

LINCOLNSHIRE WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

MINUTES of the Executive Committee Meeting held at Woodhall Spa Golf Club on 18th October 2021

Present:

Mrs Sheilah Mitchell (Chairman)	Mrs Cindy Ireland (President/Treasurer)
Mrs Gilly Grant (Captain)	Mrs. Kathryn Johnson (Secretary)
Mrs Dawn Cunnington (Competition Secretary)	Mrs. Helen Long (South Representative)
Mrs. Terry McCarthy (Handicap Adviser)	Miss. Angela Scurr (MNR Rep)
Mrs. Margaret Jacobs (SS Assessor)	Mrs. Polly Brettle (League Secretary)
Mrs Helen Grinham (North Representative)	Miss. Stacey Mitchell (Junior Co-ordinator)

Chairman Sheilah Mitchell, opened the meeting which was the first meeting to be held in person since before the Pandemic. We welcomed Stacey Mitchell and Margaret Jacobs who joined us through Zoom. Sheilah confirmed that Shona Dixon (Club Support Officer for England Golf) will join the meeting at the end to give a report.

1) Apologies: Sophie Beardsall, Helen Dawson, Margaret Yelland, Clare Welfare, Elaine Lilley

2) Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The Minutes, having been circulated, were approved and “signed” by the Chairman.

3) Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising.

4) Correspondence:

Kathryn had received an email from a parent of a junior member at Belton Park Golf Club. This matter has since been referred to England Golf.

Mark Romasiuk (Club Support Manager – England Golf) had sent details of the Safe Golf Initiative and all but 9 clubs in Lincolnshire had been awarded the Certificate. The 9 clubs that had not been accredited were all over 70% complete.

England Golf had sent an email regarding the establishment of a working group to define how we best promote and utilise the National Golf Centre for Members. Angela Scurr had accepted the invitation.

Notification had been received regarding the County Treasurers Meeting scheduled for 8th December 2021

The next England Golf County Update will be held on Friday 19th November, Kathryn and Angela will attend remotely

An email had been received regarding nominations for the position of Young Ambassador.

5) Captain's Report

Captain Gilly Grant read out her report that will be presented at the forthcoming AGM.

6. Treasurer's Report

Cindy Ireland gave a summary of the financial situation

Current Account: £17,790.49 p

Savings Account:

Junior Account: £507

Cindy reported that the person who normally audits the LWGA Accounts was unable to carry out the audit this year. Several names were put forward.

Cindy gave thanks to Stacey for all her help and support on her President's Day, and informed everyone that £400 had been raised for the Elexis Brown Golf Foundation.

7. Competition Secretary's Report

Dawn wanted to finalise the cost of competitions for 2022. It was agreed that the fee would be £27 with a 1 course meal, and £15 with no food.

Dawn will ask members at the AGM if they can't register on Golf Genius to inform her

8. Junior Co-Ordinator's Report

Stacey informed the Executive that Pat Jones would like to donate a trophy to the Junior Section. This was gratefully received.

Stacey asked if we can ask for junior volunteers to help out at competitions etc. next year. We will prepare some handouts at the AGM and put it on the website.

9. Midlands North Report

Angela reported that the final event had to be cancelled and the main reason seemed to be the distance many had to travel. She asked for ideas for a new format.

10. Handicap Advisor's Report

Terry asked if we could ask the clubs to submit questions regarding handicapping prior to the AGM so that she had time to prepare an answer on the day. Kathryn would send out an email to all delegates.

11. League Secretary's Report

After much discussion it was agreed that we would replace the League Pictures, which were now damaged and faded, with a framed certificate which each club would keep. Polly would retain all the pictures and see if we could utilise them in some way.

It was agreed that we would try to see if Golf Genius could be used for league results administration. Kathryn would be in touch with Golf Genius to see if this was a possibility.

12. Standard Scratch Assessors Report

Margaret gave her report which she will be presenting at the AGM. Margaret confirmed that so far nobody had come forward to take over this role, but 3 ladies had shown some interest which she will pursue.

Margaret also confirmed that Di Rafferty who is the Standard Scratch Assessor for the South, will be at the AGM and will answer any queries that arise.

13. Any Other Business

Shona Dixon introduced herself to the Executive Members and explained her role within England Golf. Shona is aiming to visit more clubs face to face and she offered her full support to the Committee. Shona informed the Committee of the status of the Safe Golf Initiative. She drew everyone's attention to the EG Webinars that were available for everyone to watch, along with the reference to the online Solicitor, Mills & Reeve who were available for any legal advice. Geo Foundation was also explained and how it gives eco-friendly initiatives to clubs and organisations, along with the EG surveys available to clubs and also Medi8, which is a marketing tool.

Sheilah informed the Committee that Sally Bowker had accepted the position of Fixtures Secretary to replace Clare Welfare who was retiring.

It was agreed that a gift and card would be presented to Clare at the AGM, in thanks for her many years as Fixtures Secretary,

Cindy Ireland confirmed that she had asked Barbara Haycox to be the next President of the LWGA and that Barbara had been delighted to take up the position, but could not attend the AGM as she was away on holiday.

It was agreed to hold a separate meeting regarding the Scratch League after all the comments had been received and collated.

Cindy asked if more team kit could be arranged for the A and B Teams. Gilly will arrange this.

Cindy also asked if the Website could be tidied up as there was a lot of outdated information on the site and it also needs to look more organised. Gilly and Sophie had asked if they could put information directly on to the site regarding matches etc. and Kathryn will arrange for their names to be added. It was agreed that we would ask for a volunteer to take on the running of the website.

The meeting closed at 10:40 and the next meeting to be confirmed at a later date.

Signed Date