

HARPENDEN COMMON GOLF CLUB – LADIES SECTION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 6th February 2024 at 2.50pm.

Present:

Mr Mavis Joiner	MJ	Lady President
Mrs Sue Cooper	SC	Lady Captain
Mrs Sheila Stewart	SS	Lady Vice Captain
Mrs Carolyn Richmond	CR	Treasurer
Mrs Tracie Walker (via Zoom)	TW	Week-end Ladies Organiser

Also in attendance:

Mrs Carol Campbell	CC	IT organiser
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1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Mrs Gill Taverner, Mrs Jane Walter and Mrs Christine Hutchings.

2. Club Online cloud storage facility

Update from Carol Campbell

Each individual requires an email address and a Microsoft account affiliated to that email. Discussion took place in regard to who should have access and how different files will be protected. It was agreed that members of the committee would have access at this present time. Moving forward we need to be aware of housekeeping so that everything is up to date, and folders are easy to manage. Anything on paper can be scanned and put into a folder.

3. Membership Role on MANCO

Update from Carolyn Richmond

A membership meeting took place last week and agreed the strategy which concentrates on three principals;

Young adults – presently there is a high number of young members, so the club does not need to increase this type of membership

How busy is the course – can we accommodate new members? We lost a number of full members, who were replaced with non 7days members, so overall finances have reduced.

Academy - there are a number of people learning golf with the pro shop with no present golf membership so the academy should look to manage their development between beginner and club member.

Signed and approved by Sue Cooper on 5th March 2024

Two memberships available;

1. **Improver** – 2 X 90min group lesson, 1 X 45min individual lesson, access to practice facilities and discounts on further lessons and tour shed sessions - £99 per month
2. **Advanced** – as Improvers plus access to main course Mon- Fri after 2pm, Sat & Sun after 3pm, HCGC club discount card, 2 for 1 for on social events - £140 per month

Starts from 7th March 2024

4. Corrections to January Minutes

There were no corrections to the Minutes. A signed copy will be posted on the LC board in the locker room. Copies of all the Ladies Minutes are now available on the Club V1 site under “Club documents” (CC)

5. Matters arising from January Minutes

SC agreed to consult with Brian Macdonald regarding clearer rules relative to mixed competitions (SC) – ongoing, 1st meeting held.

Newcomers Handbook – SC to liaise with CC to include the roll ups (Whatsapp) – by end of February 2024 so that information is readily available for new Academy members.

The number of Saturday ladies playing in competitions in the winter is being monitored (TW) – ongoing and will advise diary for 2025

6. Correspondence

Frances Kipping replied to the e mail sent after the January committee meeting suggesting the Gill Peters Anytime Stableford trophy be awarded to an aunt, who is not a grandmother, for the best stableford of the year. The committee discussed her suggestions and agreed that the GP trophy will be changed - a reply will be sent to her (GT)

A letter for consideration at the committee meeting was received from Ann Sutcliffe. This highlighted the fact several Ladies did not want the Tuesday draws to be moved online - mirroring some of the issues raised by Frances. GT spoke with Ann who clarified she had not read Sues original email. A reply will be sent to her outlining Sue’s original e mail (GT)

An email was received from Penny Stopp again highlighting the fact several Ladies did not want the Tuesday draws to be moved online and discussed the after-golf procedure. MJ explained that in the past players would apologise to the Captain if she couldn’t stay for coffee so the Lady Captain knew who was present when she spoke. The Lady Captain always wore her blazer when giving the results and congratulated the winner whilst presenting the voucher.

Now that vouchers are not presented then there is no need for the winner to approach the Lady Captain unless there is a trophy presentation on the day, however it was agreed that the Lady Captain would wear her blazer when giving results and make sure winners are

congratulated as fitting. A reply will be sent to her confirming the above and outlining Sue's original e mail (GT)

7. Treasurer's Report

Bank & Cash			
Savings	Current	Cash	Total
3541.03	581.60	20.78	4143.41

Sadie Facer 2023 was managed differently with numerous individuals purchasing prizes but overall came in roughly the same price as 2022. Mementos have increased in price from £386 in 2022 to £610 in 2023.

8. Competitions:

January 3 clubs & putter no Sat players so will look to change this to Gen play in 2025
3 clubs & putter on Tues was an Open Draw and therefore the playing field should have been separated into two divisions and the prize money should be distributed between those A and B divisions.

February as diary

March Phyl Tearle not a popular event – discussion about whether we could change to sign up with chosen playing partners. Agreed with 100% HC allowance

Update after meeting - Tearle specified that players go out in divisions, Bronze ladies playing first so this would not allow players to choose their own partners – Ladies updated by Lady Captain.

Lady Captains away day April 2024 – sign up online – food TBC

9. New Members

No new members this month

10. Ladies Handbook/website: items to be updated

Updates Card checking guidance Open Draws procedure input required (SS)

Sat Lady guidance input (TW)

Phyl Tearle – 100% HC allowance (SS)

11. Any Other Business

MJ – Can we have a Honour Board for the Isabel Holland? - agreed SS to liaise with CC

TW – is there a twilight fee for 5-day members? – no but you can pay a green fee for one off weekend rounds

CR – can the Lady Captains notice list all comps for the 4 weeks – agreed SC

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The meeting finished at 5.15 p.m.

Date of next meeting – Tuesday 5th March 2024 in the committee room