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**Minutes of the Ladies Section of Wheathill Golf Club on**

**Date** Wed. 15<sup>th</sup> March. 6.00. p.m. 2017

**Venue:** Jubilee Room, Wheathill Golf Club

**AGENDA**

**Present**

Sue Bamping	SBa	Ladies Captain
Melanie Brewin	MB	Vice Captain
Pam Frith	PF	Past Captain
Helen Lane	HL	Treasurer
Sandra Bradshaw	SB	Secretary
Sue Harrop	SH	Handicap Secretary
Joan Stone	JS	Competition Secretary
Lynn O'Neill	LO	New Members Delegate
Ann Gates	AG	Committee Member/ Eclectic

**1. Apologies for absence**

Jan Finan	JF	County Delegate
Greta Hillier	GH	Committee Member

**2. Approval of minutes of previous meeting** –The Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February were accepted as an accurate record.

Proposed by ...PF..... Seconded by ...AG.... Signed by Lady Captain

**3. Matters arising**

Artificial turf – this is to remain as it is.

Players experiencing difficulties in inserting tees in temporary tees are advised to use winter rubber tees.

**Items from the Main Committee**

- Andrew is investigating possible solutions for cleaning trolleys.
- Andrew and Jill went to a meeting with SGU regarding the development of Junior Golf. It transpires that there is no point in reducing the fees for the Juniors. Mendip do not charge the Juniors a joining fee - however, they do not have any Juniors at this time. Andrew commented that our junior numbers

were better than many. He is considering the option of having a Family membership whereby a parent and a junior could have a reduced membership called Family Gateway and would last for one year. He has had encouraging feedback from people who could benefit from this. Watch this space.

- Proposal to set up a winter mat SSS was rejected by the Handicap Committee, as it was in breach of Congu Rules. The Management is therefore going to approach SGU to see if they can get an alternative suggestion.
- The Handicap Committee is going to record the top five places in both qualifying and non-qualifying competitions.
- Lynn & Sean O'Neill and Jen Warmington & Pete Moxham have been entered into the England Golf Team Club Championship.
- Treasurer said there was £1674.00 left in the account. There are still outstanding expenses of £1100 to come. Assuming that the Presentation evening costs no more than £300, £574 will be left in the accounts. He stated that he could not therefore give £150 pounds to the Ladies and the Seniors. He was prepared to give us £75 each.
- The extension of the 15<sup>th</sup> tee will hopefully be reviewed in the autumn.

#### **4. Lady Captain's Report**

Response to the Team Captains' Trials was poor for various reasons.

- New lady members are put off by the title, even though I endeavoured to explain what it was.
- Quite a few ladies play in other teams.
- Many ladies were unwell and the conditions on the course were not good.

I think we could overcome one of the issues by changing the name to something like "Preseason warm up". Hopefully, the newer players would not be discouraged by this name.

The Ladies' medal on the 9<sup>th</sup> March was not a qualifier as only 12 holes were open. This has now been arranged for October 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### **5. Lady Vice-Captain's Report**

I have received the first entry for the mixed open and hope more will follow. The away friendly at Long Sutton was omitted from the diary. It is on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

The sign-up sheets for the first friendly on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April home to Cricket St Thomas and the first leg of the Tri-match Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April at Cricket St Thomas have been put up and a good response has been received so far. The Cricket St Thomas rally on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July is also receiving a good response with 3 teams of 6 already signed up.

## 6. Treasurer's Report

MONEY AT BANK	
Current A/C	£928.39
Reserve A/C	£589.52
Charity A/C- 2017 DSAA	£400.02

## 7. Competition Secretary's Report

Competition Results:

Celee Trophy played on 4<sup>th</sup> March.

24 Entries – 8 Teams of 3 players.

1<sup>st</sup> - Judith Rowsell/Heather Bush/Marion Ramsay

2<sup>nd</sup> - Greta Hillier/ Molly Shire/ Lynn O'Neill

3<sup>rd</sup> - Gin Stewart/ Sue Harrop/ Jean Crossman

Sign- up sheets are up on the notice board, for following Competitions:

1<sup>st</sup> April - Start of the All Fools Greensomes

2<sup>nd</sup> April – Margarita Cocktail

8<sup>th</sup> April – Coronation Foursomes

### Review of last months' competitions

#### Eclectic Review

We are in the second period of the new eclectic and I thought it was time to start reviewing how it is progressing. Entries are up and so far feedback has been quite positive. I have had 2 issues mentioned to me.

1. Why do we have to state that we are doing an eclectic round prior to starting.
2. Can there be more than the 15 maximum lines in the 6 month Winter period.

The answer to the first query is to prevent picking and choosing which rounds are included, i.e. ignoring all the bad rounds and only counting the good, which could easily amount to well over the 15 round limit. I do not think this is an option.

As to the number of rounds in the Winter, I am open to ideas.

I am planning to ask for feedback in the get together later.

## 8. Handicap Secretary's Report

### MARCH MEDAL

09.03.17

This medal was not played due to the course conditions. A midweek medal will be rearranged in October.

### MARCH STABLEFORD

11.03.17

#### Division 1

1<sup>ST</sup> Janette Stewart 39pts

2<sup>ND</sup> Jen Warmington 32pts

## Division 2

1<sup>ST</sup> Joan Stone 25pts

2<sup>ND</sup> Sylvia Bates 22pts

(9 entrants)

This was Non Qualifying due to the course set up.

## HANDICAP NEWS

I attended the Handicap Secretaries' annual meeting at Worlebury GC on 24<sup>th</sup> February. The CONGU changes implemented in March last year were discussed as were the changes from January 2017.

- CHR (Continuous Handicap Review). I was encouraged to find that we (i.e. the Wheathill handicap committee) had interpreted the implementation of this correctly.
- Non Qualifying score returns. We were reminded that players have an obligation to report Away non qualifying scores to their clubs and it was advised that we display the relevant form on our notice boards so that all players know they need to complete one over the golfing season, if they play in non- qualifying competitions away from their home club.

The handicap committee met on March 5<sup>th</sup>. I reported on the main discussion topics from the handicap secretaries' annual meeting.

**9. County Delegate's Report' - Nothing to report at this time**

**10. New Members Report - Nothing to report at this time**

**11. Juniors**

**12. Starters for Men's Competition - No requests have been received**

**13. Correspondence. - Notification of 2017 Championships and International matches.**

**14. AOB**

The guide to the CONGU Handicap system should remain in the Ladies locker room. ( SH)

This evening's arrangement for the Ladies Get Together was questioned in that it was thought that there would be no new ladies present. (AG)

The main reason for such an occasion was to enable new members to the club to meet members of the Committee and other existing members in an informal manner.

It was thought that perhaps different arrangements could be made subsequently that might involve a shortened game of golf prior to meeting everyone. It was felt that this subject might be explored later.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.45.p.m.

**Date of next meeting: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

**Location: Jubilee Room, Wheathill Golf Club at 6.00.p.m.**

**Signed as correct ..... Date .....**