

Junior Minutes

Meeting -Monday 28th October2024 at 6.30pm in clubhouse

Item 1-**Attendees**-John Sheffield (JS) Chris Malpas (CM) Ingrid Mutch (IM) Barry Rogers (BR) June Doyle (JD) Phil Park (PP) George Parkes (GP)- Junior Captain

Item 2 -**Apologies**-Paul Butler, Mike Dixon.

JS then welcomed George Parkes, the new Junior Captain to his first meeting and all the junior committee wished him well during his year in office.

JD informed that she would be standing down from the junior committee during her year in office as Lady Captain. She would like to still be in receipt of minutes from the junior committee. Ingrid Mutch will be the ladies representative on the junior committee.

Item 3-**Minutes of last meeting**-Junior AGM 27th September 2024-these were agreed and had been placed on the club website for the information of members.

Item 4-**Safeguarding**-There has been a recent meeting with the regional England Golf representative and the club manager to ensure that all safeguarding checks and requirements are in place. The safeguarding register has been brought up to date. The poster including photograph of the CWO Michael Williamson is now displayed on the notice board next to the office. The club manager and junior committee will work closely together to ensure that all safeguarding matters/concerns are dealt with in a professional and timely manner.

Item 5-Future Coaching –

A coaching session for juniors was held during the school half-term break on Monday 28th October 2024 and it was good to see the juniors who enjoyed the session. Prior to the coaching sessions commencing presentations were made to Ben Clark, winner of the Mattinson trophy and Lucas Kelly for his enthusiasm and support to the SIXES team. Both juniors had been unable to attend the Junior AGM. Congratulations to both.

A coaching session has been arranged at Penrith Golf Hub on Monday 11th November 2024 between 5.30 and 6.30pm under the leadership of a professional from the Hub. This is a new initiative by the junior committee and will initially include the juniors who have represented the club in team matches. It is hoped to arrange further sessions in due course across the winter months.

Further details are still awaited from Eden Valley Schools Sports Partnership regarding the tri-golf tournament to be held at Penrith Leisure Centre on Thursday 28th November 2024. It is likely to involve a similar format to previous events.

Item 6-Junior competitions/trophies

A review needs to be undertaken regarding the junior trophies. This will be undertaken during the winter months. It is hoped that all junior competitions will be completed earlier next year. The Junior Championship and Junior America Cup will be played over 18 holes. Whilst it will be possible to still play some junior competitions on a Monday evening at coaching there will also be some separate dates apart from coaching evenings when junior competitions will take place in 2025. The competitions will be of different formats and length so that all juniors are given the opportunity to participate. There was reference to the Junior Captain's day and identifying a suitable date for this to be held.

Item 7-Super Sixes -Progress with the SIXES format was acknowledged and again thanks expressed to PB for his support together with all parents who had encouraged juniors to take part. It is hoped that the forums that are mentioned at Item 11 will provide an opportunity to seek feedback from other clubs on this new initiative,

Item 8-Junior Team-2025-It is hoped that the teams involved in junior matches this year will take part in 2025. The new County organiser is Ben Tickle from Carlisle. The junior committee would like to conclude junior fixtures by the end of July if possible. Further discussions will take place on the acquisition of a zip up fleece for members of the junior team when there is inclement weather. Results of matches and that of SIXES to be displayed on the junior noticeboard.

Item 9-Junior Open 2025-This was scheduled for Saturday 7th June 2025. It is some time since a Junior Open was held at the club mainly through Covid restrictions but it would be good to see this as a success for the club going forward.

Item 10-Finance-Junior Fundraiser 2025-This is due to take place on Friday 30th May/Saturday 31 May 2025. It will follow the same format as previous events.

Item 11-Any other business-There are two forums being held by England Golf during November to develop a Junior County Development Plan for 2025. The first session is being held at Penrith Golf Club on Thursday 7th November 2024 between 6-8pm and the second at Carus Green Golf Club on Thursday 11th November 2024 again between 6-8pm. The sessions will be inter-active and include round table discussions. JS, CM and PB attending on behalf of the club.

JS had thanked Fairways Catering for their excellent support for the juniors whilst they had been at the club.

Item 12- Date of next meeting-to be confirmed in due course.