

### MINUTES FOR COMMITTEE MEETING #2

### PHONE CONFERENCE ONLY MEETING

Thursday 9th April 2020 @ 6:00PM

**Teleconference:** Provided in Meeting Booking

Committee 2020 Attendance Record

Role	Committee		30/1	9/4				AGM Dec
President	Richard Mair	RM						
Vice President	Glen Williamson	GW						
Captain	Steven Chan	SC						7(
Secretary	Craig Horley	СН	SORRY				Ç	
Treasurer	George Emerson	GE						
Handicapper	Stephen McCammond	SMcC					0)	
Booking Officer	Dave McCann	DMcC		SORRY				
Committee	Graham Flanagan	GF				•		
Committee	Terry Hillman	TH			0			
Committee	Dom Khoury	DK		SORRY				
Committee	Warren Francis	WF						





Phone Attendance



Apology received



Non Attendance

### Today's Agenda:

- 1. Welcome from President Mair
- 2. Previous minutes (#1 2020) (view https://cbasydneygolfclub.com/) Mair
- 3. Treasurers Report Emerson
- 4. Action items Open All
- 5. General Business
  - a. Correspondence Review
    - Simon Cooper CBA R S Elliott 2020 and beyond.....
    - Peter Bendeich Patron Thank you
    - Glen Williamson Mona Vale GC Sunday 5th April
    - Ted Geekie Elliott Thank you
  - **b.** COVID-19 situation potential impact on our calendar, matchplay, club championships. Chan
  - c. Attending committee meetings in person C/f from 30/1 Mair
  - d. Representative Team Selection C/f from 30/1 McCann

### 6. Meeting Close/Next Meeting

## **MINUTES**

### 1. Welcome - 06:00 PM - R Mair

Welcome to all committee members in this unusual Covid-19 world we are living in at the moment.

RM commented he was glad the Mona Vale round was played, albeit under different 'weird' requirements which made it difficult to determine who attended on the day, Some issues arose on card marking, handicaps and signing the cards but it was held and a small number attended.

There is a lot to cover today so we will proceed and being entirely phone attendance, the Secretary will drive the agenda and we will all appreciate the attendees taking special care to ensure everyone is heard.

# 2. Acceptance of Meeting 30/01/2020 Minutes - C Horley

No corrections advised from 2020 #1 minutes received.

No other issues raised with remaining minutes confirmed accurate as presented:

Accepted - Richard Mair

Seconded - Warren Francis

# 3. Treasurers Report - G Emerson

Overall we are in a positive position for the Elliott due to trophies cost and a smaller bar bill than expected. The remaining year at this stage is predicted to be a \$500 profit.

We do know there is a 6K Stonecutters invoice and \$550 for Elliott shirts to be presented which may change the outlook.

Accepted - Craig Horley

Seconded - Richard Mair

4. Action items - Open

Meeting	Action	Owner	Current Status	
22 <sup>nd</sup> August 2019	RS Eliott – 2020 – Sydney Hosting  (Mch 9,10 2020)	All	<ol> <li>On track for arrangements, deposits and pre booking courses, accommodation, dinner, buses</li> <li>Prizes and Trophies to be reviewed and costed to confirm will align with the first cut cost estimate. (GF &amp; SC).</li> <li>Meeting called for practical ideas on prizes for 'something different spreadsheet form, which he distributed to the committee via emay whilst the meeting was underway.</li> <li>GE to send email to state delegates requesting numbers based after mext meeting when costs are finalized and per player is finalized.</li> <li>24/10/2019_Tiger to itemize 'practical' prizes Waiting on final numbers</li> <li>Arrangements almost complete for the event with costings documented.</li> <li>30/1/2020</li> <li>All priority items dealt with including accommodation though final accommodation bill to be determined. M Parker to F/u a advise Treasurer.</li> <li>Chasing up some states for final numbers. Now 5 coming from Nil from QLD.</li> <li>Dinner payment read next week. Treasurer to address</li> <li>Buses to be confirmed. G Flanagan to f/u</li> <li>Standard trophies to be awarded with approx \$450 to be spend on trophies.</li> <li>Matter of raffle and Captains Cash raised. Decided to have Captains Cash and look at holding a small raffle with 3 prizes including a golf bag to be donated by \$ Chan. \$ Chan to</li> </ol>	
			<ul> <li>arrange</li> <li>S Chan to email Terry Groves re Elliott.</li> <li>09/04/2020</li> <li>The 2020 Elliott was successfully held over two days at Ryde</li> </ul>	
			Parramatta and Stoncutters Golf Courses.	
			Action Closed	
31st January 2019	Club ByLaws	RM	Club By Laws not located and RM will contact Patron to investigate with previous committee members, (none found after many months of investigation)  30/1/2020	
			<ul> <li>P Bendeich has sent R Mair a sheet with club details and rules (eg Committee structure, Booking rules, Elliott selection)</li> <li>G Williamson has access to by-law templates and has offered to examine to see if appropriate G Williamson to f/u and report back at next meeting</li> <li>G Emerson asked question whether club should be registered as a social club to maintain a NFP status. Reporting, Fair Trading and insurance aspects would need to be looked at. G Emerson to investigate and report at next meeting.</li> </ul>	

			Matter of ByLaws to be cfwd to next meeting where it will be
			discussed with benefit of above items.
			09/04/2020
			<ul> <li>GW has templates for Bi_Law and will send to committee in next 2/3 weeks (30/4) as a template/working draft.</li> <li>GE investigated Fair Trading and there is no directive or compelling reason found for CBASG to register NFP status. Motion to meeting and accepted is to 'Stay as we are'. This stream is closed however GE may look further into insurance liability for those not members of the AGU.</li> <li>RM will send basic information to committee and the goal of this action is to have clarity around Bi Laws, team selection and general structure of the club documents to allow a vote by members at the 2020 AGM.</li> <li>SC to advise starter to include a disclaimer on all draws that players attend this social event at their own risk (especially for non AGU handicapped members (2)</li> </ul>
31st January	<u>Sponsorship</u>	GW	Investigate local Drummonds or Golf Factory to find good quality balls for
2019	/Prizes Golf		the lowest cost to the club, Budget \$2.50-\$3.00 a ball and around 13
	<u>Balls</u>		required per game.
			1st half of 2019 provided, so this would be to cover second half of the year
			and any other events/needs that arise.
			<ul> <li>4/4/19 – GW to revisit with Golf Factory -</li> <li>13/6/19 – Holds a 2 doz Callaway donation from Drummonds Penrith. Working on further opportunites. Will email committee within next month with progress.</li> <li>22/8 – GW discussing with Drummonds an agreement where we sign all members up to Drummonds club, resulting in CBASG receiving a % of all spend during the year (ongoing income). Members will still enjoy the normal % discount Drummond membership attracts. A relatively no cost benefit. We will investigate extending this to Bank Holiday field as well. GW to obtain more details and present back to committee.</li> <li>24/10/19 – GW apology for meeting – C/F</li> </ul>
			30/1/20
			G Williamson advised that Penrith Golf Factory have said <b>NO</b> to sponsorship.  Further discussions to be held with Drummond Golf Penrith.  C Williamson to progress and report to gold to pout the outer a sting.
			G Williamson to progress and report back to next meeting.
			09/04/2020
			Social distancing at the moment has impacted progress with this action – C/F to next meeting.
22 <sup>nd</sup> August	RS Eliott - 2021	MP	Future Elliott committee (working group) to convene and pull together
2019	and beyond –	RM	ideas and proposal for other states on how we will lead the future as
	<u>Sydney</u>	SC	'Arrangers' not Host.
	<u>Arranging</u>		Some of the considerations for discussion are:
-	April 9 2020	D 4	https://chasydneygolfclub.com/

- States will need to provide a 'booking fee' to ensure everyone
  has skin in the game. NSW will not outlay all deposits and be
  exposed to financial losses.
- 2. Will need to choose courses that continue to make the event a highlight on the calendar.
- 3. Courses could be Regional with the proviso that transport to the event is easily obtained i.e. Murray River belt?
- 4. If in another state, will potentially require some 'on site' assistance, even if we are organizing.
- 5. Our proposal will cover (as a minimum)
  - a. What we offer (as arrangers)
  - b. What we expect from other states
- 24/10/19 Carried Forward till 2020 as end of year details and 2019 Elliott taking precedence at this stage of the year.

#### 30/1/20

- Delegates meeting and welcome dinner will be used as sounding boards for future events. In this regard \$ McCammond thought it appropriate that we go to the delegates meeting with some ideas/plans for future events.
- G Emerson reiterated that we need to ensure that our priority is that the financial risk to our club is minimized going forward. R Mair agreed and stated that we need to be upfront with other states in this regard.
- G Williamson thought it appropriate that we impress on the other states that we will be looking for earlier commitment/payment for future events.
- R Mair agreed on the basis that it is not hard to make enquiries and provide indicative costs to other states to gauge participation with payment by a certain date.
- G Emerson voiced the view that even if NSW organize them, future events should be moved around other states where possible with their assistance.
- G Williamson suggested that there are different ways we can arrange future events e.g.; 1) Offer a package deal, 2) NSW only arrange golf component with accommodation etc. the responsibility of individuals.

RM has prepared a draft proposal which will be circulated for comment then presentation at delegates meeting.

Matter to be progressed at next meeting with the benefit of 2020 Elliott feedback.

#### 09/04/2020

• Simon Cooper Correspondence tabled.

### Points from discussion follow:

- 2021 will keep the rotation around states continuing with WA scheduled for the event.
- CBA will drive but develop the event in a way such that Sydney is not at financial risk.
- The sub committee with develop the plan to have states contribute upfront.
- 2020 Delegates discussed and the general consensus was reached
  - Main competitions will become handicap driven to encourage everyone to contribute to the team score.

			<ul> <li>S.Cooper correspondence was considered that requested a scratch event continue to promote the tradition of the event.</li> <li>S Chan accepted there is potential for a new scratch trophy but perhaps not the Melbourne Cup Trophy. There were only 3 real scratch contenders in 2020 out of 46 starters.</li> <li>GE stated the day may have arrived to move stableford/net over the main scratch event because it could result in team makeup skewing towards low handicappers in lieu of other club members who may deserve a spot.</li> <li>General view that all team events must be stableford (see point 1 above).</li> <li>There is a possibility that some teams in the future may not be state based if states cannot field full membership.</li> <li>RM to send out his proposal for the future events to the committee. FEEDBACK REQUIRED. GW will collate.</li> <li>RM, SC and GW to form a small committee to fashion the proposal going forward.</li> </ul>		
9 <sup>th</sup> April	CBA - New	GF	GF working with Paul Sparkes to formulate and propose an email to be		
2020	<u>Membership</u>		sent bank wide to encourage employees to join their prospective state CBA Social Golf Club.		
9 <sup>th</sup> April	Committee	RM	Discussion on physical attendance at committee meetings. Initially raised		
2020	Meeting		on the 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan but held over until the Covid-19 situation is stabilized and		
	<u>Attendance</u>		what may arise out of that for the rest of the year.		
9 <sup>th</sup> April	Representative	DMcC	<ul> <li>Previous Comments: General agreement that face-face meetings achieve better Outcomes. Suggestions made to address were:</li> <li>R Mair - Delay start by 1 hour</li> <li>S McCammond - Questioned need for city location. Suggested a central location maybe in a pub or club.</li> <li>S Chan - Questioned enthusiasm of people to physically attend meetings. Maybe rotate locations.</li> <li>G Williamson - Suggested run meetings after club games.</li> <li>W Francis - Acknowledges benefits of face-face, but hard to get location to suit everybody.         <ul> <li>T Hillman - gave his personal example of being called into work until</li> <li>5.30pm making it almost impossible to attend</li> </ul> </li> <li>Initially raised for meeting 30/1 but held over till to post Elliott. Again held</li> </ul>		
2020	Team Selection		over 9/4 due to meeting time constraints and other factors such as 2021		
			Elliott, Convid-19, key reps available important factors into the discussion.		
			Previous Comments: Initiate discussion re member anger over 2020 selections and omissions AND proposal to move selection from a predominantly discretionary process to a defined points based system  R Mair acknowledged member concerns and potential to change selection system so it is more transparent and defined. For the following		

reasons It was agreed to carry this issue over as a principal General Business item at next Committee meeting.
<ul> <li>Importance of issue deems it appropriate that we devote ample time for discussion.</li> <li>We will have the benefit of 2020 Elliott feedback</li> <li>D McCann reiterated importance of ensuring we address the issue given member concerns.</li> </ul>

### 5. General Business

### a. Correspondence New/Review

Email March 11th 2020 from Simon Cooper (Scoop) – main text below

Good evening fellas,

A big congratulations goes to the committee and in particular Steve Chan & Richard Mair for the organising of this year's R S Elliott.

It was great to see a lot of our Life Members at Monday's Managing Director's Day. I had a wonderful chat with Beau Barry on Monday night.

As a side point he recognised me as I have taken him as a passenger on Route 651 with Hills Bus.... We had a laugh...!!

I know that participation in the event, particularly from other states, has declined and the move to rehash the tournament is probably warranted.

I tend to agree. With the conversation I had with Richard last night that the major trophy's will remain as such but be on a Nett result is OK with me as well. Yes the "Melbourne Club Trophy" that is its real name, not the Melbourne Cup, that is a horse race.

I get it that many years ago there were a LOT of very good golfers on low handicaps playing in the event from all over the country. Times are changing and have changed. Yes NSW has been dominant in the last 16 or so years, and that is because of our strong membership structure here in NSW. We also have had some very good low markers in our club. There are also very good low markers from the other states but they do not always participate in the event every year. NSW has that luxury of being able to do that.

If the delegates wish to change the major events to a NETT basis they have my blessing, as it is the best way to have the event continue in the years ahead and hopefully, for a very long time. BUT, WE as the collective states must have and event to recognise the low markers that make the effort to travel and go to the tournament wherever it is held in our great country. I played with Simon Direen from Tassie yesterday and he made his point clear at the delegates meeting on Sunday night, he told me!

Yes, I play the game well and my record with the CBA and at Killara GC is was it is. I have so many members from Killara and in the Elliott that enjoy watching me play the game the way it is supposed to be played, some of the time!! In a way I might inspire them to play better. You want that at the Elliott so that the players from anywhere can see us play the game the way it was intended, well hopefully!

If we do not have something to recognise the effort of the LOW markers then there is almost no point in us turning up to play.

I, personally, will turn up anyway but it would have to take a Coff's Harbour effort (2003) to be able to win the major Nett overall! Richard you would have to agree with me? Ask Steve Mc about that year?

I implore with the CBA NSW Committee to push home a Trophy, something, anything.....? So that the low markers can participate in a wonderful event of which I look forward to playing in.

I would like this to be put in the matters arising at the next meeting for discussion and implementation.

Kind Regards,
Simon Cooper
Member CBA Sydney Golf Club

Refer Action Item for discussion

## Email March 15<sup>th</sup> 2020 from Patron – Peter Bendeich – main text below

I would like to thank the organizing committee of this year's R S Elliott Tournament on a splendid couple of days of golf and social activities.

It was so good good to catch up with many old faces I had not seen for some years, many of which go back more years than I care to remember.

Congratulations are also in order to the NSW representatives who achieved the double of winning the R S Elliott Trophy and the Brisbane Salver.

Well done to Simon Cooper who endured an extra hole playoff with Simon Direen from TAS to secure his 11th Melbourne Club Trophy.

Overall, a wonderful couple of days.

**Best Regards** 

Peter Bendeich

# Email April 3rd from Glen Williamson - Mona Vale GC - Sunday 5th April

To Richard Mair and Steve Chan

Can you please explain why this round is not a PT round? When did the committee (or executive) discuss and agree to this? This is NOT a decision just to be made by a couple of people. This has not been mentioned in any correspondence to players asking if they would like to play again after the reversal of NSW Government policy to suspend the playing of golf in NSW.

It is each individual's right to choose if they decide to play on not in any individual round. They know how it may affect their overall PT standings. If the decision is not to conduct this as a normal round then no prizes should be awarded including place-getters (eGift Cards

for 1st, 2nd & 3rd and balls for top 10 or Captains Cash) The club in no way profit from this event as it has now just become a social game with 20 odd people that know each other.

@Craig - please add this to incoming correspondence please

Glen

**Refer General Business Item for discussion** 

Email from Ted Geekie – Elliott Thank you (provided through member)

Ted provided a thank you for invitation to this Elliott tournament, the last of this format and apologised for none attendance at the function.

Committee was apreciative of his comments and gesture.

b. COVID-19 situation - potential impact on our calendar, matchplay, club championships
 Glen Williamson Correspondence tabled.

SC indicated the off and on again situation created some confusion for the Mona Vale game. It was not intended to be a non Match Play event, rather that match play would be discussed at the next committee meeting. SC apologized for not making his thoughts clearer to the booking officer for the event correspondence.

The current club direction is where games are allowable, by both government and courses, they will be played under the guidelines set down for us at that time – re the Mona Vale restrictions on starting, scoring and completing the round.

A discussion was held on whether or not to continue with our yearly competitions dues to Covid-19. Should we stop Matchplay and Presidents Trophy for 2020.

GW – we are in uncharted waters at the moment and felt Matchplay could be ceased with Presidents Trophy continuing for those that did choose to attend events – albeit restricted.

The Mona Vale game was discussed and the club noted disqualifications as a result of the confusion.

- ❖ With the starter unable to prepare the cards, it is the <u>player's responsibility</u> to ensure the latest AGU handicap is used for the days event.
- As cards were held individually (not swapped), signature of the player was omitted in the SMS to the collation point – again a players responsibility.
- ❖ Both scores, player and his 'marker' must be on the individual card, to allow the scorers to validate totals. Cards are not swapped and signed as in the past.
- Clarity on the new process, including card details should be provided to the participants.

The meeting has requested the committee provide to the secretary by the 17<sup>th</sup> April (for inclusion in this minutes), votes on the following questions.

Results of the vote and any specific comments have been included.

- 1. Should the Matchplay continue in 2020 or be cancelled?
  - **❖** Continue 3
    - expand qualifiers to 32 which should just about include everyone who can play.
    - reduced comp when back to normal
    - Cancel 8
- 2. Should the Presidents Trophy continue in 2020 or be cancelled?
  - **❖** Continue 7
    - postponed until no more social restrictions in place
    - as long as more than 20 turn up for a game
    - only best x number of games count.
  - ❖ Cancel 4
- 3. Should the eligibility criteria for the Championships be relaxed due to Covid-19 situation?
  - ❖ Yes 11
    - Club champs to be played if social restrictions ended prior to first round ... if not, club champs to be cancelled.
    - Remove the minimum 3 x club games for 2020 club championships.
    - Relax Championship criteria to one game during the year (3 separate comments)
  - ❖ No Nil
- C. Attending committee meetings in person raised by R Mair Carried forward in Action items due to Covid-19 situation.
- d. Representative team selection D McCann Carry forward in Action Items.
- 6. Meeting Closure/Next Meeting
  - Next meeting Thursday 11th June 2020 Phone Meeting 6.00pm start
  - Meeting closed @ 7:20 pm