PENRITH GOLF CLUB –JUNIOR COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday 18th April 2023 at 5.30pm in clubhouse.

In attendance-John Sheffield (JS), Andrew Sowerby (AS), Chris Malpas (CM), Barry Rogers (BR), Bernard Riley (B), Ingrid Mutch (IM), June Doyle (JD), Mike Dixon (MD), Phil Park (PP)

Item 1-Welcome-Chair

JS welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Item 2-Apologies--Paul Butler, Ellis McAuley, John McAuley.

Item 3-Minutes of last meeting -3 April 2023-thse were agreed and approved.

<u>Item 4-Safeguarding-</u>no specific issues raised. DBS applications proceeding and further update in due course.

Item 5-Junior coaching-AS reported on junior coaching which has just commenced. Registration went well and thanks were extended to IM and JD for carrying out this task. There was a good attendance for the first session with work on the driving range, three hole course, putting green and the course itself. There were also a number of juniors together with parents who had light refreshments in the clubhouse afterwards and thanks to Rikki and the team for making them so welcome. A number of juniors have now joined the club either as Cadets or full junior membership. It is also pleasing that there a number of juniors who now have handicaps and some still working towards that goal.

The three new golf sets that were purchased from a recent donation now need to be fully utilised.

The marketing material for Golf Girls Rocks has now arrived so it will be important to distribute this as wide as possible. PP to contact Eden Valley Sports Partnership to see if they can assist given their regular contacts with schools across Eden.

The golf hats that were previously agreed are currently on order and the purchase of shirts/half zip tops are being progressed.

<u>Item 6-Junior Fundraiser 2023-</u>this is to take place on 19th May and also an allowance for members to play on 20th May if more convenient. Sponsors for the individual holes are now on offer and if any member is interested in sponsoring a particular hole at £20 please see Andrew in the Pro Shop. Teams of 4 at £40 per team with best two stableford scores counting. It was also agreed to try and run a raffle in conjunction with the junior fundraiser.

<u>Item 7-Junior team/competitions-</u>JS reported that he had received rules for the Cumbria Junior Match play league together with a fixture list. Junior teams have 5 members and to date apart from Penrith other teams competing will be Workington, Brampton and Carlisle. Appleby may be able to play a friendly. It was thought better to try and complete the fixtures over May, June and July.

AS, JS and PB had recently met to try and formulate the junior competitions for the coming year. It was felt that different formats would be more attractive to the junior section so that juniors of all abilities could take part.

There will be the established Junior Championship and America Cup with those qualifying able to take part in Finals Day at the club.

Some of the remaining competitions will be in stableford format and it was also suggested that competitions for chipping, putting driving could be considered to make it more enjoyable for the juniors.

The Louise Mayne trophy will remain the same awarded to a junior who has shown determination and commitment to junior golf. The Dads Army trophy could be awarded to recognise the best new starter in the junior section.

The dates of the relevant junior competitions need to be posted on the junior board and also circulated via social media.

There will also be a need to organise Junior Captains Day and a date will need to be finalised with the junior captain. 15th July was considered as an option.

BR is trying to organise a match between the junior committee and members of the junior section on an appropriate date.

Item 8-Finance 2023-Chair-nothing to report at this stage.

Item 9-Any Other matters-none raised.

Item 10-Date and time of next meeting-Monday 15th May 2023 at 7pm.