



LADIES SECTION
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
held on Tuesday, 04 February 2025 at 7.00 pm

APOLOGIES:

A King, C Aherne, J Petch, P Brown, A McGovern, P Hartley, B Harryman, J Martindale, J Boyd, S Robinson, H Vos, D Wakeman, T Mikola, A White, M Walker, L Smith, P McCardle, I Wright, L Whaley

1 MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON 6 FEBRUARY 2024

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday, 6 February 2024, were proposed as being a true record by Mandy Nicholson and seconded by Liza Griffiths and two copies were duly signed by Lady Captain.

2 MATTERS ARISING

The Turkey Trot Competition was raised again by Janet Greaves as there had only been 14 ladies who played in it in 2024. As Competitions' Secretary, Janet proposed either playing the competition over 2 days – Tuesday/Sunday and choosing your own team and book your own time on BRS, change to just play on Tuesday or keep it as it is. Mel Bradbury pointed out that a competition cannot be run over 2 separate days as there would be differing weather/course conditions. It was agreed that the competition be held on a Sunday as it has in the past and to be inclusive to all ladies who play.

3 LADY CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Good evening, Lady Vice Captain, Lady Vice Captain Elect and Ladies! My year as Lady Captain has gone very quickly and I have thoroughly enjoyed it.

I would like to start by thanking you all for your support in the fun games, competitions and attending the social events that have been put on. I could not have done it without you.

The Ladies' Committee have been very supportive and I would like to thank you for your help and support. If any ladies would like to come and join the Committee you will be very welcome.

The Ladies New to Golf has been very successful and thank you to Linda for all she has done in promoting this scheme. It is great to see new ladies joining in in the fun games and becoming involved in the Ladies' Section.

The Ladies' Locker Room is now looking good and the new extension is wonderful.

My year started with the Coffee Morning in March and was a huge success and many thanks to all who came and supported it and we raised over £1,500 on the day.

The Captain's Drive-In on 6th April was a fun night and we played Rock n'Roll Bingo. Unfortunately, the Shotgun was cancelled the following day due to Course closure. This competition was played in October and enjoyed by all who took part.

The Ladies' Cup/Trophy Competitions on Sundays have not had many players entering and it would be nice to see more ladies joining in.

The highlight for me was winning the Centenary Trophy on 4th August and also the Institute Council Cup Knockout and the R I Centenary Trophy Mixed Team event with Isobel Wright, Eric Coates and Andy Campbell.

Ladies' Championship Day was a very enjoyable day and well done to all ladies who took part in playing two rounds of golf. Congratulations to Pam Long, our Lady Champion 2024. The Best Net was won by Charlotte Long.

I have enjoyed playing in all the games and competitions and have had a great year with Steve King, our Club Captain for 2024. We have had many great fun times playing together and we have supported each other over the year.

My Lady Captain's Day on 18th August was a memorable day, which I will always remember and it was great to have my friends and family involved. Thank you for all the many cards and gifts received on the day.

Exchange Day on 13th August at Bridlington Belvedere Golf Club was enjoyed by everyone and thank you Gill for organising the day.

My Lady Captain's evening on 6th September was enjoyable and had singer, Pat McGarry, entertaining us all with singing and dancing.

The Ladies' Social Evening in November was lovely and Paul provided excellent food, which was followed by singer Paula Marie.

In December, Santa Sunday was well attended and thank you to all who helped out on the day and bought Raffle Tickets and donated Raffle Prizes. Thank you Gill for organising and raising £645 for the Ladies' Section. Our Vice Captain and Captain did a great job as Santa and his Elf.

New Year's Eve was a great evening and enjoyed by all who attended. Again, Paul put on a wonderful cold buffet which was followed by a disco and dancing the night away till after midnight.

The Tuesday fun games have been enjoyable and thankfully the weather has been kind to us and has kept us playing during the winter months.

I am pleased to announce that £4,107.50 was raised for my charity MND and I thank you all for your support.

I wish Gill and Pamela every success in the coming year and I will help and support you both if needed.

Thank you ladies.

4 SECRETARY'S REPORT

I am pleased to report that the number of playing lady members has slightly increased from 2024 and the Office inform me that we currently have a total of 92 playing Lady Members and 22 Pavilion/Social Members. The categories for the playing members are as follows:

73 Full 7-day Members /6 6-day /6 5-day /2 Twilight /1 Country /3 Young Adults and 1 Flexible Member (PlayMoreGolf). We welcome all new lady members to our Ladies' Section. We also have 1 Junior (aged 12-15) and 1 Rookie (under 12).

I will put up a list on the Notice Board which shows the Membership Status of all the ladies that are currently playing.

Regarding voting rights, all members, apart from PlayMoreGolf members, are eligible to vote at the AGM.

Unfortunately, during 2024, we lost one of our well loved lady members, Brenda Bell, and in January 2025, another of our long standing lady members, Dorothy Lecker, passed away. They were a valued part of our Ladies' Section and will be greatly missed by all.

I am pleased to say that a number of social events were held last year and were very successful and thanks to all who assist in organising them. I hope we will all try to support these events in 2025.

Thanks go to all those involved who help run and organise the Dominoes and Bridge Sessions, particularly Hilary Coombes, Elaine Norman and Joyce Kemp.

Hospice Day in 2024, organised by Chris Richardson, Vice-Captain, was well supported and a great success and raised over £7,000.00 for St Leonard's Hospice. Once again, a big thank you to all those ladies who continue to help out by donating raffle prizes, baking, running the half-way house and organising the raffles and giving their precious time, it is much appreciated. This year I am sure we will all be happy to support this event again, as it is a valuable source of raising funds for the Hospice and the Club.

In 2024 Liz Barber resigned her position as Club Delegate and we have been hoping that a lady would come forward to take over this role. As no one has come forward, I am pleased to inform you that Gill Kendall has agreed to take on this role in 2026 after her term of Lady Captain ends. Until that time, I will take on the role of temporary Club Delegate.

The YLCGA 2025 Calendar of Events is on the Notice Board for any lady interested in taking part in any of the region's competitions.

In 2024 the YLCGA decided, after a unanimous decision by all Clubs in our region, to reduce the number of players in the teams. Therefore, this year Pike Hills has decided to enter one A Team, two B Teams and one Weekend Team in the 2025 Yorkshire Ladies Inter Club Team event.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank other ladies who take on roles within our Club which without them we wouldn't have a successful competitive Ladies' Section:

Mel Bradbury – Captain of the A Team

Max Bailey – Captain of the B Team

Gill Kendall – Organiser of the Friendly Games

Judith Coates – Organiser of the ERYWGA

Jane Boyd - Organiser of the York & District Alliance

Marilyn Kirkham for giving us some beautiful flower arrangements throughout the year.

Thanks to Isobel Wright and Karen Hornby who are representing Pike Hills in taking on important roles in the York & District Ladies' Winter Alliance and the East Riding Ladies' Winter Alliance respectively in the coming year.

On behalf of the Ladies' Committee, I would like to congratulate Sue in the role of Lady Captain for her commitment and dedication throughout the past year. Sue, you have worked tirelessly and as a result have had a successful golfing year not only as Lady Captain but in your personal golfing achievements.

To Gill, our Lady Captain for 2025 and Pamela, her Lady Vice, I wish them both an enjoyable and successful year and I know that we will all support them throughout their terms of office.

This is my final Report as Secretary to the Ladies' Section as my 5 years come to an end and I must thank Committee members for their continual support throughout that time. I have enjoyed the role and learned a lot about how the Ladies' Section is run and how important it is in this golf club. I am handing over to Julie Steel, who I know will be a brilliant Ladies' Secretary and wish her all the best in the role.

5 TREASURER'S REPORT

The 2024 Balance Sheet is available to view. We have a healthy balance of over £5000 which stands us in good stead and we have nearly managed to cover our costs for the year (after removing Previous Year's Lady Captain's charity amounts) ending up short by £6.99.

Points to note:

INCOME and EXPENDITURE:

- The Ladies section's income for 2024 has been achieved by raising funds from Santa Sunday, Lady Captain's Dance and Race Night raffle, Exchange Day, the sale rail, and income from the cups, medals and stableford competitions.
- During 2024 we have helped support Lady Captain Sue's Charity MND Association which Sue has reported on separately. For other charities we have raised £205 which included:
£50.00 England Golf Trust – from the yearly Stableford Competition
£155.00 Magnolia Centre York Hospital – from the Magnolia Cup in memory of Jackie Masiak
- We still have an amount of money set aside as a Locker Room Fund of £828
- This year instead of Bar Staff gratuities we bought tins of chocolates for The Bar, Kitchen, Shop and Office plus trays of beer for the Greenkeeping Team.

2025 will be more expensive as we fund the extra A, B and Weekend Teams going forward and will probably lose any profit on Exchange Day because of the increased coach hire cost. Pullman halved the coach cost in 24 to compensate for the breakdown the previous year. To help negate this it would be great to see more Ladies entering the Sunday cups and Tuesday competitions.

Many congratulations to Lady Captain Sue with the help of her Lady Vice Gill and the Ladies Committee who have contributed to another successful year. Sorry to see Val and Janet stepping down as they have been very helpful to me in my role on the committee but good luck to their replacements.

With your support ladies we will have a great year during Lady Captain Gill's term in 2025 with her Vice Pamela. Good luck to Gill and Pamela.

6 COMPETITIONS SECRETARY'S REPORT

As you will all remember, the year started with lots & lots of rain, closing the golf course for weeks. However, despite that, all cups, trophies, medals and Stablefords were completed during 2024, with some fixtures rearranged & others reduced to 9 holes.

Pam Long became the Ladies' Champion with Lucy Smith, just 2 shots behind, as runner up.

As we now have a measured winter course, the Committee decided to add medal & Stableford competitions during the "off season". The winners of the medal competitions will qualify for the Medal Winners competition in 2025. In 2024, there were entries in the first two Tuesday competitions and one of the ladies reduced her handicap!

All the winners of competitions, from last year, are on the notice board in the ladies' locker room.

In York Union events we had entries from Pike Hills' players in the mixed Yorkshire Herald Foursomes (2 pairs); The Aldwark Trophy 4BBB (6 pairs) and Fulford Rose Bowl (1 player).

Three pairs represented Pike Hills in the County Foursomes Regional Final at Easingwold but none of these qualified for the finals.

It was decided, at the committee meeting in September 2024, to increase the entry fee for medals & Stablefords to £3.00 per person. The decision was also made to pay 50% of entry fees into the ladies' accounts & 50% to be allotted to prize credit.

You will have noticed that we have some different competitions during the summer – 4BBB, AMAM, Greensomes & Foursomes – to try & add some variety. These will NOT be drawn competitions. If you wish to play in them, you will need to choose your own playing partners/teams & book on the BRS, the week before the event.

Due to the cost of entering a pair into the EG Trust Stableford Finals, we have removed the qualifying round from our fixture list. To enter a pair into this competition, we had to pay £5.00 per lady who had played in the qualifying round and it was not guaranteed that our pair would have a good enough score to actually qualify to play in the finals.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Sue for a brilliant year as Lady Captain. She has fully embraced the role, joining in everything. Good luck to Gill, next year.

This is my last report as Competitions' Secretary and I have, once again, enjoyed the role. My best wishes go to my successor.

I hope everyone enjoys their golf in 2025 and keeps entering the competitions, whether they be Club competitions or York Union or Yorkshire events. Participation in these all add to the enjoyment of playing golf. It gives you the chance to play new courses and make new acquaintances.

Jean Green said it was disappointing to see so few ladies playing the York Union Fulford Rose Bowl and the Yorkshire Herald competitions. It was pointed out that quite often these dates clashed with Pike Hills' competitions held on the same date.

LADIES' A TEAM CAPTAIN'S REPORT 2024 PLAYING SEASON by Mel Bradbury

Yorkshire Ladies County Golf Association inter club matches comprise of teams of 7 players and the ladies A team has a handicap Index up to 25.4.

During 2024 Pike Hills Ladies A Team played 6 matches (home and away) against:

- ❖ Fulford
- ❖ Sand Moor
- ❖ Hallowes

Our results were:

WON	1	Fulford away
LOST	2	Fulford home Hallowes (away)
HALVE	3	Sand Moor (away) (played with 6 players) Sand Moor (home) Hallowes (home)

Unfortunately, again this season all A team members gave shots. In our match against Hallowed Pam Long gave 10 shots (won her match, well done Pam) however all the team gave 9 - 5 shots in our matches. Whilst we all appreciate handicaps are there for a reason it isn't ideal when playing an away course for the first time giving so many shots.

As always as an A team we have fun and do our best to win our individual matches when representing Pike Hills Golf Club and I would like to thank all the ladies who regularly play and those who support the A team matches.

The A team did struggle with fielding a team of 7 players due to ill health and work commitments of members of the ladies A team. Also, some of the ladies who have previously played in the B team and who support the A team when we are short of players have taken the decision to no longer participate in 18 holes of golf and consequently the A team has a smaller 'pool' of ladies who are able to and eligible to play in the matches. Therefore, the news on 24 June that Yorkshire Ladies Golf Association members have voted to reduce A team from 7 to 5 players from 2025 is greatly welcomed!

We are always keen to welcome new ladies to the Ladies A Team and so if any ladies reduce their handicap in 2024 and would like to play in 2025, it would be appreciated if you could please let me know.

Full list of A team results:

- Fulford Away 25 April WON 4/3
- Fulford Home 7 May Lost 5 ½ 1 ½

- Sand Moor* Away 13 May HALVE
- Sand Moor Home 24 May HALVE
- Hallowes Home 6 June HALVE
- Hallowes Away 17 June Lost 4 ½ 2 ½

Key * On this date only 6 ladies were available to play from the A or B team.

B TEAM REPORT 2024 by Max Bailey, B Team Captain

Teams Played:

Forest Park

Hornsea

Driffield

Results: We won one match and lost 5, most matches were close.

All matches were enjoyable and played in a competitive but friendly spirit.

We were very lucky with the weather this year and all courses were in good condition. Everyone enjoyed match days, an opportunity to play competitive golf and different courses.

Most teams preferred pre-match food and tea and cake afterwards, enabling players to travel home soon after the results were shared.

Thank you to the Caterers.

A big thank you to all players who played or reserved and Lady Captain for her support. We always had plenty of players willing to play, which made the organisation very easy. A big thank you to Julie Smith who has now moved away. We wish her good luck and good golfing in the future.

Due to the teams having 5 players next year, the ladies have decided to field 2 B Teams for 2025, giving the opportunity for more players to take part. We will be having a meeting for interested players and are looking for a B Team 2 Captain.

All Pike Hills ladies make the running of teams really easy and enjoyable, so a big thank you.

LADIES' FRIENDLY MATCHES 2024 by Gill Kendall

The Matches

The Ladies' Friendly Matches ran from 22 July up to the 19 September 2024. This season we planned to play against Sandburn Hall and Easingwold, with two matches at home and two matches away. As often happens, there were changes to the dates by the visiting clubs at the last minute and in the end Sandburn Hall were unable to manage a second match against us at Pike Hills for the home match. On average, we fielded teams of six ladies (numbers limited by the opposing teams). We fielded several newer players but the majority of people who signed up were improvers. This again, was a great turn out in the spirit of friendly matches as, although open to all interested parties, it did not rely on more experienced Club members to supplement the teams.

The number of matches remained at four, as it was difficult to fit them into the season. By reducing the season to four matches from six last year, it was hoped that it would be easier to fill the slots and more people would be available to sign up. Although this year the matches started earlier in July, next year we will go back to the format of August to October to widen the field of lady members to

include those who this year were taking summer holidays. Obviously this is a variable number of matches and can be expanded again, if there is the interest.

The Results

The first match of the season was away at Sandburn Hall. This should have been an easy-to-score series of matches, using the Matchplay format. However, on the day, with unbalanced team numbers throughout the season, the team members had to run different formats with mixed club teams. Congratulations to Julie Steel's team who won in the first match.

On every occasion the weather and the courses were good, the hosts were very welcoming and generous with their prizes. All the teams enjoyed their games. On a satisfaction level, another great series of games this year, although the fixtures would probably have worked better later on in the year.

The Games for 2025

At the moment two games have been arranged for the 2025 season with Garforth commencing on 28 August at Garforth Golf Club, with the reciprocal match at home on Thursday, 18 September. We have yet to find another suitable golf club for a Home and Away match. Do put the dates in your diary as they appear. We will continue to welcome ladies new to the game, as well as improvers to the coming season on Friendly Matches.

YORK & DISTRICT WINTER ALLIANCE by Jane Boyd

Winter 2024 – 2025

President – Isobel Wright, Pike Hills Golf Club

Pike Hills Golf Club representative, Jane Boyd

The following fixtures have been completed:

October 2024 – Malton & Norton Golf Club

November 2024 – Forest Park Golf Club

December 2024 – Easingwold Golf Club

At Easingwold Julie Steel and Jane Boyd came 3rd.

The remaining fixtures are:

January 2025 – Fulford Golf – unfortunately this was cancelled due to freezing and wet conditions.

February 2025 – Pike Hills Golf Club

March 2025 – Kirkbymoorside Golf Club

A total of 12 ladies have represented Pike Hills this year, some of them taking part for the first time.

We hope that many more ladies will compete in the future as this is a great opportunity to play golf on a number of different courses throughout the winter.

If you would like to know more please ask me.

EAST YORKSHIRE LADIES' WINTER ALLIANCE REPORT by Judith Coates

The 2023-24 East Yorkshire Ladies' Winter Alliance was a complete washout. Only 1 game was played all season (out of a total of 7 games).

The 2024-25 season starts Karen Hornby's year as Vice President of the Alliance. Congratulations Karen and good luck for the coming year. Because of Karen's vice presidency, Pike Hills did not put forward a pairing for the first event of the year – the matchplay foursomes. We did, however, have the honour of hosting the semi-final and final of this event at Pike Hills.

So far this season we have played 2 games – at York and Hull and to-date had 1 cancelled at Hessle. Fingers crossed that we get a few more games in this season – it's all very weather dependent!!

A big thank you to all the ladies who play in the alliance and those who offer to play, quite often at very short notice. We currently have 4 pairs at each meeting and for a small contribution you get to play clubs all over East Yorkshire. It is a lot of fun. The maximum individual handicap index is 28 so if you are interested in representing Pike Hills in the future, please get in touch with me or check the Notice Board in the Locker Room and get yourself signed up.

JUNIORS' REPORT by Mark Robson, Pike Hills Golfing Professional

The Junior coaching programme has run 4 sessions on a Saturday. 39 juniors within these groups, 10 of which were girls.

To add to this, 8 other juniors are taking regular individual lessons to further their ability.

The lessons last for 1 hour for groups of approximately 8-10 juniors with ages ranging from 5 to 16 year olds. The group on a late Saturday afternoon have had the opportunity to play 2 or 3 holes on the course as part of their lesson.

We have run multiple junior and parent/grandparent events which take place on the course on Sunday afternoons. These are becoming very popular with a couple of them playing host to more than 50 golfers.

Once again YLCGA have used Pike Hills as one of their venues for Under 14's coaching. I ran 8 sessions during the spring and summer. These have been attended by 2 of our own juniors, Lily-Ann Lee and Darcie Holloway, alongside juniors from other clubs both fairly local and as far afield as Skipton and Hull.

I would like to thank Hazel for all her effort and work with the juniors and for the help of Nick Hutchings during the Saturday afternoon lessons.

7 HANDICAP SECRETARY'S REPORT

Currently we have 90 active ladies, those who have an England Golf membership number. Of these ladies, 80 have a handicap index with 10 pending.

This year has been a good year for handicap reductions. A total of 21 ladies have reduced their handicap index by a total of 47.2 amazing ladies, well done.

The Starlet prize is awarded to the lady who started the year with a handicap index of 54 and has made the biggest reduction through the year.

Eclectic Competition

This competition is run throughout the season, previously this was run for fundraising purposes however, at the beginning of the Season it was decided by the Committee this was no longer necessary. This competition is for all ladies of any ability who play 18-hole qualifying competitions and records their best gross and nett scores at each hole. The results will be published on the Noticeboard after the AGM.

Race to Woodhall Spa

Club golfers of all ages have an equal chance to go forward from their club to play a series of Area Finals spread over 11 venues across the country. If a chosen area final is over-subscribed, players may be offered a place at an alternative venue where possible.

There is no change from last year how club members may qualify. All 18-hole, individual handicap qualifying club competitions played throughout 2024 determine the club winner who qualifies to enter for a place in a 2025 Area Final. The lady who has qualified this year is Angela Littlewood. Well done, Ange.

Last year was my first year as Handicap Secretary, in February I attended a WHS seminar at Sandburn Hall with representatives from England Golf and Ruth Goodwin our Regional/County Handicap Advisor. In November, the Handicap Committee held a meeting to review the Ladies Handicaps, the minutes of this meeting can be found on the noticeboard. My first year has been a huge learning curve, which I could not have done without Karen. I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Karen for her guidance and continued support.

Congratulations to Sue who has done a brilliant job as Lady Captain this past year and I would like to take this opportunity to wish our incoming Lady Captain, Gill Kendall, good luck for the forthcoming year.

8 WOMEN IN GOLF REPORT by Linda Whaley

The R&A launched the Women in Golf Charter in May 2018 supported by England Golf and other organisations across the industry. The aim of the Charter is to create positive change in golf, creating a more inclusive culture that encourages more women and girls to play golf and join clubs, and to inspire more families to enjoy golf as a group leisure activity. Pike Hills achieved the requirements to become a signatory of the Women in Golf Charter in August 2021.

The Charter requires every club that signs up to set itself objectives and to report regularly on progress. At Pike Hills we have set 7 objectives which are posted on a noticeboard in the Ladies locker room. A review of the objectives took place in 2024 with the help of our England Golf representative.

OBJECTIVE 1

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

Progress made – The 2024 Taster Day was held on Sunday 7th April with 19 initial enquiries and 13 ladies actually attending. The 2024 Ladies New to Golf Stage 1 (Beginners) sessions commenced on Tuesday 23rd April. In total 23 ladies attended Stage 1 including 13 from the Taster Day.

Over the last 5 years (2020 to 2024) 125 ladies in total have attended Stage 1.

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

Progress made – 18 ladies attended Ladies New to Golf (Improvers) in 2024. Nine of the ladies took up the special membership deal after attending Improvers’ coaching and are now becoming fully integrated into the Ladies Section with the majority of them playing in the Winter Fun Games which are played on a Tuesday.

Over the last 4 years (2020 to 2024) 105 ladies in total have attended Stage 2

OBJECTIVE 3

Improve the age profile of lady members.

Progress made - As at 20th November 2024, there were a total of 131 lady members of which 98 are playing members. Of these, 25 lady members were aged between 20 and 59 years. Thirteen of these ladies have come through Ladies New to Golf.

The number of Junior girls aged between 9 and 19 is 3.

OBJECTIVE 4

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

Progress made

Progress on the objectives is given on a quarterly basis to the Main Committee and Ladies Committee and on an annual basis to England Golf.

The newly formed Support Group held its first meeting on 16th March 2024. The group is made up of Linda Whaley (Chair), Lucy Smith, Pam Long, Julie Steel and Trish Hartley.

A “Buddy Group” has been set up and is being run by Julie Steel. This includes 3 groups of ladies. These are

1. Ladies with golfing experience but who are new members to Pike Hills
2. Ladies recently coming through Ladies New to Golf
3. Existing lady members who are willing to go out on the course with the other 2 groups to introduce them to the course and Ladies Section, and to mark cards for handicap purposes.

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

Progress made – It is proposed to review the current Pike Hills Membership form with a view to asking all new members what skills and experience they have. This will be gender neutral and will be used to encourage more members to come forward as volunteers to assist the Club.

OBJECTIVE 6

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

This will be achieved by working with the Marketing Sub Group on the wording and analysis of the member surveys, carrying out a regular Flash Poll of Lady members, supporting the Ladies Buddy WhatsApp Group

Progress made – It is planned to carry out a Flash Poll of Lady members in 2025.

OBJECTIVE 7

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

Progress made – all England Golf Terms of Affiliation are currently up to date at Pike Hills

Plans for 2025

Taster Day – The 2025 Taster Day is planned to take place Sunday 16th March.

Ladies New to Golf – these sessions will once again be held commencing on 1st April.

Thank You

Our Ladies New to Golf sessions could not go ahead without the input of our Pro, Mark Robson. Since Mark joined Pike Hills in early 2022, he has done a fantastic job encouraging the ladies and providing support. A number of existing lady golfers also help support the New Ladies which is very much appreciated.

Gill Kendall would like to compliment Linda Whaley on her continuing success with the Ladies New to Golf programme - both Pamela and myself came through LNTG and currently have 2 other members/ Julie Kelly and Julie Steel on the Committee, thereby supporting the Club hugely. LNTG dates for your diary include:

LNTG Stage 1 – running Tuesdays and Thursdays, commencing Tuesday 1st and Thursday, 3rd April for 4 weeks.

LNTG Stage 2 – commencing Tuesday 3rd/Thursday 5th June running for 6 weeks

9 PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

The Competitions' Secretary read out the names of the prize winners as listed and Lady Captain presented the prizes.

No lady qualified for the Starlet Prize this year.

Thanks were given to the retiring Officers, Val Chapman and Janet Greaves and flowers were presented to them.

Lady Captain also thanked Hazel for her work with the Juniors.

As Hazel has decided to step down as a member of the coaching team assisting with the Juniors, I would like to thank Hazel for all her hard work and dedication she has shown over the last 15 years in helping with the coaching of the Juniors and also with the ladies new to golf.

She is a great asset to Pike Hills Golf Club and we would like to show our appreciation for all that she has done.

Her talent and work as a photographer is also much appreciated and is valued by Pike Hills members. Thank you Hazel.

A Voucher was also presented to Hazel Cushing thanking her for all her dedication to taking photographs throughout the year.

10 PROPOSALS

There were no proposals.

11 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

There were no items for discussion.

12 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

Lady Captain read out the list of nominations for the Officers standing for Committee for 2025 and being unopposed, were elected.

The nominations for the General Committee were read out and these being unopposed, were elected also.

The 2025 Committee is as follows:

Lady Captain	Gill Kendall
Lady Vice-Captain	Pamela Hulmes
Past Lady Captain	Sue Tate
Secretary	Julie Steel
Treasurer	Teresa Hutchings (known as Tina)
Competitions Secretary	Mel Bradbury
Handicap Secretary	Julie Kelly
General Committee	Max Bailey
	Isobel Wright
	Heather Smith

After the exchange of brooches had taken place the new Lady Captain gave her inaugural speech.

Good evening ladies. I would like to thank Lady Captain Sue for choosing me as her Vice-Captain and thank the Ladies Section for putting your confidence in me as your Captain for 2025. I am delighted and honoured to be here as your new Captain and I look forward to golfing together as the days get longer. As some of you haven't yet played any golf with me I have been reminded to tell you that I am profoundly deaf. I hear nothing from behind and cannot lip-read sideways! Although my hearing aids are wonderful, they only assist, not cure a hearing impaired person. For example, in a noisy

environment, they give the same weight to conversations in front of me and those of people sitting behind me which can be very confusing! Please accept my apologies, if I do appear to ignore you – a tap on the shoulder will always alert me to your presence– I assure you it is not done on purpose, and I am much better with a face-to-face conversation. I know it will inevitably happen again in the future, but please don't take it personally.

A big thank you to you all for your support throughout my year as Vice-Captain – it has made this job so much smoother! I hope you will show the same support and appreciation to my new Vice-Captain – Pamela Hulmes.

My first big event will be my Lady Captain's Coffee morning on Monday, the 4th of March. The **Charity for 2025 is Admiral Nurses.** Or rather Admiral nurses training in York and the wider York area. The idea is that the nurses support the families of patients with dementia. And again, I would like to thank Hazel for kicking off the sales of tickets for the coffee morning this evening. I will put up the usual sign-up sheet in the Locker Room - at this point a big request for bakers to come forward! and would be delighted if others of you could come, help out and continue to dazzle us with your presence. I've invited some interesting, artisan stall holders and some old favourites such as the Avon lady as well as the appearance of Snainton Golf clothes. There will be the usual raffle - and planter prize, there will also be the donated plant stall. I expect that this will be a lot smaller this year as it will come purely from any seasonal cuttings you may have garnered together by the beginning of March. I know you all like flowers of different kinds and as the weather has not been particularly conducive to growing, I will have a second larger plant sale on the day of the Jean Green's Jubilee Coronation Trophy on Monday, the **5th of May.**

Exchange Day is Tuesday, 19 August at Wortley GC, Sheffield.

Celebratory year - 125 years in Women's golf for YLCGA - 2 main events this year one at Pike Hills (on the 17th of June,) and a team event away at Huddersfield (14 August.) Do look out for the posters and dates!

I would like the new Committee to stay behind please for a short committee meeting to look at future dates and events.

Any questions? There were no questions.

12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Liza Griffiths asked if cards were being sent to ladies who are ill and could we devise a way of letting ladies know. Jean Green volunteered to take that on board. Lady Captain informed Liza that as soon as she heard that anyone was ill, she had responded and sent a card. Regarding deaths of ladies, a Notice is put up in the Locker Room.

Max Bailey brought to the attention of the ladies that the Board structure is changing and there will be a House Chairman. Max has put her name forward as she thinks it is important for a lady to be on the Board but if any other lady would consider the position she is happy for them to take it on.

Edith Bewick asked if we still sent emails/notices out to other Clubs to inform them about the Lady Captain's Coffee Morning. Gill Kendall assured her that yes we do.

Jean Green congratulated the Committee on the work that they do.

No other business to discuss so the meeting was closed at 7.40pm.

42 Ladies attended.

VCC/05 February 2025