

Minutes of the Birchwood Park Golf Club
Committee Meeting 124
Held on Wednesday, 17th July 2002

Present:

Mr P Holland (Chairman)	Mr John Porter (Secretary)
Mr Trevor Carter (Captain)	Dr Rachel White (Lady Captain)
Mr Steve Deacon (Vice Captain)	Mrs Barbara Fielder (Assistant Secretary)
Mr Mike Smith (Past Captain)	Mr Alex Woodgate (Handicap Secretary)
Mr Chris Davies (Food & Beverage Manager)	Mr B Baker (Seniors Representative)

Meeting Opened at 7.50 p.m.

- 1 **APOLOGIES:** Mrs Julie Carter (Burhill), Mrs Pat Carey, Mr Terry Skeggs, Mr Rod Stanley
- 2 **Minutes of Previous meeting No 123 of 19th June 2002**
- 2.1 Steve Deacon and Mike Smith proposed the minutes as correct.
- 3 **Matters Arising from Meeting 123**
- 3.1 **Item 3.2 – ‘Past Captains & Committee’ Match, 13th September** – It was pointed out that the new date clashes with the Steve Grey Competition. And that the 20th or 27th would be better -- Ongoing
Action: Rachel White
- 3.2 **Item 3.6 – Lettering** – Mr Holland said the machine is broken. - Ongoing **Action: Mr Holland**
- 3.3 **Item 3.7 – Charity Day, 9th August** – Rod Stanley is unable to organise this event now but Steve Deacon has stepped in to help out. At the moment there is only 3 definite teams and the cut-off date is the 23rd July. Mr Porter volunteered to sponsor the nearest the pins. **Action: Mr Deacon/ Mr Farley/Mrs Carter**
- 3.4 **Item 3.8 – Burhill Inter Club Challenge – 25th August** – Each club is taking 16 people at a ratio of 11 Men and 5 Ladies, to include Captains, Vice Captains, Club Champions, Order of Merit etc. The organiser needs the names, positions, handicaps etc ASAP. **Action: Trevor Carter/Rachel White**
- 3.5 **Item 3.9 – OOB Post for 15th Hole** – This has been done, but not the red line around water Hazards. Mr Smith said the red posts around the water hazards disappear faster than he can put them out, Mr Porter said this was why he had suggested the red paint, Mr Porter then when on to suggest using Block Pavior, red in colour, sunk into the ground. **Action: Mrs Carter**
- 3.6 **Item 5.3 – Fines** – Rachel White asked for clarification of the rule. This was discussed and members have the right to appeal by writing in to the committee.
- 3.7 **Item 5.4 – NAPGC** – This was confirmed that the cheque had been sent off.
- 3.8 **Item 6.5** – Mr Chris Davies reported that the menu would be changing in September, and for a trial period a coffee machine would be in place to purchase early morning coffee. Mr Porter asked why coffee had gone up by 25p to £1, Mr Davies explained the reason why but would bear it in mind for future increases.
- 3.9 **Item 7.5** – Closed.
- 3.10 **Item 7.6** – Closed.
- 3.11 **Item 7.7 – Captains Day** – It was generally felt that the day had been a great success and the food had been excellent. A discussion took part on the slow play as it took 5-6 hours. A suggestion was made that 3-4 tee times are purchased by members and kept spare before the competition for next year.

3.12 **Item 7.8 – Who’s Who Board** – Ongoing.

Action: Mrs Carter

4 **COMPETITIONS**

4.1 **WHITBREAD LEAGUE** – Birchwood v Upchurch – Birchwood lost 3-2

4.2 **North Kent 4-somes** – Birchwood v Kingshill – Birchwood won (away)

4.3 **Chrysler Qualifier** – Winners – Div 1 – Patsy Carey, Ray Ward – Div 2 – Keith Baylis, Alan Duffield

4.4 **Daily Telegraph** – Peter Holland & Angela Hamill won their round, and Trevor Carter & Rachel White won their round.

4.5 **NAPGC – Regional Final** – The following are through to the final at St Andrews:

Ladies – Div 1 – Pauline Steedon – Div 2 – Anne Jenner

Men -- Div 1 – Ray Ward -- Div 2 – Steve McPherson Div 3 – Mike Hewitt

4.6 **Seniors Competitions** – Friendly’s – Birchwood won against Woodlands Manor 5-1 and lost against Chelsfield 2-4. (Birchwood won Aggregate and Trophy 7-5)

4.7 **Ladies Competitions** – Friendly Birchwood lost to Tudor Park (away)
Triangular – Birchwood – 2nd Round – Birchwood still in lead.

5 **FINANCES**

5.1 Mr Holland distributed the Balance Sheet and the Bank balance is still healthy although there are still quite a lot of invoices still to come in and Mr Holland felt we should be cautious. It was decided to drop the 4th prize for the Scratch Plate as not enough entrants to warrant 4 prizes. A discussion took place about the Alan Smiths Pairs and Millcroft Pairs competitions. One goes to 1st & 2nd place and the other to 3 places, it was decided to make them both the same, to 2 places as that is still 8 trophies to purchase. A vote was taken with 1 against. Mrs Fielder asked if the ladies could go back to 3 places for Medals and Stablefords as they used to be when she first joined. A lot of ladies left when Burhill took over and it had to be cut down to 2 prizes, but she felt that the ladies section had now built up sufficient to warrant 3 places again. Her suggestion was turned down.

6 **SOCIAL EVENTS**

6.1 Chris Davies reported that he is working on several ideas, among them a Jazz event, and is hoping to do something in September.

7 **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

7.1 **ANNUAL DINNER & DANCE – 16th November** – Rachel reported that the venue at Bexleyheath is booked and deposit paid. The band is booked and deposit paid. Posters need sorting out and should be put up ASAP. Costings need to be worked out and whether the club funds can afford to subsidise this event as suggested at the AGM and recommended by the last outgoing committee. (Minutes 16th Jan 02 – Item 3.4)
Action: Rachel White/Trevor Carter

7.2 Alec Woodgate suggested a collection for Brian the receptionist who is leaving. Rachel said the ladies had already had a collection.
Action: Peter Holland

7.3 **Midweek Medals and Stablefords** – Alec asked if these could take place over 2 days Wed/Thurs, a discussion took place and the committee agreed they could.

7.4 **Security** – Rachel asked if there was progress on security – This was promised but so far has not happened. Chris Davies said he would take it up with Mrs Carter.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 9.15pm

Date of next meeting – Wednesday 21st August 2002