

HALESWORTH GOLF CLUB LADIES SECTION

Minutes of the Committee Meeting

Tuesday 6th January 2026 at 8.30am

Those Present: Lady Captain - Viv Leech (VL), Treasurer - Barbara Dennis (BD), Secretary - Mandy Wickison (MW), Competition Secretary - Susanne Wilson (SW), Fun Competitions - Julia Hill (JH), Handicap Secretary - Sara Higgins (SH), Social - Cathy Judd (CJ)

1. Apologies

Julie Cooper, Cathy Judd

2. Minutes of the last Meeting

The minutes of 13th November 2025 were approved and then signed by the Captain.

3. Matters Arising

See Point 8. Re Sunday Competitions

4. Lady Captain Report

Well it's been just over five weeks since I came to power.....LOL..1 month down 11 to go! To be honest I've quite enjoyed it but it could be the lull before the storm..!!

The AGM went well, quite a good attendance, prize giving was well received and no controversy apart from one misplaced question which I thought rather backfired and which Susanne handled very well. Thanks Susanne.

The first event Julie and I hosted was the Sunday Xmas Fun Competition on December 7th. Whilst low in playing numbers and moved hastily from the half way hut to the Bramfield Room in the clubhouse after play, due to the cold and wet weather, I think everyone enjoyed the mulled wine, mince pies and homemade ginger cake and gingerbread men.

Obviously, the main 'happening' in December was the Xmas Lunch attended this year by 30 ladies and the lovely Brandon from St Elizabeth Hospice. After a chilly 10 holes by 26 ladies, they all settled down to competition prizes, Christmas 'stress

bags' and Pass the Parcel. Followed by a great chat by Brandon about St Elizabeth Hospice. I also asked Brandon to select the 'Tag Winners' which had kick started my Charity ,raising £350, ...they were 1st prize of a Travel Golf voucher to Cathy Chandler and 2nd prize of a Virgin Experience voucher to Judith Bedwell. In all £593 has been sent to St Elizabeth Hospice from the first month.

I'd like to thank both my wonderful VC Julie Cooper & Cathy Judd for their help on the day setting up the room and event.

So on to Christmas and the New Year and the next 11 months with myself and Julie at the helm, together with our wonderful Committee.

I hope it will be a Happy and Healthy 2026 for all. Let's have some fun.

5. Treasurer's Report

Not much has happened on the accounts since I took over – giving me time to get to grips with how things operate. Income from the 4 competitions in December totalled £212 with expenditure of £93.67 with a total of £118.33 retained. – Two reports

FIRST - This shows all the transactions that have gone through the account for the month in question.

SECOND - This shows monthly details and will going forward show each quarter and year end total. You will see a section marked Previous Year – By removing this from the report allows us to see month by month what is passing through the account. This is still work in progress.

Lady Captain Viv's Charity to date you will see a total of £593. I can confirm that this sum has already been sent to St Elizabeth Hospice. Great start Viv.

Halesworth Ladies Golf - December 2025

Transactions			Receipts						
DATE	Detail	Amount	Previous Year	Xmas Lunch 2025	Captains Charity	Comp Fees In	Sundries	Other Section Income	Deposit Account
01-Dec	Xmas Lunch-J Read	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
01-Dec	Xmas Lunch-A Dudeney	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
01-Dec	Xmas Lunch-F Hughman	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
01-Dec	Xmas Lunch- Brandon	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
01-Dec	Xmas Lunch-R Owens	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
01-Dec	Headcover Don- S Millard	£ 30.00			£ 30.00				
02-Dec	Xmas Lunch-J Bedwell	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
03-Dec	SLCGA 100 -C Emeny	£ 10.00					£ 10.00		
03-Dec	Xmas Lunch-S Wilson	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
04-Dec	SLCGA 100 -R Fossey	£ 10.00					£ 10.00		
04-Dec	SLCGA 100 -S Hellman	£ 5.00					£ 5.00		
04-Dec	SLCGA 100 -S Higgins	£ 20.00					£ 20.00		
04-Dec	SLCGA 100 -J Cooper	£ 10.00					£ 10.00		
04-Dec	Xmas Lunch-S Millard	£ 34.00		£ 34.00					
04-Dec	SLCGA 100 -A Dudeney	£ 5.00					£ 5.00		
04-Dec	SLCGA 100 -F Fitton (AFSHARI)	£ 5.00					£ 5.00		
05-Dec	HGC NovFees	£ 265.50				£ 265.50			
08-Dec	Xmas Lunch-C Emeny	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
08-Dec	Xmas Lunch-S Higgins	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
08-Dec	SLCGA 100 - C Chandler	£ 10.00					£ 10.00		
09-Dec	SLCGA 100 - S McCoy	£ 10.00					£ 10.00		
09-Dec	SLCGA 100 - cash collected	£ 160.00					£ 160.00		
09-Dec	Xmas Lunch-A Wickison	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
09-Dec	Xmas Lunch-K Perley	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
10-Dec	Xmas Lunch-A Legg	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
10-Dec	Xmas Lunch-S Fraenzel	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
11-Dec	LC Charity-Tags-R Fossey	£ 10.00				£ 10.00			
12-Dec	Xmas raffle - S Higgins	£ 10.00				£ 10.00			
12-Dec	LC Charity-Tags-Hughman	£ 10.00				£ 10.00			
16-Dec	Cash paid in - various - Tags £60, Raffle £175 SLCGA100 £15	£ 250.00				£ 235.00		£ 15.00	
21-Dec	Xmas Lunch Cathy Judd	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
21-Dec	B Dennis - don for her charity following talk to the WI	£ 40.00	£ 40.00						
	Total	£ 1,286.50	£ 40.00	£ 426.00	£ 295.00	£ 265.50	£ 260.00	£ -	£ -

Transactions			Payments						
DATE	Detail	Amount	Previous Year Trans.	Xmas Lunch 2025	Captains Charity	Comp Prizes Paid	Sundries	Other Section Exp.	Deposit Account
01-Dec	X/Lunch Ref C Woods	£ 28.00						£ 28.00	
03-Dec	Captains Jumper - V Leech	£ 60.00						£ 60.00	
04-Dec	HGC- Dec S/Ford	£ 35.00				£ 35.00			
11-Dec	10 Hole Team comp	£ 15.00				£ 15.00			
16-Dec	Halesworth Golf - xmas lunch	£ 914.00		£ 914.00					
16-Dec	SLCGA 100 DRAW	£ 285.00					£ 265.00	£ 20.00	
17-Dec	X/lunch ref Ged Moreton	£ 28.00		£ 28.00					
18-Dec	Romford Rumble	£ 15.00				£ 15.00			
20-Dec	Sun Fun Comp - Captains expense	£ 21.17				£ 21.17			
20-Dec	Sun Fun Comp - Captains expense	£ 7.50				£ 7.50			
20-Dec	Cap Charity St Elizabeth Hospice	£ 593.00				£ 593.00			
20-Dec	Transfer to Dep - computer fund	£ 20.00							£ 20.00
20-Dec	BHF direct payment	£ 71.00	£ 71.00						
	Total	£ 2,092.67	£ 71.00	£ 942.00	£ 593.00	£ 93.67	£ 325.00	£ 48.00	£ 20.00

Opening Balance=	<u>£ 1,123.03</u>	Deposit account	£ 0.95
Receipts	£ 1,286.50	Interest	£ 0.04
Payments	£ 2,092.67	Transfer from 1 a/c	£ 20.00
Closing Balance as at 31/12/25	<u>£ 316.86</u>	Deposit account balance	<u>£ 20.99</u>

Expected Receipts	
December Comp Fees	£ 212.00
Available to Spend	<u>£ 528.86</u>

Halesworth Ladies Section

First Quarter November 2025 to January 2026

	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	FIRST QTR	YEAR END
INCOME					
CAPTAINS CHARITY					
Captains Charity	£ 298.00	£ 295.00	£ -	£ 593.00	£ 593.00
SUB TOTAL	£ 298.00	£ 295.00	£ -	£ 593.00	£ 593.00
COMPETITION					
Competition Fees	£ 316.50	£ 265.50	£ -	£ 582.00	£ 582.00
SUB TOTAL	£ 316.50	£ 265.50	£ -	£ 582.00	£ 582.00
SUNDRY					
Xmas Lunch 2025	£ 516.00	£ 426.00	£ -	£ 942.00	£ 942.00
Sundries	£ -	£ 260.00	£ -	£ 260.00	£ 260.00
Other Section Income	£ 28.00	£ -	£ -	£ 28.00	£ 28.00
SUB TOTAL	£ 544.00	£ 686.00	£ -	£ 1,230.00	£ 1,230.00
EXPENDITURE					
CAPTAINS CHARITY					
Captains Charity	£ -	£ 593.00	£ -	£ 593.00	£ 593.00
SUB TOTAL	£ -	£ 593.00	£ -	£ 593.00	£ 593.00
COMPETITION					
Competition Fees	£ 121.50	£ 93.67	£ -	£ 215.17	£ 215.17
SUB TOTAL	£ 121.50	£ 93.67	£ -	£ 215.17	£ 215.17
SUNDRY					
Xmas Lunch 2025	£ -	£ 942.00	£ -	£ 942.00	£ 942.00
Sundries	£ 45.84	£ 325.00	£ -	£ 370.84	£ 370.84
Other Section expenditure	£ -	£ 48.00	£ -	£ 48.00	£ 48.00
Deposit Account	£ -	£ 20.00	£ -	£ 20.00	£ 20.00
SUB TOTAL	£ 45.84	£ 1,335.00	£ -	£ 1,380.84	£ 1,380.84
INCOME TOTAL 2025	£ 1,158.50	£ 1,246.50	£ -	£ 2,405.00	£ 2,405.00
EXPENDITURE TOTAL 2025	£ 167.34	£ 2,021.67	£ -	£ 2,189.01	£ 2,189.01
	£ 991.16	-£ 775.17	£ -	£ 215.99	£ 215.99
PREVIOUS YEAR					
Previous year income transaction	£ 38.50	£ 40.00	£ -	£ 78.50	£ 78.50
Previous year payment trans	£ 1,604.09	£ 71.00	£ -	£ 1,675.09	£ 1,675.09
TOTAL	-£ 1,565.59	-£ 31.00	£ -	-£ 1,596.59	-£ 1,596.59
OPENING CURRENT BALANCE	£ 1,678.46	£ 1,123.03	£ 316.86		
Transfer from deposit	£ 19.00	£ -	£ -		
Receipts	£ 1,197.00	£ 1,286.50	£ -		
Payments	£ 1,771.43	£ 2,092.67	£ -		
CLOSING CURRENT BALANCE	£ 1,123.03	£ 316.86	£ 316.86		
OPENING DEPOSIT ACCOUNT	£ 19.95	£ 0.99			
transfer to/from current	-£ 19.00	£ 20.00			
Interest added	£ 0.04	£ -			
CLOSING DEPOSIT ACCOUNT	£ 0.99	£ 20.99			

Expected Receipts

Competition fees for December £ 212.00

Available to spend

£ 528.86

6. Handicap Secretary's Report

Competitions and Handicap Focus for 2026

While Susanne has already covered the finer details in her end-of-year AGM report, I'd like to outline the competitions I'll be managing in 2026 before moving on to handicap matters.

Due to the large number of competitions, responsibilities have been split between me, Susanne, and Julia. This approach allows us to dedicate more time to promoting mixed competitive golf and playing from different tee boxes.

External Competitions (Managed by HS*)

- Ping 4BBB – Ladies and Mixed
- Australian Spoons
- Daily Mail
- Marie Curie
- R&A Foursomes
- R&A 9-Hole Challenge
- Race to Woodhall Spa

The **Eclectic** and **Birdie Tree** competitions remain unchanged and will continue to be administered by HS*.

Standings as of 31 December

Eclectic Standings

1. B. Dennis (17) – 65.4
2. V. Leech (11) – 66.1
3. S. Higgins (7) – 67.6

Birdie Tree Standings

1. Sara Higgins – 1
2. Sue Fraenzel – 1
3. Viv Leech – 0

Handicap Support

As I step into the HS* role, one of my main priorities will be helping the ladies' section understand handicaps, score differentials, course conditions, and how these factors influence your scoring history.

The question I'm most often asked is: "*Will my handicap change after a competition?*" In 2026, I plan to set aside specific dates for open discussions where we can explore these questions and work through the calculations together.

With mixed golf becoming a key focus, we anticipate some interesting challenges around handicaps and competition formats—but we'll tackle them together.

I look forward to working with you all in 2026 to make our competitions enjoyable and inclusive, and to ensure everyone feels confident about handicaps and scoring.

Sara Higgins

7. Competition Secretary's Report

Not a great deal to report on. December is a quiet month with only the one Stableford competition and then a number of fun competitions. The weather has been mixed so the number of Ladies entering competitions has fluctuated but still some excellent scores were to be had.

Club Competitions

The following competitions were held during December, details can be found at the end of this report:

Ladies Stableford – 4th December

22 played

Ladies Fun Christmas Competition – Sunday, 7th December

12 played, 4 teams of 3,

the weather turned wet, but that did not prevent Barbara from submitting an outstanding card with 24 points over 9 holes!

Ladies 10 Hole Xmas Team Stableford – 11th December

27 played, sadly one

individual had to pull out on the day, a mystery card was added to the team to give them a

fighting chance of winning, but despite an excellent score of 34 between the two players they fell short of winning by one point!

Combined Romford Rumble Part 1 – 14th & 18th December 14 played, 7 pairs
Originally should have been an 18-hole competition, it was reduced to 10 holes as heavy rain was expected. This proved to be a sound decision and most players avoiding the deteriorating conditions

NO Competition on the 25th December

Adapting to the Times

During December the Lady Captain and I met with the Men's Captain and Competition Secretary to discuss how we as a Club should be more integrated. We primarily discussed Sunday golf. The requirement is to provide more flexibility as to when individuals play, to not be restricted to when on a Sunday they play and with whom they play.

The first step to move this forward is to align the type of competitions that are played on a Sunday i.e. when the Men are playing their monthly Medal or Stableford so do the Ladies. Also, ensure the monthly Ladies competitions do not clash with the 'OPEN to ALL Members' competitions. The first stage of this, March thru to July has been submitted for discussion.

There is a potential problem with how the finances will work discussions are ongoing.

Susanne Wilson
Ladies Competition Secretary

Dated 6th January 2026

Ladies December Competition Results

Ladies December Stableford, played 4th December

Division 1			Division 2						
	HC P	Scor e	Prize		HC P	Scor e	Prize		
1 st	Sue Fraenzel	21	35	£8.7	1 st	Julia Hill	28	33	£8.7
				5					5
2 nd	Sara Higgins	7	34	£5.2	2 nd	Anne Legg	26	30	£5.2
				5					5
3 rd	Susanne Wilson	18	33	£3.5	3 rd	Karol Perley	30	26	£3.5
				0					0

Ladies Fun Christmas Competition, played Sunday 7th December – 12 players in teams of 3

Team Prize	Barbara Dennis, Sue Millard & Mandy Wickison	44	points
Individual Prize	Barbara Dennis	24	points

Ladies 10 Hole Team Stableford followed by Xmas Lunch, played 11th December 27 played in teams of 3

Team Prize	Sian Tutak, Anne Legg, Jennifer Read	42	points	£5.00 each
Individual Prize	Jean Berry	22	points	

Romford Rumble Part 1, played on 14th & 18th December

7 pairs played			
1 st	Barbara Dennis & Susanne Wilson	23	points £7.50 each
2 nd	Sally Baxter Mandy Wickison	20	points
3 rd	Anne Legg & Sonia Lord	18	points

8. Joint Sunday Competitions

Discussions are ongoing with the club management and the men's section in respect of integrating the ladies Sunday competitions within the Men's Sunday competitions. We will keep you updated when we have more information.

9. Captain's Drive-In

This is on Sunday 8th March and will be a shot-gun start. The format is teams of 4 with 3 out of 4 scores to count.

The cost is £10 which includes a bap with either sausage, egg or bacon and will be served when you come in.

There will also be a raffle of various hampers provided by both the Ladies and Men's committees.

10. AOB

On our qualifying medals this year, the first zone sign-up has been increased. Players will continue to go out in handicap order within zones one and two.

Aldeburgh is marking their new course design by inviting 2 people, (one male and one female), from other golf courses to represent their club in a competition on the 22nd of June. There will be a ballot to pick those interested in going from Halesworth.

Meeting closed at 9.45am

Next meeting date

10th February – 9am via Zoom

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