

Meeting Minutes

Meeting	Na Madrai Golf Society AGM				
Date	05 February 2010	Start Time	20:15	End Time	22:15
Location	The Spotted Dog, Alcester Street, Digbeth, Birmingham				
Present	Darren Clueit; Jeff Hall; Brendan Kimmet; Paul McMillan; Mick Donohoe; Pete Coventry; Tom Gallagher; Mick O'Connor; Eammon Sullivan; Kieran McAteer; Chris Crean; Phil McDonald; Elaine Clueit; Tom Kavanagh; Brendan O'Reilly				
Apologies	Martin Boulter; Greg Pons; Julia Hampson; Callum Kavanagh; Gerry Keane; Denis Daley; Nigel Tift; Tom Foley; Stu Murray; Pete Wilkes; Graham Griffiths; Gary Brookes; Steve Weller; Darren Groome; Ges Lynskey; Steve Hall; Bill Frater; Penny Coventry; Paul Hall				

<i>Agenda Item</i>	<i>Presented By</i>	<i>Comments</i>
<i>Election of Secretary and Chairman for the Meeting</i>	DC	Darren Clueit was elected both Secretary and Chairman of the meeting.
<i>Apologies for Absence</i>	DC	The Apologies for Absence was read-out to the meeting.
<i>Acceptance of Minutes from the 2009 AGM</i>	DC	The minutes from 2009 were read out. There were no comments/queries. Minutes were accepted.
<i>Review of 2009 Season</i>	DC	An overall review of the 2009 season was read-out to the attendees. A comparison was shown between golf course society packages, pay and play prices and the Na Madrai Golf Society package. This showed the Na Madrai Golf Society was good value for money. CC pointed out that Birmingham City Council is currently reviewing the council owned courses with a view to possibly selling. This may have an impact on the Jaffa O'Ryder Cup and the funds this particular tournament generate.
<i>Presentation of Accounts</i>	DC	A breakdown of the 2009 accounts was explained. This showed a cash balance of £1,615.01 and an overall balance of £1,915.01. Currently £300 is out on deposits for the 2010 season. The accounts were accepted.
<i>Review of Handicaps</i>	BK	The handicap list for the forthcoming season was read-out and the reviews explained. The revised handicap list was accepted. There were three motions raised (please see 'Review of Handicaps' section in presentation for these) Motion 1 and 2 were accepted. Motion 3 was not accepted. A fourth motion was brought to the table by PC. The winner of a tournament will have his handicap cut by one shot on top of the normal handicap review. This one shot cut will be for the next tournament the player participates in only. This motion was carried.
<i>Tournament Dates and Venues</i>	DC	The list of the 2010 tournament dates and venues was read-out. It was pointed out there was a slot in August if a member wishes to arrange a Minor-Major. DC will not be arranging this. Once again there is a slight question mark over the Stonebridge tournament due to the rumoured future of the course. No deposit has been placed with the course. DC will advise closer to the date. Accepted by the members.
<i>Review of Membership, Subscriptions and Fees</i>	DC	Membership and tournament fee options were discussed. The membership agreed to continue with £20 annual membership, £30 per tournament and £40 per tournament for non-members. The current funds held in the Society to be used in 2011 season to subsidise to Society's 10-year "Centenary" celebrations. Accepted by the members.
<i>Election of Officers for the Forthcoming Year</i>	DC	The following members were elected to the committee: Secretary: Darren Clueit Club Captain: Tom Foley Handicap Secretary: Brendan Kimmet Players Representative: Eammon Sullivan Treasurer: Tom Kavanagh * The Treasurer is a new position taking away the responsibility for the accounts from the Secretary Thanks went to Kieran McAteer for his Captaincy during 2009

<i>Matters Arising</i>	DC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timekeeping at tournaments. Once again it was requested that players arrive at tournaments at the time requested. • It was emphasised that if members were not attending the meal after a tournament the Secretary should be informed BEFORE the tournament is paid. This will save both the Society and the player money. • A draft Constitution was handed to the membership. This was agreed in principle. It is strongly advised that the membership read the Constitution. Any alterations can then be considered. • A dedicated Society bank account to be set-up in accordance with the Constitution. CC to arrange. • DC gives formal notice of his plan to stand down as Secretary at the end of the 2010 season. DC offered the incoming Secretary a 12-month 'hand-over' assistance period should it be required. • A new Society Secretary needs to be appointed for 2011 and beyond. If a member is interested in taking on the role please contact the committee. Failure to fill the role may result in the Society ceasing to exist. • 2011 to be the Society's 10-Year "Centenary". A lot has been achieved in the Society over the last 10-years. This should be celebrated and the funds accrued within the Society should help towards the costs. The Committee are proposing a subsidised golfing weekend away (within one hour's drive of Birmingham). Further suggestions are requested. All suggestions to be handed to the Committee by 31st July 2010. The activities are expected to take place around 8th October 2011. An EGM will be called later in 2010 to discuss and agree the proposals.
<i>Unofficial Tour of Ireland 2010</i>	DC BK	The 2010 Unofficial Tour of Ireland details to Mill Times Hotel, Westport, Co. Mayo were read-out. The website contains further details. It was noted the Society was not responsible for any arrangements.
<i>AOB</i>	JH DC BK EC TK/CK TG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JH proposed the committee should receive expenses for carrying out their duties. It was agreed that the membership fee will waived for committee members in favour of giving expenses. Committee members not actively fulfilling their roles will be asked to pay the membership fee. This arrangement to be monitored and reviewed in the 2011 AGM. • DC proposed a donation in support of the Orangutan Foundation charity day. BK proposed each season the Society has a chosen charity. It was agreed for 2010 that the Orangutan Foundation was the chosen charity and a £100 donation to be made. Requests for future year's selections to be made to the committee prior to that year's AGM. Charity donations to be reviewed each year depending on sufficient funds. • Raffle tickets are also available from EC in support of the Orangutan Foundation charity day. • TK/CK sort clarification on age when junior membership ends. It was agreed this is 18 – in line with drinking laws! If the junior member has a reasonable handicap then this age limit will be lowered to 16 – in line with standard golfing practice. However each case will be viewed on merit by the committee. In this case CK remains a junior member for 2010 season. • TG proposed a 'card' to be run each tournament to raise funds for the society. The proceeds will be split 50% to the winner of the 'card' and 50% to the society. This will be run as an 'extra' on the day by a society member and not the committee. Several members have said they will assist in running this activity. Participation is purely optional. • TK thanked to committee for their work during 2009 • DC thanked all for participating in 2009 and helping make it another successful year. • Meeting was drawn to a conclusion at 22:15