



**MINUTES OF THE AGM OF THE
SUSSEX LADY CAPTAINS & SECRETARIES GOLF ASSOCIATION
HELD AT THE CHARMANDEAN CENTRE, WORTHING
MONDAY 6th November 2023**

Present:	Mrs Nannette Meeten	President
	Mrs Wendy Melville	President Elect
	Mrs Linda Brand	Captain
	Mrs Roseanne Rees	Vice Captain
	Mrs Joanna Greenstreet	Competition Secretary
	Mrs Jo Fife	Treasurer
	Mrs Carol Hall	Admin Secretary
	Mrs Liz Street	Communications

The meeting commenced at 12.00 and 47 members of the Association were in attendance.

The President Mrs Nannette Meeten, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone attending.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Sue McGavin – Sedlescombe, Anne Slade – Mid Sussex, Fiona Walsh – Chichester, Barbara Podbury – Sweetwoods, Jan Homewood – Worthing, Lesley Talbot – East Brighton, Irene MacGadie – Ifield, Jane White, Shelley Mulville – Horsham, Janie Hartle – Copthorne.

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MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD 7TH NOVEMBER 2022

The minutes of the 2022 AGM, having been circulated, were taken as read. The President, Nannette Meeten asked for a proposer and seconder. Adoption of the minutes was proposed by Liz Street – Seaford and seconded by Linda Brand – Crowborough Beacon.

3. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

4. PRESIDENTS'S REPORT

First of all, I must thank all the various clubs, their Greenkeepers, Catering and Office Staff, who kindly gave up their courses for us to hold all our competitions and matches. Wind and rain did not deter our ladies from taking part in these events across the county.

We started with Willingdon hosting the Spring Meeting. Although the weather was not very Spring like, Rosie Chisholm-Hill from Ifield, Roseanne Rees from Pyecombe and Sylvia Huggair from Willingdon were worthy winners with a score of 70 points.

The sun shone on all 63 ladies who played on the Vardon courses at Worthing for the President's Day. This produced a winning score of 84 points by Gill Maynard, Sue Sexton and Jane Harmer all from Willingdon.

The President's Competition with the Sussex Golf Captains was also at Worthing, this time on the Colt courses. The wind and rain made this a long and tough day for everyone, so 39 points was the winning score for Lesley Talbot from East Brighton and Brian Hooker from Worthing.

Copthorne was a popular host with a very large entry for this year's Autumn Meeting. The course was playing well as it produced a winning score of 84 points for Kay Grindell from the Dyke, Anne Carnegie from Littlehampton, and Caroline Hawkes from Chichester. They must have a secret weapon as they won this competition last year.

My thanks must go to all the committee for their help and support over the past two years.

Ladies I would hope that you continue to support our Association in the future and encourage new Lady Captains to join our ranks.

5. CAPTAINS REPORT

Has it really been a year, since I took over the role of Captain of our Association from Brenda Gilbey.

The summer of 2023 has been officially recorded as one of the wettest on record. Which in turn, had a dire effect on several of our matches. Our first match, was an away fixture against Kent and I received the dreaded late evening call from the Kent Captain "Match Cancelled" course waterlogged. This postponed match was eventually rescheduled and we went on to win, both the away and home fixtures. An excellent achievement especially against Kent. Sadly, we lost our home match against Surrey, who had fielded a very strong team. We also, lost our home match against Berkshire, which again was affected by rain. However, we managed to halve our away match against Hampshire.

Fortunately, the weather was kind to us, for the Annual match against the Sussex Captains at Haywards Heath. We met, prior to the match and enjoyed a light lunch which seemed friendly enough, but don't be fooled. As I understand that this fixture has been fought over for approximately fifty years and the men have won at least forty of the matches. Not this year!! the ladies were victorious and with gritted teeth the Sussex Captain presented us this wonderful silver salve.

Thank you, all for supporting the matches

As I previously mentioned, my time as Captain has flown by and it is time for me to say a few thank yours.

Roseanne, as Vice Captain has always been there in the back ground, offering her support. She has also looked after our uniform, keeping it well stocked and available when required.

Nanette, I hope you have enjoyed your time as our President. You quietly offer us your guidance and expertise which has been invaluable and I personally have enjoyed your friendship and support. Thank you

Our excellent committee who work tirelessly in the background- Jo Fife our Treasurer, who has had to deal with various banking anomalies. Liz Street who has worked hard at keeping our website safe. Joanna Greenstreet who has one of the most challenging roles as Competition Secretary is retiring. As is Carol Hall our Administration Secretary.

You both have always been there, should I need your help and advice. My personal thanks to you both.

Finally, May I offer my very best wishes to Roseanne. Enjoy your time as our Captain. I know at times it can be a tad frustrating, but it is also very rewarding.

It is now time for me to bid a fond farewell and I will look forward to seeing you at the various events and matches in 2024.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

I have pleasure in presenting the Income and Expenditure Account to 14th October 2023. 2023 has proved to be challenging.

Despite the increase in entry fee for both matches and events, covering costs has remained difficult. Matches particularly suffered this year because of the introduction of a gratuity fee charged by several clubs at which we had fixtures. Additionally, membership renewals have dropped again this year affecting subscription income.

In consequence there has been a loss for the year of £1,571.98. This is an increase of £246 on the previous year.

In order to close the gap, we have reviewed match fees once again and feel we must increase these to £40. Meeting fees will remain at £40.

You will see in the accounts a line for unauthorised transactions. It is for this reason that we moved our banking facility to Lloyds Bank. Unfortunately, several spurious direct debits were set up using our account details. The recovery of these funds is now underway and I would hope to see reimbursement in the next few weeks. It was however felt in the circumstances safer to change banks. The HSBC account will remain open until the funds are recovered but we ask that you do not use it for any future payments to the Association.

We continue to believe that despite the increase in match fees, these fixtures still represent excellent value for money and sincerely hope that you will continue to support our events in 2024.

I hope the Accounts meet with your approval.

Does anyone have any questions?

INCOME & EXPENDITURE YEAR TO 14.10.23

INCOME			EXPENDITURE			Income (Expense)
	2021/22 £	2022/23 £		2021/22 £	2022/23 £	
Subscriptions	2680.00	2,472.00				£2,472.00
New Members	105.00	70.00				£70.00
Match vs SGC	630.00	787.50	Match vs SGC	600.00	697.00	£90.50
President & SGC	560.00	880.00	President & SGC	605.00	890.00	(10.00)
Spring Meeting	2249.50	1,920.00	Spring Meeting	2401.00	1990.50	(70.50)
President's Day	3150.00	2,520.00	President's Day	3177.08	2791.00	(271.00)
Autumn Meeting	3375.00	3,360.00	Autumn Meeting	3383.50	3386.00	(26.00)
Mixed Event	1650.00	1,920.00	Mixed Event	1675.00	1888.00	£32.00
Matches	2735.00	2,897.50	Matches	3184.00	3241.00	(343.50)
Uniform	558.00	629.00	Uniform	319.00	888.30	(259.30)
Badges	4.00	-	Badges	0.00	0.00	£0.00
Bag Tags	7.00	38.00	Bag Tags	0.00	0.00	£38.00
Bank Interest	3.13	71.96				£71.96
			ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURE			
			Donation to SCLGA Girls	400.00	400.00	(400.00)
			Honorariums	996.50	1100.00	(1,100.00)
			Captains Awayday	0.00	0.00	£0.00
			Insurance	451.51	465.05	(465.05)
			Printing, Post & Stationery	921.55	678.26	(678.26)
			Travel Expenses	491.34	266.25	(266.25)
			Gifts & Engraving	131.88	116.98	(116.98)
			Website	180.00	195.00	(195.00)
			AGM	50.00	75.00	(75.00)
			Bank Charges	64.80	69.60	(69.60)
			Unauthorised transactions		555.62	(555.62)
	17706.63	17,565.96		19032.16	19693.56	
				2021/22	2022/23	(2,127.60)
			Refunds due unauthorised Transactions			555.62
			Overall loss for year			(1,571.98)
BANK BALANCES			As at 14th October 2023			
Opening Balance as at 15th October 2022			HSBC Current Account	501.14		
Current Account	48.70		HSBC Deposit Account	3,590.96		
Deposit Account	8,519.00		Lloyds Current Account	2,348.00		
	8,567.70			6,440.10		
Memo:						
Clothing stock	1499.00					

I hereby certify that the above receipts and payments in the accounts are in accordance with the books and records of The Sussex Lady Captains & Secretaries Golf Association

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As there were no matters arising from the accounts, Nannette Meeten asks for a proposer and seconder for the accounts. Proposed by Roseanne Rees – Pyecombe and seconded by Brenda Gilbey – Sweetwoods. Nannette Meeten asks for a show of hands in support.

7. SLC & SGA WEBSITE

The President, Nannette Meeten read a statement regarding the website changes.

There will be changes to our website as we introduce a member's only area so, please bear with us. We are making this move to protect the personal details of the committee and to limit access to the Associations bank details.

Once the changes have been made an email will be sent out and members will be asked to register before they can get access to the new area. We are keeping our fingers crossed that we don't have too many glitches.

8. INCOMING OFFICERS

Nannette Meeten, President, introduced Wendy Melville as incoming President, and presented her with the President's badge. Wendy thanked Nannette for her work as President this year, and on behalf of the Association presented Nannette with a gift.

Wendy Melville as new President, took over the chair.

Wendy Melville, President, introduced the President Elect Brenda Gilbey proposed by Nannette Meeten and seconded by Linda Brand and ask for a show of hands in agreement. Wendy Melville presents Brenda with the President Elect badge.

Wendy Melville asks Linda Brand to introduce the incoming Captain Roseanne Rees. Linda presents Roseanne with the Captain's badge. Wendy thanked Linda for her work as 2023 Captain and presents her with a gift on behalf of the Association.

Wendy Melville asks Roseanne Rees to let us know about our forthcoming plans for this coming year.

Roseanne Rees, Captain, then reads her report as incoming Captain:

Thank you, Wendy. I am delighted to be your Captain for the coming year, and working alongside the new President Wendy Melville, also our present and new members of the committee, who I am sure will all work hard on your behalf.

We have 2 home matches for 2024. Playing at Pyecombe G C against Hampshire and at Mid Sussex GC against Kent.

We have 3 away matches at Farleigh GC against Surrey, Chislehurst GC against Kent, and Sonning GC against Berkshire.

I hope you will all support these matches and encourage past and new Captains and Secretaries at your clubs to join in. They are played in a very friendly manner, and you get a chance to meet some lovely people and play on courses you may never have played otherwise.

Our Spring Meeting will be at Eastbourne Downs ,Presidents Day at Haywards Heath, The Mixed at Slinfold and the Autumn Meeting at Cooden Beach. The dates and entry forms can be found in our handbook.

It is my hope that all these events will be well supported.

May I take this opportunity to introduce my Vice Captain Kay Grindell. Roseanne presented Kay with the Vice Captain's badge.

Wendy Melville introduces Caroline Angella and Theresa Williamson proposed by Wendy Melville and seconded by Linda Brand and asks for a show of hands in agreement.

Wendy Melville thanked both Joanna Greenstreet and Carol Hall for all their hard work over the past 3 years and presented them both with a gift.

9. A.O.B

Wendy Melville, President, stated we have received no notifications of any other business.

Liz Street mentioned that the website is changing this week and all entry forms are in the handbook. An email will go to the club representative when the website is available.

Joanna Greenstreet offered an all singing and dancing printer for sale that was purchased by the committee. If anyone is interested, please speak to Joanna after the meeting.

Wendy Melville, President, stated as we have no further any other business. I will close the meeting.

10. DATE OF 2024 AGM

Wendy Melville, President, announced that the date for next year's AGM will be Monday 4 November 2024 following SCLGA AGM at the Charmandean Centre, Worthing.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 12.25pm.

COMMITTEE FOR 2023 – 2024

President	Mrs Wendy Melville
President Elect	Mrs Brenda Gilbey
Captain	Mrs Roseanne Rees
Vice Captain	Mrs Kay Grindell
Competition Secretary	Mrs Caroline Angella
Treasurer	Mrs Jo Fife
Admin Secretary	Mrs Theresa Williamson
Communications	Mrs Liz Street

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Date.....