NOTTINGHAMSHIRE UNION OF GOLF CLUBS
MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT BEESTON FIELDS GOLF CLUB
THURSDAY, 11th FEBRUARY, 2010

PRESENT:	Stan Yeomans	NUGC President, Beeston Fields
	Roy Case	NUGC Hon. Secretary. Radcliffe-on-Trent
	Colin Bee	NUGC Assistant Secretary , Rushcliffe
	Gordon Bruce	NUGC Hon. Treasurer, Wollaton Park
	Alan Benson	NUGC Vice-President, Beeston Fields
	John P. Mitchell	NUGC Vice-President, Beeston Fields
	Mike Munby	NUGC Vice-President, Beeston Fields
	Harry Robinson	NUGC Vice-President, Stanton on the Wolds
	Roger Winson	NUGC Vice-President, Sherwood Forest
	Alan Roberts	Chilwell Manor
	Jack W. Prescott	Chilwell Manor, Junior Team Manager
	Robin Gardner	Cotgrave Place, Secretary
	Richard Jeffs	Coxmoor, NUGC Second Team Captain
	Norman Wells	Mapperley
	Ron Beckett	Norwood Park, Secretary
	Paul Thornton	Norwood Park, General Manager
	Bob Ward	Oakmere Park [Admiral's], Captain
	Jeff Brinklow	Oakmere Park [Admiral's]
	Phillip Holmes	Radcliffe on Trent, Captain
	Mike Shaw	Radcliffe on Trent, NUGC NEP Tournament Org.
	David Styles	Radcliffe on Trent, Vice Captain
	Mike Briggs	Retford, NUGC Seniors Captain
	Stuart Moore	Retford
	Paul Deacon	Ruddington Grange, Secretary
	Roy Harris	Sherwood Forest
	Michael Taylor	Sherwood Forest
	Mike Harness	Southwell
	Martin Hathway	Stanton on the Wolds, NUGC Competitions Sec.
	Mike Price	Stanton on the Wolds, Secretary
	P. Carruthers	Trent Lock, Captain
	W. Greenhough	Trent Lock, Seniors Captain
	Avril Jamieson	Wollaton Park, Secretary
	Andy Limb	Wollaton Park

There were 33 No. persons present, representing 16 No. golf clubs.

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1.00. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

1.01. Apologies for absence were received from:

Doug Ash	NUGC Vice-President, Chilwell Manor
Trevor Coupe	NUGC Vice-President, Notts.
Ian Elrick	NUGC Vice-President, Oakmere Park [Admiral's]
Peter Gray	NUGC Vice-President, Stanton on the Wolds
Stuart Goldie	NUGC Vice-President, Notts.
Eddie Peters	NUGC Vice-President, Mapperley
Roy Sallis	NUGC Vice-President, Notts.
Alec Shepperson	NUGC Deputy President, Coxmoor
Jill Chambers	Coxmoor, Secretary
Alan Johnson	Ruddington Grange
Gary Bardill	Worksop

2.00. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

2.01. Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, the 15th October, 2009 held at the Beeston Fields Golf Club had been circulated, and were approved.

Proposed: Alan Benson [Beeston Fields, NUGC Vice-President]
Seconded: Martin Hathway [Stanton on the Wolds, NUGC Competitions Secretary.]
Approved unanimously.

3.00. MATTERS ARISING:

3.01. There were no matters arising from the previous minutes other than those included in the Agenda.

4.00 CORRESPONDENCE:

4.01 Spondon Trophies Inter-club Golf Competition:
The Secretary read out the contents of a letter received from Spondon Trophies, urging Nottinghamshire clubs to support the event, the profits from which were distributed proportionately amongst the Counties which supported the event.
The competition has raised in excess of £ 50,000 for junior development.
Norman Wells [Mapperley] said that the closing date for entries in 2010 was the 12th February, but was confident late entries would be accepted.

5.00 NUGC ACCOUNTS 2009 & BUDGETS 2010:

5.01 Copies of the NUGC Accounts 2009 and Budgets 2010 had been circulated to all golf clubs, and additional copies were available for those present at the meeting.

5.02 The County Treasurer, Gordon Bruce, explained the accounts and budgets to the meeting, and said that the NUGC was in a healthy position at the end of 2009.

5.00 NUGC ACCOUNTS 2009 & BUDGETS 2010 [Continued]:

5.03 The Treasurer advised the meeting that the NUGC annual subscription had been raised by £ 0.20 pence to £ 5.20 for 2009, and that the English Golf Union annual subscription had been raised by £ 0.50 pence to £ 5.00 for 2009.
This information had been posted on the website for some time.

5.04 The President asked the meeting adopt the accounts for 2009 and budgets for 2010.

Proposed: Mike Price, [Stanton on the Wolds]
Seconded: John P. Mitchell [Beeston Fields, NUGC Vice-President]
Approved unanimously.

6.00 HONORARIUMS:

6.01 The Treasurer explained that with the economic situation as it is, it had been agreed there would be no increase in the honorariums paid in 2010.

7.00 NUGC ANNUAL DINNER 2010:

7.01 The NUGC Dinners Secretary, Harry Robinson, reported that the NUGC Annual Dinner, which was held at the East Midlands Conference Centre on the 22nd, January, had been a splendid occasion, and he has received many complimentary letters and telephone calls.

7.02 He thanked everyone for there support and said that there had been 367 No. persons in attendance from 25 No. of the County's golf clubs .

7.03 The President thanked the Dinners Secretary for his tremendous effort in organising the dinner, which he considered to have been the 'Rolls Royce' of all the County dinners he had attended in his first year in office.

8.00 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY GOLF PARTNERSHIP:

8.01 The Secretary said that the NCGP bank account had now been opened and £ 11,750 from the England Golf Partnership, which represents the funding for 2009, had been deposited.
The invoice from the Nottinghamshire County Council, relating to the services of Matt Bloor, the NCGP Development Officer, would be met from these funds.

8.02 The NUGC Treasurer, Gordon Bruce had agreed to act as the Honorary Treasurer to the NCGP.

8.03 The NCGP website was in the process of being developed.

8.04 A two day County Golf Conference was held at Woodhall Spa on the 22nd January, 2010. Matt Bloor, the NCGP Development Officer, and Paul Thornton, the NCGP Secretary, had attended on behalf of the NCGP.

A 'Safeguarding Children in Golf' workshop was held at Cotgrave Place GC on the 26th January, 2010.

8.05 The Secretary informed the meeting that volunteers were being sought to serve on the various sub-committees of the NCGP and asked the meeting to inform suitable persons.

8.00 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY GOLF PARTNERSHIP [Continued]:

8.06 The Secretary explained that from April 2010 funding for coaching would only be available through the Club and Coach Fund via the NCGP. Funding would be restricted to clubs which had been awarded GolfMark.

9.00 NUGC TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS:

9.01 The secretary said that a 2 hour written examination had been arranged for the 6th March, 2010 at the Cotgrave Place GC, for those who had attended the NUGC Rules Schools in 2009.
14 No. would sit the examination from 8 No. golf clubs.
Those successful, with an acceptable pass mark, would be invited to join the NUGC Tournament Panel and officiate at NUGC events in 2010.

9.02 The EGU would be organising Rules Schools at Woodhall Spa in March and April 2010, at a cost of £ 240.00 per person.

10.00 NUGC INTER-CLUB SCRATCH LEAGUE 2010:

10.01 The NUGC Assistant Secretary, Colin Bee, explained that he had been approached by Springwater GC, who wished to be included in the NUGC Inter-club Scratch League in 2010. Springwater had been admitted into the League in Division Three, and a revised draw had been circulated to all participating clubs.

11.00 ENGLISH GOLF UNION & MIDLAND GOLF UNION REPORTS:

11.01 Midland Golf Union Limited:
The MGU Voting Member, Colin Bee, informed the meeting that the President had attended his first MGU Council Meeting earlier in the week.

He explained there was concern expressed that County Golf appeared to be losing its appeal, and that , in an effort to create more interest, a points system might be introduced for County League matches which would be applied to the Midland Order of Merit.

The MGU had lost money over the past two years and, that a nominal per capita charge was being considered, similar to that of the EGU and the NUGC.

11.02 English Golf Union Limited:
The EGU Voting Member, Colin Bee, informed the meeting that there was little further to report on EGU matters.

The Hon Secretary said that the EGU had advised him that several golf clubs [53 %] had not yet registered for the Central Database of Handicaps, and he urged clubs that had not done so should do so without delay. In discussion it emerged that several of the clubs listed had in fact registered.

12.00 HEALTH & SAFETY:

12.01 The Secretary reported that the NUGC County Course Preview had been completed for 2010.

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13.00 ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

13.01 Harry Robinson [Stanton on the Wolds], asked whether it was possible to obtain supplies of the NUGC lapel badges. Richard Jeffs [Coxmoor] agreed to establish existing stocks, and generate an additional supply as necessary. They would be sold at £ 2.50 each.

13.02 Alan Benson, the NUGC County Card Manager, said that County Cards for 2010 would be issued from the 1st April, and asked that club members be urged to purchase cards, which could prove to be a significant source of revenue for the NUGC.
There were now approximately 900 No. golf clubs participating in the scheme which members could access at a discounted green fee rate.

13.03 CONGU Handicaps:
A lengthy discussion was held regarding 'inactive' handicaps, and whether any allowance should be made in respect players with 'inactive' handicaps in any of the County competitions .

Following further constructive discussion it was proposed that:

Players with 'inactive' handicaps would not be allowed to compete in any County event, including juniors, with the notable exception of the Edwalton Imp Tournament and the Nippers' Tour events.

Proposed: Bob Ward [Oakmere Park Admiral's]
Seconded: Mike Price [Stanton on the Wolds]
Approved unanimously.

14.00. DATE OF NEXT MEETING :

14.01 The date for the NUGC Annual General Meeting was Wednesday, the 10th March, 2010, at 7.30 p.m. at the Beeston Fields Golf Club.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 20.30 hours.

The President thanked Mr. John P. Mitchell, and the Beeston Fields GC for the use of the facilities, and invited those present join him at the bar for a drink .

SIGNED: DATE:

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