

Brudenell Golf Association

Monthly Meeting September 21, 2023

In attendance: Joe Brown, Kris O'Brien, Brian Harding, Michael Brown, Chris Hartley, Jim Hatton, Ken Beck, Thomas Donahoe, Sean Halley,
Regrets: Josie Jackson, Bob Jones, Patty Campbell
Absent: Jim Bagnall

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

A call for Additions to the Agenda was made and added to New Business.

With these additions a motion to approve the Agenda was made by Brian H seconded by Mike B motion carried.

The minutes of the meeting of August 17, 2023 were distributed to the group by Kris O'Brien prior to the meeting. Errors and omissions were discussed.

Motion to approve was made by Kris O, seconded by Sean H, motion carried.

Business arising from the minutes (not included in agenda)

- *Looking for confirmation of the donation made in the amount of \$150.00 to the Palliative care unit in recognition of the contributions made by Harry Simmons and his wife Audrey. We will confirm with Bob.*
- It was determined that a thank you note was never sent to Dale Murchison for his donation to Jr Golf. Kris will draft up a letter and send it to Joe B for signature and distribution.
- Missing Trophy Plates - Kris will be gathering the missing info tonight and will be requesting the plates get made at Touch of Gold tomorrow.

- The ByLaw Committee has been meeting and a great discussion has been had. We are currently reviewing the current bylaws we have in place and will be working on revised versions between now and the first meeting of 2024. The goal is to adopt/borrow many of the current bylaws and policies of the PEI Golf association. The plan is to provide a finished version to the board prior to the April 2024 board meeting and then present the changes at the AGM in June 2024 for adoption. It was agreed that we will meet on the 3rd Thursday in April 2024 for a ByLaw Review.
- Roadside Signage Update
 - Joe asked the group if the sign should be double sided. All in attendance agreed. Wording should be - “Member’s Clubhouse” with an arrow and “Brudenell Golf Association”. The Maintenance team will install the sign but it will come in every year. Will probably be installed next year.
- Heat Pump Update
 - Conversation with Sonia Dixon. Had no idea who we were. There is no money for funding. And their funding is for improved heating... not Cooling which is what we need
 - There is another program surrounding capital projects for non profits where we possibly could apply for 75% funding. Our takeaway is to assemble a list of projects we would like to complete and have them submitted asap to be included in their 2024 projects. Chris H is looking into this with assistance from the Building committee.

Financial Report

- Revenue
 - Cash in the Bank - \$12,603.40
 - Revenue not yet received - \$4,930
 - Total Funds available - \$17,533.40
- Expense
 - Issued but not cashed - \$17,976.37

- Shortfall – -\$442.97
- GIC balance is - \$19,615
- Bob recommended that to offset these losses he would be cashing a small GIC in the amount of \$3,293 to cover outstanding bills for 2023.
- Bob also recommended we increase the Association dues from \$15 to \$25 dollars which will generate an additional \$4250 in revenue based on our current membership. Also, it was discussed that the Tournament fees (especially for non member teams) needs to increase. This would be for offsetting the cost of food specifically which we provide to tournaments. This official recommendation will be presented by Bob at the next meeting in October.

Kris O'Brien moved that the financial report on behalf of Bob Jones be approved as presented, seconded by Brian H., motion carried.

Liquor License Update

- Bob has been in contact with Ryan G and PEI's Finest golf and the agreement has been made in principle. There are no outstanding issues other than the signatures. They did agree that having a schedule of events for the clubhouse to be open would be helpful. A commitment has been made by both parties to have the new agreement signed before the start of the 2024 golf season.

Harvest Moon Report

- *Teams*
 - *57 Mens Open*
 - *6 Ladies*
 - *9 Sr Mens*
- *Winners*
 - *Mens Division - Kirk Butler and Daren Martell*
 - *Ladies Division - Brayah MacDonald and Lexi MacDonald*
 - *Sr Mens division - Ken Hughes and Gerard Butler*
- *\$3500 was received by the Association*

Brian Harding moved that the Harvest Moon report be approved as presented, Mike Brown seconded. Motion carried.

Ladies Association Update

- Thursday August 24 a standing room only group of over 50 women golfers welcomed Anne Chouinard, Head Golf Professional, Links at Crowbush Cove as guest speaker. Asked to speak to some basic “rules of golf” and share tips to help golfers keep their heads in the game even when the swing seems to fail, Anne proceeded to entertain as well as inform the crowd. Women from “The Thursday Evening Nine Hole Golf Group” joined the event with Brudenell Association regulars.
- How fortunate we Brudenell golfers are to have exceptional professionals at the ready when some “touch ups” to our game are needed.
- Thanks goes out to Chance and Dustin for starting group lessons. Several women and men members appreciated the recent lesson on drives and fairway shots.

BFG Update

- Deferred to next meeting in Patty’s absence

Website Update and Request

- Website will be www.brudenellgolfclubassociation.ca
- Approval to spend up to \$500 for year 1 has been approved

Motion Made by Kris O’Brien, 2nd by Brian H. Motion carried.

Club Mixed Closing

- 15th of October - 1:00 PM
- 9 Hole Alternate shot
- Non Members can play with a member
- Non member teams cannot win the tournament
- \$10 per person
- BBQ provided after in the Clubhouse
- Sign Up in the ProShop

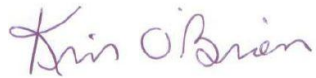
New Business

- Insurance. Kris asked if the Board was covered under PEIGA and it was determined we were not. Brian H confirmed to the group that our Building insurance policy was updated several years ago to cover board insurance. This is great news.
- PEIGA membership. In our conversations it was determined that the Golf Course AND all individuals were members of the PEIGA, however the Golf Club Association is not. We will look into seeing if there is any benefit to pursuing this membership.
- Bill Boychuk Match Play - It was recommended that we try to have this as a 2 person Alternate Shot or a best ball tournament instead of a Match play event. Still need 16 men teams and 8 women teams or the tournament will not happen. Sean will try this for next season.
- Kris has reached out to Ryan to get access to the membership names and email addresses for 2024. Ryan is confirming on his end that this is possible but he did not feel this would be an issue.
- Jamie Matheson would like to use the building for a dinner on October 6. Joe approved this
- Joe B participated in the Mens League closing at Bogside and people commented to him that we are not using the clubhouse enough. Bogside was a sponsor of this event and it is great to support our sponsor however, people felt the Men's night wrapup should be happening at the members clubhouse. A discussion was had and it was determined that the Men's night is run and organized by the

Brudenell Pro Shop folks and not the Association. If we wanted to change this we would need to open a discussion with Ryan and Chance. Having the right liquor license will allow us to do more in the clubhouse next season.

There being no further business, moved for adjournment by Sean Halley
Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Kris O'Brien

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Kris O'Brien". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.