

**Minutes of the Birchwood Park Golf Club
Committee Meeting 135 – Held on Wednesday 18th June 2003**

Present:

<p>Mr P Holland (Chairman) Mr Ian Keith (Secretary) Mrs Barbara Fielder (Assistant Secretary) Mr Terry Skeggs (Treasurer) Mr Scott Morley (Burhill)</p>	<p>Mr Steve Deacon (Captain & Competitions) Mr Trevor Carter (Past Captain 2002) Mrs Pat Carey (Lady Captain) Mrs Diane Brannon (Lady Vice Captain) Mr Barry Baker (Seniors Captain)</p>
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Meeting Opened at 7.45pm

ACTION

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| 1 | APOLOGIES
Mr Lee Venus (Vice Captain), Mr Dave Grey, Mrs Julie Carter (Burhill) | |
| 2 | Minutes of Previous Meeting No. 134 of 12th May 2003
Mr Steve Deacon and Mr Trevor Carter proposed the minutes as correct. | |
| 3 | Matters Arising from Meeting 134 | |
| 3.1 | 3.1 – Lettering – Completed | |
| 3.2 | 3.2 – Who’s Who Board – This is now ready and will be put up in reception next week. | Mr Morley |
| 3.3 | 3.3 – Security – An assessment has been carried out, however Burhill are extending their security policy, there will be one security company for all the clubs and this inevitably will have delays. | Mr Morley |
| 3.4 | 3.4 – Fines – Still a few outstanding. There are still some members playing who owe fines. A discussion took place; Mr Deacon asked Mr Skeggs to give him the names of those members and he would not put them in the competition. Several of these will not be re-joining in July. | Terry Skeggs/
Steve Deacon |
| 3.5 | 3.5 – BURHILL INTER CLUB MATCH, 7 th September – Mr Deacon said he is still waiting to hear from the Thornbridge Captain, however he will now try to contact him. | Steve Deacon |
| 3.6 | 3.7 – CAPTAINS DAY 12 th July – The Posters and List for names are now up, and Disco booked. Menu in dispute for BBQ. Raffle prizes need to be bought and needs a cheque from Treasurer. Mrs Carey asked Mr Baker if he could do the putting competition again this year but Mr Baker said unfortunately he was unable to, so someone else needs to be found to run this. | Steve Deacon/
Pat Carey |
| 3.7 | 3.8 – THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP, ROYAL ST GEORGES – Only 12 names, so not enough to cover the expense of hiring a coach, therefore they will go in 3 cars. | Ian Keith |
| 3.8 | 3.9 – HANDICAP SECRETARY – Still unable to fill this position and the situation is getting worse, Mr Holland asked all the committee to speak to other members to try fill this vacancy. | All Committee |
| 3.9 | 3.11 – LOCAL RULES – Ongoing | Mr Morley |
| 3.10 | 3.12 – COMPETITION RULES – Ongoing – Mr Holland said it is too late for this year but he will get a small working party together and correct these for next year. | Peter Holland |
| 3.11 | 3.13 – 4 th HOLE – Ongoing – This work is due to start in July and might possibly mean that this hole will be closed for 2 days, possibly longer. A discussion took place and it was agreed that in the meantime the new soil, water and old infill site, should all be GUR and that it needs a new sign. Committee to have notice on competition desk. | Steve Deacon |
| 3.12 | 3.14 – 9 th HOLE OOB POSTS – Actioned. | |
| 3.13 | 3.15 – WEB SITE - Ongoing | Peter Holland |
| 3.14 | 6 – BUDGET FOR TROPHY’S – Actioned | |
| 3.15 | 8.3 – BUNKERS – Mr Morley gave each member of the committee a copy of a reply from Rob Holland regarding comments in previous minutes on Bunkers, OOB Posts and the Watering of Greens. Mr Skeggs thought some of this was not true but Mr Morley said he totally disagreed with Mr Skeggs. Mrs Fielder said a lot of the problems with the bunkers were that, although you could get out alright if you had a reasonable lie, in most cases the balls went to the front and were under overhanging lips which sometimes caused several shots to get out. The committee agreed that most of the problems were historic and that they were not criticising Rob and that in general felt he was doing a very good job. Mr Morley will discuss with Rob future improvement programmes and inform committee in September following course measurement. | Mr Morley |

3.16 8.7 – TABLES & CHAIRS – Actioned

3.17 8.9 – CHARITY RAFFLE PRIZE – Actioned

4 CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 Mr Keith said he had received an email from Mr Alex Woodgate resigning from the Handicap Committee as from 1st July 03, however he would be happy to continue doing the Seniors Section handicaps. The Committee asked Mr Keith to reply and to thank Mr Woodgate for all his hard work.

Ian Keith

4.2 Mr Keith said he had received an email from Mr John King regarding the Pairs Betterball competition (14th/15th June) which had been played on the Saturday and Sunday and the fact that the Tees were in a different position each day, affecting both the competition and the nearer the pins, and that if this had happened in an Honours Board Competition it would have made a mockery of the whole competition. Mr Morley said he would look into it to find out if it was the Green Staff or vandals.

Scott Morley

5 COMPETITIONS

Men

5.1 Yeomans – Birchwood won v Sidcup 2-1 (Home)

5.2 Whitbread – Birchwood won v Upchurch 3-2

5.3 CHRYSLER QUALIFIER –

Men – Charthills 16th Sept – Team: Adrian Jones, Colin Champion, Steve Grey, Dave Spicer

Ladies – Thrilford Heath 17th Sept – Team: Dang Jarnot, Angela Hamill, Chris Farley, Pauline Steedon

Mr Rick Nelson from Chrysler has very kindly offered to chauffeur them to the course.

5.4 NORTH KENT MATCH 6th JULY – We need 5 tee-times for this, but the ladies have got their Flag Day and there is a Society. Mrs Carey said she was able to give back some tee-times and Mr Morley said he would sort it out.

Scott Morley

5.5 NAPGC – Hawtree Trophy – Birchwood lost 3-2

5.6 SENIORS

Friendly with Tudor Park (H) Won 3 ½ to 2 ½

Friendly with Chelsfield Lakes (H) Won 5 ½ to ½

Invictor League v Pedham Place (H) Won 2 ½ to ½

Friendly with Parkwood (H) Won 5 to 3

5.7 LADIES

Bradley Cook - Birchwood lost 5-0 – Return match 29th June

Whitewebbs – Birchwood won 3-2

5.8 NAPGC New Seniors Competition for both Men and Ladies (not mixed). Mr Baker said they have arranged to enter some teams, Mrs Carey to try to arrange some ladies teams.

Pat Carey

6 FINANCES

Mr Skeggs gave everyone a copy of the monthly balance sheet. Still some outstanding invoices to come in. There is a surplus of £3882.00 and Mr Skeggs suggested have a couple of free games later in the year. The Honour Boards have been paid for. Mr Skeggs pointed out to Mr Carter that the Charity money is still being held and Mr Carter said he hoping to arrange for a representative of the Charity to come to Birchwood to collect the cheque at a special presentation.

Trevor Carter

7 SOCIAL

Mr Morley said he would like to draw people's attention to the Green Notice Board in reception where all events and information is displayed.

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 8.1** Mr Carter asked if he could have the old Masters Trophy, as it is now obsolete. The committee granted permission.
- 8.2** Mr Deacon pointed out that the Captains photo's need to be put up. Mr Holland said he would arrange this. **Mr Holland**
- 8.3** Mrs Fielder pointed out that the new red Flag Pole markers are quite often in the wrong position and suggested that the first group of any competition checked and if necessary moved them to the correct position. Mr Holland said it was up to all of us to do this. **All Committee**
- 8.4** Mrs Fielder also said that while in a knockout competition she had found that the red and yellow markers on the Tee-boxes was very unfair with the yellow markers in front of the red markers. It was decided that this was probably vandals rather than the green staff, however Mrs Fielder asked if the green staff could check the tee boxes when on duty. **Mr Morley**
- 8.5** Mrs Fielder said she had been asked by some of the ladies to request if we could have orange juice on tap again. Mr Morley said No as it was uneconomical.
- 8.6** Mr Skeggs said he had played on a Sunday recently and when he came in the Restaurant was closed and they were unable to get any food. Mr Morley said he was aware of this and apologised.
- 8.7** Scratch Cup – Mr Holland that it was not fair for people to go through to the Sunday who had not qualified, and that it should only be the top 12 who have qualified. Mr Deacon agreed with this. Mr Holland said he would help Mr Deacon to check to see which people had qualified. **Mr Holland / Mr Deacon**
- 8.8** NAPGC – MENS CHAMPIONSHIP – Mr Holland said he had received the list for entry's at High Elms on the 19th July – 6 people @ £18 each, and would need a cheque from Mr Skeggs. He had not heard anything yet about St Andrews, but the regional for this is on the 14th July. **Mr Skeggs/ Mr Holland**
- 8.9** Mr Keith thanked Mr Deacon on behalf of everyone for the day out at West Malling.
- 8.10** PAST CAPTAINS & COMMITTEE COMPETITION – SENE VALLEY 29th August – This is for the Main Committee, Ladies Committee, Seniors Committee, Competition Committee and Handicap Committee. For the price we are committed to take 20 people. Mr Holland was asked if it could be extended to the Captains of Club Teams, but it was decided this would only be if we could not get the 20 we need. **Mr Holland**

There being no other business to discuss, the meeting closed at 9.25pm

Date of next meeting – Wednesday 16th July 2003