

South West Veteran Ladies' Golf Association
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Monday, 28th October, 2019
at Teignmouth Golf Club at 11a.m.

In the Chair: Jane MacDonald-Smith (Teign Valley) Chairperson

Present: Barbara Lake (Holsworthy) Secretary, Sylvia Caunter (Holsworthy) Treasurer, Wendy Roberts (Wrangaton) Captain , Devon, Rosemary Shepherd, Captain, Dorset, Jean Gledhill, Captain, Cornwall, Jill Paul, Captain, Somerset, Caroline Lumley- Frank, Somerset, Muriel Giles, Cornwall, Jill Simmonds, President, Cornwall, Jenny Hamilton, Cornwall, Kath Rushton, Somerset, Judith Rowsell, President, Somerset, Jenny Davis, Somerset.

Apologies for Absence: Steph Long, Vice- Captain, Devon, Sue Winkle, Vice- Captain, Dorset, Carole Patterson, Somerset, Christine Harris, Somerset.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, 29.10.2018

The Minutes of the AGM, 2018, were approved and signed off as a true record. Proposed by Barbara Lake and seconded by Sylvia Caunter.

Matters Arising: There were no matters arising.

Chairperson's Report: This year 's events have gone well and numbers of entries have been excellent with everyone starting from the first tee. The weather for the Spring Field Day at Yeovil could have been better but 120 ladies turned up and played with not too many grumbles about the wind and rain. The winners were:

- Parry Trophy: Judith Ezard from Okehampton – 35points
- Runner Up: Anne Dickenson: Broadstone – 32 points
- VV Winner: Jill Simmons: Mullion: 31 points
VVV Winner: Margaret Hawker: Mendip -27 points
- Silver Division Winner: Jenny Feely: Came Down – 31 points
- Bronze Division 1 Winner: Wendy Gregory: Came Down – 30 points
- Bronze Division 2 Winner: Susan Hyde: Honiton – 27 points

The Autumn Field Day was played at Teign Valley in shirt sleeves! There were 128 entries and the day went smoothly in beautiful sunshine. The winners were:

- The Fulford Bowl: Lorna Rolfe: Ashbury – 39 points
- Runner Up: Val Holman: Wrangaton – 39 points
- VV Cup: Ros Williams: Tiverton – 34 points
- VVV Winner: Muriel Giles: Bude – 26 points
- Silver Division Winner: Gail Gessey: Truro – 38 points
- Bronze Division 1 Winner: Linda Holdway: East Devon – 35 points
- Bronze Division 2 Winner: Pippa Norman: East Devon – 35 points

Jill Boquet from Wells had a hole in one and was presented with a bottle of Prosecco and some golf balls.

Both Yeovil and Teign Valley looked after us extremely well both in the clubhouse and on the course and the food at both clubs excellent.

The Raffle at both events was held in aid of the Devon and Cornwall Air Ambulances and raised £504.20p giving each £252.10p (the 20p was found on the floor!) As Sylvia owes her life to the swift action of the Cornwall Air Ambulance and crew, we felt it was an appropriate Cause. Next year the proceeds will be given to the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulances.

Before I hand over to Sylvia I would like to say how much I have appreciated the work, support and friendship given to me by Barbara and Sylvia over the last year. They have made the whole experience extremely pleasurable.

Treasurer's Report:

Two items were purchased for future use: Table stands for the Prize envelopes and a sturdy box for storage of the flag, table cloth and files. The opening balance was £3164.53 and the closing balance was £3348.05. The business account opened at £2552.00 and closed at £2553.05. With increased entries in both field days we were able to increase the amount paid out in prizes and to purchase the raffle prizes and donate all raffle income to Devon and Cornwall air ambulances.

Presentation of Trophy:

The Inter-County Shield was closely fought once more with Cornwall being this years winner on count back to individual games won. Jane presented the shield to Jean Gledhill, Captain of Cornwall.

Details of 2020 Field Days:

Spring Field day will be at Weston Super Mare Golf Club, Somerset, on Thursday, 2nd April Autumn Field day will be at Trethorne Golf Club, Cornwall, on Monday, 21st September.

There is a new design for the posters and the entry forms have been revised. In future start sheets will be sent to all Captains to post on their county websites. If anyone requires an individual copy, they can still send an SAE. The start sheets should be on the websites about 4 weeks prior to the event.

There was discussion regarding playing groups. Although no minutes were found to this effect in the official files, it was agreed in 2012 that playing groups, where possible should be a mix of counties: i.e. two players from one county and two from another. This did not happen this year as the secretary used distance to travel as her guide to start times. In 2020 it has been agreed that entries will be mixed unless a request to the contrary is received.

These two things will be written into the secretary's duties.

Any Other Business:

1. Maximum handicap for Field days. It was agreed that this should remain at 36
2. Two's Competitions: Due to a query from a competitor who had a hole in one at a field day, it was felt that a decision needed to be made regarding this. It is written in guide lines that the two's competition is for a birdie on a par three. It was felt that this should be amended to a two scored on any hole. It was not felt that a hole in one constituted 2 two's. It was agreed that a contingency fund would be available to purchase a separate prize for anyone lucky enough to score a hole in one.
3. Buggies: It was agreed that if buggies could not be used at a field day because of course conditions anyone, with a medical certificate, who was unable to play should have their entry fee refunded.
4. Agendas: When agendas for the AGM are sent to County Captains in future a copy of the minutes of the previous AGM would be attached.
5. The Constitution: It was agreed that the constitution would always be an agenda item. It is in the process of being revised along with the Officers' Duties. Incoming officers and attendees have not always had prior experience of SWVLGA AGMs and therefore do not know things which could have been taken as read previously.
6. Golf following the AGM: This will be checked for availability at Teignmouth by the presiding Officers.

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