LINCOLNSHIRE LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION

MINUTES of the Executive Committee Meeting held at Woodhall Spa Golf Club on Thursday 16th July 2015.

Present:

Mrs Helen Hewlett (Captain) Mrs Helen McDougall (Vice Captain) Mrs Barbara Haycox (Secretary) Mrs Sue Borthwick (MNR Rep) Mrs Wendy Ramsden (Competition Sec) Miss Julia Sales (President) Mrs Pat Jones (C.J.O.) Mrs Terry Macarthy (Handicap Advisor) Mrs Cindy Ireland (Treasurer)

The President chaired the meeting in the absence of the Chairman.

1) Apologies: Mrs Tracey Stobart (Chairman), Mrs Margaret Jacobs (SSA), Mrs Stella Goldstein (Central Rep), Mrs Pauline Smith (North Rep), Mrs Ann Lyon (South rep), Mrs Judith Ainsworth (League Sec) & Ms Clare Welfare (Fixtures sec)

2) Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The Minutes, having previously been circulated, were approved and signed by the acting-Chairman.

Proposed: H McDougall seconded: W Ramsden.

3) Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising.

4) Correspondence:

Minutes from England Golf and press releases re Lincolnshire players.

Details re Governance and affiliation workshops, CONGU handicap changes & Women and girls conference.

Handicap workshop presentations available on the England Golf website.

James Crampton re running the club team championship 2016. Secretary to contact LUCG for their thoughts.

5) Captain's Report:

The friendly match played against Lincoln scratch team resulted in a loss 3.5 - 0.5. County Week at Enville Golf Club. The team was the Captain, Helen McDougall, Emma Tipping, Meg Illingworth, Billie-Jo Smith and Kirsty Condon. Despite missing a few regular players the team won 4 matches and lost one – Derbyshire 4-1, Staffordshire 5-4, Shropshire 7-2, Nottinghamshire 1.5-7.5 and Leicestershire 7-2. The overall result was very close with Lincs. Notts. and Staffs., all with 4 wins and 1 loss. On a countback of matches won, Nottinghamshire were the winners. Thanks go to all the supporters who travelled to Enville and for all who sent cards and good luck messages.

All the County Betterball days have been played. Thanks to Wendy, Pauline Smith, Stella Goldstein and Ann Lyon for their time in organising of these events.

6) 2nd Team Report:

There was nothing to report. First match is on July 27th 2015.

7) Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer reported the following bank balances:

Savings	£20638.05
C/A	£12429.17
Team	£4001.65
Juniors	£2921.06
Total	£39989.93

Although this shows a healthy balance, expenditure for the Autumn Meeting & Am-Am still to be paid out and hosting County Week 2016 will also incur added expenditure.

All affiliation fees apart from Forest Pines and Humberston Park have been received. Further reminders to be sent.

Discussion took place on the grant paid to the two teams who enter the Midland Vets team championship in October. The teams are selected from members of the MVLGA. Vote was taken and approved by majority of 7-2.

Alison Johns had sent a card thanking us all for the donation.

Thanks to Wendy and the Reps for up to date payment details into the bank account.

8) Secretary's Report:

Nothing to report but had spent an enjoyable and informative week at County Week.

9) Competition Secretary's Report:

Since the last meeting, most County competitions have been played, starting with the County Championships at Lincoln Golf Club. 16 played in the 36 hole qualifying, 31 in the Butlin Trophy and 58 in the foursomes. Of the 16 players, only two qualified for the Mary Roberts Trophy (under 30 years of age). County Champion 2015 is Helen Hewlett (Seacroft), winning for the 8th time, runner-up Emma Tipping (Greetham Valley). Helen also won the Barbara Watson Trophy (Best gross) with a gross 149. Emma Tipping won the Mary Roberts Trophy with a gross 159. The Presidents Bowl was won by Rita Broughton (Lincoln) with a nett 153. The Butlin Trophy was won by Andre Burt (Woodhall Spa) with a nett 75 and the Julia Sales Salvers went to Gillian Grant & Liz Haughton (Greetham Valley) with a gross 88. All competitions had a CSS of 75 reduction only. Thanks to Lincoln Golf Club for their support, Ladies section and players. £300 was taken on the raffle.

Spalding was the next venue on 28th/29th May for the Spring Bronze meeting. 46 players played on the first day, having 9 teams for the Dorothy Marshall Shield. The winner of the Gwen Bamber Trophy was Cynthia Treharne (Woodhall Spa) with 35 points on countback from Jacqui Barson (Belton Park). Lincoln won the shield with 94 points after countback from Spalding. 24 pairs played in the Betterball competition with Lynda Double and Debra Ward (Spalding) winning the Mary Mundy Salver with 35 points. The raffle made £174.

Elsham hosted the Senior Ladies Championship on 9th June. The winner of the Kathie Craigs Salver was Pam Watson (Stoke Rochford) with a gross 79 while Pauline Smith (Grimsby) won the Joan Payling Salver with a nett 74. 33 players took part. The raffle made £115.

Thanks to Terry, Kathryn Johnson, Helen, Julia and Tracey for all their help and support. County Betterball North at Holme Hall on June 15th was won by Judith Gorman and Christine Reid (Cleethorpes) with 44 points. Only 56 ladies played. Raffle made £172.

County Betterball South at Blankney on July 9th was won by Gill Lamming and Sheila Dewsnap (Sleaford) with 42 points. 96 took part. Raffle made £288 plus £17.50 for the junior girls. County Betterball Central at Market Rasen had 116 players. The winner of the Edna Whitehouse and Chris Means salvers were our County Captain and Vice- Captain with 43 points. The raffle made £387 and £23.38 for the juniors.

Thanks to the three Reps - Pauline, Ann and Stella and Terry for their help. Suggestion received that players enter the betterball competitions in 2's and be paired up. After discussion, format to remain the same, enter in 4's.

Toft & Burghley Park have expressed an interest in hosting a County competition.

Thanks go to all the host clubs. To date they have raised £1292 selling raffle tickets.

The Midlands North Girls Championships is at Ashby Decoy on 6th August. Entries to date:

Derbys 2, Leics 3, Lincs 4, Notts 4, Shrops 2 & Staffs 6. Closing date was 10th July.

7 entries for the Girl's Challenge – Lincs 5 & Staffs 1.

The next event is the Autumn Meeting at Belton Park on 24th September. To date there are 34 silver and 9 bronze entries.

23 teams have entered the Am-Am at Sleaford.

10) Junior Organisers Report:

The chicks sessions have been well supported. Steve Cooper added three new dates, which proved to be very popular. Alison Johns also added dates but the first two sessions with Neil Curtis at Greetham Valley were cancelled. A number of girls in the programme are now getting handicaps. The Order of Merit has been very successful. The girls are starting to mix with each other. The sessions are held on the short game area at Woodhall Spa.

The closed championships were held, in conjunction with the boys, at Woodhall Spa on May 24th. Winner of the U18 was Lily Farr (Gainsborough) with a gross 85, U16 winner was Lois

Williamson (Boston) with a gross 86 and U14 winner was Isabel Haughton (Greetham Valley) with a gross 105. Best nett was Georgia Mann (Woodhall Spa) with a fantastic score of gross 93, nett 62. It was her first event and never played the course before the competition. Thanks to Terry for helping with the cards and the President, who presented the prizes. It proved to be a successful and will run along the same lines in 2016.

The Junior County League match against Staffordshire resulted in a loss 6-0. The team consisted of 3 first team players and 3 second team players. Three had never played off scratch before and one had never played County golf. Thanks to Vice-captain for her support.

The league match against Shropshire at Lingdale resulted in a win 4-2.

11) Midland North Regional Representative's Report:

Funds to be managed through LLCGA accounts.

A review of MNR competitions is to be undertaken. Any suggestions welcome. Sue to promote 2016 competitions via the County delegates.

12) Handicap Advisor/Liaison Officer's Report:

Following the seminar held in April, a summary of the possible changes were received from England Golf. This has now been further updated and the final document summarising the changes that will take effect from 1st January 2016 has been received.

It has been decided that the handicap boundaries will not be increased but there will be a facility for clubs to introduce a club handicap for use in club run events.

Handicap allowance for 4BBB will be 90%.

Clubs/handicap committees may increase handicaps immediately if thought necessary, rather than wait for the annual review.

There will be a seminar for handicap Advisors, following which there will be a seminar for handicap secretaries.

England Golf has set up a member's enquiry system via the website to relieve the number of enquiries they receive. The first one having been received to-day.

Gainsborough Golf Club have been encountering a number of problems with duplicate CDH numbers. Still to be resolved.

A problem regarding differing handicaps on the CDH and handicap certificate has been resolved. Other queries have been answered by telephone or e-mail.

13) League Secretary's Report:

No report. Leagues progressing satisfactorily.

14) Standard Scratch Assessors Report

No report

15) Partnership Report:

Nothing to report. Next meeting is on Monday, 20th October.

16) AOB:

1. County Week Agreed that Captain & Secretary meet to form a sub-committee to organise the week.

2. Representatives Meeting 2015

Pat agreed to man the registration desk and Julia agreed to take the minutes in the absence of the Secretary. Coffee/tea to be paid for out of funds.

3. Equity

Julia had spoken to Harvey Harrison (Secretary LUGC) concerning differences in the two constitutions re courtesy of courses for Officials, use of courses, fees paid and courtesy of courses when County competitions held. Review of constitution to be made in 2016 with view to amendment at AGM.

4. Juniors

Pat to make enquiries for a replacement base for the Championship Cup. A further supply of Junior Colour badges required, agreed to purchase.

5.

Card of sympathy to be sent to David Drake. Flowers sent to Ros Smith in thanks for donation.

The meeting closed at 13.45. Date & Time of next meeting: 7th January, Woodhall Spa @12.00

Signed Date