

GOLF NSW

Minutes of the meeting of the *Women's Match Committee* held at Pymble Golf Club
Cowan Road, St Ives NSW 2075
on Friday 8 February, 2013 at 1.30pm.

Present: J. Moran (chairman), J. Bracken, S. Wilson, M. Box, A. Baggie, S. Fabian,
C. Allen, L. Robson, J. Jones, L. Browne

Apologies: C. Collier, J. Shineberg

In Attendance: G. Phillipson, N. Bessant, S. Fraser

**Confirmation of
Minutes of**

Previous Meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 30 November 2012, were approved.

Correspondence In:

- Email from Sharne Aldridge re Women's Fourball Classic
It was reported that there had been no change to the condition relating to a weekend and weekday competition.

- Email regarding the Women's Mountain Meeting scheduled at the wrong time
It was reported that this event should be scheduled on the third Monday in October. It was agreed that whenever possible we should attempt to meet this requirement.

- Email from Menna Davis re change of Captains Meeting time
The email queried the timing for the event, however, with 80 lady captain present from both metropolitan and country clubs it was agreed to leave the timing as it is presently.

Nicole Bessant undertook to ensure that all correspondence in was replied to.

Correspondence Out:

Business Arising:

Action List

Action	Responsibility
Tournament Manual	GP/JM

- It was agreed that the manual would be more valuable if it was more concise. Graeme Phillipson undertook to liaise with Jean Moran to produce a more concise document.

- Course Fees

It was reported that the Board had agreed to provide the Golf Department with flexibility in determining course fees, following the

recommendation from the Women's Match Committee.

New Business:

1.1 Women's Captain's Meeting

- Jean Moran noted that she believed it was important for the Women's Match Committee members to be more visible and thus should be presenting on some occasions
- It was noted that the meeting was well received by the women in attendance
- It was agreed that the Social Media presentation produced some fantastic discussion and ideas
- An item of concern was that there were several issues raised regarding memberships and playing rights issues for women:
 - Women are looking to Golf NSW for solutions and
 - help on how to negotiate within their club
 - many of the new Women captains haven't seen the correspondence about playing singles in conjunction with four ball events and those documents to which we often refer.

It was agreed that when sending out the minutes we will include many of the documents that we have sent out to clubs previously and that may not have been distributed to the women.

- Stuart undertook to facilitate improving channels of communication for the women, without getting the men offside

1.2 2013 NSW Family Bowl and its future

It was agreed that the Family Bowl no longer be held following several years with low numbers.

1.3 2013 Summer Meeting Dinner

It was reported that there had been some concern shown by some players that they would prefer the dinner not to be compulsory. It was agreed to get feedback from the players after this year's event.

1.4 Change in format to year-long events

It was noted that the Board had determined not to charge entry fees for the three State Wide events. It was also noted that payments are now possible online and that they can also be made via direct debit.

1.5 Requests for Tee Times

The Women's Match Committee requested that Management prepare a draft set of guidelines for tournament registrations so that the Golf NSW staff have a document to which they can refer regarding prioritizing requests for tee times.

1.6 Current structure of the Match Committee

Jean Moran noted that the Board wished to reduce the size of

committees and that the new Women's Match Committee are the primary strategic planning committee for women's golf events.

1.7 Combined Men's and Women's Match Committee

There was some discussion regarding combining the Men's and Women's Match Committee to become one body. It was agreed that the current Women's Match Committee are not in favour of the suggested merger, provided there is regular communication between the Chairs of the two Committees.

1.8 2013 Mixed Weekend Tournament – Mudgee GC (1-2 June)

It was agreed that Mudgee be provided with the flexibility to run this event with the intention of handing over the running of this event in 2014. It was also agreed that they should advertise the event as being 'In Aid of the Golf NSW Foundation' and increase the entry fee by an appropriate amount to raise funds for 'Country Clubs in need'

1.9 2013 Summer Foursomes

It was reported that maximum numbers were reached in 2013 and that we should prepare for a further increase in 2014. There was some discussion as to whether the men's Seniors Foursomes should continue to be held in conjunction and also regarding cart allocation for some of the older players who require carts for medical reasons.

General Business:

1-1 The following upcoming events were noted:

- 2013 Women's Summer Meeting (4 – 7 March) – Bowral, Highlands, Moss Vale & Mt Broughton GC's
- 2013 Women's Foursomes Championship (21 April) – Magenta Shores G&CC, over 18 holes
- 2013 Women's Autumn Meeting (29 April – 2 May) – Belconnen, Federal, Gold Creek, Gungahlin Lakes, Murrumbidgee, Queanbeyan, Capital and Yowani GCs
- 2013 Women's NSW Senior Championship (20-24 May) – Manly GC

1-2 The recently held events were noted:

- 2012 Women's 3BBB State Final (2-4 December) – Bonville GR
Sue Fabian noted this event was very successful
- 2013 Women's Summer Foursomes (14-15 January) – Cromer GC

Attachments:

- Match Report – Women's 3BBB – State Final
- Match Report – Women's Summer Foursomes
- Entry Form and Flyer – 2013 Women's Summer Meeting
- Entry Form, Flyer and Invitation – 2013 Women's NSW Foursomes Championship
- Entry Form and Flyer – 2013 Women's Autumn Meeting

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Women's Match Committee will be held at the Golf NSW offices on **Tuesday 28th May** commencing at 12:30pm.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 3.00pm.

Committee Members:

J. Moran (chairman), J. Bracken, S. Wilson, M. Box, A. Baggie, S. Fabian, C. Allen, L. Robson, J. Jones, L. Browne

Chairman: _____

Date: _____

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1A Duncan Street, Arncliffe NSW 2205
on Tuesday 28 May, 2013 at 12.30pm

Present: J. Moran (chairman), J. Bracken, S. Wilson, M. Box, S. Fabian, C. Allen, J. Jones,
L. Brown

Apologies: A. Baggie, S Fabian

In Attendance: S. Fraser, G. Phillipson, C. Collier, K. Wagg

Confirmation of Minutes of

Previous Meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 8 February 2013 were approved.

Correspondence In:

- Email from Sharne Aldridge re Grade Final Lunch

It was reported that it would be more beneficial to players and the clubs if they could stagger the Grade Final Lunch. Graeme will include a General Guideline with the Conditions of Play.

Business Arising

1.1 Tournament Manual

Graeme Phillipson undertook to liaise with Jean Moran to finalise a more concise document and to ensure that information is not contained within multiple documents.

1.2 Event Requests-Guidelines

A draft Guideline outlining what requests should be considered at the time of tournament entry was approved and will be placed on the website.

1.3 Mudgee Mixed Weekend-Tournament Progress

It was reported the response to the event has been very positive and that sponsorship has been secured by Mudgee GC. It was reported that there were over \$2,500 in prizes on offer and that 140 will attend the dinner. This event will be handed over to the club to run, from 2014.

1.4 Captains Meetings

It was agreed that Castle Hill GC be asked to host the 2014 Captain's Meeting. Jean Moran also spoke of the intent to arrange Regional Captain's Meetings, but that she had struggled finding suitable dates in 2013.

New Business

2.1 2014 NSW Amateur Championship Proposal

The match committee supported the proposal to host the Men's and Women's Amateur Championships together, from 2014. It was acknowledged that the Marjorie McWilliam event could not be held at this time.

2.2 2015 NSW Senior Amateur Championship Proposal

The match committee supported the proposal to host the 2015 Men's and Women's Event in Orange (across two courses), and to run the event over three days and during the same period as the men. It was also agreed to amend the format (Mon-Wed) for 2014 at Bermagui, with details to be confirmed.

2.3 Conditions of Play – Proposed Changes

The changes proposed for the Conditions of Play were approved:

(a) Women's Fourball Classic – District Play-Off

When a qualifying pair withdraws from District Play-Off they are to contact the District, not Golf NSW.

(b) NSW Women's Medal Competition

Broadening the definition of when re-programming an event may take place, such that at the Women's Captain's discretion she may use additional guidelines to arrive at an equitable decision. The first of these relates to bad weather and the second to significant course work.

(c) Grade Conditions

To add a clause to address what is to happen in the event a team does not turn up.

2.4 Women's Major Pennant Proposal

Following much discussion, it was agreed that a Pennant Competition (scratch match play) be established for 2014. Graeme Phillipson undertook to discuss this proposal with a number of metropolitan clubs to gauge interest before reporting back to the Committee with a draft format and Conditions.

2.5 Tournament Panel

It was agreed that when possible that local volunteers be requested to join the volunteers at our events. The Committee members were asked to put forward the names of anyone they believe would be suitable and that should be approached.

It was also agreed that the number of Rules Personnel could be reduced at events.

2.6 Trophies

It was agreed that for the purpose of maintaining consistency in trophy delivery at 'like events' that the events be categorized into (a) Championships, (b) Open Participation, (c) Club Team Entry and (d) Club Winner events.

It was agreed that for the Open Participation events:

- The Perpetual Trophy be the major prize (36 hole scratch)
- All remaining 36 hole trophies to be awarded in order of priority
 - 36 holes net winner (same value as scratch)
 - 36 holes net runner-up
 - 36 holes net third place
- Daily prizes to be all net
 - 18 hole winner
 - 18 hole runner-up
 - 18 hole third place
- The Perpetual Trophy will not utilise a countback or play-off to determine a winner in the case of ties (joint winners will be awarded) and they each receive the same trophy value
- All other ties for other events in conjunction will be decided by a countback

It was agreed that for the Club Team events:

- The individual scratch prize is dropped
- There be an 18 hole net winner and runner-up at each course in addition to the teams trophies

2.7 Introduction of new Handicap System

Julie Jones was thanked for her information paper on this subject. It was noted that Graeme will report at the next meeting once a number of questions raised in the paper are able to be answered.

2.8 2014 Draft Calendar of Events and Event Roster

It was reported that a large percentage of Clubs had confirmed their willingness to hold our events in 2014. It was also noted that a roster of events for the next 6-8 was being finalised. Christy Collier offered a copy of this events roster and of the draft calendar to members of the Committee.

2.9 Women's Grade Competition - Conditions of Play – Proposed Changes

It was agreed that a decision regarding which teams are to be promoted and relegated could not be made until the strength of the teams (Fox Hills and St. Michael's) was known. It was also noted that some minor changes were being made to the wording of the Men's Pennant Conditions and it was hoped that the same changes could be made for Women's Grade.

Event Reports:

3.1 Event Reports

3.1.1 2013 Men's and Women's NSW Foursomes Championship(21 April) – Magenta Shores G&CC

It was agreed to ask for confirmation of Club Champion of Champions eligibility at Registration and to monitor entries in this component of the event as its value was questioned.

It was agreed that this event remain as an 18 hole event.

It was agreed that there be no net prizes as it is a Championship.

3.1.2 2013 Women's Autumn Meeting (29 April – 2 May) – Belconnen, Federal, Gold Creek, Gungahlin Lakes, Murrumbidgee, Queanbeyan, Capital and Yowani GCs

It was agreed to try and avoid a clash with an event at Mollymook which impacted numbers this year

3.1.3 2013 Women's NSW Senior Championship (20-24 May) – Manly GC

Sue Fabian reported that the event went well, although there were only 59 entrants.

3.1.4 2013 Summer Meeting

It was agreed that dinners at these events not be compulsory attendance.

3.1.5 2013 Men's and Women's Mid-Amateur Championship

It was agreed that the handicap limit be increased to 18

It was agreed not to offer an exemption for the winner into the NSW Women's Open

It was agreed to ake the dinner compulsory, ensuring it was good value for money

3.2 Upcoming Events

The following upcoming events were noted:

- Women's Weekend Tournament (24-25 August) – The Vintage
- Women's Country Meeting (2– 5 September) – Glenmore Heritage Valley, Penrith & Lynwood Golf Clubs
- Coronation Medal (17 September) – Ryde-Parramatta & The Lakes Golf Club
- Bronze Medallion (16 September) – Wakehurst & Cabramatta Golf Club

Action List	Responsibility
Tournament Manual	GP/JM
Guidelines for Grade / New Pennant Competition	GP
Mid Amateur handicap out to 18	GP
Women's SOOM age 50 years	GP
Update Women's Medal Competition Conditions	GP
Update conditions of Women's, Men's & Mixed Fourball	CC
List of undefeated Players emailed to Match & Web site	CC
Prize Values updated in annual prize list	CC/KW
Non-compulsory dinners on Event Forms	CC/KW
Player requests policy to be added to the web	CC
Ensure Bermagui are aware of new format for 2014 Seniors	CC
Liaise with Clubs regarding 2014 Major Pennant on Sundays	GP
Finalise format for 2014 Major Pennant on Sundays	GP / JM
Prepare details of Handicapping System for next meeting	GP
Send out entries for 2014 Women's Grade	GP

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Women's Match Committee will be held at the Golf NSW offices on Tuesday 13th August commencing at 9.00am.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 3.00pm.

Committee Members:

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Chairman: _____

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L. Robson

Apologies: J. Bracken, S. Wilson,

In Attendance: S. Fraser, G. Phillipson, C. Collier, O. Wilson

Confirmation of Minutes of

Previous Meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 28 May 2013 were approved.

Correspondence In:

There was no correspondence not dealt with elsewhere on the agenda.

Business Arising

1.1 Tournament Manual

Graeme Phillipson advised the Committee that this manual would be completed at the end of each year, with all entry forms and conditions for the following year. It was agreed to include budget information.

1.2 2013/14 NSW Amateur Proposal

It was agreed not to host the 2013 event, given that the 2014 event will be held at the end of January, 2014.

1.3 2014 NSW Senior Championship

Following much discussion, it was agreed that the format for the 2014 event be 36 holes stroke play over two days (Monday and Tuesday), with four to qualify for match play on the Wednesday, in age divisions. It was agreed that carts be provided for all players in the match play and that a morning stableford be held for those who do not qualify for the match play. It was agreed that the golf department look at strategies for promoting and increasing participation in the seniors event for 2014.

1.4 Srixon Women's Major Metropolitan Pennant

It was agreed that this event be held in 2014 and that some Club Captains be invited to discuss the details of the event. It was agreed that all metropolitan clubs be invited to enter and that clubs be placed into divisions, if required. It was agreed that, unless opposed by the Club Captains, that the format be home and away, scratch match play, teams of five players and that those who play in Grade not be eligible to play the Sunday Pennant. It was also agreed that there be no composite teams in this event or in Women's Grade.

1.5 New GA Handicapping System

It was noted that there may be some issues with setting divisions / grades in events as the number of players on certain qualifying handicaps (ie a player's GA Handicap) is unknown at this stage. It was agreed that we maintain our current grades and qualifying handicaps until it is clearer what effect the new system will have on handicaps.

1.6 5 Year Roster for Events

C. Collier tabled a five year roster for Golf NSW events for the information of the Committee.

1.7 Women's Senior Order of Merit

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Women's Senior Order of Merit include those

aged 50 years and above for this current season. It was also noted that this event should be reviewed at the end of the season and most likely discontinued unless there was improved interest.

New Business

2.1 Country Championship

Following discussion regarding the best time to award the Country Championship, it was agreed that it continue to be awarded at the NSW Stroke Play. It was also agreed that residency be used to determine eligibility.

It was agreed to advertise and promote the Country Club and a Metro Club Champion trophy more heavily.

2.2 Marjorie McWilliam Bowl

It was agreed that this event be discontinued in its current form, but that the trophy be used to award the best scratch score in the 72 hole stroke play for players in the handicap range of 6 to 14. S.Fabian undertook to contact Marjorie McWilliam to discuss this proposed change with her.

2.3 Women's Fourball Classic

It was agreed that there be a single metropolitan play-off in 2014 and that the number of qualifiers at District level be increased.

2.4 Women's Committee Day – NSW Golf Foundation

S.Fabian noted that the Women's Committee Day was to be held at Concord GC on Thursday 22 August.

Event Reports:

3.1 Event Reports

3.1.1 Men's Match

L.Browne advised that a pool of Rules Officials were to be made available to Clubs hosting Inter-Club competitions, as well as Jean Derrin and other such events, should they desire assistance.

3.1.2 Mixed Weekend Tournament

M.Box noted the event was successful and that Mudgee were looking forward to managing this event themselves, from 2014.

3.1.3 Women's Captains Meeting in the Country

It was recommended that a Country Meeting of Captains (Men and Women) be held in Feb / Mar next year, at the same time as the Western District Meeting.

3.1.4 Girls NSW Championship

It was noted that this was held in conjunction with the JNIG State Age Championship at Coffs Harbour and Sawtell GC's and that it was won by Amy Walsh (Queensland).

3.1.5 Pewter Plate

It was noted that this event was successful, and that Woollahra won and have agreed to host in 2014.

3.1.6 Mixed Foursomes Championship

It was reported that this event was successful at Shelly Beach, with 134 competitors. It was won by Olivia Wilson (NSW) and Kane Carmichael (Catalina).

Action List	Responsibility
Guidelines for Grade / New Pennant Competition, arrange meeting of women captains	GP
Update Women's Medal Competition Conditions	GP
Update conditions of Women's, Men's & Mixed Fourball for 2014	CC / GP
Ensure Bermagui are aware of new format for 2014 Seniors	CC
Send out entries for 2014 Women's Grade	GP
Advise Killara and Avondale that the 2013 NSW Amateur is not to be held.	CC
Contact Marjorie McWilliam re: change in format for her trophy	SF
Amend Country Championship Conditions	GP
Discuss Women's Captain's Meeting Concept at the next Board Meeting	JM

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Women's Match Committee will be held at the Golf NSW offices on Tuesday 29 October, 11:00am – 12:30pm.

This meeting to be followed by Christmas Lunch at Bondi Pizza (Brighton Le Sands)

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 12.30pm.

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