

Minutes of the Carnoustie Golf Links Management Tournament Sub Committee
Meeting held in the Links Office on Monday 13th August 2012

Present: A McCartney, J Gilbert, L Gordon, P Sawers, G Wilson

In Attendance: C McLeod (Golf Services Manager), S Reid (Links Superintendent)

Meeting began at 7.40pm

1. **Apologies**-G Paton, S Brown
2. **Craws Nest Tassie** J Gilbert wanted to discuss and decide on tees and pin positions for this years event as 2011 had some poor pin positions for the qualifying rounds. Subsequently it was agreed that during qualifying all pin positions on both the Championship and Burnside Courses would be as straightforward and towards the middle of greens as possible. Furthermore the following arrangements would be put in place by the Links Superintendent.
 - (i)Championship Course would play from the green tees with the exception of the 6th hole which will be the white tee and depending on the wind forecast for the qualifying rounds the 14th tee would be at the discretion of the Links Superintendent.
 - (ii) Burnside Course-again simple pin positions but the 1st tee would be forward, the 14th will be the ladies tee and the 17th will be forward allowing the sign which is on 16 to be removed which suggests players wait until 17 is clear.The 15th tee will be at the discretion of the Links Superintendent again depending on the wind forecast.
 - (iii) All players will be asked to return their scorecards to the Golf Centre including the Burnside players.
3. **Links Tournaments**-following some concerns about the number of players competing in some of the Links events changes were suggested by P Sawers. It was then agreed that the Ladies Links would continue as a one round qualifying event on the Burnside in which the best four scratch scores would move forward to the semi final stages of the Ladies Links and the best four handicap scores (excluding the scratch scores) would form the semi finals of the Rosebowl. The Ladies sections and Ladies Clubs would try to encourage more players to take part.

Secondly the Gents Links, although fewer in numbers than in previous years it was considered that sufficient players still took part and Club reps would try to find out why there was a lack of interest in tournament.

Thirdly G Wilson suggested that the Paul Lawrie Salver be changed. It should simply be competed on a normal Saturday so that Clubs enjoyed their usual income from play instead of only half the competitors that enter the Salver.

The Golf Services Manager will contact the Clubs and advise the new format this will require each Club to send to him their top scratch and handicap scores for the Championship Course that Saturday and the top handicap scores for the Burnside. The remaining trophy will then be competed for by the Ladies who will request that all their players who wish to take part apply for tee times on the Burnside. This was agreed.

G Wilson also suggested that the tournaments are made more prominent on the Members section of the website whether it be entry time or showing off the winners with their trophies.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.40pm