147. <u>Minutes of the CGLMC Ltd Tournament Sub-Committee Meeting</u> <u>held in the CGLMC Ltd Office on Monday 16th November 2015</u>

<u>Present</u>: A McArtney (Tournament Convenor), J Gilbert, P Sawers, L Gordon, G Paton, C Yule.

In Attendance: C McLeod (Golf Services Manager).

Meeting began 1940 hours.

1. Apologies

W Thompson, I Frier

2. Declaration of Interest

There was none.

3. Tournament Report 2015

C McLeod described each Carnoustie Golf Links event that had taken place during the season and highlighted any successes or issues that needed addressing. The Committee gave careful consideration to each topic and made the following recommendations for 2016 and beyond.

<u>Craws Nest Tassie</u>-as there had been a successful staging of the 2015 Tassie on the Buddon Links it was suggested and agreed that the Buddon Links be used for the next 3 years. To keep the Burnside at equal status it was agreed that the Junior Open, Cant Cup and Senior Open would be on the Burnside for the same 3 years 2016-18 inclusive. C McLeod was asked to check with A Reid to make sure that this would not cause any insurmountable green-keeping issues.

Secondly it was discussed that the Maulesbank Match-play from the Friday onwards ie last 16 should move to the Championship Course. This means that the Friday consolation draw can begin earlier to allow players to play earlier. It also frees up all the Buddon tee times on the Saturday to Season Ticket Holders. It was agreed that this would be a positive step forward and should be recommended to the Board.

With the Buddon Links being recommended for the Tassie C McLeod highlighted the lack of shelter on the 1st tee for the Tee Head Starter. The Committee agreed that C McLeod should source something or allow something that would provide some shelter during the tournament.

4. Two Tee Tournament Start

C McLeod explained the advantages of running a 2 tee start which would allow more players to enter a tournament. This had been raised by a Trustee. Whilst the theory is used widely elsewhere the tees and facilities to transfer players there and back safely did not lend itself to be used at Carnoustie. Furthermore the Links Superintendent was opposed due to the constraints and difficulties it would place on green keeping duties. As such the sub-committee decided not to recommend this to the Board.

5. Northern Ladies

A McArtney suggested the Northern Ladies event be moved to the Buddon Links. There was no support for this and would not be recommended to the Full Board. J Gilbert also expressed his disappointment that some of the lady competitors had stated their disappointment with the standard of the greens during the event. P Sawers advised that some tining had taken place but the complaints were few and of a minor nature.

6. Ladies Rosebowl and Ladies Links Semi Finals and Finals

A McArtney recommended the move of the Rosebowl semis and finals to be played on the Championship Course thus leaving the Buddon and Burnside to be used for the Gary Player Salver on the Finals night. The sub-committee agreed to recommend this to the Full Board.

7. Gary Player Salver

A McArtney recommended moving the lower handicap players to the Buddon to play from the white tees and the higher handicap players to the Burnside to play off the yellow tees. This was agreed to be recommended to the full board.

8. Prices for 2016

C McLeod advised that our events were largely in line with similar Opens and suggested that only the Tassie be considered for an increase. The sub Committee recommends all prices remaining the same other than the Tassie which should increase by £5 to £220 per person.

9. Any Other Competent Business

Northern Ladies Donations

P Sawers advised the committee that following the Northern Ladies event, financial contributions were made to Claire Robertson, Jessica Meek and Ailsa Summers to help support their further development in golf.

There being no other competent business, the meeting was then closed at 2015 hours