

### **Somerset Ladies Past Captains Committee**

## Minutes of Meeting held at Wheathill on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018

Present. Sandra Ford, Susie Gibbins, Gwen Cavill, Linda Johnson and Di Yates.

- 1. Apologies. Claire Biggs, Sally Dymock and Theresa Munns.
- 2. Minutes of meeting held at Enmore on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Minutes approved and signed as a true record.

- 3. Matters arising. None
- **4. Chairman's Report. Sandra Ford.** Sandra wanted to congratulate Susie on the Team Event and all the winners from Meon Valley, also all the Match Captains on the Committee who have played to-date. Theresa has had a bit of hassle from Cricket St Thomas, however the newly appointed Manager has agreed to sponsor Nearest the Pins prizes at the Summer meeting.
- **5. Treasurer's Report. Claire Biggs. [Report previously circulated]** In her report Claire stated that the balance of the Account is currently £9,880.50 which includes all the Summer and Autumn monies, plus the refund from Meon Valley.
- **6. Kit Report. Susie Gibbins. [Report previously circulated]** Susie reported that the new sweater is selling really well. Kit will be available at the Summer meeting. Susie to liaise with Theresa as to the best place to position herself and the kit on the day.
- 7. Match Organiser's Report. Gwen Cavill. [Report previously circulated]

**2019:** In the planned match selection for 2019 concern was expressed about the venue chosen by Cornwall. After some discussion it was agreed that Somerset, after canvassing members' views, in future, have taken the decision to not play on any 9 hole courses offered up as venues for matches by any County. Gwen will talk to Nina, and give Cornwall the opportunity to select another venue.

Match Fee Costs: after a lengthy discussion it was agreed that we would increase the cost of match fees to £27. Each year the cost of match fees needs to be reviewed as costs are increasing at a rapid rate. Gwen to announce in her report to the AGM.

Likewise, as part of the costing discussion, it was agreed that the subscription fee should increase to £5. Claire to announce this in her AGM report.

The Past Captains Men v Women is planned for 21 August. The match against the Burnham Men has yet to be confirmed. Sandra to talk to Ros Gait; either 16/23 or 24 August.

# 8. Team Event 2018 and 2019. Susie Gibbins. [Reports previously circulated]

**2018:** As promised Meon Valley have presented us with £500 as compensation. Marriot Hotels have demonstrated they are not well organised despite their large chain of hotels.

The committee discussed how this money should be used. After various suggestions, including additional prizes, discount of fees etc, it was decided that we would use half of the money to subsidise the 2's pot at the 2019 Team Event. The remaining £250 will be used to supplement match fees, as most counties are now asking for over £30 per head.

**2019:** The shot-gun start has been brought forward to 12.30 on day 1. It was agreed that having a wine table, for pre-ordering wine for the evening meal, would save a lot of time and the wine can then be on the tables for a prompt 7.30 p.m. start.

In respect of obtaining deposits, to be fair to all individual this must be either cash or cheque with application form to Susie. This enables us to adhere to the "first come first served" basis our events are run on. However, later on when we are nearing the final stage of receiving applications and we have only two team places left and four possible teams, it was decided that the Committee should have some discretion as to which teams should have priority. The future agreed bar for discretion will be how much these team members support our events, including matches.

Susie will bring the form for approval to our next meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> September. On the 15<sup>th</sup> October the form will be placed on the website by Sally Dymock and Di Yates, Secretary, will write to all the Delegates. The closing date will be 19<sup>th</sup> November. Sandra will include this in her report to the AGM.

A pre-meeting by committee members at Woodbury Park is suggested for 28 August. Susie will ascertain whether this date is acceptable to Woodbury Park.

Linda and Claire require a separate room to check cards. Linda suggested inputting the scores in batches, to save time on the day. Agreed.

Sandra thought that the committee worked really well and we were all needed at some stage to help out. Well done all.

 Competition Secretary's Report. Theresa Munns. [Report previously circulated] We tried to think of reasons why numbers are down at the Autumn meeting, and couldn't come up with a reason other than we all have busy lives. It is of concern, but hopefully a one-off.

At this stage we currently have two spaces available for the Summer meeting. Sally to advertise on website. (Perhaps check with Theresa before doing so, as applicants may have already been found.)

Well done Theresa on picking very popular venues for 2019.

**10. Website Report. Sally Dymock.** [Report previously circulated.]. Sandra congratulated Sally and Chris Harris on the much improved website. Not a single person asking where to find an item on the website. A major achievement.

#### **11.** AOB

Agenda agreed for AGM. No member up for re-election.

Jenny Hobbs responded to proposals for AGM by asking for One4allgiftcards rather than M&S Vouchers in future. The Committee are happy with the proposal and this will be added to the Agenda.

Peta Romaine is no longer a member of Farrington Golf Club but still wishes to be a member of the Society. After some discussion it was agreed that this is not Farrington's Delegate problem and a direct debit could be set up with Peta and SLPCS. This then led to how we look after members who no longer wish to play golf, but want to be kept in the loop. Those wishing to play in matches and the Spring, Summer and Autumn meetings must have a competition handicap. At the AGM we will propose a "Lifetime Social Membership" at a one-off cost of £30.

2019 is our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Sandra will inform everyone at the AGM of this special anniversary. After the AGM the Secretary will write to Delegates asking members if they wish to recognise this event by holding a lunch. Venue to be decided. The proposed date is 7 October 2019. A small gift for attendees will be looked into.

Next meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> September at Clevedon.

Meeting closed 3.40 p.m.

#### PROPOSED WORDING FOR LIFETIME SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP

Your committee recognise that over time we love the social aspects of belonging to the SLPCS but not necessarily enjoy the competitive side. For those still wishing to enter all the competitions, team events and matches, members will still have to keep a competitive handicap held by a recognised golf club.

However, for the Past Lady Captains who no longer are members of a club, or do not have competitive handicaps, we propose creating a SLPCS Lifetime Social Membership. The cost would be a one-off fee of £30.

## PROPOSED WORDING FOR 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION LUNCH

Your committee would like to recognise our 25th Anniversary as a Society. We propose holding a lunch on 7th October 2019, venue to be agreed. If the AGM agrees to this proposal the Secretary will write to the Delegates and ask for members support in general. Once we have the go ahead the Chairman and Secretary will look at suitable venues. A small gift for each member attending is also proposed.