

BRISTOL & DISTRICT LADY GOLFERS' ALLIANCE

COMMITTEE MEETING HELD

On Wednesday 5th July at 4.00 pm at The Bristol

Present:

Carolyn Stait	CS	Jeanette Cook	JC
Erica Steed	ES	Glenda Hanmer	GH
Heather Priestley	HP	Barbara Lewis	BL
Sam Robinson	SR		

NOTE	COMMENT	ACTION
1.	Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 11th May 2023. Agreed – one amendment (ii) Calculating all Handicaps in Knockout Competitions. The Handicap Foursomes shall be no greater than 24.0.	
2.	Matters arising Safeguarding see item below. Thunder and Lightning see item below.	
3.	Chairman's Report – Carolyn Stait CS thanked Sam and everyone for all their hard work in the organising and running of the Harper Salver. It was a great day; it all went very smoothly. It was agreed to circulate an email to all Club Captains and Team Captain reminding them of a few midseason rules' clarifications.	CS/ES
4	Secretary's Report – Erica Steed Nothing to report.	
5.	Results Co-ordinators Report – Heather Priestley (i) Top 7 declaration. It was agreed that HP would keep the Top 7 in a folder just in case something comes up at the end of the year. (ii) Change of Date due to a player or players going on holiday. It was agreed that Holidays are not exceptional reasons to change the date of a Match. It was agreed to let this date change stand and CS to remind Club Captains and Team Captains of the rules.	CS/ES

It was agreed that under Match regulations point 7.8 is no longer

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	relevant. ES to remove this from the regulations.	ES
	<p>(iii) Dr's Certificate for use of a Buggy in the Alliance. It was agreed to remove the statement "confirmed by a doctor's certificate," on the Policy on Use of Buggies and the Challenge Match Rules.</p>	ES
6.	Championship Secretary's Report – Sam Robinson	
	SR reported that there were 63 entries: 57 in the morning and 55 in the afternoon. There were 19 Counties represented. SR thanked the Referee's for all their help and everyone who helped during the day. We have 10 Water Bottles left. SR said we need to think about what we can give to the Competitors next year. Glenda suggested a Cool Towel. SR and GH to investigate costs and come back to the next meeting in October.	SR/GH
	Diney Costeloe kindly agreed to sponsor next years' competition. SR asked the Committee their view on whether it should be played in Reverse Order in the afternoon. Something to think about going forward. SR asked the Committee their view on whether the Competitors should play off the White Tees. SR to ask England Golf for advice.	SR
7.	Treasurer's Report – Barbara Lewis	
	BL reported that to date she had received £3,800.00 for the Championship. Outstanding costs: Green fees of £1,500 plus £100.00 admin fee. Nobody asked for payment of referee's expenses. Sponsorship up by £400.00. Cost of Prizes of £905.00. After further discussion It was agreed that we would buy Cool Towels for next years competitors. It was agreed to look at the figures again after the Harper Salver costs had been finalised and discuss in a meeting in October.	Next Meeting
	BL reported that the BDLGA funds stand at £8,378.22.	
	It was agreed that we would look at Goblets or a small trophy for the Prize Winners to take away with them. ES to bring costs to the next meeting in October.	ES
	Aqua Glass Bowl Challenge. The Cotswold and District League suggest a donation of £50.00 each towards the cost of refreshments.	CS

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	Foursomes Final's Day being held on Sunday 10 th September at B & C. Details to be finalised. Suggestion of Prosecco and Silver Ball Markers for the finalists.	GH
8.	Gloucestershire Liaison Representative – Glenda Hanmer Nothing to report.	
9.	Somerset Liaison Representative – Jeanette Cooke Nothing to report.	
10.	Safeguarding Policy Safeguarding rules are the responsibility of the Golf Club. It was agreed that CS would send out an advisory note asking teams to follow the rules of the Club where they are playing. ES can link the England Golf Safeguarding Policy to the BDLGA website.	ES
11.	Bad Weather – Thunder and Lightning. It was agreed that the time limit for individual matches will be no more than 1 hour (that is from the time the Klaxon is sounded). If a match has not been completed competitors must start a fresh match. The players do not have to be the same players' providing they haven't played in that particular Competition. CS to do an advisory notice and include this in an email.	CS
12.	Foursomes Competition. A question came up about how Home and Away Matches are agreed. Matches are drawn out of the hat at the AGM. After that if a club has had a home match the next match would be away. But if the last match for teams was home (or away) then the venue is decided by a toss of a coin. ES would add a note explaining this at the bottom of the Draw sheet.	ES
13.	AOB Lateness for Scratch and Handicap Foursomes Matches. It was agreed that Team Captains should follow Rule 5.3 R & A Golf Rules. Rule 5.3 If the starting time is delayed for any reason (such as weather, slow play of other groups or the need for a ruling by a referee), there is no breach of this Rule if the player is present and ready to play when the player's group is able to start. Penalty for Breach of Rule 5.3a: Disqualification, except in these three cases: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exception 1 – Player Arrives at Starting Point, Ready to Play, No More Than Five Minutes Late: The player gets the general penalty applied to their first hole.	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exception 2 – Player Starts No More Than Five Minutes Early: The player gets the general penalty applied to their first hole. Exception 3 – Committee Decides that Exceptional Circumstances Prevented Player from Starting on Time: There is no breach of this Rule and no penalty. 	
	CS to write to Captains and Team Captains and Finalists of the Foursomes Competition.	CS
	Enmore Golf Club are extremely interested in joining the League. To be tabled at the next meeting in October.	ES
		Next Meeting
11.	Date of Next Meeting Thursday 12 th October at 4.30 pm.	