

SUFFOLK LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Governing Body Meeting held on Monday 21 November 2011 at Waldringfield Golf Club at 10.00 am

PRESENT:

Mrs. Judy Hamshere	President
Mrs. Sheila Jarvis	Captain
Mrs. Laura Lowe	Vice Captain/2 nd Team Captain
Ms Ann Graves	Chair & Handicap Adviser
Mrs. Jeanette Longman	Hon Secretary
Miss Hermione Scrope	Hon Treasurer
Mrs. Anne Archer	EWGA Representative
Mrs Kay Anderson	Junior Organiser
Mrs. Tina Daubney	Division Meetings Organiser
Mrs. Cynthia Stewart	Centenary/Coronation Foursomes Organiser
Mrs. Claudia Long	Weston Organiser
Mrs. Alison Nielsen	Cranworth Organiser
Mrs. Maureen Lloyd	Seniors Organiser

1. APOLOGIES

Mrs June Stack, Mrs Cynthia Robinson, Mrs. Sandra Ball.

2. MINUTES OF GB MEETING – 20th September 2011

The Minutes of the meeting held on 20th September 2011 were taken as a true record and signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING - GB Meeting 20th September 2011

- a) Item 9(c) – Seniors Meeting – it was agreed that the request to captains should be for members with a handicap of 14 and below **ACTION: Maureen**
- b) Item 14 – Suffolk Golf Day 2012 – Judith Dunnett has now collected the file for this event – the date is confirmed as Monday 13 August
- c) Item 16(e) – the general consensus with regards to a member cancelling a tee time due to bad weather and playing during the day is that this is allowed (it was noted that this also applies to EWGA Medal competitions)
- d) Item 12 – Liz Robinson was not included in the list of nominations for GB Committee members for 2012. Jeanette apologised for the oversight and Liz was duly proposed and this was unanimously ratified.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Correspondence received with regards to the Rota System for Competition Organisers – Ann G and Jeanette will consider the system and report back at January's GB meeting with any recommendations

ACTION: Ann G and Jeanette

b) Email received with regards to the Suffolk Golf Day in 2012 – a reply has been sent stating that this event will take place in 2012 and that reference will be made to this at the AGM and on the website next year.

c) A request has been received with regards to the location of both GB Meetings and Delegates Meetings. The GB meetings for 2012 have already been booked and this matter would be considered when it is time to book 2013 meetings. Anne A stated that this had already been addressed for Delegates Meetings and they are being held at different Clubs. It was pointed out that available meeting space and cost are an issue when booking venues.

ACTION: Jeanette

d) Email received from EWGA asking for any ladies prepared to be considered for membership of various new Committees under England Golf to make contact. This email will be posted on the SLCGA website

ACTION: Jeanette

d) A donation of £50 has been received from Royal Worlington. Acknowledgement to be sent

ACTION: Hermione

5. EWGA REPRESENTATIVES REPORT – Anne Archer APPENDIX 1

a) The Merger has been approved and Judi Walker is on the Board of England Golf. Anne A has sent letter of congratulations and will take over from Judi as Chairman of EWGA Eastern Region in 2012.

b) The Eastern Region Junior Championship (a one day 36 hole competition) is due to be held in Suffolk in 2013 (approx 17 August). Anne asked if a venue could be booked.

ACTION: Cynthia Stewart

c) The Australian Spoons is due to be held in Suffolk in 2014 (end July/ beginning August) Anne asked if a venue could be booked for this.

ACTION: Cynthia Stewart

d) The Eastern Region Seniors Championship will be run at Haverhill during 2012 (the final date is still to be finalised, but is expected to be in July). Eastern Region Seniors of 50 and above are eligible. Any extra monies raised from this event will be donated to the Juniors.

ACTION: Anne A

e) 100 Club - £1,260 has been raised so far and so an extra £25 prize will be awarded quarterly. There is no closing date for entries this year.

f) DMDs – Judi Walker has said that she will confirm whether DMDs are permissible for all competitions and will inform Anne of the decision.

g) Delegates meetings will be included in the Fixtures list of the 2012 blue book (venues will be confirmed at each meeting for the following meeting).

6. COMPETITION ORGANISERS REPORTS

a) County Championship – No Report

b) **Divisions – No Report** – Tina commented that ladies being aware of their CDH Number enables easy registration (these CDH numbers are shown on handicap certificates). Anne A was asked to reinforce this message at the next Delegates meeting

ACTION: Anne A

c) Coronation and Centenary Foursomes – No Report

d) **Weston – No Report** – The trial period for this Competition has now come to an end and Claudia will chair a sub-committee to take on board feedback from Clubs in order to make recommendations to the Committee. Any changes to the Weston will come into effect in 2013. The sub-committee will comprise Claudia (Chairman), Anne A, Pippa Beak and Jeanette

ACTION: Claudia

e) Haskell/Stearn - APPENDIX 2

There has been concern expressed with regards to the Haskell and Stearn being played separately (as opposed to the Stearn following the Haskell). It was agreed that, as these competitions are still under review, there should be no change at this stage. It is hoped that Ladies Captains will promote the Haskell within their Club. A response will be sent to the Club that raised this issue.

ACTION: Jeanette

f) Cranworth – APPENDIX 3 -

Club Managers have been informed of the 9am start for all matches.

Concern was expressed at the Delegates meeting with regards to the travelling distances for some of the matches. Although the Committee appreciated this viewpoint (and was aware that this issue was raised last year) it was felt that, as the neutral venues are still under trial, no change should be made to the Draw for 2012 (therefore, the matches will be played at the venues shown on the Draw). The Committee will review this issue before the Draw for 2013 takes place in September 2012. Anne A will inform Delegates at the next Delegates Meeting.

ACTION: Anne A

7. COUNTY COMPETITIONS

A letter was received with suggestions for changes to the County Competitions. The inter-club competitions are still under trial and these suggestions will be taken on board after the trial period has ended. A response will be sent to this letter.

ACTION Jeanette

A request was made (via the Delegates Meeting) for the GB to consider the possibility of swapping the formats for the Cranworth and the Stearn (i.e. play the Stearn using the Cranworth format and play the Cranworth using the Stearn format). As it had been established that there was no objection to this suggestion from Suzanne Mason (niece of Mrs Hilda Stearn), the Committee agreed that this should be raised at the

AGM to gauge the reaction from the AGM attendees. If positive, the Governing Body would give the proposal due consideration for 2013. **ACTION Jeanette**

Main and Seniors Strokeplay and Matchplay 2012 – It was decided to lower the maximum handicap to 14 and, if over-subscribed, entry would be by ballot. Two extra trophies have been purchased for the Seniors Strokeplay competition.

8. TEAM REPORTS

a) 1st Team – APPENDIX 4

b) 2nd Team – No Report

The handicap limit will be reduced from 14 to 12.

c) Seniors – No Report

d) Junior Organisers Report – APPENDIX 5

In the absence of a Junior Organiser (CJO) in 2012, the Junior Committee had agreed a split of the CJO responsibilities, which would include a rota for attendance at the GB Meetings.

Kay Anderson will maintain a connection between the Academy and the Governing Body

9. TREASURERS REPORT - APPENDIX 6

The Committee agreed a donation of £1500 to the Juniors.
The Junior Accounts will be integrated with the SLCGA Accounts.

10. SUFFOLK GOLF PARTNERSHIP – APPENDIX 7

The following awards have been announced:
Young Golf Volunteer – Sarah Howe, Ipswich
Volunteer for Club Development – Linda Macfarlane, Haverhill
Life Achiever – David Houston, Felixstowe
Junior High Achiever – Stowmarket

11. COUNTY CAPTAIN, VICE CAPTAIN AND CJO MEETING – APPENDIX 8

The East Anglian Region Championships (involving 4 counties) will no longer be held (it has been superseded by the East Region Championships). There is a surplus of £300 held for this competition. It was noted that Suffolk donated the trophy.

County Senior Matches – Some counties play singles in their senior matches and Suffolk will make a decision as to whether they will also play singles. It was agreed that, initially, this should be discussed at the Delegates Meeting **ACTION: Anne A**

Junior County Match Week – due to be held in Herts next year over 3 days. The County will cover accommodation expenses for 8 girls, 2 accompanying adults and 2

referees – it is expected to be in the region of £1500. Parents are expected to be responsible for transporting their children to Hert and backs. There is expected to be very little expenditure necessary for kit.

It was agreed that the transition of players from 1st team to 2nd team can be undertaken as soon as a player is no longer considered for the 1st team.

12. HANDBOOK

The Committee did a final check of the Handbook, which is expected to be ready to deliver to the Printer by the end of November. **ACTION: Jeanette**

13. AGM AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS

AGM Agenda and Reports will be distributed mid December. Thanks were given to the volunteers who offered to be responsible for the following at the AGM:

Draw – Tina and Ann G - it was agreed that the funds raised from the Raffle would be allocated to the general funds

Coffee – Alison, Anne A and Cynthia R – it was agreed that the cost for coffee/tea and biscuit would be £1.

Attendance Sheet – Kay (at the door)

Apologies Sheets – June (as Minutes Secretary) would collect these

14. REQUESTS AND RESOLUTIONS

There were a number of requests that have been covered under Item 7 (County Competitions) above.

There are no Resolutions for the AGM

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) A request to use a buggy for competitions was received and this was granted **ACTION: Jeanette**
- b) Topic for next issue of the Norfolk & Suffolk Golfer in January. It was agreed that Anne A would ask Judi for an article covering the Merger **ACTION: Anne A**
- c) Suffolk Senior Shield – The format for this inter-club competition is 4BBB and the GB were asked to consider whether Clubs who are unable to host this competition on their Main Course would be permitted to host on their 9-hole course instead. It was decided that this competition must be played on the Home Club's Main Course or the venue reversed (the match be played on the Away Club's course) **ACTION: Jeanette**
- d) Anne A, on behalf of the Delegates, thanked Judy for her sparkling input during her Presidency.
- e) CONGU/Handicapping Rules – Ann G was asked, if requested, whether she would run a seminar next year for Club Handicap Secretaries. It was agreed that this would be discussed at the GB Meeting in January

f) Sheila thanked Judy for being an absolute pleasure to work with during her time as President and for her selfless commitment to the County.

g) Ann G thanked Tina, Kay and Mo in turn for their hard work, good humour and commitment during their time in office - they will all be sorely missed. Unfortunately, Sandra was delayed and so thanks were given at the lunch that followed. All were presented with a momento.

Date of AGM is Saturday 7 January at Kesgrave War Memorial Hall at 10.30am

Date of next GB meeting is Monday 23 January at Waldringfield at 10am.

Meeting closed at 12.45pm

Chair **Date**

APPENDIX 1

ENGLISH WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION Suffolk Delegates Meeting held at Halesworth Golf Club on Monday, 7th November 2011

Apologies: Received from Jeanette Longman, Brett Vale, Rookery Park & Southwold.

Minutes of the last meeting: Agreed.

Matters arising: None.

EWGA Eastern Region Meeting – 24th October 2011: Anne Archer, Suffolk EWGA Representative attended. Competition Reports submitted followed by discussions relating to competitions in 2012.

Merger: Vote takes place on Wednesday, 16th November 2011 and at the time of the Eastern Region Meeting it was thought County Representatives would have to attend a meeting in Coventry on 16th November 2011 to vote. Subsequently, it was decided Counties could vote by post and Suffolk's "Yes" vote has been posted and received. Phew!!

Inter-Club County Competitions: Lengthy discussions on all. **Cranworth:** A report from Alison Nielsen, Cranworth Organizer, is attached. Majority of Clubs want no change to the "handicap bracket". "Neutral Courses" was viewed a success. Clubs have the draw for 2012 and Haverhill backed by other Clubs asked if the County would review the draw for the preliminary and first rounds to see whether it was possible to make the venues more local for the Clubs involved. **Stearn:** Majority of Clubs want no change to the "handicap bracket". However, there was a general consensus that consideration should be given to playing the Stearn using the Cranworth Format and the Cranworth using the Stearn format. This would make the Cranworth a foursomes competition and the Stearn Foursomes and Singles. These proposed changes will be discussed by GB. **Haskell:** Many Clubs consider this competition has been devalued since it was split from the Stearn However, rather than make changes at this time Clubs should be encouraged to drum up support from their members. **Weston:** Still dissatisfaction with the format, which has not been helped by there only being two teams in one of the Division 2 Leagues. In particular, as a scratch competition, the Captain should have the right to pick their team in whatever order they wish an.

Handicaps: The meeting was addressed by Ann Graves, County Handicap Official, who outlined the changes, which will come into effect in 2012. A copy of Ann's report is attached.

100-Club: The draw was made and the results will appear on the County Website. Thanks were given to Sue Cook for all her hard work in setting up the Club for the next 12-months. c£1260 raised so far, so an extra £25 prize is awarded quarterly. Please could Delegates remember that from this year entries will be accepted into the draw at any point, subject to a minimum payment of £5.

AOB:

Midland Vets: Liz Robinson (BSE) has forms available for anyone wishing to join the Midland Vets. Age limit 50+.

AOB cont:

Captains' & Vice-Captains' lunch: Halesworth looks forward to welcoming the Ladies on Wednesday, 7th December 2011.

County Championship 2012: This will for the first time include a Seniors Event (55+) with a handicap limit of 16. Players will not be able to enter both the Championship and Seniors Championship and therefore must choose in which they wish to play.

AGM: Judy Hamshere, County President, reminded Clubs to forward to her prior to the County AGM on Saturday, 7th January 2012, at Kesgrave Village Hall, details of any notable events including the passing of Members. Please also remember to bring a Raffle Prize. For this year's AGM reports will be sent out with the Agenda and will be available on the Website.

Thanks: Liz Robinson, who is standing down as BSE's Delegate, thanked all present for their friendship & support over the past 2-years. Anne Archer thanked Judy Hamshere County President for her sparkling input and for being a thoroughly good egg. All hope Judy will have sufficient time to smell the flowers in her retirement. Anne also thanked all those who came to the meeting particularly the "new" faces.

Delegate Contact Details: If there are any new Delegates whose information is wrong please let me know as soon as possible.

16/11/11 - MERGER APPROVED!!

Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting:

Date: Monday, 27th February 2012

Time: 10.30 am

Venue: Bury St. Edmunds Golf Club

Anne Archer

16th November 2011

APPENDIX 2

HASKELL AND STEARN

The Stearn final was played at Bungay and Waveney Golf Club on Monday, October 3rd. Gorleston, who were last year's runners-up, defeated Stowmarket by two matches to one. Julie Latimer Jones has produced a full report of this match which can be found on the SLGA website. I am most grateful to her for continuing to do this.

I must say that Bungay looked after us very well and Andrew Collison sent me an email saying that he looked forward to welcoming Suffolk Ladies to Bungay again in the near future. Although on the slow side, the catering was superb and very reasonably priced.

As I mentioned the Haskell final in my September report, there is no further news. Once again, I endorse my thanks to Judy and Sheila for all their help and support. It is always reassuring to know that they are present at the semi-finals and final.

Cynthia Robinson
(Haskell and Stearn Organiser)

APPENDIX 3

REPORT FOR GB MEETING 22nd NOVEMBER 2011

'CRANWORTH TROPHY' 2011 SUMMARY 'NEUTRAL COURSES'

Positive

Everyone who has taken the time to speak or email me, have been pleased/positive playing on 'Neutral' courses. Players feel it is much fairer-no advantage to any one side.

Criticisms/Negatives:-

Some Lady Captains feel there is extra work organising catering, hosting etc;

No one from a 'host club' to greet visiting teams to advise of catering arrangements or of any problems on the course etc;

Two Clubs had long distances to travel to 'host club'.

Draw in First Round resulted in one team having the advantage of playing on same course as previous round.

Doubts by two Club Secretary/Managers that system would work, some concern about 'block bookings' during the summer month?

Comments

A suggestion that there ought to be a North/South Divide:- cut travelling long distances and incurring extra expenses.

Suggestion-- 'Singles' be played in the Morning. Foursomes after Lunch.

My View/Suggestions

1. Something of the unknown' in arranging catering with other clubs.

E-mail ideal for communication. Suggest when I write to Lady Captains at beginning of next year, those clubs who will be 'hosting' Cranworth teams, advise they contact their caterer before Preliminary Round, have Menu ready to e-mail to Lady Captains of visiting teams. Captains then return e-mail to 'host' club showing teams menu choices.

2. Nearly all clubs had someone from the ladies section to help visiting teams.
3. Two Clubs did have far to travel, unfortunate, but result of draw.
4. First Round draw resulted in one team having an 'advantage' because they had already played on course in previous round. Again, result of the draw position.
If this proved a problem there could be a need to have a 'draw' immediately after Preliminary Round Results came through. In past years some teams were fortunate to have a 'run' of home matches in the Cranworth. .
5. Wrote to all Club Secretary/Managers explaining the new system, that I would advise asap when their course was no longer required so that tee times would be available for members/societies. *They seemed satisfied with these arrangements.*
6. North/South Divide-who would decide the cut off area? A shame that clubs from different parts of county would not gain the chance to play other courses?
7. Singles Matches' in the Morning followed by Foursomes in afternoon. As there are 6 Singles Matches it would take up all of the morning, possibly early afternoon too, unless there was a very early tee-time?

Summary

During the year there have been a few 'unknowns' running the Cranworth on 'neutral courses', I, personally, feel the system in place fair and has worked well. The coming year (second and final year of trial period) visiting teams and host clubs will understand more what is expected.

Alison Nielsen

APPENDIX 4

1st TEAM REPORT

G.B.MEETING 21ST NOVEMBER 2011

The first team had their final practice match of the year on Sunday 9th October. They played against the men at Thorpeness Golf Club. We only had half of the team made up of available first team players with the rest being filled by two juniors, one second team player and myself.

Everyone had a very good time and the Thorpeness men looked after us extremely well. The two juniors played fitted in with the team and played extremely well.

The result was a 3 – 1 win for the girls.

APPENDIX 5

Junior Report to the Governing Body November 2011

To be read in conjunction with the Junior Committee Minutes of 4.10.2011, already circulated (included below)

Training: The sessions at Bramford and Bungay are now complete for the year. We shall again re-structure some groupings for 2012 to take account of handicap reductions and to accommodate girls who have finished Academy training. Handicap reductions have been impressive this summer, and we now have 7 girls with handicaps of 10 or better. The combined Christmas Jamboree will be held at Bramford GC on Dec. 10th. 5 girls applied for EWGA training - Lily Kent (Ipswich GC) has been accepted for the AASE Course, and Eloise Aldous and Alice Barlow (both Newton Green GC) have joined Birdie squads.

Competitions and Events: The Matchplay final was held at Waldringfield GC on Sept. 25th., when Sarah Howe (Ipswich GC) took the title despite some excellent golf from Emily Rothwell (Woodbridge GC). Sarah now holds the Strokeplay and Matchplay titles. The Lady/Junior Foursomes were played at Hintlesham GC in unseasonably hot weather on October 2nd, when 20 pairs competed. The trophies were retained by Abbie Symonds and Michelle Wilce (Ipswich GC) and Ann Eastham, the SVLGA President, presented the prizes. The Autumn meeting held at Ipswich GC on October 26th. attracted 25 entries - fewer than previously as some families were away for half term. Blaize Esmond (Aldeburgh) was the first winner of the new Autumn Trophy, and Emily Rothwell took the 1st. Handicap. There were also prizes for the Stableford, 9 hole and putting competitions.

Matches: Sarah Howe, Blaize Esmond, Emily Rothwell and Lily Kent have played in Suffolk Ladies' matches.

Individual Successes: Blaize Esmond retained the Suffolk Schools' trophy, representing Otley College. Alice Barlow won the U16 title, Eloise Aldous the Handicap prize, and Lily Kent won the Stableford. Eloise also won the Girls' prize at the Newton Green Junior Open. Lottie Whyman has reduced her handicap to 6, winning a junior competition at Ipswich.

Inter Counties: County Junior Match week in 2012 has been confirmed for August 20 - 22, at South Herts. GC. Teams will consist of 8 girls, with 6 playing in a match. All matches will be singles, and will replace individual fixtures. We hope to arrange some 2nd. team matches to give girls experience.

Junior Committee: Junior minutes of 4.10.2011 give details of the way in which duties will be shared among Committee members in 2012 in the absence of a CJO. Eva Harris will step down after a long association with Suffolk Girls' Golf and Michelle Wilce will join the committee. Beverly Waspe has resigned due to work commitments. Emily Rothwell has accepted the invitation to become Junior Captain.

Suffolk Ladies Golf Association County Junior Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at Ipswich Golf Club on October 4th 2011 at 2.00 pm.

Present:

Kay Anderson CJO, Jane Bell, Christine Bennett, Eva Harris, Sheila Laws, Pam Ratford, Sue Cook, Bev Waspe, Sarah Wilson, Judy Hamshere, Sheila Jarvis CC.

Apologies : Amanda, Kay H.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, agreed and signed.

Matters Arising

Very little information regarding EWGA Squad training, Abbi not selected.

Amy Bray has now joined Ipswich after concerns over bullying at Diss.

Level 1 coaches can be requested for help but their 8 hours is not contractual.

Correspondence

EWGA newsletter circulated on line.

Treasurer's Report

Balance at Bank by statement dated 30 th August 2011	£1597.30
Less unrepresented cheques totalling	243.64
Actual Balance	£1353.66

This does not include any figures for the Lady/Junior event held at Hintlesham on 2nd October but this made a loss of £47.45. Christine also reported she has tried to estimate expenditure for the remainder of the year which includes 2 training sessions at Bungay and one (beginners only) at Bramford and the Autumn meeting so it seems we shall end the year in a healthy position.

CJO Report

Competitions and Events:

The Suffolk Girls' Matchplay was played at Waldringfield on Sep. 25th between Sarah Howe and Emily Rothwell; Sarah won 2 up. The losing semi-finalists were Lily Kent

and Lottie Whyman. This year games were played on a home or away basis, with a neutral venue for the final, and the arrangement seemed to work well.

18 girls played in the High Handicap competition at St. Audry's; Alice Iron won the Birdie Cup.

Emily Rothwell played for the Ladies' 2nd. team at the Finals Day.

20 pairs have entered the Lady/Junior 4's to be played at Hintlesham on October 2nd.
County Training:

Training continued in July at Bramford and Bungay, including a session for 'Academy' girls. Training re-started on September 10th. at Bramford and Bungay.

Inter-Counties:

Judy Hamshere represented Suffolk at the CJO's meeting on September 2nd. when there was a strong move for a Junior Matchweek in 2012.

Regional and National:

10 girls played in the East Girls' Championships at East Herts.; Blaize Esmond won 2nd. scratch and Lily Kent was 2nd. on c/b with a par round in the afternoon.

In the English Girls' Champs., Blaize was 41st., and Sarah Howe retired injured. Alice Barlow was 11th. in the U13 Champs., and Amy Bray was 7th.= in the Abraham Trophy.

Blaize Esmond retained the scratch prize at the East Anglian Ladies Championships with a course record and Sarah Howe won the net prize. Suffolk won the team trophy. Sarah and Blaize have successfully completed the 2 year AASE course, and Lily Kent has applied to join this autumn's intake.

Blaize and Charlotte Fawdry have applied for Angela Uzielli and Bellamy bursaries.

Sarah and Melissa represented Suffolk in the Champion of Champions (U18 and U16). Sarah came joint 5th. in very stormy conditions.

Heidi Baek played in the Junior Internationals in Sardinia but withdrew from the British Girls Championships.

Individual Successes:

Abbie Symonds retained the Suffolk Southern Area Schools Scratch Trophy and Lucy Ridgway won the Stableford.

Melissa Schroeder played 1 over par at Woodhall Spa in the English Schools' team final; she is the Ransomes Jacobsen Junior Award winner for 2011.

Lily Kent won the Bury St. Edmunds GC Ladies Champs. with a new course record.

Lottie Whyman won the Ipswich GC Ladies Champs., Sarah Howe was runner-up.

Emily Stebbings played with the Thorpeness junior team in the English Junior Club Champs. at Woodhall Spa.

Layla Farthing has qualified for the UK Kids final.

Blaize Esmond was in the winning Aldeburgh team in the Haskell and Weston finals.

23 girls have reduced their handicaps so far this season, 1 has gained a CONGU handicap and 5 have gained Junior handicaps; we now have 6 girls in single figures.

Suffolk Academy:

The first Academy Championships were held at Seckford GC on September 2nd. when more than 60 children played, including 15 girls.

Fixture List 2012:

Practice match v. Ipswich juniors - March 4th.

Texas Scramble - Orwell Park - April 15th. - tbc*

Girls Championship - Stowmarket - June 8th.

High Handicap - St. Audry's - August 23rd.

Lady/Junior 4's - Seckford - October 7th.
Autumn meeting - Ipswich - November 1st.

1st Team

Match v Essex at Frinton lost 4-2, close matches in pouring rain.

At Newmarket v Cambs & Hunts. we won 4-2. Alice Barlow had a good debut.

2nd Team Pam reported a win at Newmarket 1- 11/2 . A win v Norfolk and 2 losses v Essex and Beds.

Beginners Very good group, some with handicaps. More girls may be coming from Ufford.

Training:

Sarah reported that dates are clashing and the Eagles and Academy groups need reshuffling due to the wide spread of handicaps. Communication with the girls continues to be poor, often Sarah does not know who is attending, still a problem with loyalties: Country, County, Club and Self to be stressed. The Beginners are feeding into Academy.

Junior Captain and Colours

Emily Rothwell was proposed as Junior Captain, Kay will write and invite her and give guidelines for the role and ask her to give suggestions and ideas. Sarah suggested a meeting with Emily to discuss her role in the New Year.

Junior County Colours to be awarded to Lily Kent for the 1st team and Eleanor, Eloise and Alex for the 2nd Team.

Competitions and Events:

Saturday October 8th training pm - Bramford : Jane, Judy; Bungay : Andrew and Sue Strutt-Holmes coping well with continued help from Mary Wilderspin.

Autumn Event Ipswich Wed. 26th October : Sheila J, Sue(early), Christine, Pam, Sheila L, Kay H, Judy, Jane and Stella offered help.

Academy Nov.5th : Kay A. plus Pam, Eva depending on numbers.

Jamboree December 10th 10.30-12.30am: all present available. Meeting to follow.
Food as usual.

Junior Committee and Duties 2012

After 20 years service Eva is to stand down, now Captain of SVLGA! Michelle Wilce is prepared to join Committee (Abbie Symonds mother)

Thoughts were given to **Junior Match Week 2012**, following a meeting attended by Judy. To be arranged by Herts. on 20 - 22 Aug. Judy, Sue Cook, Sheila would be prepared to take girls with Sarah as minibus driver. It was discussed as to whether each County should arrange and decide on their accommodation and that GB should be asked to help with travel and stay costs.

2nd Team to continue to have matches with original Counties - Norfolk away, Cambs& Hunts. home and Beds. away.

Sheila and Pam to remain in charge of **1st and 2nd teams** respectively

Much discussion took place regarding dividing up duties as a temporary measure to cover 2012:

Blue Book named representative as CJO Liaison - Judy Hamshere.

Each member to attend a **GB Meeting** in rotation, and to chair a **Junior Committee** meeting in turn.

Training and Consent Forms: Sue and Kay H. Sarah to meet Sue & Kay A re dates.

Events: Texas Scramble - Kay Hazell; High Handicap Event - Kay H & Judy.

Autumn Meeting - Kay A. Junior Championship - Jane.
Lady/ Junior- Christine & Michelle. Pam also offered help with Competitions.
Sue Cook asked Kay A for a list of monthly duties.
Partnership and Academy, financial applications for grants - Kay Anderson.
Minutes and agendas - Jane to continue.

AOB

Safe Guarding Children Course will take place early November, Sarah to arrange.

Next Meeting Saturday December 10th at Bramford following Jamboree.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 4.25 pm

Supplementary information, 19.10.11:

Fixture List 2012:

March 18th. - Girls 1 v. Ladies 2 at Seckford GC and Girls 2 v. Haverhill Boys at Haverhill

April 15th. - Texas Scramble confirmed at Orwell Park

October 21st - Lady/Juniors 4's at Seckford GC (moved from Oct. 7th. to avoid clashes.)

EWGA training: Eloise Aldous and Alice Barlow have been accepted for Birdie 1 Squads; Lily Kent has been accepted on the AASE course.

Inter-Counties - 1st. team matches to be Aug. 20 - 22 at South Herts.(subject to final confirmation). Squad of 8 girls with 6 to play in each match.

APPENDIX 6

SUFFOLK LADIES' COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 OCTOBER 2011

SUFFOLK LADIES' COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2011

	Notes	£	2011 £	£	2010
INCOME					
Members' Subscriptions			13,299		13,468
County Cards			1,899		1,896
Surplus from Inter-Club Knock-out Competitions	2		26		386
Surplus from Competitions	1		1,275		2,345
Suffolk Golf Day	3		1,117		1,056
Sponsorship and Donations			1,439		823
Bank Interest			18		19
100 Club			520		0
Miscellaneous			240		237
			19,833		20,230
EXPENDITURE					
Administration	4	3,360		5,022	
Teams and Matches	5	7,910		8,580	
Donations and Subscriptions	6	10		10	
Juniors	9			1,500	
			(11,280)		(15,112)
			8,553		5,118
Income tax			0		(4)
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR			8,553		5,114

**SUFFOLK LADIES' COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION
BALANCE SHEET
YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2011**

	Notes	£	2011 £	£	2010 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Cups and Trophies			23,100		23,075
Computer			645		645
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	7	451		541	
Balance as Bank					
Current Account		4,400		8,347	
Deposit Account		47,249		35,232	
Juniors Account				1,641	
		<u>52,100</u>		<u>45,761</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors	8 & 9	<u>(4,268)</u>	47,832	<u>(4,816)</u>	40,945
			<u>71,577</u>		<u>64,665</u>
ACCUMULATED FUNDS					
Income Fund as at 1 November 2010		39,949		34,835	
Surplus for the year		<u>8,553</u>		<u>5,114</u>	
Income Fund as at 31 October 2011			48,502		39,949
Capital Fund as at 31 October 2011			23,075		23,075
Juniors Fund as at 31 October 2011					1,641
			<u>71,577</u>		<u>64,665</u>

We approve the financial statements set out on pages 2 to 5 disclosing a surplus of £ in respect of the year ended 31 October 2011. We confirm that we have made available all relevant records for the preparation of preparing these financial statements.

Miss HC Scope
Treasurer

Mrs. S. Jarvis
Captain

SUFFOLK LADIES' COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS
YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2011

	£	2011 £	£	2010 £
1 SURPLUS FROM COMPETITIONS				
Entrance Fees		8,400		9,030
Less: Facility Fees	1,100		925	
Catering	4,143		4,355	
Organiser's expenses	247		156	
Vouchers	1,437		1,149	
Engraving	198		100	
		<u>(7,125)</u>		<u>(6,685)</u>
Net profit		<u>1,275</u>		<u>2,345</u>
2 SURPLUS FROM KNOCK OUT COMPETITIONS				
Entrance Fees		1,695		1,795
Less: Facility Fees	650		525	
Catering	746		807	
Organiser's expenses	273		77	
		<u>(1,669)</u>		<u>(1,409)</u>
		<u>26</u>		<u>386</u>
3 SUFFOLK GOLF DAY				
Entrance fees and donations		3,910		3,470
Less: Green Fee	150		150	
Hintlesham Golf Club catering	1,990		1,791	
Prizes	560		400	
Organiser's expenses	93		73	
		<u>(2,793)</u>		<u>(2,414)</u>
		<u>1,117</u>		<u>1,056</u>
4 ADMINISTRATION				
Committee Allowance		550		550
Travel		1,021		498
Stationery, Postage and Telephone		129		41
Meeting expenses		211		390
Insurance		894		1,371
Accountancy		96		108
Handbooks		281		910
Miscellaneous		147		214
Website		31		940
		<u>3,360</u>		<u>5,022</u>

**SUFFOLK LADIES' COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION
 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS
 YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2011**

	£	2011 £	£	2010 £
5 TEAMS AND MATCHES				
1st, 2nd Teams and Seniors		6,086		5,538
Uniforms and Stock write-offs		436		897
Facility Fees		428		355
County Training		960		1,790
		<u>7,910</u>		<u>8,580</u>
6 DONATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS				
ELGA Trust		<u>10</u>		<u>10</u>
7 DEBTORS				
Sundry		0		130
SGU County Cards		350		411
		<u>350</u>		<u>541</u>
8 CREDITORS AND PAYMENTS IN ADVANCE				
Inter-Club Knock-out match fees for 2012		2,010		1,695
100 Club		435		1,140
Unredeemed vouchers		279		319
Sundry Creditors		490		408
Income Tax 2010		4		4
		<u>3,218</u>		<u>3,566</u>
9 JUNIORS				
Opening balance		1,250		1,142
Donation				1,500
Paid to Juniors		(200)		(1,392)
		<u>1,050</u>		<u>1,250</u>

APPENDIX 7

SUFFOLK GOLF PARTNERSHIP

Minutes of the meeting held at Rushmere Golf Club

On Monday 10th October, 2011

Present: Kay Anderson, Bill Darling, Tony Dobson, Colin Firmin (Chair), Terry McEntee, Steven Peet, Alastair Spink, and Wendy Wootton

Apologies: Charlie Damonsing, Tony Garnett, Judy Hamshere and Kelvin Vince

2. MINUTES of the meeting held on the 31st August, 2011 were accepted as a true record.

3. ACTION FROM LAST MEETING

Treasurer - Charlie Damonsing has given Colin and Alastair draft accounts which require some changes to do with Alastair's salary and expenses.

Update of Website – Tony has not had time to add information about Golf Ranges and something to help people wishing to learn how to start to play golf.

T.D.

Volunteers – Charlie has spoken to someone at the University and is now awaiting some response.

SGP Conference – Colin has now sent a letter of Invitation to all Clubs in Suffolk – some replies have been received.

4. REPORTS

a) Treasurer – the Partnership's bank balance as at 10th October, 2011 stands at £20,418. The draft Accounts have been submitted by Charlie and there is one query i.e. the split between Alastair's salary for his CDO position and as Head of the Academy.

Kay asked if the Partnership was on budget and Colin explained that at present there is a surplus. However, the 16+ project is still to be completed (£7,000) and the Academy funding is running a year behind (£7,000).

b) County Development Officer report – GolfMark – Woodbridge has gained the High Achiever GolfMark accreditation and Rookery Park will hopefully reinstate their accreditation following their 3 year review.

Alastair presented to the Suffolk Sport Network, at the offices of the Suffolk FA – informing them of how social networking can help to promote projects, citing the successful "Here Come the Girls" project.

c) Regional Development Officer report – Steve explained that until the Vote on the Merger, which takes place on the 16th November, there is not much happening. However, they are now working on the 2013/2017 Plan which will be discussed at the

National CDO Conference. Once the Plan is completed it will be looked at between April/October after which time we should know about our future funding.

d) Golf Foundation report – Katie's Report has been circulated. The Workshops were a great success with three very promising young men from Woodbridge Golf Club attending.

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Katie informed the meeting that Golf will be a "Test Sport" in the Olympic Park and will take place in May 2012.

e) Suffolk Sport – there was no report from Terry McEntee.

5. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

(i) County Academy Programmes –the County Academy Championship at Seckford was a very successful day with approximately 60 children participating. Colin has kindly donated a Trophy and this was won by Harvey Watts from Newton Green.

Alastair and Fiona Brown (PGA) met with members from the S.G.U. to discuss under 12 coaching. Following an U12's match v Cambridgeshire, Suffolk Golf Union was keen to discuss ideas to bring together and possibly form an Elite Squad within the CAP. Discussed that although this was not the remit of the programme, it would be beneficial to bring together the better players on a regular basis to promote team spirit and provide them with more competitive opportunities. Alastair and Fiona will discuss with coaches at a meeting later in the year and report back to the Union.

The winter programme for Coach Development runs on till March 2012.

Talent Days will start again in February of next year and a Survey has been sent to Parents of those children who attended the Academy this year.

(ii) Marketing & Communication – some discussion took place about just how much marketing the Partnership needs to do and it was felt that unless we were undertaking a special project then leaflets would only be used to promote that. It was felt that if SGP could encourage and educate the key personnel from the golf clubs, this would be an excellent way to promote our work and aims.

It was also agreed that once the Vote on the Merger had taken place, then we should look at marketing again.

(iii) Volunteers - Volunteer Awards – Bill has received three Nominations from Haverhill, Newton Green and Bury St.Edmunds.

6. ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Wendy will collate the replies from Clubs who wish to attend the Conference and once the cut-off date has been reached, she will ring those Clubs who have not responded.

Colin, Alastair and Wendy will arrange a date to visit the David Lloyd Leisure Centre to work on plans for setting up the room for the Conference.

C.F./A.S./W.W.

Alastair informed the meeting that 4 of the Academy Coaches will be attending.

Alastair will speak with Karen Wilby from Haverhill about the Volunteer Award.

A.S.

7. 16+ PROJECT

Alastair has spoken to 23 Clubs inviting them to participate in the project and 10 have taken up the offer.

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Steve said that once a Job Description has been put together for a Co-ordinator and a person has been found, then hopefully, this should help Alastair.

Steve suggested that SGP approach big employers i.e. police, hospital, insurance companies etc., to encourage them to take up golf and then contact Clubs and ask them to run the projects.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Arc Shopping Centre – they have agreed, in principal that we can use our Inflatable Net for a golf demonstration and a suitable date will probably be in February/March next year.

It was felt imperative that good follow-up techniques be used once we have been out and about with the Net and also to have something to offer participants i.e. Vouchers for lessons.

Wendy will put together a list of the Shows that are put on during the year.

W.W.

Funding – Alastair presented a paper from Kelvin Vince who is applying for funding to run a Disability project for 6 people. Five of these people are 16+ and the funding asked for is £275. This was agreed by the committee.

Bi-Annual Review – this is now ready to be sent off and Steve is now awaiting the final accounts.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Weds. 30th November, 2011 at 2.00 pm
– NEWTON GREEN

APPENDIX 8

Minutes of the East Region
County Captains, County II Captains and County Junior Organisers meeting
held at the Gog Magog Golf Club, Shelford Bottom, Cambridge
on Wednesday 19th October 2011 at 11.00am.

In attendance: Fiona McGlashan (Cambs & Hunts County Capt), Marcella Tuttle (Cambs & Hunts CJO), Shelagh Cormack (Beds County Capt) Cess Holden (Beds V/C & 2nd team capt), Maureen Dawson (Beds CJO), Julie Nedza (Herts County Captain), Jill Callander (Herts CJO), Brenda Skudder (Essex County Capt), Amanda Colgate-Herbert (Essex 2nd team capt), Chris Richards (Essex CJO), Sheila Jarvis (Suffolk County Capt), Kay Anderson (Suffolk CJO), Alex Cowie (Norfolk County Capt), Sharon Black (County II Capt elect), Carol Delf (Norfolk CJO), Judi Walker (Chairman East Region), Nickie Clarke (Norfolk) In the Chair

Nickie Clarke welcomed everyone and introduced Judi Walker (East Region Chair) who had been invited to attend the meeting.

1. Apologies: Mo Poole (County II Captain Cambs & Hunts)
2. Minutes of the last meeting were agreed subject to an amendment of item 7 to read "Norfolk always pay a facility fee."
3. County Match Week held at Kings Lynn, Norfolk.
 - α) Administration Costs.

The budget of £1,200 was exceeded by £389. This would be funded by the host county as previously agreed.
The budget and the funding of an over spend would be reviewed at the end of the 6 county cycle, as EWGA state the over/underspend should be split between counties.
 - β) Sunday Reception.

It was agreed to continue as it was, with only county and club officials being invited as this had worked well. Norfolk invited about 40 people in total.
 - χ) Speed of Play

Comment was made that generally the last group out was kept waiting.
After some discussion it was agreed that players would be reminded during winter practice sessions that referees could be tougher next year and that players should check that their pre-shot routine does not exceed 40 seconds.
It was also agreed that the 10 minute interval on the 1st tee had worked well and that ball spotters had certainly helped on key holes.
 - δ) Photos

These will take place before the practice round in 2012 and then be reviewed.
 - ε) Dates

Concern was expressed regarding the dates for County Match week after 2013 in that they were in early June when school and exams would affect the attendance of younger players. Bedfordshire who will be hosting in 2014 agreed to consider the w/b 24 June and not 9 June as per the EWGA calendar.

4. County Second Team

a) Second Team as a stepping stone to the First Team

It was agreed that this was good in theory but not always possible and whilst it could not be enforced it should remain the ethos of the region.

b) Eligibility of First Team Players for Second Team.

- The rules had been revised for 2012 and copies circulated.
- After some discussion it was agreed that a player nominated for the first team, including reserves, would not be eligible to play Second Team matches.
- A player who was selected for the First Team and played only one match in County Match Week could then still play for the Second Team that season. Once a player had played two matches in CMW they would no longer be eligible to play for the Second Team that season.
- If an ineligible player was fielded then the penalty for breaching this rule would be loss of the matches in which the ineligible player had played.

c) Dates for Second Team Matches

It was proposed that the Second Team Finals day be moved to September in 2013. This would allow matches to commence after County Match Week and avoid the above issue.

5. Junior County Teams

α) Junior County Match Week

1. Marcella Tuttle provided copies of a document that had been taken to the C&H Executive Committee giving advantages and disadvantages, along with a summary of costs provided by Herts CJO Jill Callendar.
2. Hertfordshire were prepared to host a four county match week 20-22 Aug 2012. If six counties were to be involved extra tee times would need to be sought.
3. Junior Second Team matches would continue to be arranged independently between counties.
4. All counties were in favour of a Junior County Match Week and agreed to get county approval where needed. .
5. It was agreed to purchase a new trophy for the event.
6. A rota would be produced regarding hosting the event and it was agreed that this would coincide with the county hosting the Australian Spoons.
7. It was agreed that a facility fee of £50 per county be paid to the host club.
8. The dates outlined clashed with the County II Team Finals Date – 20th August for which a venue had already been pursued by Norfolk.
9. Due to other events and the need to hold a Junior County Match Week in the school summer holidays it was agreed that an attempt be made to relocate the date for the County II Team Finals Day. It had already been proposed that in 2013 the Finals Day would be held in September.
10. After consulting county calendars it was determined that September was not feasible for 2012, some counties already having events planned. It was proposed that Monday 13th August or Tuesday 28th August be investigated. If these dates were not feasible then the original would remain albeit to the detriment of counties using juniors.

β) EWGA guidance for Prizes for Regional Junior Competitions

After some discussion it was agreed that if the winner of the Under 15 competition also won the overall competition then they would receive both trophies but only one prize.

JW to check with the EWGA rules for both the Girls and Ladies Champs as both had more than one trophy.

6. Distance Measuring Devices

JW stated that DMDs should not be used in competitions where EWGA merit points were involved. Hertfordshire stated they use DMDs in their county championships and that merit points have still been awarded. **Judi Walker to clarify this with EWGA.**

There was considerable discussion on the use of DMD applications on iphones and whether they were allowed. Using the phone in this manner could then enable text messages to be sent between players (perhaps on club selection) and the chance that a phone would not be switched off and therefore ring during play.

Judi Walker to clarify this with EWGA.

All counties in the region will be allowing DMDs from 2012.

7. County Senior Matches.

- Senior matches (singles) had been played between Norfolk, Essex and Herts and it was agreed that these would continue.
- The other counties played 4BBB matches between vets and senior teams/societies.
- The other 3 counties were asked to join but would need to seek approval from their executive committees.
- Matches would continue as planned for 2012 and a league would be considered for 2013. The format would be 50+ with an agreed handicap limit. Matches would be six singles.

8. Any Other Business

a) Facility Fee

Most counties but not all said they paid a facility fee on a sliding scale dependent upon who was playing and the number of tees times used.

b) East Anglian Competition.

- The viability of the East Anglian (involving four counties) was discussed as there has been a difficulty in recent years in getting sufficient players to participate. It was proposed and agreed to end this competition and focus on getting more players to participate in the East Region Championships.
- The bank balance for the EA is approx £1300 (held by Nickie) and this will be divided and distributed between the four counties (B,C&H,N,S).

c) Hertfordshire were to host an Academy Teams event at The Redbourne Club on 2nd August 2012 and would send details to County Junior Organisers.

d) East Dates for 2012

12 April	Medal Final	John O Gaunt, Bedfordshire
24 April	Foursomes	Newmarket, Cambs & Hunts
11 June	County Match Week	Purdis Heath, Suffolk
1 August	Australian Spoons	Brookmans Park, Hertfordshire
17 August	Junior Championships	Royal Norwich, Norfolk
26 September	East Region Champs	Thorndon Park, Essex

The meeting finished at 2.10pm

It was agreed that the next meeting would Wednesday 17 October 2012 at 11.00am at The Gog Magog Golf Club subject to availability and that Nickie Clarke would take the chair.

31st October 2011

Note:

JW has checked with Emma at EWGA re prizes and it appears they don't have a hard and fast rule, and have occasions where one person gets all and another where only one trophy/prize can be won. It is up to our region to decide and put it in the competition conditions.