



Argyll and Bute
Golf Union

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Minutes of Executive Meeting

Sunday 4th February 2018 11.00am

In the Inveraray Inn - Inveraray

The meeting convened at 11.00 at the Inveraray Inn, Inveraray, with President Terry Mundie in the chair.

Present:- President T. Mundie, G. Morrison, M. Sim, S Ellis, G. Bolton, C. McKirdy, W.McAdam, & J MacMillan

Apologies:- I. Shaw & G. Chalmers

Minutes: -

The minutes of the last executive meeting were read and approved:
Proposed by J MacMillan and Seconded by C.McKirdy

Matters arising:-

GB had attended via Skype on Tuesday 21st November a meeting with all Areas/ counties to discuss the signposting the priorities for SGL. It was basically highlighting the topics for discussion at the SGL strategy review meeting that was held on 2nd December.

The secretary wrote to all ABGU member clubs to try and raise awareness regarding the strategy review and the potential impact it may have on all our clubs. He only received one reply from the member clubs.

GC was unable to attend the SGL strategy review meeting that was held on 2nd December.

Correspondence: -

GB asked SGL how many of the ABGU Clubs did not have voting rights within SGL. The number was significant with 10 clubs not having rights. GB wrote to the clubs concerned highlighting to them their position. Subsequently two clubs applied and now have membership rights.

GB had been in contact with his Dunbartonshire counterpart John Struther regarding whether DGU has discussed with the relevant Ladies County regarding merger. His response was as following. It is apparent that DGU & D&A ladies have no appetite for merger.

“We did have a chat with the D&A Ladies last year, including Anne Colthart from Dalmally. We had thought it best to have a chat with the Ladies in view of the steps being taken

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towards a merger in other Areas and Counties although my own Executive was not in favour of any form of merger. As it turned out the Ladies had no interest in a merger either although we agreed to work together in any areas that came up that would benefit from us working together, possibly Course Rating, provision of qualified referees and Junior development “

The SGL AGM will take place on the 4th March. Prior to that a conference call will take place tomorrow 5th February to discuss topics on the agenda and also the status on the recruitment campaign for a new CEO for Scottish Golf. GB would try and attend and forward on any papers that were tabled..

Area Subs: - Area affiliation fees were slowly being received. Members numbers continue to fall with roughly a 1.5% decrease on 2016/17 figures.

Finance: - A set of management accounts were tabled. A small loss for 2017/18 that was originally forecasted should now turn into a small profit, with a significant refund of bank charges being received. The treasurer has also been able to secure accommodation for the Mens ATC at a discounted rate by booking early.

Profit & Loss Account 2017/18		05/02/2018			
		2017/18		2016/17	
		£	£	£	£
Income					
Subscriptions			4,980.00		
SGU Boys ATC Expenses Refund			-		
Championship Entry Fees			-		
SGU Grants	Area Team Championships		-		
	Coaching Grants		-		
Sponsorship & donations (Philip Johnston)			-		
Refund Bank Charges			1,608.99		
Clothing Sales			-		
Bank Interest (net)			-		
			6,588.99		
Expenditure					
Championship costs			-		
Team Championships		-	0.40		
Area Player Support			-		
Team Clothing			-		
Meeting Expenses			767.80		
Audit fee			124.00		
Secretarial Expenses	Post, Stationery, Telephone		-		
	Honorarium		440.00		
Coaching			1,545.00		
SGU AGM Attendance			-		
Software purchase/ web space rental			-		
Insurance			240.00		
Sundries			-		
Bank Charges			-		
			3,116.40		
Surplus/Loss for Period			3,472.59		



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Balance Sheet		05/02/2018	2017/18		2016/17	
			£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets			-	-		
Share Capital			1.00		1.00	
Bank			16,197.73		13384.00	
Clothing & Ball stocks			238.00		238.00	
				16,436.73		13,623.00
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Less Liabilities						
Creditor				-		
Accruals - Vouchers still to be honoured				- 175.00		-930.00
Accruals				- 440.00		-114.00
Accruals - Audit Fee				- 120.00		-350.00
				15,701.73		12,229.00
General Fund as at	30th September 2017			12,229.14		12495.00
Surplus/Loss for the year				3,472.59		-266.00
General Fund as at		05/02/2018		15,701.73		12229.00

Coaching: -

Six boys are attending Colin Fisher of Great Western Golf over the winter. After a short hiatus over the festive period it will recommence on Saturday 10th February. A date for the on course session has been confirmed for the 7th April again at Millport GC. Ian Shaw will attend.

Events Rota: -

Discussion took place around the Area's events and after much debate we are able to announce a full calendar of Area events as below.

All area events have now been finalised. However the Boys ATC staging has been threatened by the following announcement from SGL.

“Unfortunately we recently learned that Bothwell Castle no longer wish to host this year’s Boys’ Area Team Championship. Given the date and venue had been in place for a considerable period of time and the initial planning meeting completed, this has presented a considerable fixture challenge. Since learning of this just over a week ago we have been busy exploring alternative arrangements which may also involve a possible change of date and/or geographical location.

Please be assured this is a key priority and I will keep you updated as soon as I have further information, in the meantime, and in order to assist the process we would welcome any potential venue suggestions you may have for consideration.”



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Fixtures 2018

Date	Competition	Venue	Officials attending
May 5 th Saturday	Spring Meeting	<u>Dunaverty</u>	GB, MS, TM
May 19 th 20 th Sat / Sun	<u>Matchplay</u> Championship	Millport	SE, GB, <u>CMc</u>
June 10 th Sunday	Scottish Boys' Area Team Championship	TBC	IS
June 16 th Saturday	Boys Champs & (U16's)	Bute	GB, IS
June 23 rd Saturday	Handicap Championship	Glencruitten	MS, <u>WMc</u> , J M
August 18 th Saturday	<u>Area Strokeplay</u> Championship / <u>Youths</u> Championship/Team Trophy	<u>Rothesay</u>	SE, IS, GB
7 th -9 th September	Area Team Championships	<u>Cawder</u>	GB, <u>CMc</u>
28 th September	Senior Area Team Championships	<u>Stranraer</u>	SE

A.O.C.B.:-

The next meeting would be the AGM in November with a date to be established.

The meeting was closed at 12.25.

G Bolton (Area Secretary/ Treasurer)