

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON MONDAY 8TH JANUARY 2018

Present: Jordan Arnold, George Hampshire, Ian Gover, Ros Chidgey, Melvyn Miles, Ian Groves, Steve Plenty, Mr. King and Janet Handley.

SASP (Somerset Activity and Sports Partnership) have provided money to purchase equipment to help in the delivery of promoting golf. Money provided so far is £300. Jordan has been promoting golf in two of the First Schools and Minehead Middle to obtain this financial support. He has been so successful that he has been invited to set up an after school club at the Middle School and also at one of the First Schools. We have already gained new members from his input at the First Schools and we are hopeful we may gain more via the Middle School.

The Golf Foundation are providing a further £250 to support us in working in local schools and with clubs in the area. A further £250 is promised for the coming financial year. We have to fulfil certain obligations some of which we have already, having increased the number of volunteers we have. Ian Gover has offered his time, and one or two of the parents present at the meeting are to obtain DBS statements so that they can be called on if necessary. Many parents stay to support their children during the practice sessions, once they have a DBS they can then qualify as volunteers. As a volunteer a DBS check costs the club £17.50 but is free to you.

The Golf Foundation Passport is to be used this coming year which will help to show parents and children the progression being made. Jordan will be attending a course explaining the specialised equipment and their method of using it. A process he is obliged to go through.

We are limiting the number of children at sessions in order to make them more manageable and meaningful. It was really exciting last year to have so many attending but it made it very difficult for Jordan to be able to support every child in the way he would really like to.

The first group will start on Monday 2nd April from 6pm to 7pm. The group will be **limited** to just **10** children. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. £30 secures a place followed by a further £20 every four weeks. Each session thus costing £5. If the quota is filled and more children wish to join a second weekly session will be organised.

The question was raised as to whether there would be any concessions for Juniors that are members. There are to be no concessions. Club Membership entitles the Juniors to use the facilities at the golf club at any time. The course can be played as often as the Junior is able with no further green fees to pay; they can take part in competitions, there are bar discounts on drinks and food and parking is free. (Under 11's need an adult with them.)

TWO SPACES HAVE ALREADY BEEN BOOKED FOR APRIL WITH THE £30 PAID.

Spaces are limited.

BOOKING A SPACE. Put the £30 in an envelope with your name on it and labelled Juniors. Leave it with the Pro Shop.

The sooner we know how many are interested the earlier we can make arrangements for an extra session to take place if required.

We spoke about ways of raising extra money and a swap shop has been suggested for good quality items of shoes and clothing that Juniors have grown out of.

I am trying to familiarise myself with the Junior section of the Club Website so that all relevant information should be accessible there in the future.

Handouts were distributed for parents and children to read about how we would like them to conduct themselves so that behaviour around the course and at the lessons helps them to make the most out of the lessons and to stay safe.

This is quite a brief synopsis of the meeting. If you have any questions please email me. If you are interested in booking a place for the summer let me know BUT understand that until £30 is paid the place is not secure.