

Minutes of Meeting of Founding Members,
Of The Darenth Seniors
Held in the Broke Hill Club House on Thursday 21st December 2017

The Meeting opened at: 1.00pm approx.

Present were: Harry Baker, Brian Bareham, Tony Bavin, Don Braithwaite, Paul Braithwaite, Rob Coe, Jim Connor, Ron Cook, Bernie Deacon, Gordon Green, Trevor Harvey, Glenn Hutchins, Peter Ince, Vic Jarrard, David Jones, Tony Jones, Duncan Lipscombe, David Long, Barry Lowe, Brian Marshall, Niall Maxwell, Bob Mills, Alan Mitchell, Malcolm Morgan, Roger Prideaux, John Rampling, Bill Ramsey, Trevor Regan, John Robinson, Bob Spillane, David Tidd, David Vidgeon, David Walters, Ray Watley, David Watts, Bob Williamson.

Captain called meeting to order who passed over to Paul Braithwaite, as lead negotiator, to give an update of 'where we're at'. Numbers 47 signed up and paid. Envisages by end of January, somewhere between 50 and 55. In addition to the sum already paid to play The Darenth, there will also be our Section costs, which will be somewhere in the region of about £50, or less for those joining other clubs. Which will include your union fees which are normally paid in your annual subscriptions at BH. As a section we will have the same costs with half the membership. Also have a bursary of £2,000.

Work in progress includes Associate Membership. Jason is prepared to do £150 offer for 10 rounds, a one-off only deal.

A welcome pack will be sent out in due course. Bag tags will be introduced sometime next year.

Buggies confirmed at £15, but try to keep it a bit quiet. -- On medical grounds.

Self and Dave Long met up yesterday with **KGU** and **EGU**, they very supportive and can see the benefits for us and Jason. We are able to call upon them for assistance at any time.

Had pilfered the touch screen, should it be of use. We are also taking the computer as offered by the comps committee.

Gordon Green asked if **handicaps** would be an issue. We don't envisage any.

We've already opened a **bank account** in the name of The Darenth Seniors.

Vic and Dave L are coming tomorrow morning to take Stan's bench and the noticeboard.

Golf insurance: the possibility of group coverage is being explored.

Dave L is developing our web site.

Without being asked Jim Connor is processing the new Constitution, in draft form, when AGM comes around it will be presented for amendments and adoption.

WORKING NAME has been The Darenth Seniors Golf Club. As we will be just a section, the wish is now to adopt the name The Darenth Seniors. Calling for a vote of acceptance of this name, proposed Bernie Deacon, seconded Glenn Hutchins, this was carried unanimously.

In asking for a **MANDATE** as an existing committee to carry on until the AGM in March. Proposed Malcolm Morgan, seconded John Rampling, this was carried unanimously.

There followed a question and answer session.

Bob Spillane thanked Paul and others knowing how much work gone into this. We owe him a great round of applause.

Glenn: asked at what stage does Committee take over from Paul. It was explained that David Vidgeon had been working hard with Tony Bavin and Harry Baker on the HandicapMaster, Jim Connor has been working on the Constitution. Trevor working on the matches.

Gordon asked when subscriptions were needed to be paid, offering to pay now. -- Probably after the AGM.

The meeting closed 1400 approx.