

## Minutes

### Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025 – 19:00

#### Apologies

Reg Clayton	President	A	Paul Bough	Captain	A
Nat Matchett	Secretary	P	Danny Armes	Vice-Captain	P
Paul Burford	Treasurer	P	Paul Bailey	Senior Captain	P
Dan Binch	H/Cap Secretary	P			
Matt Harvey	Gen Comm	A	Henry Binch	Gen Comm	P
Dan Nelson	Gen Comm	P	Roy Cantrill	Gen Comm	A
Dale Marsh	Gen Comm	P	Paul Griffin	Gen Comm	P
John Webster	Gen Comm	A	Derek Gillings	Taskers A	P
Nigel Hart	Gen Comm	A	Sean Ballentine	Taskers B	P
			Aaron Hopkinson	Scratch Captain	A
			Lee Mclachlan		P
Grant Matchett	Management	A			

P = Present

A = Apologies

N = Not Present

#### Previous Minutes

Were read & accepted as a true record.

Proposed: DA      Seconded: PB

#### Agenda

- Informed by Dereck Gillings that Daniel Stonham has expressed an interest in running a junior section. Grant Matchett has contacted him and spoken, and Daniel was going to join the end of this meeting to discuss ideas further but unfortunately had work commitments. To roll over to next meeting.
- Informed by Nat Matchett the Halloween party will be Oct Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Oct and Bonfire Party Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. The Xmas Golf Presentation to remind is Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Dec
- Dale Marsh question - Some bunkers on the course have now been GUR for over 11 weeks now. Can we advise what is the plan going forward to put these back in play please? Please see management report below for the response.
- Other members have asked:
  1. When will work carry on with the putting green
  2. A lot of the stakes, Red, Yellow, and White are not fixed in the ground properly and bending in all directions, quite a lot of them are also missing, can this be addressed
  3. The out of bounds fencing that was installed using logs from the course is a fantastic feature, however, some have fallen into disrepair, especially on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Fairway, is it possible these could be repaired. Please see management report below for response.

## **Matters Arising (Not on Agenda)**

- N/A

## **Correspondence**

- N/A

## **Management Report**

- Temporary greens have been cut out and been fertilised and treated etc
- The practice putting green will be back in play next year and the topsoil has arrived.
- Markers posts have been added and will continue to add more but unfortunately a lot of the posts have been removed or broken. The only posts we can concrete in are the out of bounds post but the red, yellow posts have to be moveable.
- Apple trees on the back of the 10th green will be removed this week. Tractor now working again after new parts have been fitted
- Fences will be dealt in the winter.
- All the bunkers need redesigning in the winter but will be a big expense and very time consuming. But we acknowledge this is a priority. Lee discussed this in further detail at the meeting. To surmise x4 are in GUR the plan is to tackle 15 first then 16. We will hire a digger to dg one of the bunkers out to assess exactly what is needed in the next few weeks now the season is coming to a close. One bunker can take up to 1 week or more to sort but they are still our property. But the plan is to dig bunkers out, including removing all the terram, then use turf from the course to lay underneath and refill with sand to prevent ongoing issues. Remaining bunkers will be looked at after 15/16 ready for next year's season and to be done over winter when bunkers are not in general play normally. We may look at re-shaping some also.
- Thank you to everyone that attended our first night golf event great night had by all and we will be holding another next year
- Finally, we've had some fantastic feedback regarding the course condition in general from visitors, society's and members. Well done guys.

## **Captain's Report**

We hosted the Taskers Semi Final on Monday 18th of August, one team from Scunthorpe, the other from Leicestershire.

A close fought match with the side from Scunthorpe coming out 4-3 winners.

They all thought the course was great but every single one of them said that the slope rating was far too low

On Saturday 23rd of August the Captain v Vice Captain was played, unfortunately only 14 people played in the event

The Vice Captain's team won, it went down to the last match.

On Sunday the 24th of August the Captain's Funday was played, this is always popular, with music on the 14th and a beer wagon on the course throughout the proceedings, finishing with a BBQ

60 Golfers and non-golfers played there were 2 Prizes golfer and over 16, plus golfer and under 16 with the best score of the 2 being the overall winner

Reg Clayton & Shane were the main winners, with Stevie Green and Children winning the junior prize

We were due to play South Chesterfield, (Grassmoor GC in the return at BFGC, unfortunately despite us offering them any dates they called the game off.

We have continued painting throughout the clubhouse, mainly upstairs and in the pool room.

We have moved the board from the pool room and put in on the wall to the right of the bar, this will be the new focal point for all notices has promised at our recent committee meetings.

Congratulations to Shaun Ballentine and his taskers team who made it through to the final

Paul H Bough IENG MIET S/M

BFGC Manager & Captain 2025-26

## Treasurer Report

Treasurers Report September 8th 2025

Money from previous report		£1,625.02
Paid in	Competition Money Recieved Upto 8/9/25	£1,195.00
Total		£2,820.02
Paid out	Presentation Trophies	£526.80
	Captains Away Day	£250.00
	Notts Alliance	£125.00
Total paid out		£901.80

Funds	£2,820.02
Paid out	£901.80
Total funds available	£1,918.22

## Handicap/Competition Secretary Report

Not a lot from last report.

- Presidents knock out needs putting on bar to draw in around 3 weeks
- To discuss some of the feedback about comps so far. The themes are listed below that was taken on board by the committee – we thank you for you time to feedback!
  - 1) Fixtures book can get outdated – committee acknowledge this and difficult with unforeseen changes to weather but will now use only one printed version in the clubhouse and use an electronic version that can be regularly updated and stored on the webpage and emailed regularly to members with changes.
  - 2) Fees, prizes and drawn comps - on whole felt reasonable to members

- 3) Slope rating difficulties - most members feel no issues with HC as they are playing to it.
- 4) Sudden drop out in people entering comps – committee acknowledged this issue as frustrating, and GM or DB always try managing for members who are left without playing partners on the day the best they can
- 5) Times of comps e.g. can they be earlier start times, same day comps/if over 2 days any course changes etc - they are drawn out and can go anytime. DB tries to condense the slots of comps
- 6) Visitor's bookings occasionally cause slow play in comps - members on whole appreciated have 2 weeks advance booking and club need to maximise revenue by filling unused slots

The Committee will continue to have ongoing discussions about the above feedback for comps and take on board in our next fixtures meeting in a few months' time. Please keep sending any further feedback that will help improve your overall membership and competition experience here at BFGC to [brierleyforestgolfclub@outlook.com](mailto:brierleyforestgolfclub@outlook.com).

DB discussed also and vote for mix tee comps at weekends only that is not a major but for normal Mdeal and Stablefords – VOTE: PASSED! 12-0.

### **Scratch Team Captains Report**

Apologies sent – no report

### **Alliance Team Report NAPGA (Alliance) [napga.co.uk](http://napga.co.uk)**

This competition is for Nottinghamshire based clubs. The season runs from August until the end of May, with a winter break. Team Captain Jason Coupe.

Season 2025/2026.

After two rounds, at Newark and Wollaton, BFGC lie 6 th in team competition (21 teams). Best placed amateur is Paul Burford, presently in 10 th place. Next event is a team game (combined pairs) at Springwater G C on 17 th September.

### **Senior Taskers Team A Report**

Taskers Inter Club Knockout Competition, is a competition for Ladies and Gents who are over 50. Teams of 7 compete in a match play situation.

Brierley Forest A team played Brierley Forest B team in quarter final on Sunday 10th August and lost 6½/1½. BFGC B team are now in final of the Taskers Plate, to be played at Beeston Fields GC on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September.

As I recall, this is the third time we have reached the final and we wish them a successful match.

### **Senior Taskers Team B Report**

Just 1 result and some information for the final was given at Beeston Fields. Good luck to the team from all the committee and management in the final!

### **Senior Captains Report**

- Matches Completed - Bulwell Forest home Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> July, won 6-0
- Fixtures remaining – Alfreton home Mon 29<sup>th</sup> September. Availability sheets have been posted for the remaining fixtures

- Oakmere fixtures have been cancelled. They contacted me to inform that the fixtures home and away had not been approved by their committee.
- 2026 Fixtures – I've been contacted to set next years fixtures by Alfreton and Beauchief but have put on hold until I can discuss at committee level

#### **Juniors Captain Report**

No Report

#### **Ladies Captain Report**

No Report

#### **AOB**

- 1) Paul Bailey – kindly offered his own personal donation of £175 to pay for the Committees Xmas Golf Presentation entertainment with the LIVE band – the Committee and management were very grateful and couldn't thank PB enough.
- 2) Paul Bailey wanted to thank the ground staff in the great job they had done in installing the memorial bench for his late wife. Dereck Gilling also provided a bin and there is space for flowers. Thank you to all involved and our ongoing condolences to Paul.

**Finished – 8.12pm**

**Next Meeting – Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 2025, 7pm**