## MINUTES OF THE LADIES' COMMITTEE MEETING Monday 3rd August 2022

**Present** Chris Weatherall Chair:

> Lorna Hart Immediate Past Captain Treasurer Anne Oakes Secretary Eileen Beenev Competition Secretary Katharine Jones

> Sue Docherty, Karen Hogg, Denise Magrath, Sue Manning

**Apologies:** Lady President

**Minutes:** Accepted as an accurate record. Proposed by SD and seconded by LH.

Matters Arising: 1. Canopy payments: LH reported that Paul Bird has been informed that he will receive an invoice for the canopy from our treasurer.

**2. Lockers:** CW still hasn't received the keys for the men's lockers used for storage. LH mentioned that the ladies locker no.1 is difficult to use. Wendy Howard is the person to approach re changing lockers. Old 7 and 8 irons, putters and any left handed clubs can be moved from locker 3 to locker 1, and the other old clubs discarded.

3. Women on Par: Nothing to report.

4. Roll ups: Agreed to restart in September. KJ will ask Mark Schofield if a couple of time slots could be reserved on Monday mornings.

5. Achievement Board: SM has listed the achievements and will update this as required. She will send to DM who will try to create an ornate border and parchment appearance. The Bronze team achievement will be commemorated with a photograph on the dining room wall. SD

Treasurer's Report: The opening bank balance for July was £1,781.88 with the cash in hand amounting to £290.21 making the total monies £2.072.09

The income for July was £175 which was for Ladies Invitation Day Dinners.

Expenditure for July amounted to £208.08. This was for Bank charges of £5.40, Refreshments for both the Handicap & Bronze teams of £102.68 and Ladies Invitation Day First prizes of £100.00.

Total assets therefore amounted to £2,039.01 with the Net Assets amounting to £1,654.01 after taking into account the ring-fenced money of £210 for Canopy hire and £175 for Ladies Invitation Day Dinners.

Competition Secretary's Report: All major competitions have now been completed. The Presentation Evenings were well supported and our Officials were very generous with their prizes and time. The Ladies' Championship 2022 was won by Clare MacLeod, beating Amelia Taylor on the 13th. The Nicholson Trophy was won by Helen Radcliffe.

Bronze and Handicap Shield matches have also finished for this year, with our Bronze Team coming 2nd to Wilpshire in their group. The Handicap Team came 4th, but enjoyed their matches.

Teams have also been entered into the Bronze Interclub, the Australian Spoons and the Lancashire 4 ball team event at Morecambe, where we came 2<sup>nd</sup> behind the County Officials. 7 ladies have entered the Bolton Challenge Bowl at Great Lever today and tomorrow.

The one day Davyhulme Picnic took place on Sunday 10th July. It was a thoroughly enjoyable day with golf, catering and the hospitality being excellent.

Alternate Day competitions will begin on Saturday 20th August.

**Recruitment and Retention:** Janet Ayres reported that two ladies from the April taster day have joined, and another has taken out temporary membership until September. Coaching for the May taster group has been

less consistent, and for various good reasons these ladies are unlikely to pursue golf at this time. Janet is meeting another lady who may be interested in starting next year.

Susan Richardson is working on a marketing plan which might attract ladies who have maybe already tried golf or who are interested in moving clubs.

**Invitation Day:** Arrangements are ongoing. Lady President has queried whether Lady Presidents pay for their evening meal. CW confirmed that she paid when she was in that position. It was proposed by SM and seconded by DM that lunch invitations should also be sent to ladies who provided help on the day and committee members. Agreed. CW will purchase Prosecco, soft drinks and nibbles for the halfway house on behalf of the ladies' section.

**Shotgun:** Only two teams have entered so far. 13 are required to make the event viable. To make entry easier for our ladies, with Elaine Smith's agreement an entry list will be posted in the locker room, and ladies encouraged to form teams. **SM** 

**Picnic 2023:** Kay Brannigan and Dianne Cooper have volunteered to organise next year's picnic and day trip. 30th/31st July has been suggested. EB to ask them to consider any Sunday in May or early June for the day trip, avoiding Bolton Championships. Thanks to Kay and Dianne!

Website: DM outlined suggestions for updating the Ladies section on the Members part of the website. She suggested various category 'tiles or buttons' including fixtures, notice board, committee minutes and miscellaneous, that could direct users to relevant content. The content could be updated as needed by an 'editor' who would respond to requests from committee members. DM will speak to Sue Richardson and Helen Radcliffe to ensure all is in order. DM also said that the laptop for the competition secretary will soon be available. She was thanked for her work.

**A.O.B:** Membership Options: These were discussed briefly and no further action recommended.

Shield Teams: SM would like to encourage more ladies to participate in teams, and offered to conduct a survey to find out which ladies would be interested/willing to play in matches, and when/how often. EB suggested that information would be more reliable from a conversation rather than a questionnaire.

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 5th September at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting ended at 8.45 p.m.