## CLWB GOLFF PORTHMADOG GOLF CLUB

## ADRAN Y DYNION / MENS SECTION

## COFNODION/MINUTES 13<sup>TH</sup> CHWE/FEB 2018

- 1. PRESENT M.LEECH CAPT B.SWEENEY V/CAP E.MORRIS PRES
  G.T.JONES MNG D.D.JONES M/CAP I.W.JONES SEC/TRE
  G.PIERCY G.EVANS D.H.GRIFFITHS N.HUGHES A/CHAIR
- 2. APOLOGIES NONE
- 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING were read and approved proposed by President and seconded by Vice Captain
- 4. MATTERS ARISING The Captain welcomed the acting Chair of the Club, Nigel Hughes to the meeting

The Guy Fawkes evening was very well attended and has already been put in the diary for 2018. The all winners presentation evening was also a success

DDJ asked for the sign on the practice green asking all who use the area to repair their pitchmarks to be made more prominent. A suggestion was made that 'Please Repair Pitchmarks' signs could be placed around the course as well

New flagsticks and flags have been ordered for the coming season and the tree at the rear of the  $9^{th}$  green has recently been removed

5. MATCH & HANDICAP DDJ reported that the annual handicapping review has been carried out with the assistance of Terry and Dave Smith. A new CONGU rule now allows players to have a handicap greater than 28. The review showed that this increase for some of the senior section was warranted

The Winter League is in disarray with a few pairings not even completed their second round, the format to be reviewed for 2018

Our representatives GTJ and Andrew Jones have been given a bye in the first round of the Mail on Sunday foursomes

We shall not be entering a team for The Annodata team of 5 competition nor shall we be entering a team in the Welsh Scratch Championship. Dilwyn explained that entry fees of £60 and £75 for both could not be justified as we would find it difficult to put a competitive scratch team out and last year he found it hard just to get 5 players to play at home in the Annodata team event, this coupled with the cost of meals and travelling expenses ,regrettably, did not justify our participation in these competitions this year

The first competition of the year is on the horizon and the white tees will be in play as well as the new  $5^{th}$  tee

The autumn outing has been arranged for 23<sup>rd</sup> September at Harlech with Northop Hall showing an interest of a reciprocal in May, DDJ to chase on that

In the current wet conditions a local rule regarding 'plugged balls through the green may be dropped' should be in place

In competitions when playing the 14<sup>th</sup> players that are 70+ of age can play the hole from the top tee but will forfeit a shot on that hole, they should inform the shop when they collect their card. The seniors are not aware of this local rule. A sign to be put up on the seniors' notice board to clarify this

6. TREASURERS REPORT IWJ to ask Cedri to audit our end of year accounts

Shows a loss of £110 on the year due to the increased expense of 2 buses to our 2 outings during the summer

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS Executive - The Chair advised that from now on minutes from the executive will be posted on the web site quicker than in the past

Greens - Gwyn reported that a quote had been received for drainage work on some of the greens. Our own staff had carried out some drainage work and on the  $16^{th}$  it seemed to have worked but the  $9^{th}$  remains wet and an alternative solution will be looked at

Trees have been cut back on the  $3^{rd}$  fairway and the oak tree overhanging the  $8^{th}$  tee will also be pruned

Permanent restrictions on buggies across the  $6^{th}$  hole and to the  $8^{th}$  tee are now in place

Two of our staff have been trained on the use of a chain saw

Problem arisen with the collapse of the bank of the ditch by the first green awaiting progress information

Potential problem with the land on the second hole with the committee ready to listen to any suggestions as to a suitable solution

House - Quotations have been received for installation of new boiler to heat the lounge. The committee decided that the removal of the large heating unit will allow the repair work to be carried out to seal the flat roof. The ceiling in the lounge will be taken down allowing pipe work for the heating and the fitting of new lights to take place, the Captain informed us that we are progressively moving forward with prices

There will be new table tops for the tables in the lounge

The work on the bin area in the car park is advancing and will be completed as soon as the timber has arrived

A positive review with the Stewardess with regards of altering the menus and restaurant opening times has been carried out

8. A.O.B The Captain asked for clarification that there should be no priority for those who start their round from the 10<sup>th</sup> hole and if they are caught by any players who have started from the 1<sup>st</sup> they are obliged to ask them through

GTJ and DDJ have looked at distribution of vouchers for competitions

and decided that divisional prizes be abolished and that  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  vouchers be awarded for competitions with more than 45 entries, below this number then only  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  will be presented. The breakdown as follows  $1^{st}$  will receive 50% of total prize entry,  $2^{nd}$  30% and  $3^{rd}$  20%. For competitions with an entry of less than 45 then  $1^{st}$  will get 60% and  $2^{nd}$  40%

GP asked if he could push on Union cards this year thro social networking and he also volunteered to produce a Newsletter for the club and asked for input from various sources. Our thanks to Gareth for this venture and we eagerly await the first edition

Gareth also asked if we could trial a on line booking competition for our next meeting

IWJ had received correspondence from the Ladies section regarding a proposal which they want to put to the AGM. After some discussion a compromise was reached and IWJ will contact the Ladies secretary with our proposal

It was Martins final section meeting as Captain and was thanked for all his hard work during the past two years, his diligent approach both on and off the course has left a lasting impression. Thanks Martin,lovely grub!

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2018 7:30