Brudenell Golf Association

Monthly Meeting April 24, 2025

In attendance: Joe Brown, Bob Jones, Kris O'Brien, Ken Beck, Patty Campbell, Josie Jackson, Mike Brown,

Regrets: Sean Halley, Bob Creed, Jim Hatton, John Munro, Thomas Donahue, Kathy

Steen,

Absent: None

Joe Brown called the meeting to order at 6:58 PM.

A call was made for agenda additions. None added to the Agenda.

With these additions, Ken B moved to approve the agenda, which was seconded by Mike B All in attendance carried out the motion.

Previous Meeting Minutes - Kris O'Brien distributed the minutes of the October 17, 2024, meeting to the group before the meeting. The group discussed errors and omissions.

The motion to approve the minutes as distributed was made by Kris O, seconded by Mike B, and the motion was carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes

Fee Increases for Association

The fee increases are in place for 2025: from \$15 to \$25. We are not aware of any complaints about this change. This will result in an approximately \$4000 increase in revenue for the club.

Heat Pump

The AC Units have been removed over the winter, and the holes have been filled. We also completed an energy audit of the facility over the winter, which is required for government funding. Bob J. got some prices for heat pumps, and the cost looks to be around \$7500. We would be eligible for approximately \$1,700 in rebates. We also have a \$1000 donation from the ladies' association to assist with this cost. Bob also suggested we seek sponsors/donations to offset this cost. Regardless, we will be moving forward with the purchase as previously approved by the board. We are hoping to have the heat pump installed no later than July 1, 2025

New Insurance Provider

We are moving away from Westland Insurance. Bob and Josie were able to get a competitive quote from Cook Insurance. Similar policy and coverage (2 Million Director Liability and 5 Million for Property and liability + better deductibles). Cost is \$3924 compared to \$5075. This has already been purchased and is in place.

Director End of Year Golf Fun Day

20 golfers - 9 Holes - everyone returned to the clubhouse afterwards for prizes and had some fun - \$10.00 per couple. Several members said they wished they could have attended but couldn't. We all agreed that we should do it again in 2025. Bob will contact Ryan to secure a date later in the season.

Employee to work the bar

Patty spoke to Sonya Dixon about what would be required and if funding was available. There is funding, however, we need to put a lot in place to have an employee (Form a business, tax number, payroll submission, workers' comp, etc). Likely not viable at this time. Patty recommends we continue the way we did last year. Josie volunteered to put a schedule in place for the weekends and men's and ladies' nights. Tournaments are not an issue as the organizers are tasked with securing the volunteers. We should be more than covered if we get 3 - 4 nights out of each board member with their responsible servers license for the summer.

It was also discussed whether we should adjust the bar prices for 2025. Some felt the prices were too low. Bob J. indicated that even with the reduced price, we are still profitable as our overhead is minimal. We agreed to leave the prices as is for another year and revisit them in 2026. Our goal is to make the clubhouse a preferred location, and having affordable drink and food prices makes this appealing.

Also, a discussion was held about going cashless at the clubhouse this year. The Clover/tap system works very well, and it is used by the majority of the members. However, we do have many members who still prefer cash, and we do not want to alienate them. We said we would think more about this and discuss it again at the next meeting.

Board Members

Thomas D. and Sean H. are leaving the board. Joe B. and Sean H. have been looking for new members. Marc Monette has been approached and has agreed to join. Rick Sutherland is also interested in joining. We are looking for one more. These new members will be voted on and ratified at the AGM in June.

Reopening the Clubhouse

Water and Heat are on. Bob will look after getting the Internet and the Clover system reactivated. Bob will also look for assistance with stocking the bar and getting the same people as last year to clean the facility. We plan to open the clubhouse the same weekend as the course (May 9th).

Additional Exterior Lighting for the Clubhouse Property

Several members commented last season that the parking lot was not very well lit. To improve the lighting, we decided to purchase some Exterior solar lights and mount them on the trees in the parking area. Kris O will look into this.

Upcoming Events

We have the Preferred draw on May 23 and the Early Bird Tournament on May 24 - 25. Ken B and Joe B will handle the preferred draw, and Patty and Josie will look after the Early Bird.

Minimum number of players/teams for a division in Tournaments.

Last year, the board decided we would want a minimum of 10 teams before we had a division in our tournaments. This would allow for two flights of five. For the Early Bird, there are only seven ladies' teams (+ 1 on the waiting list), so we need two more teams to support a division. Patty and Josie said they would secure two more teams before May 1. If they cannot, we must decide how to approach this division.

Proposed Changes for the Preferred Draw

At the request of some members, Kris O brought up the possibility of changing the format of the draw, where all teams would go into the draw, and when your name comes out, you would decide on if you want a Saturday or a Sunday time from the list. This would differ from deciding on the day before the draw. This change was requested because several teams end up getting left off the Sunday times due to a lack of space, and then only the really poor times are available on Saturday.

After discussions around the table, it was decided that the status quo was fine and that we would keep the format as it was.

Reports

Finance Report

- Revenue
 - Year-end balance \$6,365.84
 - Petty Cash on hand \$133.35
 - o Donations from last year \$4,824
 - o GIC balance \$ 17,446.04
 - 2024 GIC Interest made \$824.87 Projected for 2025 \$655

2024 Donations:

•	Steve Jamieson	AMAC	\$1500
•	John Currie		\$1324
•	Debbie and Ken Beck	Becks Auto Body	\$1000
•	Ladies Association	for Heat Pump	\$1000

In Addition, the following individuals provided labour and material to help the club with the upgrades required for PEILC and Health PEI licensing.

•	Foster Campbell	Electrical
•	Jack Panting	Plumbing

• Joe Brown Finish Carpentry

The Budget for the Clubhouse Improvements was set at \$5700. The actual cost was \$3701.

2024 Bar Clubhouse Sales

- \$8416.31 (Includes petty cash of \$133.25)
- \$3165.80 PEILC purchases
- \$5250.51 in revenue (does not include hot dog, pop, and pizza expense)

Another item that was not discussed is a property tax grant for a non-profit. It's a 30% reduction, which I have applied for and equates to about \$300.

Ken B. moved to accept the Finance report as read and distributed, seconded by Mike B. It was approved by all.

The next board meeting will be on May 15, 2025

With no further business, Josie J moved for adjournment at the chair's call. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris O'Brien - Secretary

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