



Somerset Ladies Past Captains Committee

Minutes of Meeting held on 22nd May at Isle of Wedmore

Present. Sandra Ford, Claire Biggs, Susie Gibbins, Sally Dymock, Theresa Munns, Sue Chambers, Gwen Cavill and Di Yates.

- 1. Apologies.** Linda Johnson
- 2. Minutes of meeting held via Zoom on 14th March 2022**

Minutes approved and signed as a true record.

- 3. Matters arising.**

None.

- 4. Chairman's Report. Sandra Ford. [Verbal Report]**

Sandra was unable to attend the AGM (is it EG?) at Woodhall Spa. Paperwork is available for all to see if they wish. A large amount of discussion took place about the restructuring of Woodhall Spa. Another item that may be of interest is the thinking of the Ladies reducing from 6 Regions to 4 Regions similar to the men. This would obviously affect our Inter-County match week.

- 5. Treasurer's Report. Claire Biggs. [Report Circulated]**

Claire presented the accounts, up to and including the recent Team Event.

Discussion took place concerning how the 2's pot at the Team Event could be improved. Currently the 2's pot is run on £6/£6 per team per day. The Committee agreed it is nice to announce the 2's winners on day 1. However, it would be fairer to wait until after day 2 to know the number of 2's and divide the pot accordingly. **Carried unanimously.**

Further discussion then took place about there being no 2 winners at all. The Committee after some discussion decided that 10 team cards would be randomly selected and those would be the winner of the 2's pot. **Carried unanimously.**

In respect of Matches and payment by BACs transfer for the match fee, Claire confirmed this is going well. Can Team Captains please provide Claire with bank details for the Golf Club the match is being played at. Once the monies have been collected Claire will then pay the Club direct.

- 6. Kit Report. Susie Gibbins. [Verbal Report]**

Over £500 worth of kit has already been sold. Susie stated that the number of ladies playing in our matches have prompted this surge in purchase of clothing.

Sandra reported a number of ladies (4 or 5) have asked if the team shirts would be available in the latest fabric of tops, rather than the cotton. Susie reported when she last looked at this (December 2021) the only shirts available were white (no navy trim as currently). Susie to find out costings, and have this information available to report at the AGM. Members would then be able to indicate whether they would purchase these shirts in the future.

7. Match Organiser's Report. Linda Johnson. [Report Circulated].

Discussion took place about the costs of attending matches increasing, fuel costs going up, drinks going up. However, the social side of meeting up with members is beneficial.

8. Team Event 2022. Susie Gibbins. [Verbal]

Congratulations to Susie for an excellent event at Woodbury Park. A very successful event, with so many ladies sending messages applauding Susie's efforts and also other Committee members.

Discussions took place about the NTP skill tests on Day 2. After some discussion it was decided to change this for 2023 onwards. We will add in a Best front 9/Best back 9 on day 2.

Susie reported that 2023 will be the last time we will be able to hold a Shot-Gun start as hotels that she has canvassed to hold Team Events have refused to run them. Hotels are offering a two-tee time start instead.

Discussion took place then about how we conduct the ballot. Susie relayed the situation since 2019. Out of all the 5 reserve teams for 2022 events, all players were used in various teams. No one was left off.

Action: Di Yates to draft a letter to Lady Captains who have completed their term of office and explain what the SLPCS has to offer them.

Action: Delegates to be asked to inform SLPC Secretary when the outgoing Lady Captain finishes so she can send them information about our Society.

For those Clubs without a Lady Captain; Secretary to keep in contact with SLPC Delegate.

Sandra congratulated Susie on her investigative skills as the base of the trophy had gone missing. Luckily it has now been returned.

Sally Dymock confirmed a full historic list of winners for all our Competitions are on the website.

9. Competition Secretary's Report. (a) Theresa Munns. [Report Circulated] (b) Sue Chambers [Report Circulated]

(a) Discussion took place about the low number of entrants. Is it the format? Where the event is being held; costs?

Theresa reported that when she has discussed this with other Ladies it's mainly due to other outside influences rather than golf i.e. family commitments etc. A thought could be to move the AGM to earlier in July to avoid school holidays.

Action: Susie to write to Captains from the Team Event and include an invitation to join the Summer meeting and AGM – AGM only takes 30 minutes. If Susie could also mention that if there is not sufficient support for Spring, Summer and Autumn events the Team event will be at risk.

(b) Sue's report updated us on 2023 events. Sue to contact Cricket St Thomas and see if we can move the July AGM forward to earlier in the month to avoid a clash with school holidays.

10. Website Report. Sally Dymock. No report and everything going well.

The website is looking fantastic and Sally was congratulated with all her hard work.

11. AOB

The Secretary reported that Sandra, Claire, Di, Susie and Linda re are all up for re-election at the AGM. Sandra confirmed she will stand for re-election for a further year. Everyone else offered to stand for re-election for the full four years.

The Christmas Lunch has been arranged for the 12th December at Isle of Wedmore. Secretary to let Past Captains who usually attend know the date.

Meeting closed at 12.15 p.m.

Date of next meeting 15th July to prepare for AGM.