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**Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Ladies Section of
Wheathill Golf Club held on Tuesday 18th June 2024, 6.30 pm
at the Cross Keys, Lydford**

Present	Anne Scott (AS)	Ladies Captain
	Sylvia Bates (SB)	New Members Delegate
	Fiona Cruse (FC)	Vice Captain
	Judith Rowsell (JR)	Competition Secretary
	Sam Thorpe (ST)	Treasurer
	Jen Warmington (JW)	Past Captain

1. Apologies for absence

Nic Boyd (NB)	Handicap Secretary
Becky Thompson (BT)	Secretary
Nicky Wisniewski (NW)	County Delegate

2. Approval of minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 21st May 2024 were accepted as an accurate record. Proposed by ST, Seconded by JR and signed by the Lady Captain AS.

3. Matters Arising

- Ladies Championship vote: 33 votes cast out of 66 eligible - 11 for option 1, 10 for option 2 (with 3 comments regarding 2 days over one weekend) and 10 for option 3 plus 2 stating "None of the above". An inconclusive result. A discussion followed about the way forward and as no clear outright decision, the conclusion was made for the Championship to stay as it stands, albeit it by 1 vote, for next year. This will be declared at the end of the Championship on 30th June but with the proviso that if someone wanted to put a proposal forward (with ideas), they could do so at the next AGM and we will look at it again.
- The main Wheathill WhatsApp group still only has one administrator. AS to check with NB about linking up with Karen Forward, the current administrator.

4. Main Committee

Not held.

5. Lady Captain's Report (AS)

Lady Captain's Away Day to Saltford. Many thanks to Fiona for splendid arrangements, a fun day followed by fabulous tea! Hope you enjoyed yourselves.

The Maryland went very well with Charlie Barber presenting trophy to Linda Johnson! Well done to Linda.

ICL against CST - they had trouble getting a team, but we won 5½ games to 1½.

Past Captains Trophy was won by Linda Johnson.

All Fools Greensomes was won by Jen Warmington and Ann Gates.

Australian Spoons Karen and Jude went to Cumberwell.

Mentioned a problem with Cricket St Thomas and food on the ICL game.

6. Vice Captain's Report (FC)

We had a great day away at Saltford for Anne's Away Day on the 24th May with 18 of us playing a Team Medley format. The weather was kind to us, the course was challenging, the food was delicious, and I think, hope that everyone had a great day out.

The team winners were:

1st place: Val Hyldon, Dee Powell and Gaylene Meeson scoring 65 points

2nd place: Jen Warmington, Gin Stewart and Sam Thorpe with 63 points

Individual winners were:

Highest overall stableford: Lynn O'Neill

Best Front 9: Melanie Brewin

Best Back 9: Marion Hodgson.

Many thanks to Saltford Golf Club for being so welcoming, friendly and nothing was too much trouble.

On 30th May we played Bridport in a friendly match at home. We were lucky with the weather again and this time we won all four of our games.

The Tri-Match took place on Tuesday 4th June at home, and I must thank Jen Warmington for stepping in for me at the last moment as I came down with a tummy bug and was unable to attend. Thank you, Jen! Cricket St Thomas won with 195 points. We were only just behind them with 193 and Long Sutton had 186. After two rounds we are still in the lead with 362, Cricket St Thomas has 351 and Long Sutton, 349. We are in a good position going forward but there is still everything to play for in the last match at Cricket St Thomas in July.

We have the annual Bag of Beans against the seniors next tomorrow (Wednesday) and all is now in place for that. Thank you to Jude for all the help she has given me in setting this up.

Entries are still trickling in for the Mixed Open on 14th July. The closing date is the 23rd June and I am hopeful that a few more club members might put in last minute entries. To date we have 36 pairs confirmed with at least a couple more in the offing, that I know of. I will need help on the day so will be asking for volunteers nearer the time for various jobs.

7. Treasurer's Report (ST)

Bank balances:	Current A/c	£1,166.38
	Charity A/c	£ 590.76
	Reserve A/c	£1,459.24
	Women On Par A/c	£. 300.00

Charity account received £50 from both Clearway Motors and Hopkins.

Balance of £670 paid to Saltford for our away day, which was excellent.

Entries for Ladies Open already paid 10 teams, and Mixed Open 14 teams, thus why the Reserve Account has a healthy balance.

I have transferred £50 today to the Pro Shop as 50% of locker money collected.

8. Competition Secretary's Report (JR)

Australian Spoons Sunday 26th May

2 pairs entered. Gin Stewart and Agates. Judith Rowsell and Karen Forward.

The winning pair Judith and Karen go forward to the next round at Cumberwell Park on the Monday 17th June. All entry fees go to this club.

The Maryland Classic Sunday 2nd June

20 ladies entered this individual qualifying Stableford competition.

Val Boothman who was sales director of AJ & RG Barber Ltd and also our first Lady Captain asked them to donate and sponsor this competition. All prize winners received a small black wax of Maryland Mature Cheese.

Results

- 1st 41 pts Linda Johnson £21.50
- 2nd 39 pts Kate Cleverley £16
- 3rd 33 pts on count back Jan Street £11
- 4th 33 pts Jill Byrne £7

Past Captains Trophy Thursday 13th June

12 Past Captains played. This is an individual qualifying competition.

The present Lady Captain is invited to play although she cannot win the Trophy.

Results

- 1st 36 pts Linda Johnson on count back
- 2nd 36 pts Sue Bamping

All Fools Greensome Sunday 16th June

This was historically a knockout competition but this year it was played as a stroke play competition.

16 ladies entered.

1st 68 nett pts Jen Warmington and Ann Gates £18 each
2nd 69 pts Becky Thompson and Melanie Brewin £9 each

Suggestion to keep the All Fools Greensomes as a single event from now on, not knockout.

AS, JR and FC to look at all comps and their position in the diary to avoid two consecutive days and possibly to stop some of the less popular events like the Australian Spoons.

9. Handicap Secretary's Report (NB)

Very little to report this month. May Stableford had 22 entries with Jen Warmington winning Div 1 and Mel Brewin winning Div 2. Mel has qualified for entry to the Barlow Cup in August which she is planning to attend. I don't think I mentioned last month that as Gin Stewart won the May Medal she qualifies to enter the Dickinson Cup. She is also planning to enter.

The recent June Medal competition was won by Lynne O'Neil with Linda Johnson in second and Gaylene Meeson in third. There were 15 entries.

Jen remains at the top of the OOM followed by Jan Street and Gaylene Meeson.

I was slightly taken by surprise to be contacted by Janet Fear almost instructing me to do the cards for The County Bowmaker being held at Wheathill on June 20th. I didn't know anything about it but with Jude's help and explanation from Grets I think we have all bases covered! Thank you to both of them and also thank you again to Fiona for continuing to answer my random questions and being a great support.

10. County Delegate's Report (NW)

Nothing to report.

11. New Members Report (SB)

Two new lady members joined during May – Trish Jones and Allison Eke. Trish has participated in the Tuesday roll-ups and Allison has joined the Women on Par sessions.

The latest Women on Par session took place on Sunday 9th June with 10 ladies attending (one new person to the group). Going forward, several of the ladies will have Group Lessons with Martin to back up the coaching from Women on Par. The Group Lessons will take place on Sundays, at a cost of £10 per head, per session.

SB brought along the prize for the WoP ladies in an end of the season competition. An 'England Golf' bottle of gin. A decision was made to apply again next year. In the meantime, SB would query the charges applied by Martin.

12. Junior Report (JB)

On Sunday 19th May our team of 5 juniors played their second league event at Yeovil GC on the Newton Course. In Division 1 we gained 7 points with Oscar M winning the trophy and Evan bringing home one point. Lucy in Division 2 came third and in Division 3 Elliot was runner up.

Everyone found the course challenging so gaining 13 points to add to the 13 points at Taunton and Pickeridge leaves Wheathill leading the table with 26 points ahead of T&P on 25, Long Sutton on 22 and Yeovil on 18. The final event will be played at Wheathill in September.

On 26th May the Crossman Cup was played for the first time in several years. A junior plays with an adult member who is not their parent in a 4BBB format. Winning with 37 points was Jemima T and Jon Skirton. Runners up were George B with Jen Warmington and Liberty W with Dominic Stevens in third.

The Junior Championships and Knockout semi-final results will be reported soon.

13. Correspondence

None.

14. AOB

Mementos for OOMs – and also include Medals. Give option of memento or voucher. *NB to ask winners their preference in September.*

BT: Frequency of Committee Meetings. *Decision made to stay the same. We have to do a minimum of 6 anyway. We currently do 10 plus AGM.*

AS: Policy re Respect in Golf: AS spoke to Martin who said it is on our website.

Sue Bamping asked via AS Who was advertising businesses in our changing room? Where are they from? *To be taken down. JW - apparently it has historically been agreed to no commercial advertising in the locker room.*

AS : Aimee Sawyer has been invited to give an inspirational talk on 16th October. *This will involve tea and cake. Proceeds to go to Captain's Charity.*

JR : For our silverware, should we only accept qualifying cards from our club? *Need to go to main committee. Maybe email to go out to all club members re qualifying cards in general.*

AS : Number of qualifiers for juniors. *Needs to be the same as for all members.*

JW : Ladies Open : we are low on entries at the moment but hopefully it should be possible to go ahead.

ST : Crowning of holes. *New staff being taught?*

JW : Suggested that emails should be sent out reminding all members that from October 2024 everyone will need 5 medal, stableford or qualifying competition scores as part of their 10 cards. *AS to raise at Main Committee.*

Twilight Sessions for WoP, 7th and 21st July, 4th, 11th and 25th August. Volunteers needed.

Meeting concluded at 8.01 pm

Date of next meeting:- Tuesday 16th July 2024, 6.30pm at Cross Keys, Lydford.

Signed as correct Date 2024

Anne Scott, Lady Captain