

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT NEWSLETTER MARCH 2013

The CoM considered a number of issues at the monthly meeting on Tuesday 26 March last.

Head Green keeper:

The meeting was informed that issues relating to John Murray's decision to leave the employment of the club were now finalised and signed off on. The CoM thanked him for his work and wished him, his wife and family the best of luck for the future.

Fund Raising:

The efforts of the various people involved in recent social events – fashion show, St Stephens Night and St Patricks night social evenings – were recognised and it was stated that the club is indebted to the efforts of all who put themselves out to raise funds for the club. In this context the CoM recognised the efforts of Mary Wall, Elaine Murphy, Annette Twomey and Martha Hogan. Denis Twomey was also thanked for his ceaseless work in driving events in the club.

It was agreed that all funds raised through these activities should be set aside and be used for specific and agreed projects in the club.

The Pro Shop

The CoM is delighted to inform members that the pro shop will be taken over by David Ryan of Cahir Park who will offer sales and repair services to members. He will be an addition to the club and we encourage members to support him in every way possible. The CoM would like to formally welcome David and wish him every success for the future.

While the shop is being stocked it is envisaged that business will be up and running by the 8 April next and possibly earlier. The club will assist David in every way to make the venture a success.

Timesheet

As members are aware the issue of access to the timesheet was referred to the Committee for decision by the Men's and Ladies Clubs. The CoM unanimously decided that the existing arrangements should remain in place. Members are reminded that the time sheet exists for specific competitions and only those playing/entering such competitions are entitled to place their names on the time sheet.

The CoM is committed to the publication of regulations regarding competitions and timesheets to assist members and visitors alike.

The Course:

Many have remarked on the overall condition of the course and there is no doubt that we have emerged from the bad weather in good condition. The cosmetic work on the course – pathways, steps, repair to walls, tree removal and the development of the entrance to the back nine has contributed to the overall appearance of the course.

The greens remain good, and the scorching that occurred due to the application of chemicals is being addressed. The affected areas have been aerated and will be over seeded to ensure full recovery.

The Course Committee conducted a review of the course and identified projects to be completed during the year: removal of dead and falling trees, development of pathways in view of the experience over the winter months, the sanding of fairways with special concentration on the worst affected areas. Much of the work is dependent on funds being available.

It is intended to construct a chemical storage shed and both Mark and Michael (TUS workers) have applied themselves to the task. It is hoped to finance the construction by selling off old machinery and scrapping the existing containers.

Members will appreciate the importance of supporting competitions, social and other events if this work is to be completed and if we are to maintain the course in peak condition.

April Open

An open competition (Ladies and Gents) will run for the month of April (Tuesday to Friday) and is kindly sponsored by **Gearoid Crowley**, Electrical Contractor. First prize is golf and overnight accommodation for two in Mount Juliet.

Second prize is golf and dinner for four in Cork Golf Club.

Entry is €7 for members and €20 (including Irish breakfast) for visitors.

The Irish Clubhouse Magazine

Members may have read this latest golf publication which is available in the clubhouse. This new publication offers an ideal opportunity to market the course and a full feature will appear in a forthcoming edition. There is also a facility for the club to advertise competitions and other activities on its website.