

SUFFOLK LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Governing Body Meeting held on Monday 16th April 2012 at Waldringfield Golf Club at 10.00 am

PRESENT:

Mrs. Pippa Beak	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
Mrs. June Stack	Minutes Secretary.
Miss Hermione Scrope	Hon Treasurer
Mrs. Anne Archer	EWGA Representative
Mrs. Cynthia Stewart	Competition Convenor
Mrs. Chris Lynch-Bates	Championship Organiser
Mrs. Jan Pattinson	Division Meetings Organiser
Mrs. Claudia Long	Weston Organiser
Mrs. Alison Nielsen	Cranworth Organiser
Mrs. Cynthia Robinson	Haskell/Stearn Organiser
Mrs. Liz Robinson	Seniors Organiser
Mrs. Sheila Laws	Junior Representative
Mrs Julie Latimer-Jones	Website Administrator

1. Apologies.

Pat Kennedy

2. Minutes of GB Meeting 23rd January 2012

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd January were taken as a true record and signed.

3. Matters Arising from GB Meeting

- a) The Treasurer confirmed she had received a small rebate re. unsatisfactory conditions at the Kesgrave Hall at the AGM.
- b) Seniors Match Format – there will be a Regional Captain's meeting in October – Liz will research opinions beforehand.

4. Amendments to AGM Minutes 7 January 2012.

None

5. Website

Julie Latimer-Jones was welcomed to the meeting. Julie gave a brief resume of her editorial background for the benefit of those members who didn't know her. She explained that the website had been up and running for over a year now and feedback has, for the most part, been very positive. Julie and Jeanette had some further training with EBE recently and suggested that the time was right to update the front page of the website to look more like a magazine with articles and new items from around the County. This suggestion was accepted and Julie and Jeanette will spend some time liaising with Clubs to ensure a steady stream of new items.

ACTION: Anne A (at next EWGA Delegates meeting) and Jeanette.

Jeanette and Julie also made a request for an extra lady to become involved in the website to ensure that there is always continuity in running the website moving forward. Julie thanked Jeanette for her help and input with the site and the Committee endorsed this, adding that Julie's contribution is also very much appreciated.

6. Norfolk and Suffolk Golfer

Julie Latimer-Jones liaises with this magazine, which is published every two months, and submits articles on our behalf. As a freelance journalist, Julie also contributes on a personal level and she wanted to reassure the members that these articles are entered completely separately under her own name (and not as a representative of SLCGA). During the summer months, there is plenty of material as Julie covers all the County events – again grateful thanks were expressed. However, the committee needs to ensure that there is material for Julie during the quiet months and we agreed that we would ensure that this was the case moving forward. Anne A agreed to provide Julie with material concerning the EWGA Delegates for the next issue.

The Committee thanked Julie for all her hard work and commitment to the SLCGA – it is very much appreciated. Julie left the meeting at this time.

7. Correspondence

- a) Sabona – letters re. sponsorship and gifts - £500 sponsorship received and prizes have been received for Suffolk Golf Day.
- b) Progress update from England Golf.
- c) Golf Club Membership Questionnaire (sent out to all Clubs earlier this month with return date of 11th May.
- d) Buggy request from Susan Curran, Brett Vale. (It was confirmed that the request is granted subject to the normal rule that a doctors certificate be provided annually for 3 years.)

8. EWGA Representatives Report – Anne Archer

Anne attended the inaugural meeting of England Golf in February and basically everything will continue with EWGA for another year. EWGA Delegates were asked to step down if they did not agree with the merger and those delegates remaining were asked to continue for another year. The England Golf Website with a new logo will be in operation this month.

There was some concern expressed that the SLCGA were not represented at the Secretaries Conference in March and would not be represented at the Presidents Conference in May. Pippa and Jeanette explained the reasons behind their decisions not to attend, which were accepted by the GB. It was agreed that a letter would be written to England Golf with a detailed explanation. **ACTION: Jeanette**

DMD's. EWGA has strongly recommended that mobile phones should NOT be used as DMDs on the grounds that the penalty for any other application that could be construed as an aid (ie. spirit level, wind speed and direction) being installed on the phone (regardless of whether any application is actually used during the competition) is disqualification.

Ann reported that she had been directed to pass all handicap questions to England Golf.

Replies re. Cranworth/Weston are being received from Clubs and will be taken back to the next Delegates Meeting on 14th May. The vacancy for a Junior Representative has again been mentioned at the Delegates meetings.

9. Competition Organisers' Report.

a) County Championship – There are 37 Entrants. Everything has been organised re. advertising banners and County flag. Pin placing remains to be organised, although it was agreed that they can remain in one place over the weekend. Referees are available for the matchplay. There will be a raffle.

b) Divisions. Division 4 Meeting at Cretingham GC on 17th May. Jan reported that 49 entries have been received. All in hand and the Club have been very helpful.

c) Weston. No feed back re. format, other than Royal Worlington advise they are too small to field a team. Claudia is to report back to the June meeting. Claudia confirmed that all match dates had been and all matches are scheduled to be completed by mid-July.

d) Haskell & Stearn. A variety of views received. Cynthia will report back to the June meeting.

e) Cranworth. Alison presented some suggestions and it was agreed that these will be taken to the next EWGA meeting for discussion. Alison will report back at the June meeting.

f) Coronation & Centenary Foursomes – no report.

g) Suffolk Senior Shield.
Senior Shield. Results. Flempton and Rushmere are through to the next round. As this is the first year, concerns raised will be taken on board for next year.

10. Team Reports

a) 1st Team - Sheila Jarvis Appendix 1

b. Second Team – Laura Lowe Appendix 2

c. Seniors Report

There are 12 entries for the Seniors Championship

Jo Moore has transferred to Main Championship due to a conflict with a Haskell Match and this will be addressed for next year.

Following this meeting, it was agreed to award the following prizes for the Seniors Matchplay:

Scratch 1st and 2nd and 1st net prizes for the strokeplay

Winner, Runner-up and Semi-finalists prizes for the matchplay

Sheila offered to pass some unused sweatshirts to Liz for the Seniors.

The date of the Suffolk Vets match at Aldburgh has been changed to 21st September.

2013 matches:-

Vets v. SGU Senior men at Royal Worlington on 15th April at 1 pm

Vets v. Beds at Haverhill on 10th July at 11 am

Vets v. Essex (tba)

d) Junior Organisers Report - Appendix 3

Junior Second Team County colours have been ordered and agreed the cost of £120 will be met by SLCGA.

New shirts for juniors are required and agreed Sheila will provide details of new style being purchased for County Team.

11. Treasurers Report – Hermione Scropes - Appendix 4

The Treasurer pointed out that all affiliation fees have been received showing a slight increase. Monies also received from the division of assets of the East Anglian competition which is no longer in existence. The Trophy needs to be retrieved.

Hermione then raised the question of mileage expenses, in view of the high petrol prices. An increase to 40p per mile was agreed as from 1st May. **DECISION**

12. County Match Week Update

11-15th June at Ipswich

Sheila reported that all now in place. Photographer has been organised. Arrangements have been made for 8 buggies to be taken to Ipswich, and insurance is in place. Ball spotters and hostesses have been organised by Ipswich GC. Jeanette and Kay Anderson are dealing with registration. Sheila will liaise with Jeanette re. final information to be sent to all Counties. Hermione confirmed that the £10 entry fee had been paid.

13. Suffolk Golf Partnership - Report see Appendix 5.

The President attended the meeting and it was agreed that someone from SLCGA will attend future SGP meetings (not necessarily the same person each time).

Next meeting – Tuesday 1st May at Felixstowe GC at 2 p.m. Sheila agreed to attend.

14. East Region Foursomes – 24th April (Newmarket)

All Suffolk entrants were balloted out. However arrangements have now been made by Anne Archer to increase the numbers and this means that they are now able to play.

15. County Fixtures for 2013/14. See Appendix 6.

Junior Dates have yet to be decided.

16. Dates for GB meetings 2013.

AGM – Saturday 12th January 2013 – Kesgrave Memorial at 10.30 am

Monday 21st January 2013.- Waldringfield
Monday 8th April 2013 – Bury St. Edmunds
Monday 10th June 2013. – Waldringfield.
Monday 23rd September 2013. – Bury St. Edmunds
Monday 18th November 2013. – Waldringfield.

Suggested Date for AGM 18th January 2014.

17. Any Other Business.

a) Update on Rota for next year.

The new rota will be brought to the June Meeting.

b) Suffolk Golf Day. At present 21 teams have entered. Maximum capacity is 25/26 teams.

18. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 25th June at 10 am – Waldringfield.

Meeting ended 12.20 p.m.

Signed.....

Dated.....

APPENDIX 1 (Item 10(a))

First Team Report

G.B.Meeting 16th April 2012

The first team usually begin the year with their first practice match against the Aldeburgh Men at Aldeburgh. This was due to take place on Sunday February 5th. Unfortunately this happened to be the only snowfall of the winter and therefore we had no option but to call off the match off.

I am hoping that we can organise a replay for 29th April but as yet this is not confirmed.

Thankfully the snow had cleared in time for our next practice match which was on Sunday 19th February at Woodbridge against the Woodbridge Men. With not many shots given and hambro scoring we did not manage a very good result. All that needs to be said is that all pairs came in down on the day. The only good thing was that the sun shone all day although it was a bit chilly, especially for those of us standing around watching.

On March 11th we had our first training session with Keith Preston at Aldeburgh. This was very well attended and everyone enjoyed the day.

Our second practice match was at Royal Worlington on the 25th March. This match was against the S.G.U. Men. We were so lucky to have a pleasantly warm day with the sun shining all the time. This is always a greatly contested match and our pairs were receiving between 2 and 6 shots. Nevertheless each match went to the last one or two holes but I am pleased to say that we won three out of the four matches and also came in 4 up on the day with hambro scoring.

We are having our second training session with Keith on Sunday 15th April.

APPENDIX 2 (Item 10 (b))

Second Team Report for Governing Body Meeting on 16.4.12

The Second Team played its first practice match on Sunday 18th March 2012 against the Junior Girls at Seckford golf Club with the following results:-

Singles Matchplay:

Vicki Hunt (Ipswich) beat Abbie Symonds 2&1
Claire Ferguson (Hintlesham) beat Melissa Shroeder 8&7
Charlotte Double (Seckford) lost to Emily Rothwell 2&1
Yvonne Hollis (Stowmarket) beat Eloise Aldous 4&2
Sue Pitcher (Thetford) lost to Eleanor Tindall 2&1
Sue Tyler (Ipswich) lost to Amy Bray 2&1

The teams battled to an honourable draw in some cold and damp conditions. Seckford looked after us very well despite being busy with Mothers' Day.

Our second practice match was against the Flempton Gentlemen on Saturday 24th March 2012 with the following results:-

4BBB Matchplay Hambro scoring:

Liz Laffin(Stowmarket)& Charlotte Double(Seckford) lost to Dez Halil & Mark Rae
3down
Vicki Hunt(Ipswich)&Yvonne Hollis(Stowmarket) lost to Dan Wilson& Richard Kent
2 down
Helen Bray (Ipswich)& Sue Tyler(Ipswich) won 4 up vs George Courtney
Sue Pitcher(Thetford)& Emily Penfold(Newton Green) lost to Ralph Evans& Colin
Campbell 9 down

Although we lost we were receiving only 2 shots off the men and they had some very low handicaps. The course was in excellent condition and we were basking in temperatures up to 20 degrees.

Our first County match is on Monday 21st May 2012 against Bedford at Caddington Golf Club.

APPENDIX 3 (Item 10 (d))

SUFFOLK GIRLS REPORT FOR GB MEETING OF 16TH APRIL, 2012

The girls' 1st team has played 2 practice matches. The first was on March 4th against an Ipswich Golf Club Junior team and resulted in a loss for the girls by 2 matches to 4. The games were played level with the girls receiving 2 courtesy shots. The second match was against the Suffolk Ladies 2nd team which ended in a 3 – 3 draw. The 2nd team had a practice match against Haverhill Boys which they lost.

Girls' training started on March 10th at Bramford with the Eagle Squad in the morning and Beginners and Improvers in the afternoon, as well as the Bungay group.

We have 17 entries for the beginners Texas Scramble at Orwell Park on Sunday, 15th April.

Kay Anderson has submitted the Girls part of the bid to Alistair Spink for the England golf grant. Initially part of the bid, namely the competition at St. Audrey's (no GolfMark) and the Starter Packs which each new girl receives, were not accepted. Kay has since changed the bid to include the Improvers Coaching instead and this has been accepted.

We have also received an EWGA Trust Coaching grant of £150 (less than previous years). The generous donation from the Lady Vets of £500 will enable us to continue to give new girls a Starter Pack and also run the competition at St. Audrey's.

Arrangements for Junior County Match Week in August are continuing.

APPENDIX 4

SUFFOLK LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31ST October 2012

**SUFFOLK LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION
BUDGET
YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2012**

	£	2012 £	£	2011 £
INCOME				
Membership Subscriptions		14,059		13,299
County Cards		1,500		1,899
Golf Day		1,000		1,117
Surplus on Inter Club Knock Out Competitions		100		86
Surplus from Competitions		1,200		1,275
Sponsorship and Donations		500		1,439
100 Club		690		520
Bank Interest		20		18
Sundry		200		240
		<u>19,269</u>		<u>19,893</u>
EXPENDITURE				
Administration	3,900		3,360	
Teams and Matches	10,205		7,926	
Donations	10		10	
Juniors	2,500	(16,615)	1,500	(12,796)
		<u>2,654</u>		<u>7,097</u>

ADMINISTRATION	To Date	
Committee Allowances	550	550
Travel	1,000	
Stationary, postage and telephone	150	
Meeting expenses	370	253
Insurance	960	957
Accountancy	130	98
Handbooks	350	306
Computer/Website	240	95
Sundry	150	29
	<u>3,900</u>	<u>2,288</u>

**SUFFOLK LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION
BUDGET
YEAR TO 31 OCTOBER 2012**

Team Expenses	Total	1st Team	Actual	2nd Team	Actual	Seniors	Actual	Total Actual £
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Travel	1,250	500	9	500		250		
Food	950	250		625	70	75		
Accommodation	300			300				
Coaching	1,200	1,200						
Facility Fees	550	150	30	200	60	200		
Balls	175	175						
County Week	5,000	5,000						
Stat/Postage	30	10		10		10		
Uniforms	750	750						
	<u>10,205</u>	<u>8,035</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>1,635</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>535</u>		

**SUFFOLK LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION
BUDGET
YEAR TO 31 OCTOBER 2012**

KNOCK OUT COMPETITIONS

	Haskell £	Stearn £	Cranworth £	Weston £	Seniors £	
Entry Fees		260	520	340	550	340
Less:-						
Catering						
Facility Fees						
Expenses						
Refreshments						

APPENDIX 5 (ITEM 13)

SUFFOLK GOLF PARTNERSHIP
Minutes of the meeting held at Stowmarket Golf Club
On Tuesday 20th March, 2012

Present: Charlie Damonsing, Bill Darling, Tony Dobson, Colin Firmin (Chair), Tony Garnett, Terry McEntee, Steven Peet, Alastair Spink, Kelvin Vince, Bev Waspe and Wendy Wootton

Apologies: Katie Cooper

Colin welcomed Pippa Beak and Jane Bell from the Suffolk Ladies County Golf Association.

2. MINUTES of the meeting held on the 31st January, 2012 were accepted as a true record.

3. ACTION FROM LAST MEETING

The Young Volunteer Training Day was a great success.

GolfEast – Steven has spoken with Sarah to explain the Partnership's position and feels that we could benefit from Bev Waspe having a presence, where she (and Helpers) could hand out information leaflets. If we do attend then we will be given the "data capture" information from all those who attend the Show. It was also felt important that the Partnership is seen to support Sarah, one of our main Golf Professionals.

4. FEED BACK FROM NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Colin and Bev attended the Conference and Colin felt this was one of the best in had attended. They both took part in Workshops and enjoyed the Speakers – Jill Puttnam from the British Cycling organisation, John Petrie C.E.O., England Golf, Chrissie Owens talking about the new project "Get into Golf" and David Colclough talking about the role of the Golf Professional within the Club's management structure. Colin was keen to encourage other Committee members to attend next year.

5. REPORTS

a) Treasurer – Charlie stated that the final accounts for the end of the year will be completed by the end of March. She explained that we have managed to cover, financially, everything we wished to do.

Steven suggested that SGP put in a Small Grant Bid and it was agreed that he, Bev and Alastair would discuss this more fully.

S.P./B.W./A.S.

b) County Development Officer report - Alastair has circulated his Report .

Bev has also circulated her Report which showed that there were now 5 “Get into Golf Centres”. These centres will offer two 4 week courses and will be on a rolling block lessons running from April to October.

c) Regional Development Officer report - Steven had nothing to add to his Report.

d) Golf Foundation report – Katie's Report has been circulated.

5. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

(i) County Academy Programmes – Alastair explained that he is organising a Parents Information evening at Suffolk University on the 18th April and is very keen to make this a very special evening giving the Parents all the information they need regarding their child's coaching throughout the year.

(ii) Marketing & Communication – Tony was delighted with the outcome of the meeting he and Bev had with Mary Munley and it has been agreed that SGP will attend the University's Freshers Days (with the inflatable net), will work with the students on a major marketing event in March next year and will have involvement with the Students Internships. These students will be working on the Partnership's website, Facebook/Twitter, e.mail data base and marketing.

Tony explained that he has created an extra website called “Get into Golf” and explained that it was an add on to the Partnership's main website. He felt it would be beneficial to Beginners who were looking for Clubs running Beginner courses. However, after some discussion it was decided that Bev will speak with Chrissie Owens to look at ways to improve the SGP website. **B.W.**

(iii) Volunteers - Bill has now sent out the letter about the Volunteers Awards, to all Clubs.

7. Women & Girls Grant

Alastair has received all the necessary paperwork from Kay Anderson for the Girls and the paperwork for the Ladies and he will be discussing this with Steven.

A.S./S.P.

9. Any Other Business

There was no Any Other Business

10. DATE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING followed by the COMMITTEE MEETING –

Tuesday 1st May, 2012 at 2.00 pm at FELIXSTOWE FERRY GOLF CLUB

APPENDIX 6 (Item 15)

SUFFOLK LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION - 2013

<u>COMPETITION</u>	<u>DATES 2013</u>	<u>VENUE</u>	<u>HANDICAP</u>
COUNTY WEEK (waiting confirmation)	24-28 June		
STROKE & MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS			
Stroke Play 14 and below	10 May	Bury St Edmunds GC	
Match Play	11 May	Bury St Edmunds GC	
Match Play	12 May	Bury St Edmunds GC	
1. DIVISIONS			
Division 4 31-36	23 May	Rushmere GC	
Division 3 30	4 September	Ufford Park	23-
Division 2 22	12 September	Bungay GC	18-
Division 1 17	25 September	Ipswich GC	0 –
2. FOURSOMES			
Centenary Foursomes Between 39 & 65 combined	10 July	Rookery Park G C	
Coronation Foursomes No more than 38 combined	17 July	Felixstowe GC	
3. EWGA EASTERN REGION JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP			
	12 August	Stowmarket GC	
4.			
5. NO INFORMATION FOR SUFFOLK JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS YET			
6.			
7. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP <i>Held 8 June in 2012</i>			
<i>Open to all Junior Girls</i>			
8. JUNIOR HIGH HANDICAP CHAMPIONSHIP ?			
	Held 3 June in 2012		Open to all
Junior Girls			

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6 August

Haverhill GC