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Minutes of the Committee meeting of the Ladies Section of Wheathill Golf Club

Date: Wednesday 15th June 2022 @ 6.30pm

Venue: Jan's house @ Linden House, Church Street, Babcary, Somerton TA11 7DT

AGENDA

Present

Ion Street	Ion C	Ladias Contain
Jan Street	Jan S	Ladies Captain
Jen Warmington	Jen W	Vice Captain
Karen Forward	KF	Competition Secretary
Fiona Cruise	FC	Handicap Secretary
Joan Stone	JC	County Delegate
Sylvia Bates	SB	New members Rep
Samantha Thorpe	ST	Treasurer /Eclectic
Anne Scott	AS	Secretary

- 1. Apologies for absence- None
- **2. Approval of minutes of previous meeting.** The Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 19th May were accepted as an accurate record.

Proposed by Jen Warmington, Seconded by Fiona Cruise Signed by Lady Captain

3. Matters arising from Ladies March Committee meeting

I. Triers: We may need to look at the format next year, but Heather Bush is the winner this year.

4. Matters arising from Main Committee

I. Nothing of any significance.

5. Lady Captain's Report

At last, the sun has provided us all with a bit of warmth, but also super conditions for playing golf. A quick round up of the last few weeks: Rainbow Maker won by Karen Forward, Marion Hodgson and Fiona Cruse; the one-day format of All Fools Greensomes was won by Linda Johnson and Val Hyldon. In the League we beat Mendip 5-2 at home and yesterday beat Cricket St Thomas 4½-2½ also at home. We are currently standing 2nd in the league just ½ point behind Oake Manor having played the same number of games – well

done Wheathill ladies. Sadly, Kate and Sam were beaten by Enmore on the 19th hole at Minehead in the Centenary Plate, but Jen and Gin were successful yet again in their fourth round Daily Mail Foursomes match at home against Yeovil.

I played my first Pro Captain's challenge match today – obviously I can't divulge the result but am looking forward to the other matches in this series. Martin is happy to offer another date as the first date was not taken by anyone so, please sign up if you would like to take us on!

We will have played our Club Championship before our next meeting, and it is good to see that so many ladies have signed up for this – our fingers are crossed for fine weather on that day.

I would just like to mention how helpful and accommodating our clubhouse staff have been for all our matches and competitions — providing excellent food, great value for money and always with a smile on their faces. Many thanks to Vicky, Fiona, Ebony, and Helen.

6. Lady Vice-Captain's Report

The second fixture of the Tri Match series took place, at Long Sutton, on 30th May. The Wheathill ladies, once again, put in a fantastic performance scoring 173 – which was 5 more than Cricket St Thomas and only 7 less than Long Sutton, who were playing on their own course. This has resulted in just 5 points separating all 3 teams with Wheathill only 1 point behind the leaders, Cricket St Thomas and puts us in a very good position going into the final leg, at home.

Unfortunately, we weren't quite so successful in our Friendly match, at home, against Bridport on 9th June, losing 1½ to 2½. However, I think everyone enjoyed the day and some new friendships were made.

7. Treasurer's Report

Bank balances: Current A/c £802.33 Charity A/C £1651.92 Reserve A/C £592.01

Nat West Online banking not yet completed. Called Nat West today, they say they cannot see our application of the 2^{nd of} June 2022, so we must start again.

Rainbowmaker £6 & May Stableford £4.80 collected from shop. Transferred to the shop £25 for the spare team shirt.

8. Competition Secretary's Report

The Rainbowmaker was held on Sunday 22nd May. The weather was good, and the results were as follows:

1st K Forward/F Cruse/M Hodgson 2nd H Bush/S Rees/A Carroll 3rd K Cleverley/V Eale/L O'Neill

On the 7^{th of} June we held a one-day Greensomes competition instead of the All Fools knock out competition. We ended up with ten teams which was more than had originally signed up for the knockout. The results were as follows:

1st L Johnson/V Hyldon 2nd J Street/G Hillier 3rd G Volk/S Bamping

The next ladies competition will be the Club Championships on Sunday 3rd July.

9. Handicap Secretary's Report

In May we had good entries for both the Medal (10) and the Stableford (16). From the Medal winners announced in the last meeting, I emailed Sue Rees who came 2nd about her qualification for Dickinson Cup which takes place in August at Burnham and Berrow. (Sue Moon was 1st but as this is for players with handicap of 20 or less, she was ineligible.)

In May's Stableford, 16 entries allowed me to create 2 divisions.

Division 1 Winners were

1st Ann Gates

2nd Sue Rees

3rd Pam Frith

Division 2 winners were 1st Marion Hodgson 2nd Sue Adams

3rd Sue Ovland.

I therefore emailed Marion to let her know she had qualified for the Barlow Cup (for handicappers of 20.1 to 36.

I did ask both Sue and Marion to let me know if they were entering and mentioned that they could claim back their fee from the Ladies Section. I've yet to hear from them but entries need to be confirmed by 30th June.

In the June Medal we had 12 competitors and the winners were 1st Linda Johnson 2nd Nic Boyd 3rd Sylvia Bates
Next week will be a Stableford week.

10. County Delegate's Report

Meeting held on Monday 23rd May 2022 at 09.30 at Wells Golf Club

All competition dates for 2023 have been finalised and the entry fee of £15 will remain the same. However, green fees asked by Clubs are increasing, so it is inevitable that entry fees will increase in the future. Dates for 2023 are:

Fowler Brooches on 17th April at Cricket St Thomas

County Championship on 7th May at The Mendip

County Bowmaker on 15th June at Worlebury

50+ Championship on 10th July at Saltford

Handicap Championships on 11th August at Enmore Park

Fowler Lock on 21st September at Tall Pines

Inclusivity is very much the key message still from England Golf. Please remember this when planning your competitions and social events. We must be very aware of the special needs which some of our members may have.

Becky Thompson has volunteered for the position of Hon Secretary & will take over from Lesley at the AGM in November.

There are vacancies for:

Southwest Regional Committee Representative and Voting member for Somerset (Please contact Sandra Ford for information)
County Junior Organiser

Both Job Description on the website.

The next General Meeting will be held at The Mendip GC at 11am on Monday, 12th September 2022

11. New Members Report

Two ladies joined Wheathill Golf Club – Ladies Section during May 2022. Nic Boyd and Judy Dillon.

I have been in touch with both ladies and understand that Nic is playing with Lady members at Wheathill. Judy has a very busy month during June — holiday and family commitments, so we will arrange to meet up next month. I understand both ladies have played golf in the past.

12. Juniors

The King's Development Squad have continued to regularly play several times per week and handicaps are stabilising and scores continuing to be entered on the system.

On Saturday 28th May the second League Event took place at Wells GC where John Angelosanto won the Third Division Trophy with 6 points added to the Club overall score.

Two new younger members have been making progress towards playing on the course and one will be playing in the last East Division League Event at Mendip on Sunday 26th June alongside the new Junior Captain Dylan Millard taking our team up to three on the day. We are currently placed 4th in our division.

Girls Golf Rocks has been progressing well with two girls already joined as members. A further 6-week course will take place at the end of August.

There will be three Kings players competing against three players from Taunton & Pickeridge on Saturday 18th June at home in the second round of the County Knockout Competition.

There were no entries for the Junior 18-hole Championship on 12th June due to GCSE and A Level Exams coming up. This will be rearranged. Our two newest juniors played for the Development Trophy with Oli Hopkins winning and Ronnie Baldwin as runner up.

13. Starters for Men's Competitions

None Required.

14. Correspondence

None.

15. AOB

I. Championship.

Jan has got the prizes which are being engraved. We will ask Steve C to start. Main Comp AM & for Supporters. Karen will check the number of qualifiers. People can still play (but not win) if they do not have sufficient number.

II. Mixed Open

Numbers are low. Debate as to whether it's viable to run it. Karen to send out another email to ladies. Jen to speak to Andrew E re options if number are low.

III. Ladies Open

Only 2 entries. Unfortunately, we will need to cancel. Perhaps next year look at offering a meal in the cost to make it more attractive.

IV. Diary

Jude asked (via Jen), if there could be an option of a larger format of diary at small cost?

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.40 pm

Date of next meeting: Thursday 28th July 2022 at 6.30 p.m.
Location: Jan's house
Signed as correct Date