

MINUTES OF THE AGM NELSON BAY GOLF CLUB (NBGC) LADY MEMBERS

HELD Tuesday 14th November 2023

- Meeting Opened:** President Jeannie Punshon declared meeting open at 2:00pm
- Present:** *Attendance list attached.* In attendance were 47 Full members, 7 Flexi Day members and 1 Life Member. A total of 55.
- Apologies:** Patti Bowden, Karen Flatt, Susie Anderson, Maggie Cogans, Sharon Dunn, Di Moon, Wendy Heapy, Barbara Frost, Di Mclean, Jenny Hazer, Rosalie Derrick, Chris Wright, Wendy Latta, Robyn Hare, Margot Phegan, Rhona Birss, Glenda McCaw, Mary Conway, Lyn Robertson and Steph MacKay.
- Previous Minutes:** The minutes of the 2022 AGM Meeting held 15th November were available to view on the NBGC website, our Facebook page and the ladies notice board in the locker room.
- Margy Reimer moved that the MOM from the 2022 AGM be accepted; seconded by Elizabeth Pfennigwerth.
- Business Arising:** From the Handicappers report from 2022. Mary Reisch asked the question of having two prizes, next year, based on two divisions. This would acknowledge improvement in handicaps of lower markers. Jeannie proposed to investigate the capabilities of the *MiClub* software to see if this function is available.
- This has been actioned and there will be two prizes given at the Presentation Luncheon on the 21st November. Annette Rumble outlined the criteria used to determine the recipients in her Handicappers Report.
- President's Annual Report:** *(Attached)*
President Jeannie Punshon read her report. Jenny Frost moved that the report be accepted. Seconded by Margy Reimer.
- Captain's Annual Report:** *(Attached)*
Acting Captain Gail Murray read her report. Pat Hawkins moved that the report be accepted. Seconded by Charmaine Elliot.
- Treasurer's Report:** *(Attached)*
Treasurer Tina Jeggo read her report.
Janelle Tolhurst moved that the Treasurers report be accepted; seconded by Julie Newsham.

- Handicap Manager's Report:** *(Attached)*
Annette Rumble read her report.
Jenny Bezuidenhout moved that the Handicap Manager's report be accepted; seconded by Di Brown.
- Veteran's Delegate Report:** Emailed prior to the meeting. *(Attached)*
Veterans Delegate Pam Townsend read her report. Roz Welsh moved that the Veteran's Delegate report be accepted; seconded by Heather Atkins
- Election of Committee Office bearers 2024:** Pam Townsend Veterans Delegate read the names of those standing for another term and the new ladies who have been nominated to join the committee. The term of the 2023 committee ends on November 14th. All other business is conducted by the 2023 committee **from** 15th November 2023.

Standing as Committee 2024

President	Jeannie Punshon
Vice President	Nicky Bethwaite
Captain	Gail Murray
Vice-Captain	Louise Kerr <i>new</i>
Handicap Manager	Annette Rumble
Treasurer	Tina Jeggo
Secretary	Julie Walker <i>unopposed for 2024</i>
Committee member	Anita Hutchinson <i>new</i>
Committee member	Colleen Beattie <i>new</i>

President requests lady members formally ratify the appointment of the 2024 committee with a show of hands. Motion carried.

- Appointment of Patroness:** The current Patroness, Joan Frost accepted the position.
- Appointment of Vets Delegate:** The current Vets delegate Pam Townsend accepted another year in the position.
- Appointment of the Social Committee:** The 2024 Social Committee consists of Roz Kelly, Di Moon, Karen Flatt and Wendy Heapy. Karen Flatt has further volunteered to run the Ovarian Cancer Day in 2024 to assist Robyn Hemberg.
- Motions, Notices, Business**
1. Update of the By-Laws from October 2021 to primarily accommodate the process changes for our Treasurer integrating transactions with the NBGC accounting system Xero. These changes were unanimously accepted. Motion passed.

2. Letter from Dianne Mclean request for single tee times.

This issue that has been raised in previous AGM. There was no one present to support for this motion. Further discussion revealed many points against this:

- End of day procedures would be delayed.
- Presentation of the day would be too late.
- The last tee off time slot is 9:35am, which was not seen as being early.
- Interferes with the 9-hole Ladies competition which tails the field on Tuesdays.
- It interferes with the Men's Skins Games.
- The Pro Shop was not in favour.

Pace of Play was also discussed. Margaret Harding referred to previous years where people played in threes which worked well. Colleen Beattie pointed out that if we were to do this, the front of the field would catch up with the 9-hole competition players who play in groups of 4.

Heather Atkins bought up the numerous gaps on one side of the booking timesheet. This occurs when people book using their phones and don't scroll down to the second booking timesheet.

Motion denied.

3. Email from Julie Newsham requesting a review of the length of championships. Julie would like to see the Championships be 4 rounds over the 2 weeks (Tuesday, Thursday, Tuesday, Thursday). Many members were present to support this motion.

Motion passed by a show of hands.

4. Email from Mary Reisch regarding three questions.
- I. Stroke rounds should not be a double Par event. The explanation for this decision were for reasons:
 - In line with the Men's competition Stroke rounds.
 - Encourages greater participation.
 - Golf NSW approved.

The question was asked whether those competing in Regional and State events were there via Double Par or pure strokes. Discussion covered that this advantages higher markers.

Response.

Gail will take these issues to the next Club Match Committee.

- II. Minimum number of games at local club to qualify for entry into the championships. It is not fair to all loyal players of the club entering the Championships. Players who are also members at other clubs

should not be eligible unless they have played a minimum number of stroke games. Further discussion illustrated the need to have a different criterion for those with medical issues.

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III. Can the club use full yellow flags on special days? The yellow and white checked flag is hard to differentiate. Gail responded that there is no other flag available except for the plain yellow flags.

**1. General
Business:**

2. Mary Reisch enquired about the procedure for the changes in the course rating. Peri Kennedy, a member of the Board, said that all courses in NSW were reviewed Golf NSW as part of their evaluation process.
3. Heather Atkins expressed her disappointment at the recent decision by the Board to suspend the current open policy without notice regarding subsidising NBGC members representing our club at District, Regional and State events for out-of-pocket expenses. Jeannie replied that until the current Policy has been updated by the GM and approved by the Board, all expenses of this nature must first be approved. Each instance will be viewed individually and will need approval by either David Lulham, the Men's President or the Men's Captain. Tina Jeggo and Julie Walker will compile a list of events in 2024 that NBGC ladies may enter and provide an outline of expected expenses to the Board to help with the policy update review.
4. Carmel Walsh asked if these tougher restrictions on expenses were the result of the ladies' funds being transferred to the clubs cost centre. Tina replied that it was not and that the ladies' funds are completely separated.
5. Colleen Beattie raised the issue of the ladies holding some fundraising activities to assist with future event expense costs. Fundamentally this agreed and will be assessed by the committee.
6. Jeannie Punshon asked the members if there were any volunteers to assist Ann Turner with the Bay Buddies program in 2024. Ros Manley expressed an interest.

Meeting Closed: 3:35pm

Next Meeting: 12th November 2024 AGM

Signed  President

Secretary 