

# LINCOLNSHIRE WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

MINUTES of the Executive Committee Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at Woodhall Spa

## **Present:**

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| Mrs Sheilah Mitchell (Chairman)                | Mrs. Barbara Haycox (President)              |
| Mrs Cindy Ireland (Treasurer)                  | Mrs Gilly Grant (Captain)                    |
| Miss. Sophie Beardsall (Vice-Captain)          | Mrs. Kathryn Johnson (Secretary)             |
| Mrs Dawn Cunnington (Competition Secretary)    | Mrs. Helen Long (South Representative)       |
| Mrs. Margaret Jacobs (SS Assessor)             | Mrs. Polly Brettle (League Secretary)        |
| Mrs Helen Grinham (North Representative)       | Mrs. Stacey McNicholas (Junior Co-Ordinator) |
| Mrs. Margaret Yelland (Central Representative) |  |

Chairman Sheilah Mitchell, opened the meeting, which was being held over Zoom due to sickness and travel difficulties.

**1) Apologies** - Angela Scurr, Sally Bowker, Birdie Dawson, Terry Macarthy

## **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 the following emails:

Slip, Slap Swing Campaign  
Burghley Park, regarding raising Handicap Index for League Matches  
Angela Scurr – County Finals  
Mark Romasiuk – Paternity Cover until 12<sup>th</sup> July  
EG – Training webinar – Supporting and Retaining Young Golfers  
Victoria Goldsmith – Breast Cancer Putts for Prevention  
Confirmation from EG regarding the entries for Champion of Champions  
Tracey Stobart – TARS Level 3  
EG Annual Review 2021  
Richard Latham – Regarding the Centenary Book

## **5) Secretary's Report**

Kathryn had attended the virtual England Golf Update Meeting, which reported that numbers were down, almost 59% for Senior Women's Open and by 63%

Kathryn reminded everyone that we have to complete the pro-forma regarding LWGA for inclusion in the Centenary Book by August 2022.

## **6. Captain's Report**

Gilly was happy to report on the recent County Week Event which had taken place at Trentham Golf Club in Staffordshire between 19<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022. The results are all on the website.

Unfortunately, we suffered one injury and one player tested positive for Covid, but we managed to come third overall, which was a great achievement. Special mention must go to Meg Illingworth who won all her matches.

Gilly paid thanks to Barbara & John Haycox, Sophie, all the team supporters and was delighted that the girls had a visit from Billy Jo. Gilly reported that the team spirit was excellent, the etiquette of the players was exemplary and she thanked the county for such a good time

Barbara paid special thanks to Gilly on a job well done, which was echoed by all the Committee.

## **7. Treasurer's Report**

Cindy Ireland gave a summary of the financial situation:

£13,722.73 in the Savings Account

£13,483.13 in the Current Account, which includes the Midlands North contribution

## **8. Competition Secretary's Report**

Dawn reported that there were 20 players for County Championships, with 10 players signed up for the Butlin and Julia Sales

31 players signed up for the Senior Womens Championships at Thonock.

The Betterball South had been cancelled due to numbers

There were 52 entries for the Betterball Central

And 52 entries for the Betterball North

There were only 9 entries for the Autumn Meeting, and 28 players for the County Am Am.

A discussion took place as to why the numbers were down, and it was thought that ladies are still reluctant to play and travel due to Covid.

Dawn confirmed that there were now 638 members signed up on Golf Genius.

A poster will be prepared to send out to all clubs reminding them of the forthcoming County Competitions, Helen Long will send out a poster for the South and Sheilah will send out a poster for the Autumn Meeting.

Dawn confirmed that she would be standing down as Competition Secretary at the AGM, and was pleased to announce that Helen Long had kindly agreed to head a team of 2 other ladies to share the responsibilities, this would mean that if everything is shared then the organiser could actually play in the

competition. Both Helen Long and Helen Grinham were happy to work as a team in this way, and confirmed that they will both remain on the Committee. We agreed to advertise if anyone wants to be part of the team working for a 3 year period. Dawn and Helen will liaise on the wording of a job description.

The Committee thanked Dawn for all her hard work on setting up all the Competitions on Golf Genius, especially County Championships.

#### **8. Junior Co-Ordinator's Report**

Stacey confirmed that Polly, Barbara and Kathryn were helping out on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August for the Girls Golf Day at Elsham G.C. Stacey also asked for any prizes to be donated for the day.

Stacey asked for help on the 25<sup>th</sup> October for the Golf Sixes and Cindy and Sheilah volunteered.

For the Midlands Festival, Sheilah and Barbara had offered to help out on the 16<sup>th</sup> August.

Stacey reminded everyone about Lady Presidents Day, which is being held at Lincoln G.C. on the 25<sup>th</sup> September.

The Patrons event on the 30<sup>th</sup> September is being held at Cleethorpes G.C. and Kathryn volunteered to help out.

#### **9. Midlands North Report**

Angela asked for LWGA comments on the forthcoming meeting with England Golf regarding the upgrade of the National Golf Centre, the Committee agreed with the recommendations put forward by EG and Angela will take this forward.

Angela commented that the Girls Championships on 7<sup>th</sup> August, at present there were only 11 players, with a poor response from other counties. It was felt that more players could come forward nearer the time.

#### **10. Handicap Advisor's Report**

Terry was unable to attend the meeting, and had nothing new to report.

#### **11. League Secretary's Report**

Polly reported that results were now coming in thick and fast, but some results sheets were not fully completed and this was taking time to ratify. She urged all Team Captains to complete the results sheets fully with all the information, and to send them in as soon after the match was played.

Polly confirmed that Belton Park had withdrawn from the Scratch League.

The Finals are to be played on 9<sup>th</sup> September and suggestions were put forward for playing the final with 3 teams. This will be discussed further, and all teams involved will be informed.

#### **12. Standard Scratch Assessors Report**

Unfortunately, the zoom link was broken and Margaret was unable to comment.

13. **Any Other Business**

Sheilah confirmed that Tracey Stobart would be resigning from the position of County Welfare Officer at the AGM and was pleased to confirm that Pat Jones had kindly agreed to take up this position.

All agreed that we would need to start a recruitment campaign for Committee Members.

Shona Dickson, the County Support Officer, joined the meeting and gave a rundown of all the activities she had been involved in with the various clubs within the County. She confirmed that the renewals for the Safe Golf Initiative were proceeding well.

The meeting closed at 13.00 and the next meeting scheduled for Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August at 11.00 a.m.

Signed ..... Date .....