

# College Pines Golf Club



## Committee meeting minutes – 7 May 2025

### Attendees

Tony Griffin - Chair  
Glynn Wells – Past Captain  
David Urpeth- Handicap Secretary / Captain  
Simon Edis – Treasurer  
Phil Mason – Senior Captain  
Phil Knight – Senior Past Captain  
Mark Morgans – Competition Secretary  
Mick Sarjeant – Vice Captain  
John Stimpson – Past Captain  
Derrol Witts – Member

### In attendance

Mike Beahan – Owner  
Maggie Beahan – Owner  
Max Beahan - Owner

### Apologies

Lesley Chrispin – Ladies Captain  
Lesley Hall - Ladies past captain  
Freda Pinder – Ladies Vice Captain  
John Stockdale – Scratch Team captain

1. The Chair TG welcomed everyone to the meeting, and the apologies listed above were noted.
2. John Hedley has stood down from the Secretary role. In the absence of anyone coming forward to take on the position, we will have to share out the taking of minutes (with Tony Griffin volunteering to do them for this meeting). We also reiterated the need to remember to publicise them to members via HowDidIDo.
3. Minutes and Matters arising
  - a. The minutes of the previous meeting (7 May 2025) were agreed as a correct record.
  - b. John Stimpson has offered to provide an electronic picture frame on which to display the photos of past captains (which will need names to be added). This can then be located below the clock in the bar. **Action: JS & SE**
  - c. Names still to be added to the honours boards. **Action: SE**
4. Report from and questions to the owner
  - a. John and Sophie have left after resigning their positions working in the bar. We wish them well. The person appointed to replace them had serious family issues so did not take up the post. Attempts to secure someone for the job are being actively pursued. If anyone knows somebody suitable, please let the owners know. It is apparent that the person does not need to be a fully-fledged chef.
  - b. Christmas lunches will no longer be provided as they have previously been. They are too complicated and uneconomic. However, the need for something (less elaborate) is recognised as the fraternity of Christmas gatherings is to be welcomed and encouraged.

- c. The course has held up well through the dry and hot weather. The greens are extremely good, and the expectation is that the grass will recover, but – in areas where it does not – it will be re-seeded.
- d. The owners are going to replace the tractor with a more powerful one for improved grass cutting.
- e. The statue (of a stag's head) is arriving tomorrow to be placed on the concrete base that has been prepared for it.
- f. Sand has been added into many bunkers and there is more to come.
- g. Posters about sexual harassment have been put up. This is not in response to any specific issue at CPGC, but to the need to comply with legislation. Members should be aware of the language they use while in the clubhouse.
- h. Recommendations from a Health and Safety consultant have been received and will lead to a statement on the website.
- i. In response to a question about bushes in front of the 17<sup>th</sup> championship tee, Mike agreed to investigate the issue.
- j. Derrol Witts relayed various positive comments gathered from the group that he plays with, including the improvements in the clubhouse (photos, toilets etc). He is excited about the future for the club.

## 5. Reports from officers

- a. Handicap Secretary – All is well and there is nothing to report
- b. Captain:
  - i. The two charity days went well, with thanks to all involved, especially Mandy Taylor.
  - ii. On 8 July the captain and TG represented the club in a Notts Captains event at The Nottinghamshire. Past captains are encouraged to take an active part in the Society.
  - iii. Plans are in place for the Away Day on 8 Aug at Wheatley. There are 32 players, and the draw / tee times will be sent out early next week
- c. Lady Captain – See report copied in full at the foot of these minutes.
- d. Senior Captain:
  - i. The Away Day at Thonock Park went well.
  - ii. Charity contributions are very positive.
  - iii. Interclub matches are going OK though recent results were not great.
- e. Scratch Captain – The team is doing well in Division 2. They are in second place, one point behind to Stanton with a game in hand. Opponents on Monday are Norwood (away) which will be an important match in the aim of getting to top spot.
- f. Treasurer:
  - i. Income (i.e. competition numbers) is steady / OK.
  - ii. Bank balances are also OK, with the new (Lloyds) account working well.
  - iii. Vouchers are being used well, with the shop doing good trade, including with orders for sock not actually available in there.
- g. Competition Secretary:
  - i. Scores are now being processed much more quickly, which is being well received.
  - ii. The use of live leaderboards on the screen is working well.

- iii. Club Championship: There have been problems with people not bothering to turn up for the Sunday round, leading to wasted tee times. In response the proposal is to operate a “cut” with only the best 15 going through to the second day (together with the payment of a small deposit to encourage people to attend). This will require work for Mark on the Saturday evening as (for example) players from the top 15 might drop out and need replacing by players from further down the list.
- iv. Options for different competitions: Mark is looking into new ideas. One of these is to operate some “mixed tee” events, in which players can choose to play off the whites or yellows (with the relevant playing handicap). Others are such things as “three clubs and a putter” events or scrambles. These provoked discussion among the committee, but the overall ideas were well-received, and we look forward to them being trialled.
- v. That discussion led to another about the need for players to take more care in completing their scorecards, especially in the light of the frustration that the responsibility for putting names on cards lies formally with the committee, not the player! This causes significant extra work for those processing competitions. Although repeat offenders cannot necessarily be DQ’d, the committee does have the power to bar players from entering future competitions.

**Date of next meeting:** Wednesday 1 October 2025 at 6.00 in the clubhouse

### Lady Captain’s Report

#### **Interclub/Bronze League**

Unfortunately the Ladies lost R2 of the Interclub at Worksop but a fantastic result for the Bronze team against Radcliffe at home.

#### **President’s Cup**

A massive thank you to Maggie Beahan who donated the prizes for the President’s Cup; Linda Wardle took first place with 39 points and Kath Doherty second with 38 points.

**Invitation Day** is always a lovely occasion to see familiar faces and new ones as well; it was nice to see some of our Lady members joining in. The results were:

1st - 44 points - Margaret Bailey & Frances McGinty  
2nd - 41 points - Judy Walford & Jane Garner  
Nearest the Pin - Paula Gee  
College Pines Ladies  
1st - 40 points - Kath Doherty & Linda Wardle  
Nearest the Pin - Chrissie Buckland

A huge thank you to Jean Potts and Sue Hill who did an amazing job at the halfway house.

#### **Race to Woodhall Spa**

Congratulations to Lesley Hall who came second at Alnmouth with a score of 40 points, Lesley will be playing in the final on 11th August on The Bracken Course, Woodhall Spa. I’m sure I can speak on behalf of all the ladies and men, and wish Lesley good luck.

#### **Charity Event**

As most of you know I like mixed competitions so I asked Mike Beahan if I could run a Charity event; not only did he agree, he also took part. Thank you Mike.

I would personally like to thank everyone who played; all of you took it in good spirits whether it was counting lost balls, how many went into bunkers and doing the maths on the score cards and not forgetting your ‘inventive’ team names.

And I can't forget Ruth & Gary on the Halfway House; what a fantastic team serving everyone with Ruth taking team photos. A total of £388-55p was raised for **Breast Cancer Now**, so thrilled and overwhelmed by the generosity of the competitors and other players both on the course and at the Clubhouse.

Lady Captains home day was a great success, it was an individual stableford won by Margaret Bailey 39 points close second Anne Thow 37 points ,and for a bit of fun I included a team game as well, won by Lesley Hall, Beryl Marsh & Freda Pinder, plus a putting competition which was called PIMS my putt as you can guess a bottle of PIMS was the prize , a halfway house manned by Georgina & Ruth was very much appreciated.

A massive thank you to Maggie Beahan and staff for the amazing buffet they produced all the ladies thoroughly enjoyed it.

Next month is my away day at Dore & Topley and also my away weekend at Staverton so, looking forward to both of them.