

Minutes
Tuesday 12th May 2026 – 19:00

Apologies

Ryan Bailey	President	P	Danny Armes	Captain	P
Nat Matchett	Secretary	P	Derek Gillings	Vice-Captain	P
Paul Burford	Treasurer	P	Libbie Harvey	Senior Captain Correspondance	P
Dan Binch	H/Cap Secretary	P			
Matt Harvey	Gen Comm	P	Henry Binch	Gen Comm	P
Dan Nelson	Gen Comm	A	Roy Cantrill	Gen Comm	P
Dale Marsh	Gen Comm	P	Paul Griffin	Gen Comm	A
John Webster	Gen Comm	P	Derek Gillings	Taskers A	P
Nigel Hart	Gen Comm	A	Sean Ballentine	Taskers B	A
			Grant Matchett	Scratch Captain	P
			Jay Coupe	Alliance Captain	A
Grant Matchett	Management	P			

Previous Minutes

Were read & accepted as a true record.

Proposed: PB Seconded: MH

Agenda

- N/A

Matters Arising (Not on Agenda)

- N/A

Correspondence

- England Golf / Notts Union Golf – affiliation fees now due
- Golf Genuis – more in handicap report/management

Management Report

Clubhouse report

- A new coffee machine, pop dispense system, till system, food menu/beer prices are now all in place
- Work to extend the front decking has started and additional seating been purchased of members and visitors to enjoy in the summer months

Course

- 4 new ball washers fitted
- All bunkers are now in play

- 128 tonnes of water been used on the green in the last 4/5 weeks
- Ordered new chemicals for weeds on course
- Using fertiliser on course but due to weather being cold temperatures at night and in morning its been extremely difficult to see growth yet.
- On Sat/Sun between 7am and 10am visitors can no longer book online. GM will look to email members get these filled. If they are not taken 24 hours before by members they will have to go to visitors to assist with maximising revenue. .
- Currently struggling with the grillo and the tees ad aprons machine not working
- Currently 1 buggy down which has been damaged

Thank you,
Management Team

Dan Binch – asked about bunkers with some feedback he had heard on the course. That the new bunkers were looking great but that they maybe filled too much with sand making them level/difficult to play rather than sloped/graded bowl shaped to take shots with. GM and DA acknowledged this and that they were trying to water/compact them but will take to green staff to look at grading them more.

Dale Marsh – asked about the buggies being damaged and if price had changed for visitors which it had at the AGM with a slight increase. Committee discussed general ideas how to try reduce buggy damage as they are essential part of the golf club play and how further respect and onus over the buggies from both visitor's and members could be negated. All agreed like other clubs to sign the buggies in/out with it clearly stated that they are signing to state they are the correct age/own a driving license and accept any personal damage to the buggy and access of £150 with possible bans to future use. A buggy consent form for all new members to be produced by NM and a sticker about damages to also go in the buggy window.

Captain's Report

Hello,

As you all know Huthwaite Hub is my chosen charity this year. I am grateful to have been able to pick a local charity (thank you to Paul for the recommendation) and give back to our community. It has been a pleasure to meet and get to know everyone at the Hub, and I would like to thank everyone from the Hub for all of their help so far and to come.

Also, I would like to say thank you to our green staff for all their hard work they have carried out over the past month even though the weather has been against us. I would also like to thank the bar staff for all their support with the sale of raffle tickets, posters and all the little jobs that help me behind the scene. I would like to thank management for all their support since the start of my captaincy, even letting me have bank holidays off at their busiest times so I can run and take part in my competitions.

A special thank you to Dan & Jode Binch for all their work and stress to organise a bus for our Captain's away day and thank you to everyone who has donated raffles prizes and supported me this past month, it has meant a lot.

As we all know, my Captain's nearest pin that has been held on a Sunday has helped to raise £60 towards a new memorial bench and also had a generous donation of £40 making a total of £100 for Geoff's bench. Looking to go on the 1st and 'Big Al's' plaque to be restored.

I am very grateful to be able to be a part and support the Taskers A team and Scratch team when they played at home so far (even though I didn't play) and hope to continue to do so for the rest of the season.

Total money raised to date for the Huthwaite Hub is £723! This is a massive achievement so far and I hope we can continue to raise this number. A huge thank you to all of our golfers and social members.

With our away day around the corner, I would like for people to pay in full as soon as they can so i can get it all paid off.

Alfreton away day is unfortunately cancelled due to no response from them to secure a date etc. I believe I have informed everyone about this but John didn't know so if I have not told anybody, I do apologise for inconvenience.

One last special thank you to Leia and my mother in law for all their work and support they do behind the scenes.

To Paul Dooley, who unfortunately cannot attend the Captain's away day due to personal reasons, when I offered his money back, he told me to put into the charity pot instead.

And to Taff, for winning the last bank holiday comp, donating his winning to the charity pot as well.

A thank you to Webbo for donating raffle prizes. Webbo is a close family friend and he is hosting his annual charity event at the Unwin Sunday 24th May in honour of his dad. There will be a pool knockout event anyone is welcome to sign up for plus prizes and raffles etc. I will be attending the event to represent Brierley Forest Golf Club if anyone would like to come down as all are welcome to come (all proceeds go to Macmillin).

Kind regards,

Danny Armes
Brierley Forest Captain 2026

Treasurer Report

Treasures Report 3rd April to 11 May		
Money from previous year		£1,918.00
Paid in	Cash received from Competitions	£408.50
	Total Paid In	£2,326.50
Paid out	Captains Jacket	£54.00
	Handicap Secretary Fees	£750.00
	Captains Away Day	£250.00
	Total paid out	£1,054.00
Total funds available		£1,272.50

Handicap/Competition Secretary Report

- 2026 Season is well underway with fixtures available across all our platforms
- Order of Merit and finals qualifications are up to date on Handicap Master.
- Weekend Comps are generally being well supported but numbers are slightly down on last year especially Saturday's.
- Mid-week comp is doing well and slightly up compared to this time last year.
- Match play comps are pretty much caught up, so entries for the Majestic Trophy will be opened up and drawn by the end of the month. NM to create sign in sheet for bar.
- Hoping to start to get Golf Genius up and running and members transferred over in the next few weeks with a target of moving over totally in early June.
- New Handicap sub-committee,- Volunteers? Matt, Danny, Paul and ?Nigel offered in the meeting but this is open to all members so please do email NM secretary on brierleyforestgolfclub@outlook.com if anyone interested.

Many Thanks

Dan.

Ryan Bailey – asked about he May Madness comp that was cancelled. Dan B explained due to only 6 players/3 pairs. Ryan asked about do they get a refund and the answer is yes or they can move their monies onto the next comp.

Scratch Team Captains Report

Great start to season winning away at Bulwell Forest 3-2.

We the beat Trent Lock at home 4.5 to 0.5.

Unfortunately, we lost away at Nottingham City 4-1 last night.

Huge thank you to Leigh Ridlington and Paul Bough from Flomar Ltd and M and M Training for sponsoring our the shirts this year.

Alliance Team Report NAPGA (Alliance) napga.co.uk

Best amateur is BFGCs Paul Burford tying in 1st place with 312 points, 7 ahead of the next player with only one more order of merit to play at Newark on 13th May, we look forward to s a successful outcome.

BFGC tie in 6th place in the team OOM. The first 8 qualify for the Harry Brown Final on 17th June at Springwater. We look to hold our position with 7 and 67 points ahead of 7th and 8th placed respectively.

Senior Taskers Team A Report

Taskers Inter Club Trophy

BFGC A Team have progressed to the third round having beaten Shirland B, 5-2.

Next round is at home, with opponents yet to be posted.

Anyone who wishes to play in this competition should look out for the entry sheet posted on the notice board.

This competition is singles match play, teams of 7.

Over 50's with a maximum handicap of 20.

Senior Taskers Team B Report

We've been drawn away at Springwater time and date to be arranged. I've informed my team and I'm waiting for the captain of Springwater to get in touch with me.

Shaun

Senior Captains Report

- Played Thursday March 28th to Bulwell Forest away and unfortunately lost 146 to 142
- Played Tues April 14th to Beauchief at home and won 160 to 128 – everyone played well and enjoyed the meal at home very much thank you.
- Next match Tues 19th May away at Beauchief
- Senior Open at BFGC this Friday 15th May

Juniors Captain Report

No Report

Ladies Captain Report

No Report

AOB

- **Dale Marsh** – asked about brown/tourist signs to help market the golf club as many still don't know we exist or struggle to find on Sat Nav. NM explained we looked at

this when first took on the club as something we have highlighted as an issue and always wanted. But when applying through ADC the cost was in the thousands 6 years ago for putting them up and then maintenance per year. There is also a minimum of 4 – 5 signs you have to have for the brown and the a38/highways even more.

This was the correspondence in Aug 2020 NM has with Notts CC -

- signs cannot be directly on the a38 which is sorted by Highways England (cost is higher than trunk roads) but the county councils can put signs up on common road and surrounding areas as these are trunk roads and are £1000 per sign

- NCC do all the designing of the signs so they are standardised and meet all safety requirements

- NCC will scope where they can go in terms of if they're to be fixed onto existing posts or if unavailable this will incur additional costs for posts (not yet discussed/price given for this or around damages etc)

- it will take approx 6 months from start to completion

- you have advised on the need for x 5 signs to be placed on common road and other approaching roads such as Blackwell road, Sutton Road and the Market place. **Ryan Bailey mentioned he may have some contacts to help look into this again at a better cost and NM and GM trying to look at local councillor for ideas for funding**

- **Dale Marsh – Drop Zone back of 6th** is this still the case? GM mentioned no white paint but that also to take the nearest point of relief away from the flag as no water so not needed. Appreciates though there is writing that says this.
- **Paul Burford – 8th back of green on right being OOB**, the right doesn't seem to be like the back, think a tree used to be painted there. GM and DA to look into getting an new OOB post back
- **Paul Burford – mentioned poor etiquette again with bags and trolleys** witnesses on 18th hole on first tee. Can we close walkway any to stop this. GM and DA explained need gap for machines and need to be careful of winter matt. Post that's nailed in/removable not the most practical option.
- **Ryan Bailey – raised clothes etiquette again on course**, people in jeans, hiking boots. Agreed this gets bought up a lot and staff on own serving food, drinks, signing n for golf cant go out and marshall each player/tee off if they don't sign in at clubhouse. But that Libbie has made new poster about clothing etiquette to go with new member forms, its n the welcome pack , posters in clubhouse and that members politely can help marshall if they see on course or ring the clubhouse for staff to address. GM mentioned modernising of golf clothes plays a part of what's acceptable with what pros wear now and also he always has a spare set of clothes if players need something they haven't bought. GM asked if anyone has any spare donations of clothes to bring them in to help with this. Also if any willing volunteers to Marshall the course in general to come forward and we can look at a free round/bacon cob etc for volunteers particularly weekends to walk the course for slow play, buggy use, clothes standard etc. email to volunteer if anyone interest NM secretary at brielreyforestgolfclub@outlook.com. Dan Binch suggest ed we can also add a lone to the visitor book in only on BRS where a message flashes up at he beginning about clothes when booking.
- **Danny Armes – bunkers not raked, can we enforce local rule?** Dan Binch explained only if social but if handicap the either n play/not in pkay or play as you find.

Finished 8.08pm

Next Meeting – Committee: Tues 2nd June 2026, 7pm