

WAGS Committee meeting 12th April 2021

Attendees: Shutes (AS), Bunning (CB), Latham (RL), Fawcett (TF), Stemberge (JS), Middleton (PM)

Apologies: Trinick (RT)

The meeting commenced at 1800 hours via Zoom Global Video conference encompassing Honourable Members based in the UK and overseas.

Fixtures:

AS opened the meeting to discuss the situation regarding members who either cannot or have not been able to get a place on a fixture over the first part of the season. The committee has been concerned about the distribution of players for these initial events. Some Wags may have felt left out.

Inevitably this season would start with a large turnout. And indeed it has:

We have 28 for Chartham Park (Sandwedge), 36 for Woldingham (Trinket) and 37 for Cuddington (Birdie).

It was good to note that the distribution of players was wider than we had at first thought mainly because clubs had given us greater player numbers.

Action:

As a committee we agreed that to ensure fairness, particularly over the beginning of the season, a communication should be sent out to all Wags with a note to say if anyone feels they are missing out that they should contact our Honourable Chairman (AS). This is to be done immediately and again in early June.

AOB:

We discussed RB's email to us regarding no more "gimmes". We agreed the currently Wags protocol should remain where gimmes can be granted within sensible distance (that means not three foot but one foot or thereabouts).

AS also mentioned that we must make sure members stick to the stroke and distance rules if a ball goes out of play and/or cannot be found. For example, if you tee off walk up and cannot find the ball then agree where it went out and play your next shot two club length from the edge of the course where it went out and it will be your FOURTH shot not your third. Better still, if you can realise your error from the tee box for example, then play another ball as a provisional 3rd shot from the tee.

Meeting ended 6.25pm
Tom Fawcett - Secretary