

MIGC – Meeting at Blackwood

You are aware that Mahee Island Golf Course is to be closed for play from 1 January 2019 while a review of the taxation requirements for MIGC Ltd is undertaken.

It is not known how long this closure will last but MIGC Ltd has informed all Season Ticket Holders that MIGC Ltd “will insist on receiving a definitive and accepted format from (HMRC) which will enable (them) to consider the ongoing consequences. If MIGC Ltd are able to reopen the course (they) will invite applications to any past Season Ticket Holders who might still be willing to apply”.

However, this leaves Mahee Island Golf Club without a home until such times as the situation at Mahee is determined.

To temporarily meet the objective of Club Rule 2 (Provision of a Golf Course) the Council has agreed to temporarily move Club activities to Blackwood Golf Centre under the title of Mahee Island Golf Club at Blackwood for 2019. This move will allow us to continue club activities (weekly competitions, interclub matches, Captain’s Day, President’s Day etc) until the future at Mahee Island becomes clear.

At the AGM the members agreed to a club fee of £200 for 2019. With the changing circumstances Council intends to now collect only £30 of the fee for continued membership of the Club. This will allow us to meet ongoing expenses in 2019.

For the year’s golf at Blackwood there will additional fee of £449 for seven-day membership and £349 for five-day membership giving a total for 2019 of £479 for seven day membership and £379 for five day membership.

It is appreciated that Blackwood may not suit all members. Any member is free to make their own arrangements at another club for 2019 and will remain a member of Mahee Island Golf Club as long as the £30 club fee for 2019 is paid.

Members not taking up the offer of playing at Blackwood will be eligible to play for Mahee interclub competitions providing they maintain a GUI/ILGU handicap at their alternative club and of course, do not represent that club in the competition.

An information evening has been arranged for Thursday 3 January at 7.30 pm at Blackwood Golf Centre. Following that meeting the Honorary Treasurer will issue invoices for 2019.

Thanks

John McMillen