



MINUTES OF LIAISON MEETING HELD AT THE CRAYTHORNE 12th May 2008

1. Present

A. A. Wright(Chairman), N. Docksey, W Adams, S Smedley, A. Jeffery, L. King, S Cooper

2. Apologies

G Wain

3. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 18th March were agreed as a true and accurate record.

4. Matters Arising

AAW brought to the attention of the committee that monies invested in the Club is controlled the Liaison committee as per the clubs constitution. Any change would require full consultation with all sections of the membership.

5. Junior Report

A Junior Report was tabled and the following points were raised:

AAW made the point that this committee had requested that the Junior Committee produce a budget for the Liaison Committee. As yet no budget has been received.

It was agreed that the Liaison Committee receive a more detailed financial breakdown of funds to be included within the junior report in future.

AAW raised concerns re the numbers of Juniors lost at the end of the season and felt that the Junior Committee should be making contact with existing members from the beginning of January to try and reduce this loss.

6. Course

ND again passed on thanks and reiterated the positive comments from both members and visitors to the club.

ND asked why it seemed that the balls on the green picked up more clippings early in the mornings. AAW explained that some of this was due to the early morning dew but also explained that the correct procedure for early mowing was to swish then mow and then swish again, this in some cases was not happening, but it would happen from now on.

AAW also wanted it known the preferred lies sign should have come down earlier and a request had been made to the greens staff and the pro shop which had not been adhered to, but would be done.

WA passed on favourable comments about course from other seniors sections visiting the club playing their matches as the season progressed.

LK also had had received positive comments from Branston in a recent match.

SS told the committee that she had received extremely good comments from The Staffs South Lady Past Captains, I was at the half way house and sent off every team after refreshments, not one person had a bad word to say, they all thought the course was the best they had ever seen it lots of people said how much better our greens were than theirs. Just one problem a couple of teams played the 14th hole after the 2nd thinking it was the 3rd.

AJ commented that it was good to see numbers up in all the competitions and that the scores seemed to be improving as the competitions progressed.

AAW was hopeful that the 15th would be finished very shortly followed by the putting green. Lush growth on the course at the moment was keeping the staff busy mowing and in the warm damp weather the fairways could do with mowing three times a week but this was proving difficult to cope with but the staff were doing their best. The greens cutting will be reduced by .5mm as the positive growth continues.

7.Competitions

ND presented a 9 hole competition guideline sheet which explained the rules and competition procure, this was accepted and copies are to put up on all locker room notice boards.

SS Congratulations go to The Daily Mail Foursomes, Liz **Whitaker and Vera Hopkins** who beat Druids Heath and then Longcliffe, good luck to them in their next round. The bronze team won their match against Druids Heath. The Rolling Pin is reinstated at the Craythorne after our win against Ashbourne and The Pastures, also The A Team who won their scratch match against Druids Heath. The Craythorne Ladies Open 22nd May seems to be better supported this year, with 16 teams so far, 64 ladies as opposed to 48 ladies last year, all due to Brenda's hard work.

ND The A team had played two matches and secured a draw against Burton 3-3 and a win against Maywood away 3 1/2 – 2 1/2.

AAW then went on to ask the Ladies section to start and enter their score direct on to the computer as doing this later caused extra work. Help would be on hand if required.

8.Membership

ND had written to all new male members asking them to attend an introduction meeting on the evening of the 14th May.

AAW reported that membership was on par with last year but still 50 light or £25000 down. This needs to increase as the club is not feasible with only 360 members.

9.Social Committee

AJ tabled a report from the committee and thanked all involved in the running of the quiz night which had been a great success.

ND Anthony and Linda for the great organisation of the above evening and unfortunately he would not be available for the first Golfer Non golfer.

10. Charity Night.

ND thanked AAW and Peach Leisure for all their help in organising this event the numbers stood at about 80 at the moment but it was hoped this would increase over the next few weeks

A.O.B.

WA had received costs for the Seniors Captains board which including the making of the board and sign writing stood at £171 this cost seemed favourable and the when completed would be positioned in the men's lockers.

ND there still seemed to be a problem with the committees e-mail address, AAW reported that this was being worked on.

AAW asked for all committees/members to collect as much historical information on the Craythorne as possible to be used for The Craythorne exhibit in the entrance.

Date of next Meeting

Monday 2nd June 8.00pm at The Craythorne