## Harwood Ladies' Section

## Minutes of the Ladies Committee Meeting held on 8<sup>8h</sup> January 2024

Present

Lady CaptainDianne CooperLady Captain ElectHelen RadcliffeSecretaryEileen BeeneyTreasurerAnne OakesKay Brannigan, Gillian Crofts, Karen Hogg and Sue ManningIn attendance: Lady President Clare MacLeod

	ACTION
Welcome: Lady Captain welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
Apologies: J. Ayres and K. Jones	
Minutes of previous meeting: Agreed as a correct record.	
Matters Arising	
Ladies' Dinner: This was a successful event. Christmas Lunch: An enjoyable occasion with quizzes organised by SM and Jan Southern. There were issues with the catering. Thanks to all the ladies who helped out. Christmas Decorations: The decorations are packed away. The lights are in a separate box ready for PAT testing. The hooks have been removed from the ceiling and around the door and placed in the locker room cupboard. Secretary's Email Address: S. Richardson has asked Portfolio to provide the address we requested. KB will contact Portfolio to progress the matter. Treasurer's Report: The opening bank balance for December was £2,811.21 with the cash in hand amounting to £1,282.43 making the total monies £4,098.43 The income for December shown in the accounts was £815, £300 of this money was payment for the Ladies for Christmas dinner on 8th December. Additional income of £365 came from the Hamper Raffle with £150 from Harwood GC for the Children's Christmas party. Expenditure for December amounted to £2,445.55 which is made up of £10.20 for Bank charges, £1,632 for Catering, £100 Gratuities for Catering and Bar staff, £300 for Entertainment, £98 for Flowers/Napkins and £48 for Officials drinks, all for the Ladies Christmas Dinner. The remainder of the expenditure was for £34.46 Crackers/Prizes and Raffle tickets for the Ladies Christmas lunch, £15 refund for an end of season meal, £150 that had been provided by the Golf Club for the Children's Christmas party and the £18 for flowers for Lyn. Total assets therefore amounted to £2,462.88 with the Net Assets amounting to £2,212.88 after taking into account the ringfenced money of £250 for Canopy hire. At a future meeting we will review the use of funds with special reference to the Centenary year.	
Competition Report GC has spoken to the club secretary about mapping the club buggy policy to the good practice guideline from England Golf. It may need to be discussed at a management meeting. GC should receive a response. From 1 <sup>st</sup> . April 2024 there will be some changes: to how a course handicap is calculated, and it is possible some handicaps will change. An explanation will be given if this occurs. 4BBB scores will be included for handicap purposes when sufficient data from the round is available. When holes can't be completed during a competition, the system will provide an 'expected score' for handicap purposes. There will be more frequent adjustments to handicaps related to difficult course conditions.	GC
<ul> <li>125 Trophy:</li> <li>LP will enter the team on the LLCGA website and circulate the information and ask members to let her know if they are interested in playing in the competition. Full information can be posted in the locker room.</li> <li>Report from Management Committee:</li> <li>1. The Mission Statement has been approved for publication on the website. The management committee would like to adopt a modified version for the whole club. KB offered to draft a version with the necessary changes in the wording to suit the club, for LC and LCE to take to the next meeting. It would be useful to know how management intends to take it forward, and if will be on the agenda for the AGM.</li> </ul>	LP SM

2.	The suggestion of a working party for EDI was not understood, as the policy is being rewritten in accordance with EG guidelines. The ladies' section would welcome the appointment of an EDI officer to ensure the policy is fully implemented and is happy to support this work.	
nom	es' AGM: Only two members have been nominated as 'Ordinary Committee Members'. LCE will approach possible linees. It was suggested that all the officials' reports are circulated before the meeting and not necessarily read out. orts should be sent to EB by 18 <sup>th</sup> January for circulation.	LCE EB, AO, KJ
1.	<b>Board Competitions:</b> LP said there used to be a rule that players could win a board competition only if they had suported the section by playing in a minimum number of earlier competitions. SM proposed and LC seconded that players have to play in a minimum of two competitions before the board competition to be eligible to win a prize. Carried.	
2.	LCE queried the reason for the rule that competition winners having to attend presentation evenings in order to receive a prize. The rule applies only to officials' competitions and the Nicholson Trophy. It has been a tradition based on courtesy to the officials who have donated the prizes and their time to attend the presentation evening. Possible changes were discussed but no suitable alternative found. Agreed to consider it further if necessary.	
3.	<b>New Members:</b> EB said she and JA have wondered about having a small group develop ideas for promoting the integration of new members, providing help with learning rules etc. Agreed this may be useful. The ladies who have helped with TUAL were thanked. EB to liaise with JA to ask for volunteers. Suggested that 9 hole competitions be introduced again, and TUAL be promoted at the AGM.	EB/JA
	e meeting ended at 8.35 p.m. e of Next Meeting: Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7:00pm.	