

MINUTES OF MEN'S PLAYERS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT TAUPO GOLF CLUB ON MONDAY JULY 30<sup>th</sup> COMMENCING AT 5.30PM.

**PRESENT:** Dick Fraser, George Lasker, John Davis, Mark Tito, Jason McIntosh, Grant Hill

**APOLOGIES:** Russell Wineera, Bryce Cutler

**Matters arising from last minutes:**

**Course marshalling** – John queries how this had gone and whether we intended on continuing. Grant advised he had been out on three club days but had no issues to report. Linda advises that finishing times have been ok recently. May need to be completed from time to time to remind players and also later in year if numbers increase.

**Visitors on club day** – further discussion around merits of visitors on club day. When two tee start is being used, care needs to be taken with visitors on start sheet to avoid slow play.

Minutes of the previous meeting having been circulated were approved as a true and correct record of that meeting. Approved Dick/John.

**General Business:**

**Dick Fraser**

**Tauhara 6<sup>th</sup> new planting** – queried if this was intended to be GUR. Grant advised that to protect the young plants this is permanent GUR.

**Centennial 1<sup>st</sup> tee** – traffic flowing from 18 to 1 is impacting on new planting on bank of 1<sup>st</sup> tee. **Action:** Grant Wilson will review.

**George Lasker**

**Progress results** – had received a comment that these were not published often enough for multi round competitions. **Action:** Grant will attend to this.

**Mark Tito**

**Intermediate strokeplay** – mark advised that Colin Ridge had disqualified himself from the final round of strokeplay and returned the trophy. This relates to relief taken from an area on the 14<sup>th</sup> hole which is not GUR. **Action:** Grant to attend to changing trophy and vouchers.

**Tappenden trophy dispensation** – Peter Cogswell has requested dispensation until 1 week after play by date as partner is overseas. Committee decided that this may disadvantage the opposition and therefore would leave decision with opponents.

**Action:** Mark to contact Peter.

**BOP Pennants 2008** – meeting to be held Aug 25<sup>th</sup> to decide format for 2008. A draft programme has been received with Pennants scheduled on Auckland Anniversary weekend and therefore clashing with Harcourt's Classic. The committee were also in favour of 8 man championship team with foursomes. **Action:** Grant to email BOP golf advising them of clash & our objection to playing on long weekend, George to raise at BOP meeting.

### John Davis

**GUR** – queries if there was going to be definition provided for area's of GUR following tree removal. Grant advised that this was under consideration but issue is how definition will be provided. The clean up is well underway with PD workers assisting. Review of options will be completed when clean up finished and in the meantime a general local rule is in effect.

**Rule of the day** – suggested introducing a rule of the day to be discussed in clubhouse after golf. First rule will be the value of playing a second ball in strokeplay.

**Referees** – suggested a referee may be a good idea for finals of matchplay on Sept 30<sup>th</sup>. It was agreed this was a good idea but choice of referee may be limited by who is in finals. **Action:** Grant will speak to Ralph when he returns from overseas.

### Grant

**Saturday prize divisions** – suggested introducing a third division when more than 60 players. Divisions to be even in numbers. Committee agreed with vouchers to be \$20/\$10 each divisions irrespective of how many divisions. **Action:** Grant to advise Linda.

**Player of the year** – options were provided to committee following previous meeting. In order to focus event on individual performance Option B has been chosen which includes weekly points to individuals plus points for Middlemore Mugs, Tappenden and Foursomes. **Action:** Grant to amend for 2008.

**Stableford prizes in strokeplay** – this year we provided prize for stableford winner in each division which was well received. All agreed this should be done again next year but ensuring gross prizes get higher value prizes.

**2 tee start** – several have now been completed and positively received by members. They will continue when Men's & Ladies club day are on different courses until end of September when committee can review and consider doing again for June-Sept 2008.

**Smyth trophy** – interclub event between Tokoroa Mangakino & Putaruru. Sunday Sept 16<sup>th</sup> 11am shotgun start. Centennial Course with event being combined with Alexander open tournament. Format: best 12 of 16 stableford event with teams made up of any combination of men and women. Grant has written to the clubs advising details and seeking confirmation they are coming. **Action:** Grant to arrange morning tea to be provided before hand.

**Weekend casual play start sheet** – Grant advised this has been introduced and so far has worked well. Proshop managing tees for casual play & office the prior bookings. A review will be completed by Grant, James and Bruce late August.

**Patrons Trophy format** - currently Mixed Four Ball handicap matchplay, commences with the first round of matches on a set day, normally April. This year 22 pairs entered including some with dispensation to play first matches by a later date due to a clash with Pennants. The number of entrants meant there were 5 byes for the second round and the position of each entrant was randomly drawn. If there is an odd number of entrants, one pair win first match by default

For 2008 proposed change:

a/ Hold a qualifying round (probably best ball nett) which will provide seeding for future matches and make seeding for any required byes fairer

b/ Combine the qualifying round with an existing Open Tournament in April to potentially increase numbers and help avoid clash with other events

Men's committee in favour of the change. **Action:** Grant to discuss with Women's committee & if in favour make any amendments necessary.

**Multi round events** – events such as Captains trophy & John Wragge have been spread throughout the year which makes it difficult for members to keep track of progress scores and events lose focus. Suggested arranging the programme to have all rounds completed within as short a timeframe as possible. Also suggested making Bill Tito & Mike Alexander trophies best 3 of 4. Committee agreed. **Action:** Grant to amend 2008 programme and event descriptions at front of book.

**President's trophy** – suggested having a qualifying day for this event with top 32 nett scores going into matchplay. Committee agreed. It was thought the Middlemore Mugs event which accepts all entries into matchplay would continue in current format but be scheduled as early as possible to assist with proving adequate time for matches to be completed. **Action:** Grant to amend 2008 programme and event descriptions at front of book.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting **closed at 6.40pm** and thanked everyone for their attendance. **Next meeting: 27<sup>th</sup> August**