

# LADIES SECTION

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 10 January 2023 at 7.00 pm

## PRESENT

Isobel Wright (Lady Captain), Heather Smith, Linda Whaley, Val Chapman, Janet Greaves, Karen Hornby, Max Bailey and Gill Kendall

# **APOLOGIES**

Sue Tate, Tina Hutchings and Lisa Starkey

## MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 6 December 2022, were proposed as being a true record by Gill Kendall and seconded by Linda Whaley.

# 01/23 Matters Arising

Janet Greaves had sent an email to Marilyn Ingle and as yet had heard nothing back.

# 02/23 Lady Captain's Report

HAPPY NEW YEAR, keep well, keep active, play lots of golf.

Christmas decorations have gone up and come down. It's all soon over with some new memories to store away.

Pre Christmas, the course has been frozen and hard, no mud, resulting in some trampoline like ball bouncing particularly when attempting to get on the green.

Tuesday Social games have been attracting 25 to 40 ladies. We have a steadily growing little pot of savings for our Ladies' Locker Room upgrade. Tuesday, 20 December we played bingo instead of golf, we had some nibbles at the start of the bingo with a plate of Christmas fayre at half time and this had about 55 participants, which all made for a lovely and lively session.

Boxing Day, I went up the road to my brother's, who lives near Kelso in the Borders and returned Monday, 2 January in time for Tuesday, 3 January winter knockout with my partner Janet Greaves. We set off before ladies' social golf. Our competitors were Gill Kendall and Sandra Robinson who finally beat us on the 19<sup>th</sup>, a good game. Well done Gill and Sandra and good luck in your next round when you play Karen Hornby and Val Chapman.

Our next meeting is the AGM, 7pm Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> February.

Wednesday, 8 February, I fly to Perth, Australia and return 2 May 2023.

Bye for now Ladies.

## 03/23 Secretary's Report

Three lockers have become available including two lower lockers. I have offered the two lower lockers to two of the ladies who were on the Waiting List. We have a few upper lockers available if any lady is needing one.

The poster for the Daily Mail Foursomes is displayed on the YLCGA Notice Board.

I have sought and received permission from The Chairman, Martin Robinson, to hold Raffles in aid of the Ladies' Section in the coming year.

## 04/23 Treasurer's Report

These are the up-to-date figures to 10 January 2023. Last year's accounts are being audited.

| Report to 10.01.2023        |         |         |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Business Community Account  | 5438.59 |         |         |
| Cash Tin                    | 892.25  |         |         |
|                             |         | 6330.84 |         |
| Less                        |         |         |         |
| 2022 Lady Captain's Charity | 1076.07 |         |         |
| England Golf Foundation     | 62.50   |         |         |
| York Against Cancer         | 18.00   |         |         |
|                             |         | 1156.57 |         |
| Total                       |         |         | 5174.27 |
| Other items of interest:    |         |         |         |
| Locker Room Fund is at      | 355.50  |         |         |
| Santa Sunday total          | 630.00  |         |         |
| In credit from Exchange Day | 328.70  |         |         |

Heather Smith will contact Tina Hutchings to discuss the figure from Exchange Day.

Heather Smith thanked everyone involved with Santa Sunday but thought that in future the sale of raffle tickets should be started sooner to cover all members and increase the revenue. Lady Captain has also received a further £30.00 donation towards her charity, Alzheimers' Research.

## 05/23 Competitions' Secretary's Report

Janet has informed YLCGA of the A and B Team fixtures for this year.

#### 06/23 Handicap Secretary's Report

Nothing to report.

## 07/23 House Committee News

The heating in the Club is still proving troublesome.

Max Bailey told Committee that as a result of the new Role Structure of the Club that she will no longer be Chair of House. She will still be involved and remain on Main Committee. As a result of the new Structure there will be scope for Project Volunteers, which will be on a short-term basis. The hierarchy of the Club will be displayed on the main Noticeboard in the near future.

A discussion was had regarding ways to encourage and co-ordinate any members for volunteering.

Karen Hornby will prepare a Presentation to explain the new Structure and the importance of volunteers.

Max had received some comments that there was nothing socially attractive to the younger members of the Club being organised. An attempt to rectify this will be made.

Max will organise another Bingo session for the ladies in the place of golf on a Tuesday between 10-27 February.

## 08/23 Diary – Golf

**7 February** - Ladies AGM - Discussions were had and changes were made to the Agenda and Crib Sheet for the AGM.

Gill Kendall will display a Notice in the Ladies' Locker Room indicating the dates for the Friendly matches which were omitted from the Diary.

The date for the Ladies' Social is not in the Diary and this will be held on Friday, 17 November 2023. A Notice will be displayed in the Ladies' Locker Room.

## 09/23 Items for Discussion

## 09/23/a New Ladies to Golf

Since I first became involved with Ladies New to Golf in 2020, I am pleased to report that 73 ladies in total have attended Stage 1 and 66 ladies have attended Stage 2. Of these, 21 ladies from 2020 and 2021 have continued their membership beyond their initial year. Ongoing membership figures for 2022 are not yet available.

Plans for 2023 are currently being put together. We are hoping to run a Taster Day in late March and are hopeful that will encourage more ladies to join Ladies New to Golf. Dates are yet to be confirmed.

## 09/23/b Juniors

Nothing to report.

## 09/23/c Women in Golf Charter

The quarterly Women in Golf report was issued to the Main Committee and Ladies Committee in December. Good progress has been made on most of the objectives. However, no progress has been made to date on Objective 6 which is *"to issue an annual survey to all female members to get feedback on the inclusivity of PHGC and to what extent the environment welcomes women"*. I am hoping to issue this survey early in 2023.

I am investigating the possibility of applying for a grant from YLCGA. The purpose of the grant scheme is to provide funding to support projects that promote: -

- Participation
- Recruitment
- Retention
- Good management/governance

One thought is to carry out a leaflet drop in the local area to promote Pike Hills and its facilities and the work we do with New Ladies and Juniors.

I have been informed that I have been nominated for a new England Golf award category which aims to recognise those who have helped to tackle under-representation by providing opportunities for women and girls to take up the game or continue to enjoy the sport. The nomination has been submitted but, as yet, we do not know whether it has been successful.

It is Linda Whaley's last meeting and congratulations were given to her for being nominated for an England Golf Award. Linda will continue to give monthly reports on New Ladies and Women in Golf.

## **10/23** Any Other Business

Lady Captain confirmed that the Committee Dinner will be held on Tuesday, 17 January 2023 at Cote Brasserie, 6.30 for 7.00pm.

Lady Captain's expenses were agreed at a 5% increase.

As her gift to the Club, Lady Captain will contribute something that is needed in the new Ladies' Locker Room as and when it is completed.

Notice Boards were discussed and it was agreed that each Section would have its own space and would be re-organised as and when work on the new Locker Room is finished.

A meeting is being arranged by the General Manager with a company who provided lockers for another northern Club and Isobel, Max and Karen would attend.

Isobel Wright will be the Lady Vice for the York & District Ladies Winter Association in April for 2023/24 and will continue as our Representative.

Volunteers are asked to come forward to help with running various sections of the club:

Delegate for the Yorkshire Ladies County Golf Association The Veterans

The Ladies' 2-hour Tuesday Tee times were mentioned and this would be discussed at a future Committee Meeting.

Lady Captain's Tee time slot would be discussed at the next meeting.

A card had been received from Brenda Harryman thanking Committee for her gift of chocolates as a thank you following her resignation from providing flower arrangements for Presentation Days.

Nothing in the Suggestions Book.

Next meeting to be organised at the AGM.

Meeting closed at 12.00pm

Notes prepared by VCC/12 January 2023