January 2019

News

From the Chairman

Happy New Year!

I would like to wish all of our Lady Golfers a very Happy New Year and wish you enjoyable and successful golf in 2019.

With a new year comes promise of new change and resolutions, especially in our golf! Many of you will be planning your strategies for the forthcoming year.

Please see our note about the 20 top rules changes on the next page. More info from www.englandgolf.org.

A change for Lincolnshire Ladies is the renaming of our County Committee. As agreed at the November AGM we shall be known as Lincolnshire Women's Golf Association. Keeping us in line with modern women's sport for 2019. **Tracey**

New President for Lincolnshire Women's Golf Association

Cindy Ireland has been elected as the new President of Lincolnshire Women's Golf Association. Cindy replaces Jayne Crooks who completed her term of office at the AGM in November 2018.

Cindy began playing golf in 1996 at RAF Conningsby. In 1999 she moved to Blankney where she stayed for the next 15 years becoming Club Captain in 2007. She is currently a member at Woodhall Spa.

Winning the Midland Vets Championship at Worksop in 2014 is her most memorable golfing achievement. She has accomplished many things during her golf career including her appointment as County Captain in 2012/13 and becoming Midland Vets Captain in 2016

New President Cont'd..

Cindy also gives back to the game and has been a member of the County Committee since 2010, most recently as County Treasurer.

"I'm very honoured to be asked to be County President" Cindy Ireland

Cindy is looking forward to meeting as many of the Lincolnshire Ladies as possible over the next two years.

She said that she was very honoured to asked to be County President. She went on to say that "I would encourage all association members to get involved with their Club or County as you will have a lot of fun along the way!" Part of her mission will be to encourage as many Ladies as she can to enter County run competitions – there is something for everybody in 2019 – whatever level – they are not all scary!

NOTICES

COUNTY AM AM Elsham is now on Friday 11 October & not Tuesday 8 October as previously stated.

SPRING BRONZE Meeting is now at Waltham Windmill on 29 & 30 May & not at Lacey Manor as previously stated. 29th - 18 hole stableford, team event. (best 3 from 4) 30th betterball stableford.

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THE NEW RULES!

We are now getting used to the idea of the new rules which have entered our game. You can find more information about this on The England Golf website - <u>www.englandgolf.org</u> Here are the 'top" 20 you must know!

- 1 Drop from knee height (NOT shoulder height)
- 2 Measure the area to drop in with the longest club in your bag (except a putter)
- 3 Drop in and play from the relief area
- 4 When dropping back-on-the-line, your ball cannot be played from nearer the hole than your chosen reference point
- 5 Time to search 3 minutes (NOT 5 minutes)
- 6 If you accidentally move your ball when searching for it, replace it without penalty
- 7 No penalty for a double hit it only counts as one stroke
- 8 No penalty if your ball hits you or your equipment accidentally.
- 9 No penalty if your ball strikes the flagstick when you have chosen to leave it in the hole
- 10 Spike mark or shoe damage on the putting green can be repaired
- 11 Ball accidentally moved on putting green no penalty & replace
- 12 Ball marked, lifted and replaced on putting green is moved by wind to another position –replace ball on the original spot
- 13 Penalty areas replace water hazards, and you can move loose impediments, ground your club and take practice swings in penalty areas without penalty, just as you can on the fairway or in the rough
- 14 You can't take relief from a penalty area unless you are at least 95% certain your ball is in the penalty area
- 15 In bunkers you can move loose impediments
- 16 In bunkers you cannot touch the sand with your club in the area right in front of or right behind your ball, during your backswing or in taking practice swings
- 17 Free relief is allowed if your ball is embedded on the fairway or in the rough (but "embedded" means that part of your ball is below the level of the ground)
- 18 Unplayable ball in bunker extra option to drop outside the bunker for 2 penalty strokes
- 19 You cannot have your caddie or your partner standing behind you once you begin taking your stance
- 20 Pace of Play it is recommended that you take no longer than 40 seconds to make a stroke (usually you should be able to be quicker than that) and Ready Golf in stroke play

Members

President Mrs Cindy Ireland

Chairman

Mrs Tracey Stobart

Captain Mrs Birdie Dawson

Vice-Captain

Mrs Gillian Grant

Past Captain

Mrs Helen McDougall

Secretary

Mrs Barbara Haycox

Treasurer Mrs Cindy Ireland Competition Secretary

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Other Club News Gainsborough Golf Club has a new name –

Thonock Park

We are delighted to report that India Clyburn has been included in this summer's squad for the Vagliano Trophy.

Lincolnshire Chicks Activity Days 2019

The Lincolnshire Chicks is run by the LWGA and provides opportunities for learner girl golfers from the area to meet one another, participate in adapted playing opportunities, challenges and importantly to socialise. The Chicks Activity Days are aimed at girls who are beginners, those with a high or no handicap, ages 6-16 years of age. The first 4 of the year be held at Woodhall Spa on 2 & 23 February, 16 March & 6 April 2019. 12 - 1.30pm. Contact Pat Jones - mobile (07860832490) or (patjones1666@gmail. com).