

# **DONEGAL COUNTY GOLF COMMITTEE MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022.**

The Annual Meeting held at Ballybofey & Stranorlar Golf Club on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2022 at 8pm.

Brendan Kelly, Captain of Ballybofey & Stranorlar welcomed the attendees to B&S.

Brian O'Reilly took the Chair and made an introductory address and thanked those present for making the journey.

## **ATTENDEES:**

All clubs were represented except Buncrana – there had been a change to their email and they did not receive the notice.

## **MINUTES 2020 & 2021:**

Minutes of 2020 AGM as published on Website were agreed for adoption. No meeting in 2021.

## **DONEGAL COUNTY GOLF COMMITTEE WEBSITE.**

The website address is [www.dcgc.online](http://www.dcgc.online) and contains as follows:

- Matchplay Draws,
- Teams Captains,
- Roll of Honour,
- Financial Statement for 2021
- Fixture Calendar (not populated for 2022 yet)

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**MATCH PLAY CONVENOR'S REPORTS.**

- **Senior Scratch Matchplay** (Tony Carr)

Letterkenny beat Donegal in to defend their Title.

- **Junior Scratch Matchplay** (Frank Casey)

Letterkenny beat NorthWest.

- **Paddy Carr Donegal League** (Donal McBride)

Letterkenny beat Ballybofey & Stranorlar.

- **Senior Scratch Matchplay** (Peter Dobson)

Cruit beat Rosapenna to Defend their title.

- **Minor League** (Donie McIntyre)

Letterkenny beat Narin & Portnoo in the Final.

- **Youth Matchplay** (Ed Harvey)

Portsalon ended Dunfanaghy's long undefeated record in a great final at Rosapenna.

Well done to Letterkenny – that sets a record number of victories in one year.

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Kind Thanks to Rosapenna for Kindly hosting the Senior & Junior finals as well as the Youth Matchplay. Many thanks to each of the Convenors for helping to run these events which were all once again finished on time.

Ed Harvey encouraged all the clubs to look at ways to encourage Youth Golf – only three teams entered the 2021 event (6 person team 3 fourballs under 18s). Greencastle’s representative outlined a positive youth golf programme at his club. He shared his contact details with Ed.

B&S, Ballyliffin, Portsalon, Dunfanaghy & Bunrana have entered the 2022 event, Ed will make draw later in year – and give other clubs a chance to enter.

## **SENIORS ALLIANCE – REPORT & FIXTURE LIST.**

Brian O’Reilly gave a report on the activity in 2020 & 2021 despite COVID 19, he acknowledged the work of recently retired members Sean McCormick and Fr Anthony Griffiths and welcomed new Senior Alliance Sub Committee member Tommy Doherty and PJ McGowan Secretary & Treasurer.

Full Fixture list now set for 2022 – Available on Website.

## **PROPOSALS:**

1. *Revert to Home & Away format or continue with Split Venue.*  
**MEETING DECIDED TO REVERT TO HOME & AWAY**
2. *Raise the Age for the over 50s Seniors Fourball Matchplay event from 50 to 55.*  
**MEETING DECIDED TO REVERT TO RAISE FOR ELIGIBILITY TO 55.**
3. *Revert to Home & Away for Finals of Senior & Junior Scratch Matchplay events. As Ballyliffin have kindly offered to host the 2022 Finals this decision could be deferred for enactment in 2023.*  
**MEETING DECIDED TO RETAIN FINAL ONLY AT NEUTRAL VENUE FOR 2022 (BALLYLIFFIN) CAN BE REVIEWED AT ANY STAGE – CONSIDER INCREASING ENTRANCE FEE TO COVER COST.**

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## Committee Decisions.

Players in Donegal Matchplay Events are required to represent the first Donegal Club they joined unless:

1. they have ceased to be a member of that club
2. the club they first joined do not enter the event.

**APOLOGY MIS-COMMUNICATED - THIS RULE WILL ONLY APPLY TO THE SENIOR SCRATCH MATCHPLAY**

*Eligibility for Junior Scratch Matchplay will be 5.5 or above on 1st January in year of competition.*

**AGREED**

*Reduce the number of players on the Junior Scratch Matchplay team to 5.*

**AGREED**

*Eligibility for all competitions will be based on Handicap Index - Course handicap has no relevance in terms of Eligibility. Order of Team Sheet and Calculation of shots will be by Course Handicap in accordance with the World Handicap System.*

**AGREED**

Note: The above decisions come into effect for 2022 season.

## FIXTURES:

Some clubs handed in a list of fixtures to allow for a collated calendar. Other clubs to follow up with key Fixture dates including Open Week and Scratch Cups.

## AOB:

Brendan Roache advised the meeting that the Legends Senior Tour event would be returning to the Rosapenna Golf Resort in August 2022. He thanked the volunteers from Donegal Clubs who helped with the Marshalling at the 2021 event and advised that 'Post Covid' they would need more Volunteers this year and he asked those present to bring this message back to their respective clubs. Tony Carr said he would include a note to this effect on the Matchplay draw sheets.

Meeting ended at 9:30, Brian wished everyone a safe journey home.