TORPHINS GOLF CLUB **Committee Meeting Clubhouse – Monday 28th September 7pm.**

Present: Wilma Nicol, Nigel Bennett, Paul Wilson, Brian Mathers, Stewart Adamson and Roy Mathers
Apologies: Mike Scott

Accident Book - none

Matters Arising
Two successful outings – Banchory West Church and Banchory EGGS.
Discussion of Texas Scramble/ LVJO and which tee to use took place and bottleneck on the 9th tee. Harry Shepherd – two radio system to be trailed. Walker Cup could be played within the LVJO.
Royal Deeside Golf week to be promoted from October. Emails sent to Findrack/Lochnager distillery requesting sponsorship for LVJO. Peter Gent Captain of Lumphanan GC wants to be included in the LVJO meetings.
Harry Shepherd Trophy – eight teams, 48 players. Tee sheet issued. HS attending. RM/BM marshals. NG/GY hosts. V1 set up. 100% Stableford comp. Catering to be provided by Stuart and Erin.

Treasurer: Accounts as at 26 Sept 2026 = see separate statement

Greens Update

Big thanks to Ian Wilson, Coll Smith and others for keeping the grass on the fairways and greens trimmed over the last month. Greens have had granular fertiliser this month and were today given a liquid fertiliser which should green up the greens for the Harry Shepherd Trophy.
Alex Falconer, replacement for Andy Menmuir, walked the course in early September to see how the greens are looking. Overall no issues, happy with the condition. Provided some advice for the autumn treatment.
Hollow coring is scheduled for 8th October and will be done by a 3rd party. The machine will drag cores to the side of the green, so will be a bit less labour intensive, though we will still need to spread and brush in the top dressing. Course will be closed on 8th, and most likely a good part of the 9th too.
Minor repairs to the rough mower, but otherwise all machinery is working fine. Some new rakes, two more divot mix boxes and a new switch (swisher for the greens) were received, along with a bag of grass seed for the divot mix.

Winter works programme covering procurement, greens/tees work, general course works and clubhouse has been drafted and circulated among the committee for comments. Winter greens have had a couple of cuts and an application of fertiliser. Plan to give them a slightly shorter cut than at present, and a roll.

Match Secretary - Looking forward to Sunday.

Handicap Secretary Competitions are up to date. Results to be passed to Mike Scott. (SA) Discussion took place about recent slow play in competition.

Seniors – Ellon trip on Wednesday afternoon. Last round of eclectic on October 7th.

Ladies – DM foursomes postponed until early on in 2027. Ladies informed about the coring.

Juniors – Completed Scottish Golf evaluations for Roving Pro and Club Hire Fund.

Clubhouse – Nothing to report.

Footgolf – No October holiday footgolf.

Digital Presence – Harry Shepherd Trophy social media post required.

AOCB – Scottish Golf Forum – November 11th in Ellon.
Looking for members to help with standalone tasks.
Additional dates - Presentation Night – Saturday 7th November. Volunteers Lunch – Sunday 22nd November.

Date and time of next meeting – What's App - Monday 9th November