

Minutes of the Representatives Meeting held at Woodhall Spa Golf Club on Monday 3rd September 2018

**PRESENT:**

Mrs Tracey Stobart (Chairman), Miss Jane Crooks (President), Mrs Helen Dawson (Captain), Mrs Cindy Ireland (Treasurer), Mrs Polly Brettle (League Secretary), Mrs Pat Jones (Junior Organiser), Mrs Terry Macarthy (Handicap Advisor), Mrs Dawn Cunnington (Competition Secretary), Mrs Elaine Lilley (Marketing) Mrs Barbara Haycox (Secretary) plus representatives from Burghley Park, Waltham Windmill, Louth, Belton Park, Market Rasen, Kirton Holme, Canwick Park, Cleethorpes, Kenwick Park, Greetham Valley, Lincoln, Laceby Manor, Sleaford, Seacroft, Holme Hall, Spalding, Belton Woods, Grimsby, Boston, Blankney, Stoke Rochford, Millfield, Elsham, Woodhall Spa, RAF Coningsby and Sudbrook Moor Golf Clubs.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the Executive Members.

**1. Apologies:**

Apologies were received from Gillian Grant (Vice – Captain), Margaret Yelland (Central Representative), Jackie Friend (South Representative), Margaret Jacobs (Assessor), Kellie Hadland, Kay Loble, Linda Ramscar, Sutton Bridge and Gainsborough Golf Clubs

**2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

The minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Paula Marshall (Belton Park) and seconded by Sue Brown (Canwick Park).

**3. Matters arising:**

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

**4. Standard Scratch Score Assessors Report:**

Margaret started by detailing her role. Along with Di Rafferty they were responsible for assessing courses from the red tees, which is used to provide the standard scratch from which handicaps are based. It also provides a slope rating which will be used from 2020 on the introduction of the World Handicapping System. Working alongside the men, courses rated in 2018: Market Rasen, Louth, Elsham, Forest Pines, Waltham Windmill, Canwick Park, Greetham Valley, Boston West, North Shore, Blankney, Boston and Sleaford, Courses due to be rated in September: Kenwick park, Woodhall Spa (Bracken), Seacroft and Stoke Rochford. Clubs were asked to ensure that a current measurement certificate, no more than 10 years old, was available prior to the course being rated.

**5. League Secretary's Report:**

Polly announced the date – 12<sup>th</sup> September - and venue – South Kyme - of the Handicap League Final between Elsham B, winners of Division 1 North and Toft, winners of Division 1 South. Polly went on to announce the results for the handicap league, which had been sent to all participating clubs together with details for the 2019 divisions. Division 5 South had only 3 clubs in 2018 and 2 clubs were promoted, Burghley Park have entered a C team. Immingham have withdrawn, Laceby Manor have been promoted to Division 5 North. Cleethorpes have entered a B team, who will join Division 6 North. The Handicap League results have been sent to all participating clubs, together with a list of the 2019 divisions. Please can team captains ensure the results are sent on the correct result form and not just an email or a mobile photo informing me of who has won and the score, as the full result is needed in the event of a count back of games. The rules for 2019 and result sheets for submission to me will be able to be downloaded from the website in PDF. 'Word' versions are available from Barbara Haycox [secretary@lwga.co.uk](mailto:secretary@lwga.co.uk). - or myself. Please make sure you use the up to date forms. The results pages have been amended ready for 2019 to include the new leagues divisions. Clubs with two or more teams in the league are reminded to **retain a copy of their handicap list for all matches A, B and C teams** should

they need to be referred to on the match day or at a later date. **Home team** captains please send results by post or e-mail as soon after the match has been played so that the website can be kept up to date. Would clubs please specify on the result sheet whether it is the A, B or C team result.

Clubs are reminded that the county cannot interfere with individual clubs policies on league matches, only set out the conditions and rules of play. Please make sure you confirm your matches in writing and verbally nearer the date to avoid any confusion.

The league rules were amended last year to state that where possible clubs should offer a weekend date for matches to ensure all members have an opportunity to play in the matches, I would like to reiterate that where ever possible this should be adhered to.

Reminder of rule changes 2018

**Rule 9 Clubs entering more than 1 team:**

*a) The teams shall be designated A, B, C. On the date of selection, clubs must refer to the current handicap list of players ranked in order of their exact handicap. Subject to (b) below:*

*Players ranked 1-8 can only be considered for the A team.*

*Players ranked 9-16 can only be considered for the A or B team.*

*Players ranked 17 onwards can be considered for any team.*

*(a) A player having played for the A team 3 times, may not play for any other team in the Lincolnshire Ladies Handicap Leagues in the same year. A player having played for the B team 3 times may not play in the C team in the same year. In the case of a dispute, the County League Secretary may request a Master Handicap list for the relevant date. It is therefore essential that Captains retain a copy of the list showing the exact handicaps of the team played on the relevant day*

**Rule 16 reminder**

*Players must walk at all times during league matches, unless permitted to use a golf buggy by the League Secretary. Permission will be given to those players having a current medical condition existing on the day of the relevant match, who have given prior notification to the league secretary and the Opposing team Captain/Representative. The Association will take each player on trust and will not enquire into the nature of any said medical condition, nor will it require evidence by way of a medical certificate as proof of such a condition.*

*The buggy shall be for the sole use of the player and her equipment. Hiring of the buggy shall be the sole responsibility of the player. Players are expected to familiarise themselves with the Health and Safety policies of the host club in so far as it relates to ride on buggies.*

The Scratch League the final is on 5<sup>th</sup> September at Holme Hall between Greetham Valley and Woodhall Spa. The format is a team of 3 players in the banding of up to 5 handicap, 6-10 and 11-15 with each player playing their opposite number off scratch. A team may substitute a player from a higher band but still play in band order Any team wishing to join the Scratch league for 2019, please advise as soon as possible.

League Division winners were asked to send a representative to the AGM to receive their picture. Clubs, who had not returned pictures, were asked to send them to Elsham Golf Club.

**6. Proposals for AGM**

1. The association change its name from LLCGA to LWGA (Lincolnshire Women's Golf Association)

The Chairman outlined the reasons for change and discussion followed. Members expressed their views both for and against the proposal. Proposed by Sheilah Mitchell (Market Rasen), Seconded Jackie Walker (Holme Hall). Vote taken: For 49, against 6 & abstentions 3. Proposal to go forward.

2.

Constitution – amendments to go to the AGM:

8d - delete Chairman

8e - add Chairman

9c - add Delegates

9.1d – delete accidental, add necessarily –The (accidental) omission to give proper notice to any Affiliated Club or person entitled to receive such notice, or the non-receipt by any such Club or person, will not necessarily invalidate the proceedings at any General Meeting.

13. a.ii – amend wording to -Two representatives from each Club affiliated to The Association

13. b.i – amend wording to -To elect a representative from each of the three County regions, namely North, Central & South, onto the Executive Committee. Delegates may only vote for their respective region.

17 – delete - his/her 2<sup>nd</sup> class return fare and overnight expenses

Proposed Paula Marshall (Belton Park) Seconded Margaret Johns (Kirton Holme). All agreed  
Vote taken and all proposals - agreed.

**7. Any Other Business:**

Elaine Lilley detailed her objectives as Marketing and Communication Officer to improve the information passed from County to clubs and clubs to County. Newsletter introduced and request for any information or achievements to be forwarded to the Secretary.

Dawn Cunnington (Competition Secretary). A folder containing dates and entry forms for 2019 was available for collection. To comply with GDPR, the folder included a form for members to complete. This will enable entry forms & newsletters sent direct to players and publication of start lists and photographs to be uploaded on the website. Entry forms and a GDPR consent form is available to download from the website.

There being no other business the President thanked all those attending and Woodhall Spa for the use of their facilities. The next meeting would be Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019, and closed the meeting at 11.36 a.m.

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