

# Halesworth Golf Club

## Ladies Section



### Minutes of the Committee Meeting

Wednesday 16th May 2024 1.30pm

Those Present: Cathy Chandler (CC), Sara Higgins (SH), Lesley King (LK), Sonia Lord (SL), Viv Leech (VL), Cathy Judd (CJ)

**1. Apologies**

Apologies from Karen Forster.

**2. Minutes of the last Meeting**

The minutes of 11th April 2024 were approved and were signed by the Captain.

**3. a. Video**

Video all ready to go out to the Ladies section. LK has amended and will send out.

**b. Block booking for committee ladies**

CC to send out an email to explain the reason for the block bookings for committee members on meeting days.

**c. Replies to email regarding succession planning**

Carried forward to next meeting.

**d. Update on most improved golfer changes**

Carried forward to next meeting.

**e. Update on competition sheets**

Carried forward to next meeting.

**f. Completing cards & course etiquette information for the new members papers**

Carried forward to next meeting.

**g. Draft Constitution**

Carried forward to next meeting.

**h. Publishing the Financial Rules**

Carried forward to next meeting.

**4. Captains report**

The Captain submitted a report which was noted. (Attached).

**5. Competition Secretary report**

Competition Secretary submitted a report which was noted.

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**6. Handicap Secretary report**

Handicap Secretary submitted a report which was noted.

**7. Treasurer Report**

Treasurer submitted a report which was noted.

**8. Appointing reserves to assist Ladies who are captaining County competitions**

CC to email Captains of County competitions to put a description out to the team WhatsApp for all the team members, so they are aware of all the details of the upcoming competition.

**9. Recent correspondence**

Carried forward to next meeting.

**10. Changes to competition rules regarding refunds after having started a match**

CC to send an email to remind all lady members about the 12.00 deadline for withdrawing from a match, otherwise they will be charged.

**11. Deadlines to Knockout competitions**

SH to send an email to the ladies section in accordance with the rules as previously set out.

**12. Sunday Ladies playing in Trophy Competitions following the item circulated by SH.**

Item withdrawn.

**Next meeting date**

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024 1.30pm

Sonia Lord

19/05/24

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### Lady Captains Report April/May 2024

May already, and at last the Sun has appeared!!

I would like to thank the greenkeepers for the fabulous work they have done to keep the course up to a very high standard, the course is looking, and playing very well, considering the amount of rain it has had. The feedback from visitors has been phenomenal, and I'm very proud to praise our greenkeepers. Well, done to you all, and I can't praise you all highly enough. Keep up the fantastic work and enabling us to play such a beautiful course.

We had our combined April Medal on 31<sup>st</sup> March and on the 4<sup>th</sup> of April with Clare winning with a net 75, Well done Clare great score!

On Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> We had our first coffee morning for new members at the club, , Cathy Judd and I met with 3 new members, Jennifer Read, Frances Hughman and Angela Morris and we had a lovely surprise when Karol Pereley attended too, which I thought was very encouraging for our new ladies, as she has recently become an active member herself, playing on Thursdays.. I found the meeting very rewarding and it's great to tell them what lovely ladies section we have We are looking to hopefully going forward to be doing this every quarter, It was lovely to meet them and to answer any questions they may have, in a relaxed environment, they all seem very eager to get going and to join in on the ladies section, once they get there cards in for a H/C, Frances Hughman has a H/C of 16.7. After the meeting I went out with Karol Pereley and Angela Morris, and done 10 holes, I had arranged to meet with Angela and Jennifer on the Saturday to get there first cards in, on the Valley course. Congratulations to Jennifer who has completed her 1<sup>st</sup> card.

11<sup>th</sup> we had our combined Stapleford with Lin Smith winning with 36 pts Well done Lin!! I'm sure Sara will follow in more details with comp results in her reports.

18<sup>th</sup> was the Captain v Vice Captain comp The theme was Alice in Wonderland, followed by the Mad Hatters tea party ,Karen and her husband Keith and I came up the day before to prepare the room for the Mad Hatters tea party, from posters on the walls to miss match cups and saucers, side plates on the tables bowls of sweets, goody bags with all different themes of the tea party, there where all different cut outs of hats teapots, cats, hares, cards, Alice and mad hatters etc hanging from the ceiling it looked amazing. Keith was in the corner pumping up the blow-up dreaded putters, that turned out bigger than I thought. Thank you to Karen and Keith for all their hard work in preparation for the event.

We had 27 entries for the day, and each and every one of them made the effort with their amazing costumes, put it this way I've never seen so many mad hatters, Alices, and Cheshire cats in one day, I felt I was doing double treble vision, and never seen so much nonsense in one day, and looked like we had all been let out of the asylum for the day. The format of the day was everyone was playing of 85% with Stapleford scoring and all scores to count. there was different equipment on T boxes for ladies to use to t-off with, so therefore they were NOT allowed to use any of their clubs apart from what was available on the tees.

Holes 4, 11, and 16, were the ONLY time they could use any club in their bag that they wished, as these are NP, ON or OFF the green, and a chance for anyone to win a prize. But this is where the inflatable sticks came in as they all had to putt out with them.

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No one knew who was on the Captains or the Vice Captains team, Karen and I didn't even know!!!!!!!!!!!!!! It was only when they entered the room and had to pick out a goody bag with someone's name on it and was done alternatively by putting that person's name on a list.

We had a lacrosse stick on the first hole, not one of my team Sonia, Karen and myself, made the ditch, in fact Sonia nearly took our heads off, but giggle we all did all the way round, especially when the DREADED inflatable putter came out, trying to putt with it was an absolute Shambles, from the feedback afterwards, ladies where using the other end of it, squeezing it as tight as they could to make it harder, bending them in half, from laying on the floor trying to use it as a snooker que, but it made them all laugh. We had tennis rackets, mallets, badminton rackets, squash rackets, hockey stick, left-handed driver, child's driver, cricket bat and even a dog throw for a ball, where Karen came right round her body and nearly took Sonia and I out and ended up left further back than where she started. I think the conclusion to this is we all failed miserably with the equipment, and at how pathetic we all were trying to use it all, and I think insurance may have been needed for the day, but most of all it was something different and a laugh and laugh we all did, and no one ever wants to see an inflatable putter EVER AGAIN. But it was fun and that was the aim.

Thank you to RS, for the loan of the rackets, and to Sara for her travels and surfing the internet, for the other equipment for the day. Thank you both so much!!!

We proceeded to upstairs for the tee party, everyone took their seats, and the food started to come out, on the tiers, from finger sandwiches to cakes, scones, you name it we had it, and tea was provided too. But we couldn't really have a tea party unless it was someone's Birthday, so it made it even more special to celebrate Sara's 55<sup>TH</sup> birthday, with a birthday cake and cakes for all the ladies to take home. Thank you so much to Ellie for organizing the food, Sara's birthday cake, and cakes. I personally thought the food was fantastic and very well presented and thank you to all the bar staff for keeping us full up and looking after us all.

While Karen and I were sorting out the winners of the competition Karen had made up a quiz for the ladies to keep them occupied, in which Jackie D, Rosie, and Sally w won.

NP was won by Karen Cathy J and Clare

1<sup>st</sup> team prize Rosie Angela, and Sally w

2<sup>nd</sup> team prize Sue H Sian and Hillary

3<sup>rd</sup> team prize Sally b Mand w and Maggie

Best overall score of the day was Angela.

Best Dressed was a difficult one, we were torn between 2 teams, so made the decision to award both teams prizes.

1<sup>st</sup> was Lesley, Sally and Cathy J.

2<sup>nd</sup> was Sue M, Julie C, and Sussane W

Well, done to all the winners of the day, but most of all well done to everyone taking part, and making the day fun and enjoyable Thank you to you all.

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On the 25<sup>th</sup> We had our Gilly Bogey comp; with 17 entrants I won this one with a +2

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of May was the Dementia day, there was 57 entrants for this day, which is phenomenal, What a great turn out to support the local dementia Halesworth community careers for all their hard work, 5k had been raised on the day through sponsorships and entrant fees, which will be used to support the carers and families of loved ones with dementia, this is such an awful disease and can happen to anyone of us, after listening to one of the ladies stories of her husband, and how it affected her husband but also her, was heartbreaking, it was short and sweet her story, but enough to make you realize the effect this has on her and others, and TBH I don't know how Sara made her speech after listening to her, after the pair of us hiding and blubbing behind the tv set, but Sara as professional as always managed it, and I take my hat off to her, but most of all the carers and families that have to deal with this every day. So, a special thank you goes to Sara and John Giles in the fantastic organization, of putting this comp together and making it such a successful day, and fun.

The winners of the day were Barbara Dennis Brian Dennis Ged Moreton and Robert Moreton, and this couldn't have been a more fitting team to win as Barbara herself had lost her late Mother to this awful Disease.

Well, done to all the winners and to all of you that took part.

Sara will probably go into more detail in her report.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> May was the Millenium Plate & Nielson Putting Trophy with May Medal & 1st putting competition.

Barbara Dennis won it with a fantastic phenomenal Net score of 64, Well done Barbara, great score.

On Bank Holiday Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May, Sara and Dennis Higgins won the Withey Cup with a fantastic score of 42 points. Well done to them and how lovely it was to see a mixed competition on the field.

### COUNTY MATCHES

We have our county matches all getting under way, with the Cranworth coming up on the 23<sup>rd</sup> may, @ rookery against Fynn Valley. Good luck to Captain Rita and all the ladies playing in this.

We have our first Jubilee Match on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May @ Bungay against Southwold. Good Luck to Caroline and all the ladies playing in this.

The Western is truly under way, with their first match already played on the 27<sup>th</sup> against Gorleston, HWGL won 3/2, great result, the next one is against Thorpness @ Thorpness the 21<sup>st</sup> may good luck to Captain Viv and all the ladies playing in this.

Sara and Rita had their 1<sup>st</sup> Haskell Match on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May @ home against a very strong Woodbridge pairing who won it last year, they were all playing of scratch, so no shots are given, our dynamic duo took on 1.4 and 4.6 handicappers an amazing all square after a hard-fought match of 36 holes, unfortunately they lost on the 37<sup>th</sup> hole to a birdie. I am extremely proud of their performance, and they should be extremely proud of themselves. I think both teams enjoyed the combat and both Sara and Rita represented themselves and the club very well as always. Well, done ladies.

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I would like to wish all our County Captains all the best going forward, and for all their hard work in organizing teams, food etc. Good luck to you all, and your chosen team of ladies, I will try to get to as many matches as possible going forward. Come on Halesworth Ladies.

Special thank you to Karen for her support and hard work as secretary, and as vice-captain and maintaining all the ladies and mixed friendlies. Well done. Not forgetting Sara, who continues to do a fantastic job with the competitions to make sure they run as smoothly as possible.

Thank you to all the committee members for your support, and hard work, I couldn't do this without you all. Well, done for your continual hard work, and support.

Thank You

Cathy C

### Competition Secretary Report April 2024 – Sara Higgins

I'm not talking about the weather in my report.

We held four ladies' and one mixed friendly matches in April, one of which postponed due to my initial statement, and the other was played at home v Seckford where we won 2.5 to 1.5, Fynn Valley also played at home but we took a loss 1-3. And away we played at Felixstowe where we drew 2-2. The mixed friendly was held at Southwold where we had a very friendly half. All the matches were played in great golfing spirit and as I keep saying, these friendlies are a great way to play different courses being a relatively cheap round of golf with food included. Keep signing up ladies and your partners for the mixed comps.

Results for combined April medal are as follows:-

#### **DV 1**

1st	Clare Woods(19)	75
2nd	Viv Leech(14)	76
3rd	Karen Last(17)	78

#### **DV 2**

1st	Sally Catt(27)	83
2nd	Karen Forster(29)	87
3rd	Sue Millard(28)	87

Combined April stableford and Marie Curie competition

#### **DV 1**

1st	Susanne Wilson(24)	34
2nd	Viv Leech(14)	33
3rd	Sara Higgins(9)	32

#### **DV 2**

1st	Lin Smith(28)	36
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2nd	Sue Millard(28)	35
3rd	Angela Middleton(35)	34

The overall winner on the Marie Curie competition was Lin Smith. Well done Lin, I have yet to award Lin with the pin badge I was sent from our local Marie Curie fundraising department. It seems over the years that although the ladies section has been donating their entry fee to MC, we have sort of became lost in their fundraising accounts. I looked into this and have made a great local contact whom has advised the money raised moving forward will now be directed to and will benefit the people in Suffolk, which is lovely news to hear. Thankyou ladies for your contributions.

A new competition for the ladies section this year is the Australian Spoons foursomes, held as an alternate day and players can enter as many times as they wish, with the same or different partners. Organised by England Golf for a place to win in the regional finals. Well done to Barbara Dennis and Clare Woods with a healthy 33 point win over the field. I will update you if they have succeeded in gaining a place in our local final. Well played ladies!

Captain Cathy and Vice-Captain Karen hosted the yearly traditional Captain v Vice Captain team competition. I wont go into any detail about the day as I know Cathy will wish to cover this in her report. All I can say is both Cathy and Karen pulled out every stop in not only the organisation but the excellent tea, prizes and decorations bestowed before us all after golf. There were some very colourful and unrecognisable characters together with the amount of effort absorbed into the costumes was incredible. Huge thanks to our wonderful Captain and Vice from us all. A memorable day had by all.

The Gilly Bogey had some very good scores as below; it was very nip and tuck until the end, Great golf ladies. The trophy went to Cathy Chandler coming in with a +2!

#### **DV 1**

1st	Cathy Chandler (20)	+2
2nd	Susanne Wilson (24)	0
3rd	Sara Higgins (9)	0

#### **DV 2**

1st	Julie Cooper (31)	+1
2nd	Sue Millard (28)	-3
3rd	Sally Watson (31)	-3

Well done ladies, great to see the newer lady members in the top 3 placings in both divisions.

Our first Weston match was played at home v Gorleston, 5 ladies playing scratch singles in handicap order, well done ladies for securing our first win 3-2, a great start to the season.

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All the knockouts are in full swing and being played within the time frames allocated, I know we are getting busier now on the course but please keep in mind the deadline dates and offering both weekdays and weekends to play to be fair to both parties.

One last mention is to the greenkeepers for keeping our golf course in tip top condition. What would we do without you all.

### Handicap Secretary Report

15 May 2024

I am delighted to see that Pat Doyle has rejoined after a number of years. I see that Pat is not on WHS at all and does not have a CDH number on the WHS database. She may only be a social member, I am currently waiting for details.

Congrats to Barbara Dennis for coming down 2.5 shots in the last month. Naomi Lane came down 0.5, Cathy Chandler 0.3, Sara Higgins and Sally Watson both came down 0.2.

It is sad to see that Naomi only has 2 qualifiers in the last 12 months, I really do hope that she can complete more so that she can participate in more trophy competitions.

Reading some of the IG Help reports, there seem to still be issues with 4BBB scoring for handicaps.

I have finally completed the updated video for new members [https://youtu.be/Zc7TALdr\\_ms](https://youtu.be/Zc7TALdr_ms) Whilst Mrs. Hunt and Ellie are very happy with it I am still waiting to hear back from Ben. Ellie asked if it was possible to include sunnier footage once we get more into summer. I agree it could do with sun and umbrellas on the balcony for example, so I may well replace some of the scenery later in the year. I think it is probably fine to start including the link with the new ladies' packs. (Perhaps after our meeting this link can be shared with all the ladies)

Cheers

Les

### TREASURERS REPORT – APRIL 2024

#### COMMITTEE MEETING-Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May

April's income like March has meant that we now hold a much healthier bank balance than at the beginning of the year, which was to be expected. This month we started the singles, pairs and mixed summer competitions and when added to the normal weekly competition's has resulted in income totaling £924 being received.

On the Charity 'Front', we raised £112.50 for Marie Curie from our Sunday & Thursday competitions which has been forward to the Charity. I also completed the closure of the Captains Drive In by sending £1051.54 each to the Mens & Seniors charities- Suffolk Family Carers & British Heart Foundation; with £1051.56 to the Lady Captains charity - Bobby Moore Bowel Cancer and topped up with £507.10 from the sale of 'tags'- our first donation totalling £1558.66.

With Dementia Day looming on the 1<sup>st</sup> May, we are holding £1385.00 in the Ladies funds which will obviously be passed on, together with any subsequent donations after the day.

With the start of the County match season when I expect to see some outgoings, we still hold £1k in the main account and £513.10 in the savings account, a healthy position bearing in mind we are not looking to make a profit but cover all the expenses of the Ladies section.

Viv





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<b>CAPTAINS DRIVE IN - SUNDAY 17TH March 2024</b>				
	RECEIPTS			REC'D
ENTRY FEES		136 COMPETITORS @ £5		£660.00
RAFFLE & DRIVE PAINTING				£709.64
				£110.00
VOUCHERS	£140.00	DENNIS - Stowmarket		£140.00
	£125.00	ABERY - Gorleston		£125.00
	£60.00	KENT - St Clements		£60.00
	£110.00	LORD - Mill Hill		£110.00
	£160.00	ADAMS -Eaton		£160.00
	£200.00	HUNTER -Thetford		£200.00
	£100.00	SLAYMK -Brampton		£100.00
	£80.00	POTTER- Rookery		£80.00
	£120.00	COLLETT- Grt Yarm		£120.00
	£80.00	POTTER- Southwold		£80.00
	£40.00	CABLE- Caldecott		£40.00
	£200.00	FRANCIS- Felixstowe		£200.00
	£160.00	SHEVING- Sprowston		£160.00
	£100.00	KING-J- Bungay		£100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1,675.00</b>			<b>£3,154.64</b>
ENTRY FEES	£660.00			
RAF & DRIVE	£819.64		O/S	NIL
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£3,154.64</b>			<b>£3,154.64</b>
LADY CAPTAIN		Bobby Moore Bowel Cancer		£1,051.56
MENS CAPTAIN		Suffolk Family Carers Ltd		£1,051.54
SENIOR CAPT		British Heart Foundation Ltd		£1,051.54
			<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£3,154.64</b>