



# LADIES SECTION

Minutes of the Committee Meeting  
held on Tuesday, 8 October 2024 at 3.30pm

## **PRESENT**

Sue Tate (Lady Captain), Gill Kendall, Val Chapman, Tina Hutchings, Janet Greaves, Julie Kelly, Isobel Wright and Julie Steel

## **APOLOGIES**

Heather Smith and Max Bailey

## **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 3 September 2024, were proposed as being a true record by Gill Kendall and seconded by Janet Greaves.

## **90/24 Matters Arising**

No matters arising.

## **91/24 Lady Captain's Report**

The golfing season is now slowing down as we move into Autumn. The Lady Captain's match versus Captain's Team went ahead despite the rain and it was played over 9 holes.

The Ladies' Winter Games will start on 22 October 2024 with a fun match and then a raffle in support of my charity.

The Triangular Match at York Golf Club on Sunday, 6 October, was won by York GC and this event will be held at Pike Hills next year.

## **92/24 Secretary's Report**

It is with great sadness that I have to report that Brenda Bell passed away at the end of September. She will be sorely missed by so many. Our heartfelt thoughts go to her family.

The YLCGA Delegates' Meeting was held at Howley Hall Golf Club on 16 September 2024 and unfortunately we didn't have a representative to attend. All Reports are on the YLCGA website and the Notice Board.

The YLCGA AGM is to be held on Friday, 15 November 2024 at Harrogate.

### 93/24 Treasurer's Report

#### Report to 07.10.2024

	£	£	£
Community Account	2986.99		
Cash Tin	170.00		
Savings Account	2500.00		
	<hr/>	5656.99	
<b>Less</b>			
Locker Room Fund 2022/23	828.12		
Lady Captain's Charity	1176.00		
		2004.12	
<b>Total</b>			<hr/> 3652.87

Although the above figures are healthy we are making a loss on this year's figures.

Our income is made up from:

Competition entries, profit from Exchange Day, the sale rail, 50% of Lady Captain's Dance profit and Santa Sunday.

Our main fundraiser for the year is Santa Sunday and last year we made £501.

Expenses to pay out later in the year are the wine for the Ladies Social and tips/beer for bar staff/greenkeepers £170.

### 94/24 Competitions' Secretary's Report

All the necessary actions have been taken to set up the Medals & Stablefords for the winter months. Fingers crossed, now, that the weather is kind to us!

The diary is proceeding well. We are still awaiting our opponents in the YLCGA Inter Club competitions.

Winners since last meeting:

31.08.24	Anne McGovern	
07.09.24	Anne McGovern	
10.09.24	Sarah Bristowe	Julie Kelly
08.09.24	Pat Hawkins	Charlotte Long
22.09.24	Greensome Cup	Lucy Smith & Yvonne Tomlinson
	Institute Council Cup Knockout	Sue Tate

### 95/24 Handicap Secretary's Report

Nothing to report.

### 96/24 New Ladies to Golf Report by Linda Whaley

Nothing to report.

## **97/24 Women in Golf Report** by Linda Whaley

Pike Hills Golf Club signed up to England Golf's Women in Golf Charter in August 2021. Since then, as Women in Golf Charter Champion, I have provided a quarterly review on progress on the objectives. The objectives are also reviewed on an annual basis with Rob Moore, the local representative of England Golf.

The objectives have recently been reviewed and a number of amendments have been made to reflect changes at Pike Hills and within England Golf. These changes mainly affect Objectives 4, 5, 6 and 7.

Please find below the revised objectives.

### **OBJECTIVE 1**

#### **To run an annual Ladies New to Golf coaching course for ladies with no previous golfing experience (Beginners)**

How this will be achieved

- Inform all members about dates of courses and encourage family and friends to apply.
- A new Pro and Ladies Co-ordinator took over in 2020 resulting in a review in how Ladies New to Golf was run. Consequently, existing lady members with previous coaching skills and/or experience of the coaching programmes as an attendee were sought to encourage the new ladies.
- Lady Captain and Lady Vice-Captain to be in attendance as much as possible.
- Keep individual group size small to give feeling of 1 to 1 support.
- Provide a motivational introduction to the coaching by the co-ordinator with a tour of the clubhouse and a social get-together at the end of the programme.
- Keep in touch with attendees by attending sessions and via email.
- Conduct an annual review as a follow up to a satisfaction survey to all attendees at the end of the programme.

### **OBJECTIVE 2**

#### **To run an annual coaching course for ladies with limited previous golfing experience (Improvers)**

**This is designed to develop the basic skills taught in the Beginners coaching and to introduce the ladies to course play and course etiquette.**

- Encourage ladies who have attended Beginner's sessions to take up further coaching.
- Offer coaching to other inexperienced ladies who show an interest in joining the Club via PHGC marketing channels in line with the marketing plan.
- Invite other current lady members to join the groups on the course to encourage integration into the lady's section.
- Explain the concept of Ladies Winter Fun Games to New Ladies to provide support and encouragement.

### **OBJECTIVE 3**

#### **Improve the age profile of lady members,**

How this will be achieved

- Continue running Ladies New to Golf each year.
- Encourage more Juniors to join the club and promote a pathway from Junior Girls to Ladies Section.
- Promote inclusion via the club website, social media and local community groups.

#### **OBJECTIVE 4**

**Appoint a designated Charter Champion within the club who can assist with the promotion and reporting of the charter**

How this will be achieved

- By capturing and recording a baseline of all the key measures we are committing to within the Charter including membership data for our Club to determine the impact of the Charter
- Regular reporting to the Main Committee and to the Ladies Committee to ensure everyone is focused on Women in Golf.
- Regular communication in the club newsletter about the charter and current progress
- The Club will formally display the Charter commitments internally and externally – noticeboards, website, social media, membership packs and utilise the England Golf press release.

#### **OBJECTIVE 5**

**Monitor the Board, Trustees and Sub Groups to ensure they contain a proportionate representation of ladies.**

**Identify female members with the skills and experience to fit different roles.**

How this will be achieved

Regularly review the make-up of the Board, Trustees and Sub Groups.

Acquire a better knowledge of the skills and experience of all members.

#### **OBJECTIVE 6**

**Ensure that the regular member surveys provide feedback on the inclusivity of PHGC and to what extent the environment welcomes women.**

How this will be achieved

Work with the Marketing Sub Group on the wording and analysis of the member surveys.

Carry out a regular Flash Poll of Lady members

Support the Ladies Buddy WhatsApp Group

#### **OBJECTIVE 7**

**Uphold England Golf's Terms of Affiliation (SafeGolf, ED&I and Disciplinary)**

How this will be achieved

Upkeep our SafeGolf Personnel Register and update if needs be to refresh training requirements.

Work with local CCSO to understand if there's any policy updates that need to be actioned across the terms and ensure the club are maintaining requirements within the terms.

**98/24 Juniors' Report** by Hazel Cushing

Nothing to report.

**99/24 Diary – Golf**

**20 October** - Turkey Trot - Only 3 teams of 4 but it was decided to let it go ahead again this year.

The winter Medals start next week, it will be interesting to see how many ladies enter.

**100/24 Items for Discussion**

No items for discussion.

**101/24 Any Other Business**

Isobel suggested that a match between the Past Captains and Past Lady Captains, to be called 'War of the Captains', would be an interesting competition to hold.

Lady Captain wanted to know when the Past Lady Captains' Day and AGM should be organised by. It was also suggested a possible Past Lady Captains' Exchange Day with another Club.

Since the recent amendment to the allocation of the Captain's free subs, recently it had been agreed by the Club that expenses should be awarded to him assisting in the costs of Captain's Day. A lady member had suggested this be the same with Lady Captain's Day. Committee felt that Lady Captain doesn't pay for the meals on Lady Captain's Day and it wasn't quite on a parallel to that of the Captain of the Club.

Julie K said that the 'Winter Check List' has been updated and is displayed on the Notice Board and is also on the website.

The Race to Woodall Spa is on and will be announced at the AGM in February.

Committee agreed that following the increase of the entry fee for Medals/Stablefords from £2.50 to £3.00 that the split between the Ladies' Section and the Winner should be 50/50% instead of 60/40%.

A Choir will sing at Santa Sunday and the timing is to be confirmed.

Nothing in the Suggestions Book.

Next meeting to be held on Tuesday, 3 December 2024 at 2.00pm.

Meeting closed at 4.10pm.

Notes prepared by Val Chapman

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