Meeting of the Bristol and District Lady Golfers' Alliance

Friday 2nd October at 10.00 am at Henbury Golf Club

Present: Chair Erica Steed, Barbara Lewis, Heather Priestley, Carol Brooking and Stephanie Moorfoot (WhatsApp). Jo Davison (Treasurer 2027), Fay Austen (Results Co-ordinator 2027)

Apologies: Annie Patten, Jo Francis-Pope.

Jo and Fay were welcomed to the BDLGA Committee.

1. **Minutes of the last meeting held on Friday 10th July 2026**

   Agreed.

2. **Matters Arising.**

   No Matters arising.

3. **Honorary Secretary Vacancy.**

   Heather to send out an email on the App regarding the Vacancy.
   If no one comes forward at the AGM we have agreed to ask Clubs to take on the role in rotation – to be discussed at the AGM if no one comes forward before the AGM.

4. **Review of Rules and Regulations for the AGM in November.**

   All agreed.

5. **Hot weather amendment for AGM**
   All agreed.

   In light of Jeanette Cook's request to clarify the temperature in regard to the Hot weather. it was agreed we would not have an exact temperature i.e. over 30 degrees in the Rules and Regulations. It was agreed that it was the responsibility of the Home and Away Captain to decide whether to postpone the match, they must notify the Rules Co-ordinator of the postponement and amended dates of the match. Erica to add a paragraph in the regulations.

6. **Recent Complaint.**

   It was agreed that the recent complaint we received has now been resolved.

7. **Report from the Open Championship Secretary.**

   The date for the Championship has been booked for Saturday 6th June 2027.

   Carol spoke with Janice Saunders, the CGG Junior Organiser, who was unaware that the Open Championship carried reduced England Golf ranking points. Janice agreed to promote the event, and it was agreed that the reduced ranking points would be highlighted on the posters.

Carol agreed to circulate the information to the Gloucestershire, Somerset, Devon, Cornwall and Dorset County groups, and to promote the event on Facebook and Empire Golf.

Carol confirmed that the fee for the Championship would be £1950.00.

8. **Report from the Treasurer.**

Barbara presented the year-end accounts, which showed that reserves had declined.
Decision: The Alliance team fee will increase to £30.00 in 2028.
Action: Barbara will present the proposal at the AGM.
Barbara raised the question of how the Championship would be sponsored in the future when Diney Costeloe decides not to sponsor the Championship anymore. It was agreed that this should be flagged up for the future. Currently we break even with the Championship costs. It was agreed that Gloucestershire County and Somerset County would have to be asked to provide additional funding.
Barbara also added that as there were 3 of us leaving the Committee at the end of the year that we would not receive farewell gifts.

Report from the Results Co-ordinator.

Divisions for 2027 to be finalised over the next few days. Only Weston B team have dropped out of the Alliance. Waiting on 1 game to be completed. Erica to write to Alison Bracey (B & C) regarding whether they will have 3 teams.

9. **Report from the Hon Secretary.**

The Scratch and Handicap Foursomes finals were held at Clevedon and went well. Although the course was very lush and proved challenging for all the players, the weather remained mostly fine, with intermittent rain during the afternoon.
Scratch Foursomes: Knowle beat B&C on the 16th hole!
Handicap Foursomes: Thornbury beat Worlebury on the 16th hole!

10. **Any Other Business.**

Nothing to report.

11. **Next Meeting will be the AGM at Lansdown GC on Wednesday 11th November at 11.00 am.** Remembrance Day – Erica will ask everyone to be seated by 10.55 so that we can have 2 minutes silence before the start of the AGM business.