

LINCOLNSHIRE LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION

MINUTES of the Executive Committee Meeting held at Woodhall Spa Golf Club on Thursday 15th January 2015.

Present:

Mrs Tracey Stobart (Chairman)	Mrs Helen McDougall (Vice Captain)
Mrs Helen Hewlett (Captain)	Miss Julia Sales (President)
Mrs Barbara Haycox (Secretary)	Mrs Pat Jones (C.J.O.)
Mrs Terry Macarthy (Handicap Advisor)	Ms Clare Welfare (Fixtures Secretary)
Mrs Wendy Ramsden (Competition Sec)	Mrs Ann Lyon (South rep)
Mrs Judith Ainsworth (League Sec)	Mrs Sue Lambert (MNR)
Mrs Margaret Jacobs (SSA)	Mrs Cindy Ireland (Treasurer)
Mrs Pauline Smith	

The Chairman welcomed the new members of the Committee.

1) Apologies: Mrs Stella Goldstein (Central Rep)

2) Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The Minutes, having previously been circulated, after amendment, were approved and signed by the Chairman. Proposed - C Ireland, seconded – J Sales.

3) Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising.

4) Correspondence:

Letters of thanks received from June Miller (retiring Chairman) and Michael Eddington, partner of Anne Chambers plus minutes from England Golf meetings.

Queries from the website regarding handicap league, handicaps and LVLGA competitions had been dealt with or passed onto the relevant Committee member.

5) Captain's Report:

Programme of coaching in place. Sweaters and kit ordered.

6) 2nd Team Report:

There was nothing to report.

7) Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer reported the following bank balances: Savings £22630, C/A £5867, Team £2927 & Juniors £2924, total £34530.

Mileage rate for committee expenses, to stay at 40ppm.

Approximately one third of affiliation fees have already been paid. The trend shows that we are 1% down on numbers.

5 people have not cashed refunds from Autumn Meeting.

County BB South – Woodhall Spa did not claim facility fee for use of Bracken course. There has been a request from Burghley Park manager to view the LLCGA accounts. The committee agreed that the request should be declined. Treasurer will ask if there is a specific query that the Association could assist with.

8) Secretary's Report:

Since taking office the secretary emailed clubs re contact details and low handicap data. Various pieces of correspondence have been received which have either been dealt with or passed on to the relevant officers for a response.

9) Competition Secretary's Report:

Since the last committee meeting, the final two competitions of 2014 were scheduled. The Autumn meeting due to be held at Grimsby Golf Club was cancelled due to bad weather and unfortunately couldn't be rescheduled. 102 players were refunded, some of whom donated the money back to the County. Thanks to Cindy for all her help and Grimsby Golf Club – no cost incurred for meals.

The last competition was the Am-Am at Kenwick Park on 9th October. There was a two tee start, for 27 teams in poor conditions. The Association thanks Birdie Dawson and the ladies of Kenwick Park for the halfway house, Thanks also to Jenny Noble who helped on the day. £289 was raised on the raffle.

The eventual winners were Helen Hewlett, Helen McDougall, Tracey Stobart and Julia sales with 77 points.

A letter of thanks was received from Di Lidgard for the facility fee and green keeper's gratuity.

Raffles during the year raised £1625 with £134 taken for the Solheim flag.

All 2014 competition results and 2015 entry forms were handed out at the AGM; those not collected were posted out.

All entry forms along with MNR forms are on the website.

The date for the Championships at Lincoln had to be changed due to a clash with an England Golf date; the new dates are 29th, 30th April & 1st May.

The small yellow cards were reinstated for 2015.

22 entries have been received over all 2015 competitions so far.

Draft paper for Conditions of Entry are now prepared, seen by sub- committee members. No decisions as yet but will bring proposal to the next meeting.

Mrs Ramsden concluded by welcoming Stella, Pauline and Ann, the 3 new representatives to the committee.

10) Junior Organisers Report:

The 2015 Junior Captain is Lily Farr and Vice-Captain, Lois Williamson.

Mrs Jones reported that she had attended a CJO's meeting at Bromsgrove.

The County Partnership were successful in getting a grant for both girls and boys – last year the grant helped run the order of merit competition on the short game at Woodhall Spa, plus 9 holes on the Bracken course.

A junior team get together has been arranged for February.

Alison Johns had run the Chicks program and Steve Cooper (North) and Neil Curtis (South) are doing so later in the year.

£700 was raised from the sale/raffle of the Solheim flags.

11) Midland North Regional Representative's Report:

It had been raised at the last MNR meeting that a contingency fund be set up, with each county putting in £100.00, to cover any shortfall, should it arise, in hosting county week by the host county. After discussion, the committee voted against the idea. SB to advise at the next MNR meeting.

12) Handicap Advisor/Liaison Officer's Report:

Queries re annual review have been dealt with.

Contact details of handicap secretaries has been updated.

Category 1 audit to be completed and forwarded to Regional Handicap Advisor by 1st February.

13) League Secretary's Report:

There was nothing to report.

14) Standard Scratch Assessors Report:

Two practice sessions were held in October and November. A national session was cancelled due to lack of numbers. Joy Hunter, National Head Coach, is to attend the next session at Pottergate in April. A further session is due in April at Kirton Holme after which the team will be ready to start the rating of Lincolnshire clubs.

15) Partnership Report:

The Chairman and Secretary had attended their first meeting the day after the AGM. Further meetings had been arranged, in particular a meeting with The Golf Partnership, LLCGA and LUGC to discuss the partnership business plan. The Chairman and Secretary will report further following those meetings.

Adoption of reports – Proposed: Pat Jones, Seconded: Wendy Ramsden. Agreed.

16) AOB:

1. Vice Captain 2016.

A sub committee, comprising Captain, Vice Captain, Cindy Ireland and Julia Sales (Past Captains) will meet to discuss possible candidate and report back at the next meeting.

2. League matches

The league rules to be amended (2016) in line with discussion on offering of weekend dates for matches. Rule 4 to read:

“In each division teams will play both home and away matches within the year. The home teams should offer three dates to include weekdays and weekends”.

Clubs to be advised of the change when final results are sent out.

3. Scratch League

The league secretary to contact clubs with view to reinstating the league in revised form in 2016. There will be discussion with the relevant clubs as to what format might be appropriate if any.

4. Friendly match v County Men

Due availability problems, the Captain proposed that it be cancelled as an annual fixture. The committee agreed. The Captain & Fixtures Secretary will advise their respective counterparts.

5. Fundraising

Alison Johns has been selected to take part in the Transplant Games in Argentina in August. There is no funding available. The Juniors are to donate the profit from their fundraising event and it was agreed that any monies raised at the Championships and the Spring Bronze meetings from the raffle would also be donated.

6. Minutes

It was agreed that the minutes, after approval, will be published on the website. The Secretary will arrange for this to be done.

7. Junior League Matches

The Junior organiser reported that a proposal had been made by other counties, to run the junior scratch & handicap leagues over 2 days at a central location. The committee agreed that this was a good idea.

8. History of LLCGA

The President offered to compile details for publication on the website. The committee supported her in doing so.

9. Lady President’s Day

Date - 11th October at Kenwick Park. One lady & one junior to play a greensome

The meeting closed at 2.45 and the next meeting will be at Woodhall Spa Golf Club at 1.00pm on 21st April.

Signed Date