**Pego Golf Society – Committee Meeting Tuesday 7th May, 2019**

The meeting began at 14:52. In attendance: Bill Pike (BP), Penny Barden (PB) Fiona Sankey (FS) Brian Barden (BJB) and Paul Sankey (PS). Apologies from Dave Philips, Patrick Lynch and Malcolm Wise.

1. **Notes of previous meeting**

Minutes of meeting held on 19th March 2019 were accepted by Brian Barden and seconded by Bill Pike

1. **Matters arising/actions outstanding**

* The meeting with our Bank Manager in Ondara to discuss bank charges was still outstanding as a Manager was not yet available (BJB).
* BP clarified the March minutes in relation to Item 10 (local rules).

“A free drop is permitted from all paths covered in artificial material, including plastic, concrete and sand/gravel. There is no free drop from any bare areas, and the ball must be played as it lies”

A wide ranging discussion took place regarding how we could encourage members to represent PEGO in competitions. A small social (team) event for those members who had played in the Summer League or the CBL was discussed but it was felt that this should be reviewed again at the end of the Summer League.

1. **Captain’s Report**

Attendance at the weekly playdays over the past two months have been reasonable, but variable, affected at varying times by continuing ailments of several of our regular players, a number of our members being in the UK and other home countries, and others booking their own tee times on a Tuesday.

We look forward over the coming weeks to the returns after medical absences of Barry Levett, Mike Holloway, Patrick Lynch, Alan Simpson, Peter Brown, John Nicol, and Michel Grin. (Apologies if I’ve missed any other invalids!)

The Oliva Nova course has shown great improvement in recent months, since the problems of late 2018, and we congratulate the Oliva Nova management and ground staff on their efforts. As hollow tining is due to begin in late May we will have to live with a few weeks of disruption to ensure a better quality of playing surface in the future.

The external leagues have now finished for the season. Our Costa Blanca team were relegated on the final day, by only one point, from Division 1. This was a tough Division to play in, and we achieved some excellent results against some very strong teams. Our thanks go to all who played, and particularly to Shaun O’Gorman, who captained the team with great enthusiasm. We look forward to promotion next year! The Inter-Societies matches proved great fun to play in during this first season, and all four societies were keen to continue the competition in the same format next year. Marina Alta ran away with the title, with the other teams closely packed, Pego eventually finishing in third place. Thanks again to all who played, and particularly to Penny Barden for captaining the team in between her various other duties.

1. **Secretaries Report**

After a good deal of cross checking the membership had been confirmed as 94.

A number of applications were outstanding and as approval of these would take us beyond the agreed membership limit the committee were asked to set this aside. After a lengthy discussion regarding levels of active participation of members and when this might pose a problem for Tuesday events this was agreed.

PS would therefore contact each of the applicants and advise them that their applications would now go forward for full approval (now complete).

NB. Following the meeting a number of applications have been received.

1. **Treasurer’s Report**

BJB ran through the accounts for the period 17th March to 6th May and the committee were happy with the financial situation.

BJB thought that an increase in the number of prizes to players each week could be possible as there was enough money coming in to cover the prizes bought. This would be kept under review as there could be other demands for this money later in the year e.g. social events.

There are four members still outstanding to pay their dues, BYB was progressing these.

1. **Social Secretary’s Report**

In Malcolm’s absence over the next few weeks BP will be dealing with matters arising from the summer event at El Cid, and preliminary arrangements for the Xmas dinner dance.

With regard to the Christmas Function, BP had met with the Los Angeles hotel team but it transpired that they were not open between November and March.  BP had also spoken to La Sella but as the other two Societies Christmas events are being held there, it was felt maybe that would be impossible to encourage members to attend for that kind of money.

Bill also spoke to La Basta (in the Denia marina) who could take up to 100 people and they were equipped for music too.  BP said we would pay about 35 Euros and the quality of food is good there.

For the summer event as we were up to 50+ people this should be a good evening.  BP will send out a list of those names that we have so far for this event (now completed).

1. **Costa Blanca League Update**

Shaun O’Gorman was congratulated for his organisation and leadership of the CBL teams. These games were challenging but had been enjoyed by the members who had represented PEGO.

1. **Inter-Societies League update.**

PB was congratulated for her efforts in driving this and it was noted that this will be managed by the Montgo Golf Society next year with the 4 Societies taking turn to organise the matches.

1. **Membership Number (See Secretaries Report above).**
2. **Website and Webmaster duties**

PB outlined the problems she had experienced when trying to work on the website.

A discussion regarding its features took place and with Bob Jenkins not doing it any more it was felt that there was a need for a back up person or perhaps a “PEGO website for dummies” document.

As Alan Barwick is the undoubted website expert PS would approach him to determine if a set of operating instructions could be developed. **Action: PS to contact Alan Barwick**

1. **Any other business**

After a lengthy regarding cover for Committee members when they are away it was agreed that a Committee member is responsible for finding suitable cover.

1. **Dates for next and future meetings**

* July 2nd
* September 3rd
* November 5th
* December 10th (Possible AGM)

The meeting closed at 15:45.