

## WARKWORTH GOLF CLUB

**Note: items deemed confidential have been withheld from the published minutes**

### **Minutes of the Committee Meeting held Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2016**

**Present:** J A Gray (Chair), T Capron (Secretary), G Douglas (Treasurer), J Douglas, Mrs J Gray, I Moyes

**Apologies:** A MacKay, K Dalby (Lady Captain), L Wraith

### **Minutes of the Meeting Held Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016:**

These were approved as a true record.

#### **Matters arising not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:**

- (i) In the absence of any way being found it was agreed to cease the search for a new clubhouse locking protocol.
- (i) No response the possibility of money for the juniors from the Rotary Club. **IM**
- (ii) There is no progress with the matter of water ingress into the committee room. The Treasurer will discuss this with Garry Henderson. **GD**
- (iii) The Secretary has yet to deal with the stroke indices for the men's course. **Sect**
- (iv) Keys have been issued to trolley shed users. The Secretary will confirm to that the shed will be locked at the beginning of August. **Sect**
- (v) It was noted that the open bolts on the bridge foundations have been covered.
- (vi) It was noted that the mill-stone sign has been re-painted.
- (vii) The Treasurer reported that he is dealing with the accountant in respect to the VAT refund.
- (viii) The Secretary reported that he had highlighted the need for vigilance when driving off over Killie.
- (ix) The secretary advised he is meeting with ADT alarms to try to ascertain and fix the matter of frequent false alarms. He also confirmed the company has acknowledged receipt of the new contact list. **Sect**
- (x) It is hoped the problem with the toilet in the female area has been fixed.
- (xi) The Secretary has advised the County development Officer that we are not in a position to work with him at this time.
- (xii) The Secretary reported that he has a photo of IM as safe-Guarding Officer but he has not yet publicised the position. **Sect**

- (xiii) The secretary reported that he has had an answer from the past Captain concerning the charity money. A total of £250 was donated to Prostate cancer. Members have been informed.

### **Correspondence**

1. The Chairman reported a recent e-mail from DM suggesting ways of increasing clubhouse use. The Secretary advised he has already had a meeting with DM on this and certain ideas are being progressed.
2. LW has raised the matter of raised wire netting over rabbit damage. It was agreed this is a good way of preventing further damage but that care needs to be taken to ensure the edges do not become raised and that the areas need to be defined as GUR. The Treasurer will inform the green-keeper. **GD**

### **Finance and Membership:**

Item withheld

With reference to cash in hand, it was noted that compared to 2015 (i) we have paid the rent and (ii) we had to spend over £7,000 on repairing the irrigation system. Assuming nothing major happens in the second half of the year the Club should generate a reasonable surplus.

### **Greens Matters**

The minutes of the Greens Committee held 27th June had been circulated previously. Key matters:

1. The course has been treated for daisies. The Chairman queried the amount of clover, especially on the bank of the 3<sup>rd</sup> fairway. **Greens Cttee**
2. The Greenkeeper is taking remedial action to deal with the thatch/fairy ring damage to the 5<sup>th</sup> and practice greens.
3. Work will be done on the tee-boxes in the coming weeks.
4. Greens will continue to be cut six days per week but on those Wednesdays the match play team is at home this will be done in the afternoon just prior to the match rather than in the early morning.
5. It was decided to re-instate the area of recently planted gorse with wood chippings as GUR. The Secretary will ensure this is communicated to members. **Secretary**
6. Date of next Greens Cttee was agreed as Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August. The Chairman will advise Cttee members.

### **Competition Matters**

- (i) It was noted that the Mail on Sunday team had been narrowly defeated 3/2 by a strong Chester-le-Street team. Team members were complimented on their good performance.

- (ii) Mel Patterson & Gary Scott, representing the Club in the Daily Mail Foursomes, have progressed having beaten Goswick and will face Consett at home in the last 64.
- (iii) The Secretary and Lady Captain will liaise to try to get a reasonable entry for the Brian Ross on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August. The Pat Johnson was re-scheduled for Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September.
- (iv) It was noted that the Ladies had defeated a team of seniors to take the Interior Cup. The event had been enjoyed and next year it may revert to being 18 holes.
- (v) The Ladies have finished their 'clean-up' of the CDH. The Match Sect is still working on the men's errors. **Match Sect**
- (vi) It was noted that the Lady Match Sect has carried out the mid-year handicap review. The Match Sect will do the men's ASAP. **Match Sect**

### **Captain's Matters**

- 1. It was agreed the Treasurer will circulate a membership list. Cttee members to identify possible candidates for the 2017 Captain who will be approached well in advance of the AGM. It was felt that if the load is reduced making the position more 'honorary' and less 'hands-on' we are more likely to be successful.

### **Ladies Section**

- 1. It was reported that the Ladies card is to be re-assessed next year. This may result in changes to measurement/stroke indices.

### **Juniors**

No matters.

### **Update on the Bridge**

Work is progressing on treating the cut timber prior to its use in autumn.

### **House/Social Matters**

- 1. The Chairman is going to investigate with Michael Scott some form of BBQ. **Chairman**
- 2. It was noted the intended meeting between the Chair, Treasurer and Stewardess to discuss drink prices had not yet taken place. The Chair will expedite this asap. **Chairman**

### **Personnel Matters**

None

### **Environment Agency**

Nothing to report

### **AoB**

1. IM/Chairman gave an update on the forthcoming wedding. Essentially all is in hand.
2. IM reported the wedding for 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017 has been confirmed and a deposit paid. The other interested party is coming to view the wedding taking place this week to see if she/he wishes to progress their interest.
3. It was agreed that IM investigate the possibility of the Club becoming a licensed wedding venue.  
**IM**
4. It was agreed to amend the clubhouse locking time to 8,00pm rather than 'dusk'.

**DoNM**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August at 10.00am in the clubhouse.