

**Minutes of the Birchwood Park Golf Club**  
**Committee Meeting 134 - Held on Monday, 12th May 2003**

**Present:**

Mr P Holland (Chairman)	Mr Terry Skeggs (Treasurer)
Mr Steve Deacon (Captain & Competitions)	Mrs Barbara Fielder (Assistant Secretary)
Mr Lee Venus (Vice Captain)	Mrs Pat Carey (Lady Captain)
Mr Barry Baker (Seniors Captain)	Mrs Diane Brannon (Lady Vice Captain)
Mrs Julie Carter (Burhill)	

Meeting Opened at 7.45 p.m.

**1 APOLOGIES:**

Mr Trevor Carter, Mr Ian Keith (Secretary), Mr Dave Grey, Mr Scott Morley (Burhill)

**2 Minutes of Previous meeting No 133 of 14<sup>th</sup> April 2003**

Mrs Carey and Mrs Brannon proposed the minutes as correct.

**3 Matters Arising from Meeting 133**

**3.1 Item 3.1 - Lettering** – Almost completed - Ongoing.

**Action: Mr Holland**

**3.2 Item 3.2 – Who's Who Board** – All photos have now been taken - Ongoing.

**Action: Mrs Carter**

**3.3 Item 3.3 – Security** – Ongoing. –

**Action: Mrs Carter**

**3.4 Item 3.5 – Fines** – There is about £100 still outstanding for last year but most of the members concerned have now left, so it was decided not to pursue this anymore, however there are a few for this year and these people will not be allowed to enter the competitions unless they pay them - Ongoing

**Action: P Holland/T Skeggs**

**3.5 Item 3.7 – BURHILL INTER CLUB MATCH - 7th September**– Still waiting for Thornburys Captain to reply - Ongoing

**Action: Mrs Carter/Mr Deacon**

**3.6 Item 3.8 – SLOW PLAY** – Although this matter had started to improve, this week's competition was very slow. Mr Deacon said he was in the first group and they were constantly waiting for the non-competition people in front. Also the committee felt that because the rough grass and clover is getting longer this is also contributing to slow play with people taking longer to find their balls.

**3.7 Item 3.9 –CAPTAINS DAY** – Ongoing

**Action: Mr Deacon/Mrs Carey**

**3.8 Item 3.13 – THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP, ROYAL ST GEORGES** –The list will be left up for a bit longer - Ongoing

**Action: Mr Keith**

**3.9 Item 4.1 – HANDICAP SECRETARY** – Mr Holland reported that he had spoken to several members but no one is prepared to take this position on, at the moment several people are all doing a little bit to help but this is a very unsatisfactory situation. – Ongoing

**Action: Mr Holland**

**3.10 Item 4.2 – CLUB TEAMS** – A notice has been put on the Board and now it is up to the Captains to pick the teams.

**3.11 Item 8.2 – LOCAL RULES** – Ongoing

**Action: Mrs Carter**

**3.12 Item 8.3 – CLUB COMPETITION RULES** – Mr Holland produced an updated version, but there were a few objections – Ongoing

**Action: Mr Holland**

**3.13 Item 8.4 – 4<sup>th</sup> HOLE** – A discussion took place about the unsatisfactory state of this hole, some people felt that people were getting an unfair advantage by not being penalised a shot if they went into the water. Mrs Carter was asked how long the work was likely to take and it was thought about 12 months – Ongoing

**Action: Mrs Carter**

**3.14 Item 8.5 – 9<sup>th</sup> HOLE OOB POSTS** – Mrs Carter thought this had been actioned but was told no, she will look into it. – Ongoing

**Action: Mrs Carter**

**3.15 Item 8.8 – WEB SITE** – Mr Holland said he and Mr Grey had had a meeting with Mr Farley. – Ongoing

**Action: Mr Holland/Mr Grey**

**4 CORRESPONDENCE**

**SENIORS** – A letter was received from Mr Brian Smith in response to Mr Keith's letter, stating the Seniors were prepared to reverse their decision and leave matters how they stood – No further action.

**5 COMPETITIONS**

**SPRING CHALLENGE** – Birchwood v Fawkham Valley Away Result 3-3 winning the Trophy back.

**DAILY MAIL 4-SOMES** – Lee Venus and Steve Deacon lost their match.

**MAIL ON SUNDAY KNOCKOUT** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Round – Drew

**PILGRIMS LEAGUE** – Birchwood v Chartham Park, Away match, won 3-1

**NORTH KENT TROPHY** - Birchwood v Tunbridge Wells, won 5-0

**5.1 LADIES Competitions**

**WHITEWEBB COMPETITION** – Birchwood v Castlepoint – won 3-2

**5.2 SENIORS COMPETITIONS**

Invicta League v Oakpark (A) Won 2 ½ - ½  
Friendly v Upchurch River Valley (H) Won 6 ½ to 1 ½  
Kent Vets (Club) Knockout v Tenterden (A) Lost 3 to 0

**6 FINANCES**

Mr Skeggs gave everyone a copy of the Monthly Balance Sheet. Although there are still some invoices to come in, overall we are up on this time last year, and the accounts are comfortable.

**BUDGET FOR TROPHYS** - Mr Skeggs said he has done a preliminary draft, but is still working on this.

**Action: Mr Skeggs**

**7 SOCIAL EVENTS**

**7.1 CLUB PARTY** – 31<sup>st</sup> May

**7.2 FATHERS DAY CARVERY** – 15<sup>th</sup> June

**7.3 TRAD JAZZ EVENING** – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June £15 including a Hot Buffet

**8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**8.1** Mrs Carey asked Mrs Carter to pass on the Ladies compliments to the Chef and said how much the food had improved, the Seniors Captain seconded this and the rest of the committee endorsed it.

**8.2** Mrs Carter said that Mr Morley would be getting out all outstanding invoices soon and asked that they be paid within 7 days.

**8.3 BUNKERS** – Mr Deacon said that members were complaining about the Bunkers again, the sand is very compact and the linings coming through, one of the members had strained his wrist when he caught the lining. Could the green staff rake further down and not just the top couple of centimetres.

**Action: Mrs Carter**

**8.4 15<sup>th</sup> HOLE OOB POST'S** – Mr Deacon reported that there are several posts missing. **Action: Mrs Carter**

**8.5 GREENS** – Mr Skeggs said the greens badly need watering and although it has now rained, could the green staff make sure the greens are watered regularly in the summer so that the balls will hold when pitching to the green.

**Action: Mrs Carter**

**8.6 BALL WASHERS MISSING** – Several of these are missing because of vandals, is there anyway we can make these more secure.

**Action: Mrs Carter**

**8.7 TABLES & CHAIRS** – These are being laid up for societies etc which does not leave enough for other members to sit at when they finish playing golf and want refreshments in the Bar.

**Action: Mrs Carter**

**8.8 PRICE INCREASE** – Mr Skeggs said that once again the price for refreshments has increased and did not reflect what club prices ought to be.

**8.9 CHARITY RAFFLE PRIZE** – A member had bid for a prize at the last Charity day for a limousine ride and a meal, however the person owning the limousine had since sold it. A discussion took place and all the committee agreed that the member should be refunded what he had bid.

**Action: Mr Skeggs**

There being no other business to discuss, the meeting closed at 9.45pm

Date of next meeting – Wednesday 18th June 2003 at 7.45