

## **China Fleet Seniors Committee Meeting**

### **Meeting in the Courtyard CFC 3-30.**

#### **Minutes**

**Present** Dave Cuthbert (Captain) DTF, Joe Francis (Vice Captain) JF, Mike Brightwell (Secretary) MB, Ken Spyer (Treasurer) KS, Rob Evans (Comp.Secretary) RE.

**Apologies.** Graham Powell.

**The Minutes of the last meeting.** These had been distributed previously and it had been a meeting to discuss the Constitution and also Data Processing which had been latterly agreed by the members on line . The members had all agreed that their information they provided could be used.The minutes were agreed as being accurate with no matters arising.

**The Captain.** DTF reported the roll ups(advanced bookings) were going well with most further dates already filling up nicely.It was annoying when we had limited tee times that some people didn't turn up and the committee agreed that persistent no shows should result in people being unable to book for a limited period.

**The Secretary.** MB reported that we were now at 107 members with John Keith and Alec Turner being the latest additions.However, it seemed that we had three members Graham Smith,Paddy Spiers and Danny Neve who would probably not be rejoining.MB reported he had told John Keith there was no need to pay for this year.MB stated the other matters he wished to discuss were itemised separately below.

**The Treasurer** KS felt that there was little or no point in us holding approximately £900 in the account and felt it should be used for the members benefit.Some discussion ensued and JF suggested we get new markers for the longest drive and nearest the pin.This was unanimously agreed. KS also suggested the funds could be used to ensure the Captain is not out of pocket with regard to wine and certainly Captains Day.The latter was agreed but will be covered as a separate topic below.MB asked whether we had any future major expenditure and KS confirmed there were none and also with 107 members the money will continue to come in over the next few months.

**Competition Secretary** RE reported the Summer Eclectic was progressing well with 54 entries.It will finish on the 31st August and there are several members who are nowhere near completing their 12 cards.The Summer knockouts were now at the quarter final stage and the remaining two fixtures are being played on Thursday this week.  
RE reported 63 people took part this year in the Peter Gill and the results are on the web site. The Alan Harvey entry is now 57 players so there are 7 spare places.There was some discussion as to whether it should be on the PSI system but DTF and JF felt they were happy to manage the cards.RE mentioned the Seniors Club Championship and there was some discussion with DTF feeling there should be two divisions, however MB and others felt it was a competition to find the Club Champion and that should be its whole focus, others can and will enter despite the handicap being a maximum of 18.61 took part last year. and of course it is open to all CFC members over 60 not just the section.Eventually it was agreed this should be left as it is.DTF/JF were to speak to Ben with regard to promoting it bearing in mind it is just over a month away.RE went on to say the Qualifiers leader board has been updated as has the nearest the pin records although this has only just restarted today.

**Fixtures for this year** MB still had 5 possible fixtures for this year one way at Dartmouth and four at home.It was felt the home fixture with Stover set for 18th August was too soon and should be cancelled however it was agreed the MB should contact the others with a view to playing them if possible bearing in mind there was now catering available.This was agreed.

**2021 Fixtures** MB had circulated the proposed 2021 fixtures. The Club matches have already been approved by the Club and most of the others were the same as the previous year adjusted by a day. We discussed the Peter Gill and KS in particular had always wanted the Peter Gill to be on consecutive Mondays. DTF suggested therefore that we swap one of the Peter Gills with the County Trophy to accommodate this and this was unanimously agreed. We need to fit in the new Rick Evans Trophy and it was suggested this would be on the 22nd July. MB was therefore asked by the Committee to contact Ben at the club for ratification. This he agreed to do.

**The New November Regs.** MB had expressed concern that the new regs with regard to handicaps were complicated and required a lot of admin time to administer. JF assured him that all this would be handled by the Club and whilst it seemed complex would finally ensure that 'bandits' were not winning competitions etc. KS also had a good understanding of it and time will of course tell but MB was still concerned that you were relying on people to be computer and app savvy which many especially in older sections like ours weren't. There appears however to be nothing we can do to prepare for this, it will all unfold on the 1st November.

**Captains Day** DTF is happy this is progressing well and he has several ideas. The Committee as a whole felt that with funds being available the Captain should not be left out of pocket over this and suggested DTF does his costings and then the section could perhaps contribute some or all of the cost. This, he agreed to do. It was left to DTF and JF to organise the event.

**Social** Regrettably in these present circumstances this cannot take place.

**AOB** RE has expressed a desire to retire from his role asap although is happy to continue until a replacement is found. He would like to be in the situation where somebody shadowed him towards the end of his term. KS stated he is in the same position. With them both therefore probably not going until October 2021, MB suggested this was made public at the AGM and nominations asked for. Both RE and KS have people in mind as their replacement.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4-45 and the date of the next meeting was scheduled for after the Qualifier on the 28th September.