

MINUTES OF MEN'S PLAYERS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT TAUPO GOLF CLUB ON MONDAY 1st OF AUGUST 2005 COMMENCING AT 5.00PM.

PRESENT: Charley Beagle (Chair), Colin Ridge, Laurie Hema, Shaun McGreevy, Dick Fraser, Michael Keehan, George Lasker, Grant Hill

APOLOGIES: John Davis, Mark Tito (late)

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

Grant updated previous minutes:

Sept 3 – Bledisloe Cup event no issue to Akld & Wgtn as will be holding formal dinner on Friday.

Club Champs finals – yet to check with Carolyn on the idea of holding an event on Tauhara to draw people to clubhouse for prize giving.

Tauhara markers – Grant Wilson looking at options for alternative distance markers. It was thought as a minimum the long par 4's should have blue markers.

Charley Beagle

Pennant format – has sought feedback from members with no major concerns. George Lasker attending BOP ½ yearly meeting and will vote in favour.

Handicapping – received letter from member Terry Lomas raising concern over handicapping of players on non-competition days. Also received playing statistics from Greg Sheehan of several players which highlights this same concern. **Action:** Laurie Hema to review handicap manual and seek guidance from NZGA. Grant to acknowledge Terry letter and advise action when decided.

Saturday Golf sub-committee – Charlie acknowledged the growth in Saturday golf but has encouraged this committee to meet to further to keep improvements coming including a format for the Sept 3 event.

Saturday Starting – issue raised of 2 members being taken off the start sheet without their knowledge and therefore were unable to play. This was considered to be an isolated incident and as can not really be supervised hopefully will not happen again but is to be monitored. Also of note is as the numbers increase pressure is coming on the starting tee for the 11am-12pm times. Also noted by Grant that the early times are not being taken and members ringing mid-morning are too late to take these spots. **Action:** Committee to encourage members to enter early on Saturday morning by phone (from 8am) or enter in person from Wednesday. If necessary it was also decided that the 10th tee can be used at midday with players to follow the last ladies group through the turn. When ladies on different course, the 10th may be able to be used earlier but consideration needs to be given to casual players on the course – check with Proshop & office. Starters also encouraged to remind players and Proshop staff that players need to report to office before going to

the tee. The PA system can be used to call players if required but care needed as broadcast to both courses. The tee time for Saturday ladies also to be revisited, Grant to discuss with Chris Gillett if they are happy with current time or would look at changing.

Mowers – advised committee that the Board had agreed to acquire 2 new mowers which will be in place prior to the spring growth.

Dick Fraser

Raffles – suggested meat and cash should be run each week. All agreed.

George Lasker

BOP affiliation fees – was concerned that these had not been paid which would affect voting at ½ yearly meeting. Action: Grant to confirm and attend to it if required.

Development officer – has spoken with Michael Strong about coming to Taupo to work with local players. **Action:** grant to follow up.

Michael Keehan

Pennants – raised issue of Springfield having two teams in revised championship format and if they do they should pay each other at home. **Action:** George to raise this if required at meeting.

Grant

Juniors playing Saturday Golf – has had request from Blake Prior to join Saturday men's comp. He is 11 years, has been playing for 1 year and plays to a 20 handicap. Much discussion on this issue as currently have no guidelines, committee agreed to the following criteria:

Positive assessment of suitability from Pro
Previous experience in Sunday competition (i.e. allow entry into Sunday comp as a trial)
Have been through Junior programme which includes assessment of skill, knowledge of rules & formats.
Generally Juniors need to be 14 years of age but exceptions may be considered.

Application will be considered by the committee after the above information has been provided.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting **closed at 6pm** and thanked everyone for their attendance. **Next meeting: Sept 5th at 5pm.**