass of wine or soft drink with the meal along with sundries (Ladies Draw; £50 + £25 M&S Vouchers along with Bouquet of Flowers.

To balance the accounts, I will be again asking for a small donation from the attendees to cover any shortfall we are likely to have in the staff gratuitous sum we present to the club bar and restaurant personal for their hard work.

Notice of Luncheon (already composed), including menu (already composed) and sign-up sheets (Dave L to post) will be presented to membership via notice board and Web Site on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November.

Last year's numbers were 85. Target for this year is 65 with a stretch target of 75+.

- Liaise with Dave (Long) regarding invites to Widows, and former Seniors attending via email.
- Liaise with Don (Braithwaite) regarding invite to Bridget O'Donnell
- Liaise with Bernie (Deacon) regarding invites to Darenth Ladies Captain and Vice-Captain.

Because of the extra room available at The Darenth, extend invites to include guests to members.

Call for raffle prizes, scheduled for Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November - 3 weeks in advance.

Ask Don (Braithwaite) to be lunch photographer again.

Ask Ray (Watley) to handle the raffle etc. on the day.

Others considerations:

- Flowers for Senior's Captains good lady.
- Speaker system and mic.
- Estimations of bottles of wine and soft drinks after numbers are more known.

## Competition Secretary's Report

Numbers on a Thursday are still good and we have had a number of new members taking an active part. There does not seem to be a need for additional tee times at the moment but I will watch the situation. The Winter Knockout is well under way and I will be in a position to make the draw for the Yorkshire Plate fairly soon. I am currently gathering information for the yearly review of handicaps which should be done in January. Handicapmaster makes suggestions for changes but these are not binding as it is for the Committee to decide. The quality of cards has improved since our Captain issued his warning which is a great help as until we get a touch screen we will have to input all cards.

David Vidgeon