

## Minutes of Tynemouth Ladies' Committee

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019

### Present

Gill Davison (Chair), Anne Coates (Captain), Nicki Davison (Treasurer), Judy Williams, (Secretary), Liz Hardy, Joyce Rogers, Esther Baron, Jane Hodgson, Jane Henderson, Lesley Gibson.

Paul Whittaker in attendance

### **Apologies** Eileen Gilboy

Gill asked Paul if he would like to speak.

Paul explained that the Business Development Group wished to promote ladies Golf and as a result had asked him to communicate with the Ladies Committee. The Ladies committee suggested that they co-opt a lady onto that committee.

Paul went through the Ladies Charter which had been developed by the R and A. The Charter is a statement of intent on behalf of the Club. At present Boldon is the only local golf club to sign up.

The present offer to ladies at present is a weekly Tuesday competition plus perhaps a Sunday. It was agreed that the present format of the Tuesday competition enabling new members to play with a variety of members is very beneficial to all.

Paul suggested various alternatives to encourage Ladies who work.

**Action** The Committee agreed to try a weekend Stableford competition. This would cost a £1 as the prize would be accumulative. The committee could see issues e.g. inexperienced players playing together but it was felt that these were not insurmountable.

A committee member suggested that if the objective was to increase member ship rather than equality then there was an untapped source of member ship in retired ladies and that more publicity was needed to attract these members.

Paul mentioned the

- Get into Golf which would start on Thursday afternoon for 4 weeks
- Women's Golf Day June 4<sup>th</sup> which clashes with the Ladies Championship
- Girls Golf Rocks starting the 18<sup>th</sup> May for 6 weeks. Rebecca Ferguson, Kelly and Ellie Dunston are supporting this and 15 -5 to 18 year olds have already signed up.

Paul left the meeting.

### 1 .Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April were accepted as a true record.

Proposed by Nicki Davison

Seconded by Lesley Gibson

## **Matters Arising**

Website- Anne circulated a draft of an opening statement to go on the Ladies Section of the website. It was suggested that a photograph would personalise this.

There would also be links to committee members and it was agreed to put e mail addresses on.

The Competition guidance would also be there.

## **Reports**

### **2. Secretary's Report**

Forms had been put up for people to sign up for Tea and Scones with the President and to help with the Senior's Open.

### **3. Treasurer's Report**

The opening balance1 April 2019	3055
Receipts	393
Payments	266
Balance Available	3182
In Transit	186
Statement Balance 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	3368

Receipts	Amount	Payments	Amount
Comp entries	317	Summer Comp Prizes	117
Summer Eclectic	42	9 hole cards	71
Ladies Open	24	Handicap Sec Exp.	18
County Card	10	Vets Championship	9
		Flowers and Plants	51
Total	393		266

The Ladies Open on the 11<sup>th</sup> July is up to 33 teams.

### **4. Competition Secretary Report**

I have very little to report. Our competitions are moving along and I am pleased to say that 3 of our newer ladies are joining the Tuesday evening 9 hole competition.

### **5. Captain's Report**

I attended the club committee on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

- PW to attend Ladies meetings.
- Transitional members will now have "full" status with reference to voting rights etc.
- Course is continuing to improve and new markers, tee flags etc are on the list for improvements.
- Next Social event coming up is the Quiz on 24<sup>th</sup> May.

The 1<sup>st</sup> team won their first Shield match against Morpeth on 10<sup>th</sup> April 4-3 so a great start to the season.

The 1<sup>st</sup> team have 2 matches in May. 9<sup>th</sup> May at home to Parklands and 23<sup>rd</sup> May away to Ponteland.

The Senior vs Ladies match due to take place on 3<sup>rd</sup> May has had to be rescheduled for 7<sup>th</sup> June.

The new Get into Golf course has begun and participants will be playing on Thursdays at 6.30pm.

## **7. Vice Captain's Report**

The Second Team had a very tough draw away at Bedlington Golf Club on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Unfortunately the team lost 5.5 to 1.5 but all matches were bravely fought in tough weather conditions. Bedlington were most hospitable and we enjoyed the course notwithstanding the result.

The Norah Percy played their first match at home on Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup> to a very strong Hexham team.

Unfortunately we also lost the match 3.5 to 1.5 although once again, I was very proud of my lovely ladies. Our catering staff produced a tasty meal and lots of the Hexham ladies commented on how super our course is looking.

## **8.AOB**

There is a vacancy on the committee and there was unanimous agreement to co-opt Iris Houghton on to support Joyce Rogers as Competition Secretary until November.

Anne relayed some of the concerns lady members had from the survey. It was decided that Paul Whittaker should respond.

The sustainability of the committee was raised and whilst it was accepted that computerization made some roles easier, the Competition Secretary was the most arduous.

**Action** An e mail to be sent out to members asking for a trainee competition secretary.

Anne raised the Issue of the TR Percy match clashing with Margaret Jackland's funeral. Bedlington had been unable to find an alternative date and the committee agreed that the match should be conceded.

Anne and Jane were going to attend defibrillator training.

Anne asked to form a subcommittee to help with Captain's day. Liz and Jane offered to help.

The meeting closed at 3:45 pm.

The next meeting is on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 7pm.

Signed..... Lady Chairman    Date.....