



Somerset Ladies County Golf Association

	Minutes of the General Meeting held on 12th September 2022 at 11.00am at The Mendip Golf Club
	Present Fran Davies President, Gill Brown County Captain, Angie Frith Assistant Comp Sec, Sandra Ford VP and EG SW Rep, Lesley Matthews Hon Sec Pauline Cornish-Mendip Spring, Gwyn Macdonald-Wells, Anne Collins-The Mendip, Sheila Grant-Oake Manor, Janet Fear-Handicap Advisor, Worlebury, Maggie Dommett-Isle of Wedmore, Jean Booth-Burnham & Berrow
1.	Apologies Louise Buxton - County Treasurer, Jackie McDonald – Competition Secretary, Helen Hayward - County Vice Captain, Susie Gibbins - Course Rating Assessor, Amanda Mayne, Eileen Binding, Sally Irlam, Yvette Gregg, Jenny Hobbs, Alison Lee, Margaret Gliddon, Di Richardson, Jenny Davis, Ruth Dowell, Joan Stone, Ruth Ball, Irene Dickinson, Lyn Gridley, Pat Roscow
2.	Minutes of the General Committee Meeting held at Wells Golf Club on 23rd May 2022 Signed as correct. Minutes of Executive Committee Meetings 23rd May 2022 and 11th July 2022 approved
3.	Finance Report – Louise Buxton – read by Lesley Matthews As of 31.8.2022, Current Acc £25,304.70, Deposit Acc £25k. (a) Current profit is £6.4k but we still have National Finals and team coaching expenses to pay before the 30/9 year end. (b) Refunds for cancelled Fowler Lock Greensomes are complete (c) Kingweston no longer has any female members.
4.	Captain's Report – Gill Brown Somerset has done really well to reach the National County Finals and will represent the South West at Stoneham Golf Club near Southampton on 16-18th September (Practice day 15th). The team consists of Abby Gray, Aimee Sawyer, Ellen Reakes, Frankie Dezis, Hannah Woodley, Harriet Lockley, Jade Cope, Jess Haines, Sarah Burnell and Amelia Matthews. Order of play is on the website. All supporters welcome.
5.	Vice Captain's Report – read by Gill Brown

	<p>The second team has also done very well this year and colours have been awarded to several players. A very youthful team will play in the second teams final on 2nd October against Cornwall at Tiverton.</p>
5.	<p>Competitions Secretary – Jackie McDonald – read by Angie Frith</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 50+ Championship held at Weston was a very good day with everything running smoothly. 50 ladies played, Gill Brown winning the best gross and Sue Reading winning best nett. b. 85 ladies played in the Handicap Championships at Mendip Spring. This number was slightly down on last year as sadly the date clashed with other big Club events at Enmore and Farrington. There was an issue with the course set ups on IG. This was not an SGU or a Mendip Spring issue but to do with the mapping of the courses between EG and IG. The resolution was to set up all three competitions on the Mendip Spring IG system, enter all 85 ladies and then enter scores. Obviously, this was a lot of work for all concerned! Jackie is planning how to avoid the same issue next year. Full list of winners is on the website. c. The Rogers Cup was won by Wheathill in a very close match against Orchardleigh and the Centenary Cup final was won by Bath against Wells. d. Fowler Lock Greensomes was cancelled due to lack of interest. It was suggested that the format next year should be a four ball better ball. e. Competition dates for next year have been posted on the website. f. Competition posters will be ready by early January. Jackie and Angie are working on ways to get information direct to ladies, rather than via clubs or delegates. g. A survey on how delegates pass on information to their club members was sent out but only five responses were received. <p>The date for next year's 50+ Championship will have to be changed from 10th July as there is a diary clash with the British Ladies Seniors.</p>
6.	<p>South West report – Sandra Ford</p> <p>The delegates were asked to report back to their clubs that Somerset will be hosting the SW Regional Australian Spoons Qualifier for 2023 held at Long Sutton on 19 June 2023. Please keep this date free and I hope to see a large number of Somerset Clubs participating.</p> <p>Ladies, a plea has come from Dorset to encourage more entries for the SW Foursomes to be held at Sherborne 11 October 2022. Unfortunately, it falls on a Tuesday which is a very popular ladies morning in Somerset.</p> <p>Advertisement time now, Ladies. My current role of SW Representative comes to an end at the AGM and I am anxious to find a replacement. It is not an onerous role. Each year one of SW events is managed by Somerset. As you know this year it was Ladies Inter-County Match week which will not come around for another 6 years! Next year the Regional Australian Spoons. Meetings with the rest of the committee have all been achieved for the last couple of years by Zoom. England Golf have regular updates which last just over an hour and are online. A brief note or the complete briefing pack is prepared by the SW Rep and sent to the SLCGA Secretary for distribution. Twice a year EG hold a General Meeting and once a year an AGM at Woodhall Spa in Lincolnshire. Attendance is not mandatory. A proxy vote can be submitted via either one of the other ladies on the SW Committee or the Men's Secretary on the SGU. That in a nutshell is the</p>

role. If anyone is interested and wants to meet to discuss I am very happy to have a chat and a latte.

9. Junior Report – Fran Davies

The Junior Inter Counties competition was held at Carlyon Bay from 7th-10th August 2022

Team and course handicaps
Leah Bowden (captain, absent Covid) B&B
Megan Wilde (acting captain) Mendip Spring. 5.7
Libbie Dezis. Farrington. 6.9
Ava Hirons. Saltford. 12.9
Abi Moore. Wedmore 9.2
Lilli Marshal. Farrington 5.1
Ffion Lockley. B&B. 17
Harriet Loveys. Saltford. 24
Amber Adams. Wells (reserve) 24

Day 1 Glos v Somerset. Won 3 1/2 / 1 1/2
Devon v Somerset. Lost. 3/2

Day 2. Cornwall v Somerset. Lost 3/2
Wilts v Somerset. Won 3/2

Day 3. Dorset v Somerset Lost 3/2

Many of the matches went to the 17th or 18th and considering only Meghan had played for the county before all the girls played very well against tough opposition, sometimes giving many shots. Somerset overall were the youngest team. Millie Pearce and Libbie Dezis were 2 of the youngest and played foursomes, going out first every match and winning every match. Abi Moore played 5 won 3 and halved 1 - a great achievement. Lilli had some tough matches and played extremely well. Megan was greatly honoured and thrilled to be team captain for the 3 days.

The girls behaved very well and were a credit to Somerset. We ate out twice as Carlyon Bay provided inadequate or no food on Sunday and Monday. The team was excited and happy the entire time. Many thanks to Sandra who did all the starting every match and to Dave for all his help with the risk assessment and safeguarding etc. Between us we chose the teams for each match.

The closing date for the junior bursaries was August 30th. 5 girls have applied. They will be discussed at the next junior committee meeting and successful applicants will be notified by Sept 30th.

Eileen sent out the newsletter to everyone with all the information about selection day and competitions and matches. Selection day for coaching was Sept 3rd. Coaching starts again in October for all the different training squads throughout Somerset.

10.	<p>AOB</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Susie Gibbins, Course Rating Adviser, reported no news except that Bath GC is having a full rerating on 28th September 2. Janet Fear, County Handicap Adviser, gave a brief explanation of the Playing Conditions Calculation (PCC) which under WHS is now used to calculate any adjustment made to scores to reflect playing conditions of the day. 3. There was a discussion about whether the County should continue to hold three General Meetings a year, as well as the AGM. Lesley will ask for opinions from the delegates by email.
11.	<p>News from Clubs</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Worlebury has new caterers. There is no Ladies Captain for next year. 2. Mendip Spring enjoyed hosting the Handicap Championships in August. 3. Burnham & Berrow is working hard on the Women in Golf Charter. 4. Wells is impressed with the Women in Golf programme. 5. Mendip has a number of new lady members. The new driving range is due to open in April next year.

Signed _____ Date _____

The meeting closed at 12.06pm. The next General Meeting will be the AGM to be held at The Isle of Wedmore GC at 11am on Monday, 14th November 2022