

SUFFOLK LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Governing Body Meeting held on Monday 7th December 2020 via ZOOM at 10.00am

PRESENT:

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| Jo Woodward (JW) | President |
| Amanda Norman (AN) | Captain (Chair) |
| Belinda Rowe (BR) | Vice-captain |
| Hermione Scrope (HS) | Treasurer |
| Di Hegarty (DH) | Secretary |
| Lizzie Johnson (LJ) | England Golf Representative |
| Annette Llewellyn (AL) | Handicap Advisor |
| Alice Barlow (AB) | Junior Organiser |
| Joan Hogarth (JH) | Venue Organiser |
| Philippa Bridges (PB) | Championship Organiser |
| Irma Suttle (IS) | Cranworth Organiser |
| Margaret Hills (MH) | Foursomes Organiser |
| Vicki Hunt (VH) | Senior Organiser & Senior Shield Organiser |
| Linda Gilham (LG) | Haskell & Stearn Organiser |
| Maggie Porter (MP) | Divisional Organiser |
| Sammy Annis (SA) | 2 nd Team Organiser (co-opted) |

1. **Apologies:** Maureen Minter

2. **Minutes of GB Meeting**

The minutes for 8th September 2020 were approved and signed as a true copy.

3. **Matters Arising**

- Hills Jeweller's (Action DH when safe)
- EG Trophy valuation (Action AB when safe)
- JW, AN and DH met with the Suffolk Golf Union. In line with their practices the SLCGA have decided to:
 - Reduce 27 & 36 holes competitions to 18 holes and no caddies if Covid-19 is still prevalent in 2021
 - To re-instate the Mixed 27 hole competition for 2022 where a Professional can also play with an amateur.
 - Limit competitions on the Handicap Index, not the course handicaps
 - Unlike the SGU, junior girls will still receive training free of charge
 - The County needs some lady referees, to be raised at the AGM

4. **Correspondence**

Sue Cook has decided to retire from the role of lead course assessor. Nicki McMahon has agreed to take on this position. The GB committee would like to thank Sue for all the time and effort she has put into this role. Sue will continue to run the 100 Club.

The Suffolk have contacted the Stearn organiser about travel times/distance for the first competition. The GB agreed that courses will continue to be allocated on a travel time/distance ratio to ensure that the competition is fair to all teams.

Gorleston Golf Club celebrates their centenary in 2022 and would like to host a county competition. The GB agreed to approach Gorleston to see if they would like to host the reinstated Mixed and/or a competition like Suffolk Golf Day which is always oversubscribed.

Silver Jubilee: The GB have received a request to move teams around if they have played in the preliminary round for the last 2 years ie get a bye in the third year. This was debated amongst those present who unanimously agreed that we this would be manipulating the draw. A draw is a draw, like the FA cup they do not select some clubs as they always played away. It is hoped that the course playing handicaps will be a “leveller” next year. It was suggested that ladies be reminded that they are always welcome to join the meeting when the draws are made (September).

5. England Golf Representatives Report –

The England Golf “Updates” continue to focus on WHS and the Independent Golfer. EG continue to work on a proposal to offer a handicap to the Independent Golfer. There is much to consider.

6. Handicap Adviser's Report –

England golf meeting are ongoing and they are still sorting out some issues but making good progress

7. Competition Organisers' Reports

- a) Championships (Main and Senior) – Nothing to report
- b) Haskell & Stearn – Nothing to report
- c) Weston – Nothing to report
- d) Cranworth – Irma thanked the committee for all the support during her 3 year tenure.
- e) Divisions – Nothing to report
- f) Coronation and Centenary Foursomes – Nothing to report

Posters for Championships and Division meetings to be updated for 2021 and sent out to clubs (Action DH)

8. Team Reports

- a) 1st Team – Training dates agreed for next season. Accommodation for Eastern Region County Championship at Stoke by Nayland to be secured. (Action AN)
- b) Seniors Report – Most Senior matches dates and venues agreed just waiting for a venues for Bedfordshire and Norfolk and contact from Hertfordshire. All current dates on website.
- c) Junior Organisers Report – Two members enquired about helping with the Junior competitions but were not happy with the workload defined in the job description. AB to look at dividing up the roles to enable 1/2 ladies to organise a specific competition. An email asking for possible volunteers will be sent again to club captains. (Action AB, DH)
- d) 2nd Team – Five Counties have been invited to attend a trophy event at St Ives Golf

Club on 25th to 27th August. The cost of £900 would be split between the 5 counties. Sam Annis has decided to step down as 2nd Team organiser. The committee would like to thank Sam for the work she has done to date.

9. **Treasurers Report** – Appendix 1

At the AGM it was agreed that the affiliation fees would increase this year. As the county have had little expenditure affiliation fees will remain the same as last year (£7.50). This will be reviewed next year.

Training cost, 1st Team, 2nd Team and Junior Team budgets required by January 6th 2021.

10. **Safeguarding & Child Protection Responsibilities Annual Review** –

The committee reviewed and adopted the Children and Young People Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, and the Safeguarding Adults Policy. These will be placed onto the SLCGA website and will be reviewed Jan 2022

11. **Website**

Has been updated

12. **Any Other Business**

We have 300 county card and stickers which will be distributed with the blue books.

ClubV1 is not currently linked to the WHS for county competitions. DH waiting to hear from England Golf

Coronation Medals – this is normally the best handicap reduction in a single medal game. As the handicap has now changed the GB need to decide how these medals will be allocated next year. (Action All)

The GB will continue to use Zoom next year for most of their meetings and have some in the evening.

Jo Woodward thanked Irma Suttle, Joan Cook and Maggie Porter for their time and support on the committee.

Date of Next meeting:

AGM - Saturday 23rd January 2021 @ 10:00am via Zoom

GB Meeting - Monday 25th January 2021 @ 7.00pm via Zoom

Chairman

Date

Amanda Norman, County Captain

Appendix 1



SLCGA 2020
Accounts.pdf