



YORKSHIRE VETERAN LADIES' GOLF ASSOCIATION

Summary Minutes of Meeting of the Committee held on Saturday 3rd June 2023 at 10.00 a.m. at Moortown GC

Present: Pat Wrightson, Captain (in the Chair); Gill Travis, President; Patsy Rochester, Vice-Captain; Elaine Pearson, Honorary Treasurer; Gina White, Competition Secretary; Pat Sumner, Registrar; Alison Hughes, Acting Honorary Secretary; Fiona Wood, Julie Wheeldon, Carol Walker, Liz Jones.

Apologies: Penny Holroyd.

Minutes of the last meeting – Approved and signed by the Captain.

Actions from last meeting

Action:

AH to research shared drive for document storage.

Update:

Most shared drives incur a cost, for example Dropbox would be £12 a month per committee member, the capability that this generates is more than is needed. AH proposed that several committee members try Microsoft Teams which has storage and shared work spaces. There is no charge for the basic version. In trialling this option, the benefits and disadvantages including what IT system requirements and capabilities are needed can be better understood. Report back to the next meeting.

Matters arising

Northern Championship

PW and PR attended the business meeting at Arcot Hall and raised funding issues. In 2025 the championships is to be held at Sandiway and the club will receive £3200 for hosting the tournament. In addition, practice rounds (concessionary rate) and catering generate income for the club.

The organising county pays for the championship and can decide the level of payment. PH has forwarded a list of clubs that may be interested in hosting the championship in 2026. These are Bingley St Ives, Richmond, Ilkley and Oakdale. The committee felt that a bigger list should be generated, a short list agreed, these clubs then to be approached in writing.

Action: Committee members to generate more options and send to AH for discussion at the next meeting.

Correspondence

A thank you card was received from Jean Manson who won the Net Prize at the championships. Jean thanked the committee for running the championships and the club for hosting.

Captain's report

There were two amendments to the report: Alison Clarke, won her first round match, and Houghton le Spring is the venue for the Richardson trophy match on the 7/8th June

President's report

GT gave a brief verbal report.

GT thanked PW for hosting the Championships at Huddersfield and GW for organising a very successful event.

GT congratulated Karen Jobling on winning the Northern Championship, stating that it had been 17 years since the last champion was from Yorkshire.

Registrars report

PS presented her report, which the committee accepted.

PW thanked PS for her report.

Hon. Competition Secretary's Report

GW presented the report regarding competitions held and the status of the upcoming competitions, and asked for support on the desk at Lightcliffe, Bedale, York and Driffild.

Committee members offered their support where they were able.

The report was accepted

GW presented a report on Membership fee requests. After discussion the committee unanimously agreed with GW's proposals. In addition, a letter will be written and sent to the club. **Action AH**

It was also confirmed that no refunds will be given in year to individuals who are ill or injured. For completeness, GW will formally record requests in her report, however they do not need to be discussed at the meeting.

PW thanked GW for her considerable efforts in dealing with the challenges that the situation had presented.

EP presented a paper also requesting a refund due to handicap changes and it was agreed that this was the right approach. An apology will also be sent to the individual.

Action EP to issue refund and write apology.

On reflection, the committee felt that the issue of handicap limits and the increased number of changes to handicaps by WHS should be discussed further at the next meeting.

Action: Item for discussion at next meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The committee received the finance report and noted the much-improved surplus position. The committee discussed proposed changes to the gift cards, however it was agreed to stick with the current cards but to buy them from the Post Office rather than by mail as this incurred an unnecessary charge.

The committee agreed with the investment actions proposed. PW thanked EP for her continued good management of the accounts.

Action: EP to invest in the Prufund.

Health and Safety

GW presented a new policy statement for adverse weather

The committee approved the guidance and agreed that it will be reviewed at the March 2024 meeting to assess efficacy.

Action: Policy statement to be uploaded to the YVLGA website
AH to agenda review March 2024

PW thanked GW for her work on this important guidance.

Uniform

PR presented her paper detailing the need to update the team uniform. Various samples were circulated, including a logo.

The committee unanimously agreed that the team/officials should have a new uniform. It was agreed that Navy was a suitable colour jumpers, shorts, skirts & trousers with a white shirt/polo neck etc. Further work was needed on the design of the logo and the costs of the uniform before decisions could be made as to how much the committee could contribute financially.

Action: PR to progress work on the logo and liaise with EP on costings. To be discussed further at the next meeting.

AOB

GW raised the issue of bringing forward the date for entries to competitions to mid February to ease the pressure in March.

PW suggested that this be considered at the next meeting.

Action AH to agenda

PW thanked everyone for their attendance and contributions and closed the meeting at 12 noon

Date of the next meeting

Next meeting 23rd of September 2-30pm

AH to confirm with Moortown.