



AGM, 23rd October 2024, 7.30pm Clubhouse

Minutes of Meeting

1. Message from Bursar, St. Columba's
The message from the Bursar was read out. No comments made or queries raised.
2. Meeting declared open by President Jim Nix. The required quorum attendance (min 10%) for the AGM was noted.
3. Notice of Annual General Meeting – Hon Sec men's club states that all notices for the AGM had been sent out, with the exception of the Audited Accounts, in line with the KGC Constitution. In addition, the various Hon Sec reports, noted below, were also circulated together with the MoM of the 2023 AGM for members attention.
4. Attendance and Apologies: ***The names of those present is taken from the attendance sheet:***
Aideen Murphy, Ann Turley, Anne O'Dea, Annette Egan, Audrey Maher, Bernie Barrie, Caroline Hill, Caroline Molloy, Dorothy O'Brien, Eileen Hickey, Elaine St. Leger, Geraldine Dunne, Jennifer Mc Nulty, Jennifer Moffett, Jennifer Sowman, Marie Farrell, Maire Mooney, Mary Gough, Mary Priestman, Noelle Kennedy, Ornagh O'Gorman, Patricia Byrne, Patricia Grennan O'Byrne, Paula Collins, Pauline Mahony, Susan Maher, Suzanne McNelis, Aidan O'Toole, Andrew Grehan, Brendan McGovern, Brian Murphy, Charles Durkin, Ciaran Tuite, Conor Delaney, Daniel O'Connor, David Hunt, Geoffrey Brooks, Ger Murphy, Gerry Grehan, Howard Farrell, Hugh Gough, Jack Kearney, James Durkan, James Ellis, James Hughes, James McDonnell, Jim Nix, Jerry Killeen, Jim Humphreys, Jim O'Dea, John Corcoran, John Dunne, John McGrath, John Murphy, John Westman, John White, Kevin Burke, Martin Jones, Michael Barry, Pat Davis, Robert Foxton, Robert Hayes, Robert May, Roger Dungan, Ronan Swift, Sam Strong, Stephen Walsh, Terry Holland, Tom Culligan, Tony Egan, Vincent O'Kelly.
Apologies were received from: Alison Houston, Ann O'Brien, Anne Gildea, Anne Hackett, Barbara Kearney, Breda Colfer, Bronach McCormack, Catherine Condon, Catherine O'Kelly, Claire Foley, Connie Ross, Deirdra Healy, Elaine Healy, Emily McCarthy, Ger Grehan, Geraldine Coghlan, Imelda Hutchinson, Kate Jordan, Liz Fahy, Meave McNally, Margaret Hughes, Marguerite Carey, Mary Butler, Mary Crabbe, Mary Dillon, Mary Harris, Mary Pinder, Pat McGuinness, Pat Ramsey, Patricia Lewis, Patricia McDonald, Pauline O'Toole, Rosanne Regan, Sandra Farrell, Susan Farrell, Barry Jackson, Brendan Young, Charlie O'Connell, David Jamieson, David Moore, David Robinson, Denis Beare, Fergus O'Donovan, Jimmy McDonnell, Larry Halpin, Leo Beare, Liam Canning, Liam Heritage, Louis McConkey, Marc Thornton, Mark Farrington, Mark Gill, Patrick Hagin-Meade, Ronald Kilkenny, Tim Slattery, Thomas Corcoran, Tom McCormack, Tony Bourke, Tony Sweeney, Vincent Clarkin.
5. MoM of 2023 AGM were taken as read, proposed by Noelle Kennedy, seconded by Dan O'Connor.
6. Matters Arising. There were no matters arising.
7. Election of Tellers: Patricia Grennan O'Byrne and Dan O'Connor were elected as tellers.
8. Reports
 - 8.1.1 Ladies Hon Secretary Report: Taken as read, Proposed by Bernie Barry, seconded by Paula Collins. No comments raised.
 - 8.1.2 Men's Hon Secretary Report: Taken as read, Proposed by Ronan Swift, seconded by John Murphy. NO comments raised.

8.1.3 Joint Hon Treasurer's Report: The audited accounts were not available due to the auditor being on holidays and Bert Foxton's illness. However, the accounts have been verified by the Auditor. Certified accounts will be circulated, together with explanatory notes, as soon as possible.

A number of queries were raised:

Q: Is the format of the presentation of the accounts correct? A: The presentation could be more accurate and in line with accountancy practices. This will be looked at.

Q: Why is there so much cash in the bank? A: It is a feature of our cashflow at this time of the year when subs come in. During the year this was as low as €39k, last year it was a low of €35k. We are in a good healthy financial position. A full breakdown will be sent out when the accounts are audited, hopefully by end of Nov.

Q: Functions this year €17k, last year €10k why? A: We catered a lot of functions ourselves. A full breakdown can and will be provided.

Q: Insurance last year was €14k this year €25k why? A: Insurance costs in general have increased. We went out to 3 different providers, our broker, who is also a member, found very little difference between the quotations.

Q: Golf Development. What is this? A: A full description will be provided when accounts are certified.

Q: PPE expenses- what are these? A: Personal Protective Equipment - items such as protective gloves, the new battery powered blower etc for the KGC grounds maintenance team.

Q: Accountancy fee – why so high? A: this is only a provisional figure to be revised – probably downwards - when fully costed. The fee includes the handling of payroll etc.

Q: Bank charges seem very high. A: some of this will be recouped because of the payment system of payment of subs to College.

Q: What is position of Prize Bonds. A: The successful efforts of getting our prize bond numbers / references and access to them was explained. We now have full access and can cash them at any time.

Q: Debtors seem to be very high. Why? A: last year Stripe owed us €96k at one point, the College waited until we were reimbursed before we paid them.

Q: Committee Expenses – what are these?: This figure includes the kitchen supplies. This will be better clarified and categorised.

Q: Score Cards: A: this covers the new cards due to the reindexing of holes.

Q: Why have we so much money on hand. Can we not have proposals to use it.
A: The incoming JC will review.

Bert was thanked for all his work particularly taking into account his health issues.

The Accounts Report was proposed by Jack Keaney and seconded by Jim O'Dea

8.1.4 Ladies Handicap Report: Taken as read. Proposed by Orlagh O'Gorman, seconded by Aideen Murphy. No comments raised.

8.1.5 Men's Handicap Report: Taken as read. The issue of support volunteers and succession planning was raised and an appeal was made for help in the coming year for these Hon Secs as well as the Competition's Hon Secs. Ger Murphy commented that help is needed in checking the cards and closing competitions. Anne Turley asked that consideration be given to passing some of this work to our Admin Sec, Lorraine. This would also help with the succession issue. Report was proposed by Geoff Brooks and seconded by Aidan O'Toole.

- 8.1.6 Joint Hon Competitions Sec. Report. Taken as read. The Lady Captain commented that this report along with all the other Hon Sec reports were of a very high standard. Proposed by John White, seconded by James Hughes.
 - 8.1.7 Grounds Committee Report: Taken as read. Proposed by Kevin Burke, seconded by James McDonnell.
 - 8.1.8 Safety Officers Report: Taken as read, Proposed by Ger Murphy, seconded by Jim O'Dea.
 - 8.1.9 Captain's Ladies Club Report: Read by the Lady Captain, Orlagh O'Gorman, received with thanks by attendance.
 - 8.1.10 Captain Men's Club Report : read by the Men's Captain, Jim O'Dea received with think by the meeting.
9. Motions. All Motions had been circulated to the membership. Please refer to the separate sheet.
- 9.1 Motion 1: Timing of opening of time sheets: The motion was tabled and discussed at length. When put to the meeting, it was not carried.
 - 9.2 Motion 2: Timing of opening of timesheets: The motion was tabled and discussed at length. When put to the meeting the motion was carried.
 - 9.3 Motion 3: Sub-committee to examine / edit/ revise the KGC Constitution: The motion was tabled and following a brief discussion was put to the meeting. The motion was carried.
 - 9.4 Motion 4: Addition of Social Membership Category: The motion was tabled and following a brief discussion was put to the meeting. The motion was carried.
 - 9.5 Motion 5: Annual fee for Social Membership to be agreed at AGM. The motion was tabled and following a brief discussion was put to the meeting. The motion was carried.
 - 9.6 Motion 6: Joint Committee be given discretion to raise annual fee: Motion was withdrawn.
 - 9.7 Motion 7: Fees for various categories of membership. The question of insurance cover for guests playing who had no cover / HI was discussed. The answer given is that they are covered. The motion was put to the meeting and was carried.
 - 9.8 Motion 8: All medal winners in 2025, the 30th year of KGC, be invited to participate in a special competition for gold medals. The motion was put to the meeting and was carried.
10. AOB
- A request from Dermot King to lower the number of tee-times allocated to competitions on Mondays and Wednesdays was read and is attached to these minutes. This was discussed in some depth, the history of why & how competition times were included on these days was explained. It was suggested that Lorraine in the office could have a role to play. The incoming JC is asked to review this.
- Noele Kennedy tanks all the work done during the year by the President, the Captains and the Committees. This was agreed to by the meeting.
- 11. Outgoing President's Report: President Jim Nix, gave his report which was received with thanks.
 - 12. Election of Vice President, Vice-Captains, Officers and Committee : The meeting agreed to elect the members per the list of nominations circulated.
 - 13. Presentation of Blazers and Badges: Jim Nix presented President, Eileen Hickey with her medal and jacket, Ornagh O'Gorman presented Captain of Ladies Club, Bernie Barry with her medal and jacket. Jim O'Dea presented Captain of the Men's Club, Jim Ellis with his medal and jacket.
 - 14. Incoming President address – Eileen Hickey gave a short address saying she was honoured to be elected and that she would represent KGC and its members in the bast way possible.

15. Incoming Ladies Club Captain's Address – Bernie Barry – see attached.
16. Incoming Men's Club Captain's Address - Jim Ellis – see attached.
17. President Eileen then closed the AGM.