

TAIRUA GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB (INC)

Minutes of the Board Meeting held 26 May 2021, 1pm at the Club House

Present

B Fellows (President), M McCann, J Harrop, J Collier, S Fang, Jean McCann, J Chalmers

Apologies

Minutes of the March meeting

Moved that the Minutes of 28 April 2021 meeting be accepted as a true and correct record

Steven/Jack PASSED

Matters Arising

Board Vacancy – Brian has received no expressions of interest from members to fill this position. To be advertised again in the June Newsletter.

Electricity upgrade – Board still waiting for Graeme Keyte re quote for the job

Sponsor's acknowledgement – TG & CC website now has a page for sponsors. Newsletter to feature tee advertisers sponsors monthly.

Laptop for Janine – Board waiting for Janine to come back to them with a model

Chainsaw purchase – to be purchased at upcoming Field day

Correspondence

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Janine Carson's request for more hours

Jean to review job description with Janine to include House Committee and Board Secretary roles. The Board agreed to offer Janine an additional five hours a week commencing 1 June. Board to review in four months' time.

Cart No 4

A letter is to be written to the party involved with the damage outlining the costs incurred. Insurance claim to be put on hold until Board has received a reply.

TCDC re campervan restrictions

A compliant has been passed onto the TG & CC from the TCDC re the number of campervans staying onsite. Board to follow up on what TCDC consent involves. Jean to write a letter to all neighbours informing them of the use bowl green as a park over facility. Letter to include Board contact phone numbers.

MOVED that the inward correspondence tabled be accepted and approved **Jean/Jenny PASSED**

Reports as circulated be taken as read

1. President – Brian

Graham McClelland has offered the club money to purchase a new rough mower, interest free, repayable over 4 years. Terms to be negotiated with Graham. Board is in favour of this generous offer and asked Brian to pass on their thanks. The workshop building extension has been completed and all equipment is now under cover. Brian to follow up with Terry, Darren's annual wage increases.

2. Club Captains - Mike & Jan

3. Golf Croquet - Michelle

4. Kitchen - Jenny

5. Publicity - Jean

The Board agreed in principal with the House Committee's proposal for a four hour monthly happy hour on the first Friday of every month and the painting of the interior of the clubhouse.

6. PR Managers - Janine

7. Financial - Jan

Account	28 May 2021	28 April 2021	
Current	\$24,786.63	\$ 24,703.62	
Saving	\$100,065.72	\$100,055.65	

Payments approved for payment by Finance Committee totalled \$12,037.34 for the month of May.

The Rossiter Underwriter & Bay Insurance lucky draw payment of \$1000 has boosted our income as well as tee advertising payments over the past month.

John is to be asked to undertake Xero training to support his Admin Manager role. Board approved in principle to support costs.

MOVED that the May accounts totalled \$12,037.34 approved by the Finance Committee be approved for payment. **Mike/Jack PASSED**

Membership

Full Members - 106

Country Members - 100

Others – 53

Croquet - 37

Social - 40

New Members

Ren Difiore - Full Member

Joep Smeele - Golf Croquet

Chris Smeele - Golf Croquet

MOVED that the new members be welcomed, and accepted **Jack/Jenny PASSED**

GENERAL BUSINESS

Strategic Planning Update

Jack presented an outline for three, three-hour planning workshop sessions and the members swot survey to the Board. Board in agreement for Jack to proceed as outlined.

Phil Smith and Joyce Birdsall both available for Board's Planning Committee. Natalie Jackson is available to talk to the board re democratic data she has presented.

Vision, Mission Statement and Values are to be discussed at a Planning Committee meeting.

Business Case for Carts

The Board acknowledged Steven for the Business Case Model he has presented. Replacement lease or purchased carts currently have six months waiting period. With the current leased carts due to be returned in October, the recognised the urgency of placing an order for carts. The Board are favour of continuing to lease carts as opposed to purchasing carts.

Moved that Steven proceeds with the leasing of 4 and or 6 EZGO RXV Elite lithium new carts subject to contract conditions and pricing being approved by the Board. **Brian/Mike PASSED**

Trivia Nights

Jack's fundraising suggestion was passed onto for social committee to consideration.

Metal for the Croquet Courts road

Brian, as course convenor to follow up

Country Membership By Law update

The Board approved the following updated wording for Country membership.

Those persons who reside a majority of the time beyond the settlement of Hikuaia in the south and Whenuakite in the north. Such memberships will be charged a reduced membership fee as agreed by the Board of Management when determining annual subscriptions and fees. Members affiliated with another Club are eligible for Country Membership. Country members can play in trophy competitions, hold office, vote, and represent the club in inter club competitions. To qualify as a Country Member they must satisfy residency requirements of living outside Tairua apart from weekends and occasional holidays, or in the case of overseas members for more than six months of the year.

Moved that the By Law for Country Membership be updated Jenny/Jean PASSED

Meeting closed 3.40 pm

Next meeting Wednesday 26 May 2021 at 1 pm

REPORTS

Presidents Report – Brian Fellows

The recently purchased digger has been used extensively used to clear drains around our course. This will help during winter when it rains and ponding on our course forces us to play the top nine holes. The dredgings from the harbour are being used on our tracks and areas that are low lying.

Unfortunately, Environment Waikato have made us move dredgings from the side of three fairway near the estuary. This was going to be used on the walking track. Geoff and I have had a meeting with the track committee and suggested that they follow it up with Environment Waikato. The king tides and strong winds are causing high tides to breach the walkway and flood our fairways (3, 5, 6, 7, 8).

Ray and John have been working on our donated Ute and hopefully will have it up to warrant standard. This will make it much easier to deliver firewood.

We have had a complaint through Thames Coromandel District Council regarding the number of vans we can accommodate at our club according to their plan. (2)

If we wanted to have more we would require to have Council consent.(\$\$\$\$)

We have won \$1000 through our insurance broker, Gary. Our win will be featured in their monthly newsletter.

Graham McClennan has offered to the Club an interest free loan to buy a new rough mower.

Ladies Golf Report – Jan Collier

The highlight of the month had to be the 9 Hole Tournament accommodating two ladies divisions and one men's division. A fine day, great golf and food provided. I would to acknowledge Donna Santner, Powerhouse Realty, Pauanui for her generous sponsorship of this tournament. The 9 hole ladies have also played their final round of their BOP team pennants.

18 hole players will have played their second round of the BOP handicap pennants. We are second going into Round 2 of the 7 teams playing. Still two more rounds to go. Unfortunately, we have not been able to field three Tairua players for Round 2 and will be taking one Pauanui player to Te Aroha with us tomorrow to enable us to stay in the competition. Doug's father passed away last Friday, taking Robyn out of our team. Shayla has little people 24-hour bug problem and is unable to play.

Golf competitions on Tuesdays has not happened during the month of May due to foul weather. Hoping June will be kinder to our ladies.

Men's Golf Report – Mike McCann

It has been fairly quite this month although we still seem to be getting a fair number of green fee players. We have completed the matchplay champs and the winners in the three divisions were Geoff Cambie, Rick McLean and Ron Abbott. Congratulations to you and well played to you three and

everyone who else played to make it a great competition. We also played the Prescott cup a Stableford competition played over 2 rounds and the cup was won by Brian Fellows. Well done Brian.

Croquet Report – Michele McLean

The weather is beginning to impact our play days especially Tuesday for some unknown reason!

Gate ball is progressing as we iron out “rules” etc. we are still in the trial stages and will continue to play this on Tuesday at 12-30 to be finished by 1-30 for usual play.

During the winter months our mallets and balls become very wet, due to excess condensation. Currently we have another project underway thanks to Dave and Ian who are putting a ceiling in the hut to alleviate this.

Numbers are still strong with another new member “welcome to Peter McNeil” who has joined our group. Also welcome back to Bev and Tony Parsons lovely to see you back with us.

As usual thanks to Rick and Brian W for all your help in keeping our courts in good condition.

In addition to this report there has been a request from Golf-croquet members that consideration be given to replenishing the metal on the road leading to the workshops and the golf-croquet area. Leading into winter a number of muddy puddles have developed that need filling. The golf-croquet members are agreeable that some of the funds they have contributed to the club be used for this purpose.

Kitchen/Catering Report – Jenny Chalmers

The kitchen is operating smoothly with the four teams working in rotation to provide for the catering needs of the club. As well as regular bar snacks on club days and Coffee Club on Tuesdays, during May we have catered for the 9 Hole Pennants Tournament and the Open 9 Hole Tournament making a good profit on all events. Coming up next is a planned fund raising event, the mid winter Christmas Dinner on June 12th for which 60 tickets are available.

During the month Jan Collier and Jenny Chalmers have been reviewing the kitchen income and expenditure records for this financial year and separating them from tournament income so that we have a clearer idea of overall kitchen costs, income and profit. For the period from mid October to the end of April a preliminary summary of financial transactions involving the kitchen indicates a gross income of around \$7481.00 with costs of \$2,748.00 producing a profit for the kitchen of approximately \$4,733.00. This has been made possible by the voluntary assistance provided by the kitchen teams. A very worthwhile effort.

Marketing and Publicity Report May 2021 - Jean McCann

Website: Janine has been working on this with designer Brett Coleman from Sticks and made significant improvements. All Newsletters, Results and Constitution and Board Minutes are current and easily accessible. Brett has created a new Sponsors page and Janine is adding to it as new sponsors enrol.

Facebook Page: Janine is updating this regularly and answering all queries. Hits have been increasing.

Mail Chimp: This is working well, and we plan to have the newsletter published at the end of the month as usual.

April Newsletter

Successful deliveries 276 100.0%

Total opens 514.

Locations

- New Zealand 390 75.6%
- USA 116 22.5%
- Australia 6 1.2%
- United Kingdom 4 0.8%

Mid-Winter Christmas Dinner

- Successful deliveries 276 - 100.0%
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Publicity: Social Events:

Mid-Winter Christmas Dinner poster and booking sheet developed and sent to members.

Following on from ideas on how to grow the Club and how to attract more visitors.

The Publicity Committee would like to put before the Board of a regular **Friday night promo on the first Friday of the month starting 1 June 2021:**

- **Happy Hour bar from 4pm to 8pm:** to allow for members from Auckland and Hamilton to attend.
- **Fish & Chips from Surf N Sand a Club Sponsor** - \$15 per serving (1x Fish of the Day and chips).
Envisage 2 orders 5.30 and 6.30 p.m.
- **Members Draw funded by the Bar:** starting with \$200 + \$50 each month, all members' numbers in the draw and member has to be present to win. The amount is to attract members.
- **Red wine raffles**

All organisation to be done by Janine, Publicity and House Committee.