Halesworth Golf Club

Gents Committee Meeting: Wednesday 23rd September 2026 18.30pm

Chair - Gerry Jackson (C.C), Rowan Naismith-Robertson (VC), Rob Sherington (F&CS), Colin Hillier (HS), Chris Haslam (T), Jeremy Jenkins (T), Ben Brown (CM), Danny Milne (CM), Paul Coby (CM), Ben Townsend (MD)

Minutes

1. **Apologies for absence** – Ben Brown, Rowan Naismith-Robertson, Jeremy Jenkins? Rob Sherington

2. **Minutes: Tuesday 18th Aug:** Approved

3. **Matters Arising – Previous Meeting:**

- WhatsApp group up and running
- Winter Stableford and Medals to be changed to non-qualifiers if poor weather is a factor. Covered in the Rules covering winter competitions.
- BT and RNR to review access rights on IG. Reviewed and implemented.
- CH has started uploading Trophy & Board competitions unto Website. Will continue.
- Remainder of Minutes where approved.

Captains report (GJ)

- SGU Junior Pairs open took place on Saturday 19th September. George Swallow (0) & Patrick Coffey (-2) Gross winners 71 and Josh Challicom (10) & Raife Levermore (9) where the Nett winners 65 (hcp 8)

- The Gents and Ladies Joint charity day is on the 4th of October. Raffle squares are available. Viv and I would appreciate as much support as possible to raise money for the Suffolk Young Carers and the St Elizabeth Hospice.

4. **Fixture & Competition Secretary report (RS)**

5. HCP secretary Report: (CH)

Halesworth Golf Club – Handicap Report 23rd September 2026

Penalty Scores –

There have been no penalty scores added since the last meeting. Those that were starting rounds incorrectly are understanding how it works.

Soft Cap/Hard Cap

Currently 19 players with 'Soft cap' enabled. One player with 'Hard cap' enabled.

We have had 7 members drop off the Soft cap list.

There are 6 new additions to the 'soft cap' list. All those members have been looked at and all have played a large majority of competition rounds for score submissions. No cause for concern

Competition vs General Play

The Comp vs General Play statistics show up any irregularities between a member's scores as above, and the comparison between them. This will now be checked monthly, looking back at the previous 3 months. The handicap committee will discuss any members who show up in this list and may need action depending on findings from further checking of their scores and handicap.

No members in this list meet the criteria set by the Handicap committee to require any further action.

We are now producing the above Competition vs General Play report but reproducing it in 'ascending' order of shot differences. This can then be used to identify members whose scores have caused their handicap to go up but may still be struggling to play anywhere near to their current handicap. This will then be discussed by the Handicap Committee at the next meeting.

General Play Score Submissions

I am now checking all general play score submissions. This is to identify those members that do not register general play rounds in the correct manner.

Cards for handicap must be registered before play and then scored either during the round or immediately after. The score must then be attested by a playing partner.

The latest report is for period 20/08/2026 – 20/09/2026. There are 46 entries. These include members from the ladies section and also repeated members who have submitted incorrectly more than once. It does seem to be a few of the same people that are regularly entering cards at the wrong time. It seems that some members do not know the process or how it should be done.

11 First offence emails sent

3 Second offence emails sent

1 Third offence email sent. (I have spoken with the members father, as he is on the list also. They did not understand the correct procedure and I have explained, in full)

6. **Treasurer's Report (CH, JJ)**

7. **Matters for discussion –**

- The fixtures for the 2027 season to be uploaded ASAP. RNS, GJ and RS to discuss next years diary. Uploaded onto IG
- Money retained from Sunday comps to be a minimum of 20%. RS. Continue to monitor
- A discussion was suggested to have the plantations trimmed. BT & Groundsman (in progress)
- Where are the Trophies etc. Being engraved, also the potential cost. Cha, CH, JJ, RS will arrange the club's trophies & shields are engraved. RNS , CH will source prizes for the Medal & Stableford winners. Rob & Jeremy to label and take for engraving. Cost to be sent to Chris Haslam.

8. **A.O.B**

- Danny Milne agreed to stay on as Tolly Captain
- Paul & Mark Coby agreed to continue as Hambro and Stenson captains.
- The form for Committee positions needs to be up on notice board by the end of October. BT. This has been completed.

9. **Next meeting: -** Wednesday 20th October