



**90th Annual General Meeting  
held at  
Kesgrave Memorial Hall / Community Centre, Kesgrave, Ipswich (IP5 1JF)**

**Saturday 7th January 2023 at 10.00am**

**Present**

Amanda Norman	Captain (Chair)
Carol Deslandes	Treasurer
Di Hegarty	Secretary
Lizzie Johnson	England Golf Representative
Annette Llewellyn	Handicap Advisor
Vicki Hunt	Senior Captain & Senior Shield Organiser
Sue Hayward	Junior Organiser
Joan Hogarth	Venue Organiser
Bud Pratten	Haskell & Stearn Organiser
Philippa Bridges	Championship Organiser
Geraldine Rose	Cranworth Organiser
Caroline Emeny	Foursomes Organiser
Charlie Garrord	2 <sup>nd</sup> Team Organiser (co-opted)

Together with 75 members

The Captain, Amanda Norman welcomed everyone to the 90th AGM of the Suffolk Ladies County Golf Association.

A minute's silence was held whilst we remembered our members who we have lost during the last year.

Hilary Moss (Felixstowe)

Nan Beecham (Haverhill)

Amanda Norman read a special tribute for Julie Latimer Jones (Aldeburgh).

Julie began her golfing career in her teenage years in Mansfield, Nottinghamshire. In the late 1950's, she joined to South Herts GC, where she had lessons with Dai Rees. Whilst there, in 1972, she played for the winning South Herts team in the Pearson Trophy, a county and inter county trophy for Herts, Middlesex, Kent and Surrey. Bill, her husband, was a member of South Herts when Julie joined, so it would seem probable that they may have met there.

When Julie moved to Suffolk, she was a member of Stoke-by-Nayland, before moving to Aldeburgh. At Aldeburgh, she represented the club in the Weston and Haskell trophies for many years. She served on the General Committee and was Lady Captain in 1997 and later was made an Honorary Life Member for her service to the club and to golf.

Julie played in the County Team for many years and had a very effective foursomes' partnership with Vivienne Cullen (Sears).

Her service to county golf culminated in the Captaincy in the 1980's and she was President in the 2000's.

One of Julie's greatest contributions to the county was her reporting in the East Anglian Daily Times and, in addition, on the website. During County Match Week, members of the team would be agog to see Julie's reports, and there would be great excitement to see what she had written on each day's play. Her accounts were descriptive, humorous, accurate and kind. Julie also contributed regularly to the Norfolk and Suffolk Golfer, keeping the readers current on the latest happenings in Ladies' golf.

Julie, together with Hermione Scrope and some members of the Governing Body, was instrumental in getting the original county website up and running, and collaborated on the current website. She contributed to it until very recently.

In the 1990's, she succeeded Peggy Carrick of Norfolk as Standard Scratch Advisor for Suffolk and Norfolk, which changed in 2002 to Suffolk Team Leader in the new USGA Rating System for the English Ladies Golf Association, and then England Golf. This she continued with, until the system changed to include the English men, although she was always available in an advisory capacity. This was typical of the person she was.

There can't be many people who have contributed more to golf, personally, at club level and at county level.

Submitted by Sue Cook, Di Siddall & Louise Morse of Aldeburgh Golf Club

Opening remarks read by Amanda Norman on behalf of Lils James (President)

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

*Apologies I can't be with you all but I'm in Spain playing golf.*

*I would like to thank the board for all the hard work they put into the day to day running off our county. Suffolk owe you a massive debt.*

*I'm looking forward to working with Tanya who I have been friends with for many years. I know it's in safe hand and will support her to the best of my ability.*

*County week was great to see juniors play well and enjoy the experience.*

*Second team county week is at my home club this year Bungay and look forward to seeing as many of you supporting them.*

*First team are at Wensum valley Norwich so again if possible, please support.*

*Lastly, I would like to thank Amanda Norman our outgoing captain for 3 years.*

*Amanda have been a fantastic captain to play with as well as a great leader on and off the course.*

*She's guided us with Jo Woodward her sister (past president) through difficult and uncertain times like covid. She's always put Suffolk first and I know she will be an extremely difficult captain to follow.*

**THANK YOU AMANDA!**

*I would wish you all a happy & healthy 2023.*

*Lils James*

1 **APOLOGIES.** 115 members

## **2 MINUTES OF THE AGM 2022**

There being no amendments or alterations to the minutes of the AGM held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2022, the captain signed them as a true record.

### **3 MATTERS ARISING AGM 2022**

There were no matters arising

### **4 REPORTS & ACCOUNTS FOR 2021/2022**

It was agreed that these reports would be taken together and adopted en bloc.

#### **Report 4(a) – County Captains Report 2022**

Madam President, Ladies

##### **County Captains Report 2022**

Wow, three years have gone quickly!

So here goes my final report as your County Captain....

##### **Training 2022**

Again county 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and Junior training was held at Felixstowe with Andrew Robinson and Sam Forgan. We moved it to a Saturday morning with the hope of better attendance and, on the whole, this seemed to work well. I would like to take this opportunity to remind clubs that the county run these training sessions for the elite players at a significant cost, so please don't book county competitions on these dates. All training dates along with county match day dates can be found on the website.

I would like to add my personal thanks to Andrew and Sam for all the help and support over the past 3 years. My idea of having all 3 teams training with the same Pros at the same venue has worked well and I'm pleased to say this will be carrying on next year.

Unfortunately, in the early part of the year Belinda Rowe decided she could no-longer carry on as Vice-Captain due to a change in work commitment's not the news I wanted but I would like to thank Belinda for the 1 ½ years she gave to me, Suffolk and the GB. I am pleased to say that Tanya McGregor agreed to take on the Vice Captains role and I her wish her every success going into the captain's role.

##### **County Championships 2022**

The Championships were held at Rookery Park. Thank you, Rookery members for the great support in running this event. We are always looking for more people to enter the Championships so please have a go, it's not just for elite players!

##### **Match Days 2022**

It seems a long time ago.... but here is my report on county match days 2022

County match days took place at Harpenden GC 26<sup>th</sup> June – 29<sup>th</sup> June. I took a squad of 11 players plus the back up of a non-travelling reserve.

We had a tough draw playing Essex and Hertfordshire on the first day; we narrowly lost to Essex and a heavy defeat to Hertfordshire. We lost key players with injuries, which gave me the opportunity to give the juniors their 1<sup>st</sup> Team debuts. We lost another match this time to Bedfordshire and things weren't looking good but from somewhere the team gave a great performance vs Norfolk and won the match 3-2. This great team spirit carried on into

the next day when we beat Cambridgeshire 3-2 with Jasmine holing the winning putt.

I just would like to thank the team and their efforts they give 100% commitment to the team. So, thank you.

Finally ...

I have represented the county from the age of 15 as a player and now as the captain and I still consider it an honour to be part of the County team. I'm very proud to put on the blue shirt of Suffolk

It's been a great privilege to serve as your captain for the past 3 years. It's been challenging at times with Covid and other issues but with the help and support of the GB it's been a very rewarding time.

Thank you to all the GB members past and present for the hard work you do for Suffolk Ladies Golf.

We are Team Suffolk.

**Amanda Norman**  
**County Captain**

The captain invited questions. None were raised.

#### **Report 4(b) – Junior Organiser's Report 2022**

This has been my first full year since taking over from Alice Barlow. Despite the information left for me it has been a learning curve particularly the computer programme. I would like to say a big thank you to Di Hegarty for her patience in trying to teach me.

I met with the new Junior Captain Juliette Coffey before the Spring meeting to hear from her about future friendlies and to encourage her as Captain to feel she could step up in her role.

The year of Competitions began with the Spring Meeting at Woodbridge Golf Club. The course was looking very good, and all the girls enjoyed the challenge, particularly the second hole which led to several balls rolling off the green into the pond! Despite this Sophie Kubitzek with a medal round of 74 NET 70 was the winner. Talia Brewer won the net with 75.

Due to Covid restrictions the award for player of the year was presented to Sophie Kubitzek and the most improved player Jasmine Potter at the Spring Meeting in Woodbridge.

This year the Junior Championship was held jointly with the boys at Halesworth. This was the first time a joint event had been held. Everyone felt it went well and should continue to be joint in 2023. The winner was Juliette Coffey 161 medal score, best net score Melissa Coffey.

The Stapleford competition was won by Abigail Hope with 43 points.

Natasha Gregory was awarded a certificate for a hole in one.

We arrived at County Week on August 1<sup>st</sup> at Bar Hill. My first experience and attending on my own was a little daunting. However the organisers Beds and Bucks were so supportive and friendly they made it much easier for me.

The girls played very well but sadly we did not have the strongest team, this led to them battling to win their games. I was very impressed with their attitude and their commitment

to the team. Juliette had provided each team member with a goody bag on arrival, and this was a great moral booster. She led the team well as their Junior Captain. Those parents who attended I thank them for their support and a particular thankyou to Ken Coffey for his help.

I was very proud following County Week to be given positive feedback from other teams which highlighted the friendly and engaging manner the girls showed in each game they played.

I enjoyed attending County Week, being with the girls, feeling it helped me to become more familiar with them and hopefully for them to get to know me.

I would like to say thankyou for the gift of flowers and the card. It was a lovely surprise, and I was very touched by the words expressed in the card.

The Autumn meeting was held at Fynn Valley it was a little disappointing that the numbers entries attending was low. Despite this it was a positive game with Sophie Kubitzek winning with a medal round of 82 and Josie Knights winning the net score of 76.

The following day we played Junior/Lady foursomes. Once again, the turnout was low, and I hope we can encourage more entries for next year. I have made the decision not to hold the Autumn meeting and the Foursomes on the same weekend hoping this will support more attendance.

The foursomes were won by Imogen Potter and her Partner Diane Leeder with 36 points. I would like to thank Di Hegarty for playing nine holes with Jessica one of the young girls who has been coming to the development group. It was a positive experience for her and for Georgie another youngster who was not eligible to enter but enjoyed the experience of playing.

There have been several friendlies played and I would like to thank Aldeburgh, Felixstowe, Thetford, Bungay and Ipswich. Friendly against Norfolk girls at Thetford.

The feedback from the friendlies played was once again very positive in respect of the friendly way the girls played and engaged.

We played in the Eastern Region Team event at Thetford. This is mixed handicap event and Juliette led as Captain, Josie Knights and four of the girls who have been attending the development group through the summer. They all enjoyed the experience and loved playing for Suffolk. We are organising the event next year on the 17<sup>th</sup> September at Hintlesham Golf Club. The venue chosen for the easy access for the teams.

Training has been ongoing at Felixstowe and I thank Andrew and Rob for their ongoing support and guidance to the girls. It has at times been disappointing regarding attendance and I would like to encourage all first and second team girls to put dates in their diary and take advantage of the training. It is also important as attendance enables the team to become more co-essive. To support the girls working as a team I would like to request that parents are not in attendance.

We had four develop training days with eight girls. This was held at Woodbridge. I thank Calvin Sherwood for his input and training. The girls who attended have all gained from the time and being able to play several holes on the forest course which made the day more interesting. Four of the girls Chloe, Izzy, Abigail and Shannon have all improved their handicaps over the summer and have been asked to join Suffolk girls second team.

We were very grateful this to receive a donation from MSC Via David Woolnough. This enabled each girl to receive a team shirt and long sleeved mid layer top.

Plans for 2023.

The future is looking brighter for girls and golf. I have been working with the Junior boys' team members over the summer.

Trevor Mason Chair of Suffolk Junior boys and I have been in contact and had meetings. I was invited to attend a meeting with the all the members of the boy's junior team committee on the 31 October 2022. This was to discuss a new document which has now been approved by Suffolk Golf Union to build a system. A development pathway for girls

and boys. In working together we are looking to provide three 'coaching hubs' in the County where boys and girls will be invited. These will be for training and development and a pathway for each Junior will be put in place. There are several professionals who have put themselves forward to work within the three hubs.

There is also a proposal to arrange a new competition 'nines' which will be a follow on from golf sixes. This will be arranging nine-hole matches between clubs using different formats. I have been involved in the planning and this will be available for boys and girls with several of the competitions being qualifiers. This will support juniors obtaining a handicap. This format also has the support of Suffolk Golf Union. I am attending a meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> November at Seckford when a number of golf clubs are going to be present to hear about this plan and sign up to the format.

Funding has been agreed by the Suffolk Junior Boys and we will need to consider the funding from Suffolk Junior Girls.

I would like to thank Juliette Coffey for being Captain sadly her last year with the Juniors as she has reached 18. I know from speaking with her she has a lot to look forward to going onto university here or in America to study engineering. She has been a valuable member of the team and her input and team membership will be missed.

I would also like to thank the parents for their time and commitment to driving their girls to the many venues this year. Without this support from parents we would not have the team of juniors who have played so well this year.

I am hopeful I am now at a stage where I am beginning to understand and make plans. I will still need Di Hegarty as computer knowledge is still sadly lacking. I look forward to the next year and the exciting changes being made to promote Junior Golf. Working with the Junior Boys' team will ensure that we encourage more growth in junior golf.

## **Sue Hayward Junior Organiser**

The captain invited questions. None were raised.

## **Report 4(c) – Senior Captain & Senior Organiser's Report 2022 Seniors Report 2022**

First of all, huge thanks to **Sandlings Properties** who are sponsoring the Seniors team. This has enabled us to provide team kit at a very reduced price and has helped with other team expenses.

Originally planned for March 2020 then March 2021, we were at last able to have our pre-season get-together at Ipswich golf Club in March this year - third time lucky! 36 ladies attended and, after sandwiches and a catch-up, we headed out on to the course for an 18 hole 4BBB fun competition. As with all the Seniors matches and events, photos and results are on the Suffolk website. Many thanks to Ipswich golf Club for hosting us, the course was playing very well and the sandwiches and cake were delicious!

What a relief it was to have a more or less normal season. All our matches were played as planned apart from with the Suffolk Junior Girls where we had to cancel the match due to the difficulty in finding a suitable date - hopefully we will be able to rectify that next year.

## **East Region Senior Women's League**

The inaugural year of this league went ahead as planned with Essex, Hertfordshire, Norfolk and Suffolk initially taking part and Cambs & Hunts subsequently joined as well. The format for these matches is 6 singles played off scratch though, this year, we still played 4BBB against Cambs & Hunts. Next year Bedfordshire will be joining the league which is excellent news. We are hoping to finalise the rules for the league over the winter months.

We performed well against strong opposition and were very pleased to have come joint second with Essex, Hertfordshire came first. The results were as follows and more detailed accounts can be found on the County website.

**v Hertfordshire @ Bury St Edmunds** - A draw 3 / 3

**v Cambs & Hunts @ Brampton Park** - Suffolk won 3/2.

**v Essex @ Wanstead** - Suffolk won 41/2 to 11/2

**v Norfolk @ Ipswich** - Norfolk won 31/2 to 21/2

#### **Other matches**

We played two other matches this year, both 4BBB, against Norfolk Vets off scratch and against Bedfordshire off handicap:

**v Norfolk Vets @ Dunston Hall** - A draw 2/2

**v Bedfordshire @ Mount Pleasant** - A draw 2/2

My thanks go to all the players who participated and/or stood 'in the wings' as reserves and also to the golf clubs who kindly hosted our matches and who looked after us very well both on and off the course.

It has been fantastic to have so many Suffolk senior ladies keen to take part in this section again this year. We had a squad of 12 ladies who have a handicap below 9 who played in the league matches and a pool of over 20 other ladies for our other matches.

Remember: If you are aged 50 or over, have a handicap index of 14.0 or below, and are interested in representing the County at Senior level please contact me - details are on the Suffolk Ladies website. Those of you who have already registered your details with me need not reapply, I will be contacting you all in the new year! Do not forget to enter the Seniors Championship to be held at Aldeburgh Golf Club at the beginning of July 2023 - details on the website.

#### **Seniors Jubilee Shield 2022**

There were many close matches along the way to the final which was held at Fynn Valley Golf Club. Many thanks go to them for hosting the event which ran very smoothly. The weather was kind, the golf on show of excellent quality and the match was played in a very good but competitive spirit. Congratulations to Bramford who won over Fynn Valley - a close match right to the end.

**Vicki Hunt**  
**Senior Organiser and Seniors Jubilee Shield Organiser**

The captain invited questions. None were raised.

**Report 4(d) – England Golf Report 2022**

In addition to the England Golf AGM and General Meetings at Woodhall Spa “virtual” county update meetings have been held throughout the year.

The number of iGolf subscriptions, the platform which enables independent golfers to benefit from a WHS handicap, is now over 27,200 and 2,000 of those have progressed to full golf club membership.

Suffolk hosted two England Golf East Region competitions this year - the Foursomes Championship at Ipswich GC in April and the Senior Ladies Championship at Hintlesham GC in July. The feedback from those participating was very favourable, and our thanks must go to both clubs for their support and organisation.

This year we "trialled" holding the Delegates Meetings at different locations around the County to make it fairer to those who attend in terms of time and distance travelled. My thanks to Bury St Edmunds, Felixstowe and Halesworth who made us most welcome. The trial has worked well and all Delegates agree that future meetings should continue in this vane.

I should also like to add a special thank you to Sue Cook for all that she does in relation to The 100 Club.

**Lizzie Johnson**  
**England Golf Representative**

The captain invited questions. None were raised.

**Report 4(e) – Treasurer's Report 2022**

Once again, I would like to thank my predecessor Hermione Scrope for her work and support during the transition period. It has, inevitably, been an extremely steep learning curve with some very busy periods. During the year the input of financial information has been migrated from Excel to a more formal system (at no cost). There has also been a significant increase in the use of BACS transfers for both income and payments – it's so much quicker and easier to track.

Income for the year to 31st October 2022 has increased primarily due to the incredibly generous sponsorship received from several sources in the year (£8,000 in total). This will support the activities of the various county teams. Our grateful thanks go to Jo Woodward, MSC UK, Willis Ltd., One Group Construction and Suffolk Ladies Veteran Association. The headline figure is that for the year to 31st October 2022 an overall loss has been incurred (£2568). This can be accounted for by:

- Many clubs have found it necessary to review their charging structure for both the use of facilities and catering. We have, therefore, seen a substantial increase in the



charges for all competitions. Several competitions have had a disappointingly low number of entrants and I would urge all clubs to promote the county competitions (including the Divisions) as widely as possible amongst their members.

- There has been an increase in county competitions and matches in the year and in addition to the first team there is now a 2nd team as well as junior and seniors' teams. Whilst this has been welcomed, the inevitable consequence is that expenditure has increased; considerable investment having been made in training and the purchase of kit.
- 2022 has also seen the further development and enhancement of the website and the purchase of a computer and associated software. In addition, the ancient radios have now been replaced – contact can now be made with referees on the course whilst competitions are underway.

Going forward, the bank reserves are healthy, and we will look to secure sponsorship for the teams if possible. It will also be a year of transition for the Association as we move from being an unincorporated association into a company limited by guarantee.

Challenging but exciting times are ahead!

**Carol Deslandes**  
**Hon. Treasurer**

The captain invited questions. None were raised.

#### **Report 4(f) – Handicap Adviser's Report 2022**

This has been a relatively quiet year, with no Covid interruptions. Apart from receiving handicapping enquiries, there is little to report. I feel that we are all getting used to WHS and its idiosyncrasies.

The Governing Body felt that the time was right to review the handicap ranges for the divisions and county knockouts. The playing formats for the Weston and Cranworth have been tweaked and the rules for the 4BBB for the Senior Jubilee Shield have been verified.

I have been in this post since the start of 2019 and have therefore been in at the start of WHS and all its teething problems.

I am proud to say that I've been asked to be Ladies Captain at Woodbridge next year and am standing down as County Handicap Adviser.

I would like to wish my successor well. I believe that I am leaving everything in a good place.

**Annette Llewellyn**  
**Handicap Adviser**

The captain invited questions. None were raised.

Amanda invited Charlie Garrord (2<sup>nd</sup> Team Captain) to say a few words.

#### **Report 4(g) - 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Report**

County Officials, Ladies of Suffolk,

My name is Charlie Garrod and I'm the Suffolk Ladies 2nd Team Captain.

As most of you are aware, this is the first year for nearly 10 years that Suffolk has an active 2nd Team.

I am really pleased to advise that we have had a successful relaunch of the County 2nd Team so far.

There was a positive response to canvassing for players via various media (the county website, emails to clubs, Facebook and other social media, the County Junior and Senior squads, and the good of word of mouth), resulting in over 30 new people coming forward expressing an interest in participating and more still forthcoming.

There is a good spread of players coming from many clubs, all enthusiastic about being given the opportunity to be a part of the new 2nd team and are proud at having the chance to represent Suffolk.

Training sessions with the Felixstowe Ferry Professionals Andrew Robinson and Sam Forgan were run early in the year in conjunction with the Ladies 1st Team sessions (1<sup>st</sup> team in the mornings, 2<sup>nd</sup> team in the afternoons). These were really enjoyed and beneficial for the attending players and we will be continuing these again this year.

Sponsorship of GBP 3,500 was kindly provided by Willis Towers Watson towards the 2nd Team expenses for 2022 and we will be asking them for their continued support in 2023. If there are any other donations or offers of sponsorship, these are of course most welcome!

Team kit (shirts, jumpers, waterproof jackets) have been purchased for the squad, with some players purchasing their own which has helped reduced expenses for the county.

The main competitive event for the 2<sup>nd</sup> team is the East Region 2nd Team County match days, which this year were at the end of August at Colne Valley in Essex. The team competed for the first time since 2013 in the same format as the 1st team (i.e. foursomes and singles each day against the 4 other counties).

#### Team selected:

Charlie Garrod (Captain)(The Suffolk)

Molly Newson (Thorpeness)

Zoe Schofield (Rookery Park)

Charlotte Fawdry (Ipswich)

Lynne Barrett (Hintlesham)

Rachael Goldsmith (Halesworth)

Anja Carter (Seckford)

Kris Matthews (Brett Vale)

Emily Evans (Newton Green)

Sharon Davey (Fynn Valley)

It was the first inter-county 2nd team matches for everyone (except me) so it was a new experience for them all. All of them approached it with enthusiasm, determination and commitment, all being flexible and understanding as only 7 of the 10 players play each match. I am very proud of how they conducted themselves and represented Suffolk fantastically, bonded well together, built relationships and fought as a team courageously including caddying for each other. They all were very grateful for the opportunity to represent their county, all enjoying the experience and excited for the future matches.

The individual games during the week mostly went to hole 17 or 18 which is a reflection of the great golf played by everyone in the team. We scored on every day even though they were generally out handicapped (often playing very low single figure handicaps, especially Essex who fielded some plus handicaps). Our team put up a good fight even being up in some matches but sadly often these didn't finish in our favour so the county vs county match results were frustrating as there were so many opportunities to win which slipped

away but encouraging for the future.

We are very hopeful that this is just the start of a great team base for this year and future years.

Thank you for all the support and good wishes provided to the team during the match days. Special thanks to Sarah Gotts, Jules Harboard and Vicky Elliston who came to caddy and be part of the team. They were brilliant help and support for the players and hopefully the experience has helped their own games too ready for the future matches. It was lovely to be welcomed back to the Regional 2nd team match days by all of the other counties (Captains/Presidents/other officials). All of them commenting that it's great to have Suffolk back competing and how good the team were together, representing Suffolk with integrity and determination in good competitive spirit.

This year, Suffolk are hosting the Regional County Match days at Bungay on Monday 21st to Weds 23rd August. We hope some of you will be able to support the team please? It's always encouraging to see friendly blue around the course or if you would like to assist on the days as a ball-spotter or hostess or other volunteer in some way, that would be greatly appreciated.

Suffolk have a lot of great players wanting to represent us, with still more coming forward, as well as juniors getting better and better and joining the 2<sup>nd</sup> Team squad which is great! The County Governing Body continue to work together to develop a coordinated approach to the county squads.

Overall, I'm really proud and pleased with the first year and am positive for the 2nd team's future.

**Charlie Garrord**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Team Captain**

The reports were then proposed for adoption by Joan Hogarth, Bury St Edmunds GC and seconded by Philippa Bridges Diss GC. They were carried unanimously.

## **5. RESOLUTION**

Apologies that this was not given with 28 days notice but we would like take this opportunity to inform you of incorporation.

That Suffolk Ladies County Golf Association (SLCGA) should incorporate as a company limited by guarantee.

### **Reason:**

As a separate legal entity, it will be easier to enter into contractual arrangements. The Association itself, rather than the individual members, are responsible for the club's obligations and debts

With limited liability in place members are protected and only required to pay an agreed sum if the county becomes insolvent (typically less than £10). In addition, provided the directors have been compliant with company law requirements, having limited liability will protect the directors of the company and members against a claim.

### **Request**

Members are asked to approve special resolution as stated above and begin the registration process as soon as is practicable. It is intended that the name of the company will be Suffolk Ladies County Golf Association Ltd.

Extraordinary meeting to be set up for 15<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm via Zoom to allow all affiliated members to vote.

**Carol Deslandes**  
**Treasurer**

## 6. ELECTION AND RE-ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

100% agreed to the Election of Officers being taken en bloc.

The Secretary read the names of those members who are retiring: -

Amanda Norman	Captain
Annette Llewellyn	Handicap Adviser
Maureen Minter	Weston
Phillipa Bridges	Championships

### CAPTAIN:

At this time of year, not only do we welcome the new committee members joining us, but we also have to say goodbye to others. The committee is comprised of people who willingly give up their own time to help organise the backdrop of county ladies golf, to run events and to support the members of the SLCGA and their clubs. They do this freely and to the best of their abilities and I implore you to remember this. So, a huge thank you.

The secretary read the names of those who will remain in office for the coming year:

Lils James	President
Di Hegarty	Secretary
Carol Deslandes	Treasurer
Lizzie Johnson	England Golf Representative
Sue Hayward	Junior Organiser
Vicki Hunt	Senior Captain & Senior Jubilee Organiser
Joan Hogarth	Match and Competition Organiser

### And Competition Organisers:

Tessa Summers	for a further 1 year
Geraldine Rose	for a further 1 year
Bud Pratten	for a further 2 years
Caroline Emeny	for a further 2 years

The secretary read the names nominated as Officers of the Association:

Tanya McGregor (Gorleston)	Captain
Emily Penfold (Newton Green)	Vice Captain
Jan Fawdry (Woodbridge)	Handicap Adviser

And the names of the ladies nominated as Competition Organisers.

Charlie Woodage (Bramford)  
Wendy Walpole (Bungay)

Weston nominated for 3 years  
Championships nominated for 3 years

Co-opted for another year  
Charlie Garrard

2<sup>nd</sup> Team Captain

The nominations were proposed en bloc by Louis Morse, Aldeburgh GC and seconded by Bud Pratten Royal Worlington GC. They were carried 100%.

## **CAPTAIN**

On behalf of us all in the Association I would like to welcome the newly elected members. I hope they will enjoy their time on the Governing Body - we are grateful to them for their willingness to serve on the Association.

The Captain and Vice-Captain were presented with their badges

Amanda invited Tanya Mcgregor to say a few words.

"I am incredibly honoured and proud to be your new county captain with the support of my vice-captain Emily Evans

Those that know me will tell you that I am extremely passionate about ladies golf, most importantly inclusivity for all ages and all abilities and I will do my absolute best to serve the whole of the county membership

I have a couple of personal requests of you all

Firstly, is to help me spread the word throughout the membership in your clubs to encourage as many ladies as possible to take part in county events as there is something for everyone, not just elite players and it a great way to make new golfing friends

Please don't assume that everybody is aware of what goes on in the county

And secondly to ask both you and your club to follow us on social media so that we can keep you connected and updated with county news

I'm looking forward to getting to know as many of you as possible over the next 2 years and would welcome the opportunity to come to each of your clubs for a chat and a game."

Due to Covid we were unable to award retiring officers and organisers their mementoes for the services they had given. The following ladies were invited to collect them today

2021

Maggie Porter  
Joan Cook  
Irma Suttle

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Jo Woodward  
Hermione Scrope  
Alice Barlow  
Linda Gilham

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Amanda Norman

Maurine Minter  
Philippa Bridges  
Annette Llewellyn

## **7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There were no questions from the meeting

### **CAPTAIN**

#### **Joy Winn Salver**

This is the 8th year that the Salver has been played for. It is for the lowest scratch score achieved over the year.

I am delighted to say it goes to Alice Barlow, Bury St Edmunds, for the 6th year running who achieved the best gross score in the championships and on 3 qualifying rounds.

#### **Weston Trophy, Plate and Bowl**

The Weston trophies were won by the following clubs.

The Weston Bowl - Diss  
The Weston Plate - Rookery Park  
The Weston Trophy - Bury St Edmunds

The results for the County Competitions are:

Haskell	Rookery Park
Stearn	Aldeburgh
Silver Jubilee	Bramford
Cranworth	Bramford

Coronation Medal winners:

The Silver Medal is awarded to Talia Brewer– Felixstowe Ferry (-13.4)  
The Bronze Medal is awarded to Veda Berriman – Stowmarket (-14.6)  
Congratulations to them

#### **The Nigel Birrell Trophy**

It gives me great pleasure to welcome Nigel and Sue Birrell to present the Nigel Birrell Trophy

For those of you who don't know Nigel and Sue, they have been great supporters of Suffolk Ladies Golf over the years. Sue played for Suffolk 1<sup>st</sup> team and was Captain in

2005-2006. Nigel was our main sponsor for many years.

Nigel was pleased to learn we were still presenting his trophy and kindly agreed to present this year's winner and donate a new trophy as well with all the previous winners engraved onto the new trophy. Thank you Nigel and Sue.

This year I wanted to award the trophy to someone who over the years has been a great supporter of Suffolk golf. This person has been both Captain and President, worked very hard to rate all the Suffolk golf courses, and runs the very successful One Hundred Club. She has always been a great supporter for me and the team and turns up at every county week. So, this year the award goes to Sue Cook. Congratulations Sue.

**Nigel Birrell** – “We were delighted to hear the award was still being used for golfers and juniors. My wife started her county journey 30 years ago. We still follow Suffolk and are over the moon that this year's recipient is Sue Cook as we know how much she has done for the County.”

### **CAPTAIN & JUNIOR ORGANISER:**

The **Eva Harris Shield** is awarded for achievements in junior golf.  
Natasha Gregory received the award for her performance at County Week.

**Junior Improver of the Year:** This trophy is awarded to Josie Knights for lowering her handicap through competing in opens and club competitions from 16.2 to 9.4.

**Suffolk Girls Order of Merit:** awarded to Sophie Kubitzek

### **Junior Captain for 2023:**

It gives me great pleasure to announce that Sophie Kubitzek will be Junior Captain.

### **CAPTAIN**

The Blue Book has not been printed this year but a digital version will be sent to all Clubs for transmission to their lady members. It can also be accessed via the SLCGA website.  
County Competitions: We can now apply for competitions online and pay via BACs.

Before we do the Draw for the 100 Club I would like to thank Sue Cook sincerely on behalf of us all for all the work she has done to run the 100 Club since its inception and to make it so successful. Thank you, Sue.

### **The 100 Club**

In 2022, we collected £2790 from members, of which £1270 (£20 Gaming Licence included) was given to County funds and £1520 was given away in prizes. We had £380 per draw and as usual, there were 4 draws per year, the first at the AGM and subsequently at 3 delegates meetings. At each draw the first prize was £100, and 12 prizes were given in total each time.

This year, the delegates have done an amazing job and we have collected £2645. This

sum is split into £1185 (Gaming Licence included) for County funds and £1460, to be given away in prizes. £365 can be drawn at each of the 4 draws, giving 8 prizes ranging from £100 and then in decreasing order.

I'd like to thank everyone who managed to take part this year thereby supporting the County. We now seem to be proficient at paying electronically.

Thank you all, with particular thanks to all the delegates who worked so hard to make it possible.

Anyone wishing to join the 100 Club can do so by contacting Sue Cook.

The results of The 100 club draw are available on the SLGCA website.

The meeting closed at 10.57 after a graceful vote of thanks to the Captain and the Governing Body from Viv Kemp of Bury St Edmunds.

Minutes by Di Hegarty (Hon Secretary)  
January 2023

Signed.....  
Lils James (President)

Date.....