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Minutes of the CGLMC Ltd Tournament Committee Meeting held in the Committee Room at 20 Links Parade on 28th August 2017

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

In Attendance: C McLeod (Golf Services Manager)

Meeting began at 2020 hours.

1. Apologies

L Gordon, G Murray

2. Declaration of Interest

There were none.

3. Tournaments Affected by Open Preparations

C McLeod presented his recommendations to the sub-committee and explained that these would be for 2018 only. He explained that the Burnside would be most affected from early May so in general events would be switched to the Buddon Links.

The recommendations are:

- (i) to move the Ladies Links qualifying to the Buddon,
- (ii) to move the Junior Links to the Buddon,
- (iii) to change the Gary Player Salver from teams of 6 on 2 courses to teams of 4 on the Buddon. Winner would be best 3 scores cumulative.
- (iv) to move the Paul Lawrie Salver which is usually held in mid-June, to Saturday 25th
 August by which time the Burnside should have recovered sufficiently.

The sub-committee agreed to all of the above.

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4. Links Championship Proposals

C McLeod said that as he is trying to boost numbers, feedback from players was sought to identify any issues. These results were shown to the board. C McLeod proposed:

(i) to move the qualifying to the weekend

(ii) to extend the handicap from 8 to 10.

(iii) similar to other tournaments to move one of the Links qualifying rounds to the Buddon from the Burnside

J Gilbert said he disagreed regarding moving the qualifying to the weekends. He asked what about family time.

P Sawers said feedback from people who work full time was that they agreed with the weekend option. C Yule agreed.

I Frier pointed out that on the results the no figure was higher than those who agreed.

J Gilbert questioned why change if it has stood the test of time. P Sawers said that it hasn't, the numbers are down and questioned what about the people who haven't been asked.

C Yule said we could try it and see. I Frier asked if this was a trial. C McLeod said it is a trial for 1 year.

A vote was taken regarding C McLeod proposals:

6 members of the board agreed and will be recommended to the Full Board.

5. Price Proposals 2018

C McLeod explained his price proposals for 2018 with 2 options for the Tassie, one being a link to the combination ticket price of £240 in 2018 which could be followed in future years and secondly an additional £50 to that figure pay for a shirt and hat from the shop for every player. A McArtney said he is totally against the £50 being added and said that perhaps special offers shouldn't be incorporated in the fee. C Yule agreed. The sub-committee agreed a price of £240 for 2018

C McLeod's other proposals were as follows:-

- (i) Cant Cup- remain at £15
- (ii) Junior Open-remain at £5
- (iii) Senior Open-increase to £20.

C McLeod was asked if the Tassie was profitable. He informed the board that the event makes £70,000+. A McArtney asked if the prize money should be increased too. P Sawers

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said she did not agree with an increase. C McLeod said that £5,000 is paid out and said he feels this is excellent prize money. P Sawers added that the Tassie brings valuable income for the town too.

The prices were agreed and A McArtney will bring this proposal to the next Full Board.

6. Any Other Competent Business

In C McLeod's papers there is a proposal to host the tournaments in the Golf Centre in 2018 and beyond which would mean a saving of £5,500 in hosting payments to the Clubs. The committee agreed to bring this to the Full Board.

P Sawers informed the Board that the R&A are organising a 9-hole competition to be held prior to the Open. She proposed the Links Ladies Champion 2018 and the Men's Links Champion 2018 would represent CGLMC.

It was agreed that A McArtney will take this proposal to the next Full Board meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2050 hours.