



## CORNWALL LADIES COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION

### **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting** **Held at Perranporth Golf Club. on** **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019 at 11.30 am**

#### **County President, Mrs Helen Davey presiding:**

The County President opened the meeting and asked those present to stand and observe a minute's silence for those members that had sadly passed away in 2019. Monica Grigg, Elaine Milton, Tehidy Park, Sue Jones, Mary Killingly, Catherine Beagley, St Enodoc, Jenny Ackford, Margaret Turner, St Mellion, Sue Dickinson and Trish Garland, Killiow

The President welcomed 86 ladies to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

**Present Officers:** Helen Davey, Lady President, Vicki Stevenson County Captain, Wendy Briggs County Vice - Captain, Jenny Potter Hon Secretary, Jacque Lang County Competition Secretary, Mo Hammond Hon. Treasurer.

**Club Representatives:** , Judith Smith, Kathy Cheeseman (Bude & North Cornwall) Glen Bateson, Angela Lawrence (Budock Vean), S. Goddard, Jill Jones, Jacqueline Wheeler, Patricia Crowl, Emily Toy( Carlyon Bay )Ros Thomas, Di Hillage, Frieda Pring, Sarah Blight (Cape Cornwall) Angela Hunt, Kath Cuthbert, Julie Cleaton (China Fleet) Theresa Brierley, Lynne Dickinson, Jo Munday, Rose Bailey , Mel Shaw (Falmouth) Cara Rowe, Jean Murray(Killiow) Carl Hutcheson, Jan Harrison, Bridget Christophers, Irene Bessell, Liz Hicks, Elizabeth Swords, Avril Starling, Teona Chegwyn, C Slee, Beth Ratcliffe( Launceston ) Alison Worne, Mandy Treleaven, Teresa Bradley, Erica Vierk, Brenda Williamson ( Lanhydrock ) Pat Butler, D. Harmer (Looe) Janette Coates, Jill Simmons, Sally Markham, Melanie Pepper, Gill Bayliss,( Mullion) Annie Lobb, Jan Barker, ( Newquay) Debbie Douglas, Sarah Shobbrook, Vera Eade, Sue Carveth, Nikki Hodge, Jackie Mallett ( Perranporth) Maggie Day ( The Point) Brenda Morton, Sam Harris(Porthpean) Angela Anderson, Jean Meigh, Anne Fitzhenry, Jenny Hamilton, Barbara Gray( Tehidy) K Bennett, Cath Andrew, (Truro) G Vivian, Margaret Oliver, Patricia Davis, ( Trevoise) Jean Anne Evers, Sue Pascoe, M Hancock ( St Austell ) Caroline Hume Kendall, Sue Roworth, Chris Dymond, Kath Biddle (St Enodoc) Kath Milne, Louisa Mc Cartney, Wendy Phillips (St Mellion) Edwina Thomas, Marina Haegeli, Mandy Dennison (West Cornwall) Joyce Pinhey, Pat Westaway (Whitsand Bay)

1. **Apologies:** Donna Craig, Sue Short ( Falmouth) Marilyn Horobin (Praa Sands) Jenny Dunbar (Looe) Sarah Ockwell, Barbara Murton, Cath Hopkins, Suzanne Courtney ( Launceston), Caroline Salmon (Trevoise) Dawn Emerson, Annette Underhill ( Tehidy) Sue Pascoe (St Austell) Anneli Sweet (West Cornwall) Pat Crowson(Killiow) Susan Harvey(Praa Sands) Janet Hawken (Porthpean) Anna Harris( The Point) Margaret Holmes( Carlyon Bay)

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 2nd December 2018:** The Minutes, having been previously circulated, were signed as a true and accurate record. Proposed Jill Simmons, Seconded Sue Pascoe

2. **Matters arising:** There were no matters arising.

### 3. Officers Reports: County Captain

Once again it has been a busy year on all fronts. Winter training had mixed success due to the weather but we had some useful sessions, including a match against Cornwall U18 boys, with foursomes practice at the forefront.

County Champs took place at Perranporth in April. We were blessed with a perfect April day for qualifying but as the match play got under way, the weather deteriorated to a point where it was verging on unplayable at the weekend and even standing up was challenging! However the quality of golf demonstrated by all the players was phenomenal. We were treated to a superb final between Megan Giles of St Mellion and Danielle Price of Perranporth, with Megan finally prevailing on the 40th hole to win the title!

SWICMW took place at the beginning of July at Woodbury Park GC near Exeter. It was a great week of high quality golf and came to an exciting conclusion on the last day when Gloucestershire and Somerset played each other to decide who would be the SW champions, Devon and Cornwall played each other in a fiercely contested local derby to decide who would finish third and Wiltshire and Dorset were both trying to avoid finishing at the bottom of the table. I'm pleased to say that we had a very close match with Devon but managed to come out of it victorious and thus finished third in the table. Wiltshire beat Dorset to relegate Dorset to the foot of the table. The match between Somerset and Gloucestershire finished in a draw and therefore a tie overall. However Gloucestershire took the final victory on individual matches won throughout the week. Gloucestershire have won the SW crown for a number of years now and they ultimately went on to win the national title for the third time in four years! It was good to see a very young Somerset team testing the strong Gloucestershire squad and it will be interesting to see how it will play out next year when the format changes slightly to 5 shorter matches in two and a half days instead of the five day format. The new shorter format is aiming to be more manageable for working ladies as well as being less expensive for Counties.

I also had the pleasure of going to the Junior Inter Counties which will be reported in detail by Mel. It was great to spend time with the girls and to see how much potential there is coming through and to see them having such a good time enjoying their golf.

The English Senior Women's Open Stroke Play Championship took place at St Enodoc in June. Four players from Cornwall competed and two of them Caroline Hume-Kendall and Cath Hopkins made the cut, with Jan Harrison and Meg Godfrey just missing out.

The Jubilee held at Perranporth in October raised just under £550 for my chosen charity, the Cornwall Air Ambulance New Heli Appeal. Thanks to all who played and thanks to all clubs who donated prizes for the raffle which alone raised £236. Those who played enjoyed a respite from the windy weather of the rest of that week and everyone enjoyed the format of a California Scramble. Next year the Jubilee will be at Truro and it would be lovely to see a huge entry so we can raise even more money for the Air Ambulance. The date to put in your diaries is 21st September. Back in March Perranporth retained the Tamar Cup which is played between the winners of our Gammon Trophy and the winners of the Still Cup which is Devon's equivalent competition. Well done to Perranporth. The 2019 Gammon Trophy was again won by Perranporth when they defeated West Cornwall at Trevoise in early September. Congratulations to both teams for reaching the final and to Perranporth for their victory.

Colette Burgess and Hana Dabrowski from Bude had a superb victory at St Andrews, winning the Coronation Foursomes title. From a starting field of almost 22,000 ladies nationwide that was a fantastic achievement!

Our junior county captain, Kira Barnes from St. Enodoc has been selected for training with the England Golf SW under 18 training squad.

It has been good to see some of the first team players competing in National Competitions. Emily Toy, Jan

Harrison, Megan Giles, Danielle Price, Cath Hopkins, Caroline Hume Kendall and Kira Barnes have all played on the National stage this year which is great to see

Special mention must go to Emily Toy. Emily has represented England numerous times this year. She has had some wonderful opportunities and experiences and produced some superb results. England Golf selected her for a tour of Australia in January, where she won the New South Wales Amateur. This was followed up with further strong performances in the Italian International Ladies Championship, the European Nations Cup, The Vagliano Trophy, the Home Internationals and The Astor Trophy in Canada.

The highlight of the year was Emily being crowned The Women's Amateur Champion. This is a massive title to win. The last British player to win it was Georgia Hall and other former winners include Major Champions Catriona Matthew and Anna Nordqvist, so Emily is in great company. As champion she gained entry to the Women's British Open, the Evian Championship and next year's US Women's Open Championship as well as the Augusta National Women's Amateur Championship.

Emily has broken into the top 100 on the World Amateur Golf Rankings, currently ranked at 80 and has been named in the provisional Curtis Cup Squad for the match against the USA next summer. Wow! Well done Emily and good luck for next year!

Finally I would like to thank all of the committee with whom it has been a pleasure to work once again. Jenny and Jacque are so efficient with all their organisation and they always have everything well under control. Mo has taken over the reins as treasurer and is doing a superb job. Jill has been a very supportive Vice President and I wish her all the best in her role as President next year. Mel, with assistance from Donna, has carried on the great work with the juniors. It is clear to see that they all enjoy her leadership. Thanks to Wendy for her support at Match Week and for organising the second team. Thanks to Nikki Hodge for taking on the role of Press Secretary and keeping us up to date using Facebook. Thanks to Jenny's son James for running the website for us.

Last but not least I would like to congratulate Helen on being a wonderful President. She attends virtually all events and always has wise words of advice and support for everyone. It has been a pleasure working with you Helen.

**Hon. Treasurer** Mo Hammond

Income

Income from Raffles has increased and I would thank all members for supporting them. Income from the Competition Account reduced by approximately £800 from the previous year reflecting in the fewer entries in the various competitions.

Membership Subscriptions, Affiliation fees up to the end of the financial year amounted to £17,994 this is less than 2018, the CGU collect Subs etc on our behalf and to date 3 Clubs are in arrears, these Clubs are being chased.

Income from County Cards has dropped again because so many clubs are offering good deals and with effect from 2020 all affiliated members of CGU & CLCGA are entitled to a free County Card. This will mean a loss in income of approx. £500 with this in mind I would ask that we look to increase our Affiliation fee from £9.50 to £10. We are too late for this year's AGM but would ask that we consider it at our AGM in 2020.

## **Expenditure**

Team & Match week expenses are roughly the same this all depends on the venues for matches etc and the costs involved. (Match week last year held in Cornwall {deposit paid this year reflected in 2018 figures} this years' Match week Woodbury GC)

Junior expenses are up this year, the Juniors had a very good Inter County Week this year, but it was at Dudsbury GC which is an expensive venue. This figure also includes £2000 towards the development of the junior section in Cornwall Golf.

Clothing expenses - Vicky (our County Captain) has managed to find and purchase some more Jackets and slip overs at a very reduced price which we have added to our stock and are available for our County players to purchase.

**Surplus** At the end of the day you will see that we have a surplus of £3,229.

This is my first report as Treasurer, it has taken me awhile to get to grips the ways of the CLCGA, I am still learning but have very much enjoyed my first year, my main problem is balancing the outstanding Vouchers issued at County events be it that the winners are holding on to them or that the Pro shops have not been presenting them for payment, I would like to remind you all that there is a time limit on them, so please redeem them asap.

I would like to thank the County Committee for their great support and wish Helen our President a happy retirement.

**Hon Secretary.** Jenny Potter. It is good to see so many attending the AGM. It has been a busy year and next year looks even more so with the new World Handicap System starting in November. We will be overhauling the Conditions of Play to take in the new handicap allowances. We will also be trying to sort out any other anomalies in them. These changes will come to next years AGM to be ratified, but I will keep the Delegates informed as to what is happening/

The website has more content but I can only put on what is sent to me, so let me know. I will be putting all the Open Days/ Coffee mornings on there after today. It has been very nice to attend most of the county events this year and good to meet up with old friends. I would like to thank Jacquir for her hard work organising them all for you. I organised the Australian Spoons Regional final held at Launceston in August. It was won by Launceston pair Sarah Ross and Pam Wevill who went on to come 2nd in the Grand final.

Next year Cornwall is hosting the South West Foursomes which will be on the 9th October. Please enter to help make it a success.

The proposed merger with the CGU is still ongoing but the pace of progress is slow but I will keep you informed.

This is my last year as Secretary and I would like to ask you all to have a serious think about if you would like to take on the job.

I hope Helen enjoys her retirement and I am looking forward to seeing more of Jill in the coming year.

### **Competition Secretary:**

A summary of all the 2019 results has been circulated with the agenda papers and are also posted on an A board at the back of the room. Again, some competition entry numbers have been slightly disappointing this year especially the Championships with only 53 players, seven fewer than last year. Flyers and entry forms for the County competitions have already been circulated together with the County diary, this is also available on the CLCGA website. Entries for the Vice Presidents Trophy should be in before 31st May 2020.

The Mixed was won by Trevose pair Caroline Salmon and Carl Burley

The Championships was won by Megan Giles at Perranporth in extremely windy weather against Danielle Price on the 40th hole.

The Baron Rose Bowl played at the Point was won by Bude pair Collette Burgess and Mandy Congdon with Perranporth winning the team trophy.

The Vice Presidents Cup was won by Cara Rowe beating Kath Biddle.

The Spring and Autumn meetings were reasonably well attended.

My thanks go to Helen Davey for her help on the desk and starting all the competitions. Also my thanks go to Jenny Potter who has constantly supported me in my role at every County meeting, also thanks to Mo Hammond for organising the raffles and congratulations to Vicki Stevensin for a very successful first year as County Captain. Finally the Committee would like to thank all Clubs who have extended courtesy of their course for our competitions and also congratulate all the prize winners.

**Handicap Advisor: Di Hillage** . Di gave a brief rundown of the World Handicap System which will come into effect next November. She will in conjunction with the CGU handicap officer holding workshops next year and hopes all Clubs will be able to attend

**CLCGA Welfare Officer: Bridget Christophers** Bridget introduced herself and explained the importance of Safeguarding for both Juniors and Vulnerable adults. The County now has in place Safeguarding policies (which can be seen on the CLCGA website) and are looking to get a Safegolf Accreditation for the CLCGA as soon as possible. In the coming year all clubs will need to also fulfill the requirements to achieve the England Gold Safegolf accreditation in order to be affiliated to England Golf.

**Junior Organiser's report:** Apologies for not being at today's AGM but I'm in Taunton for the South West Juniors Organisers meeting. I have really enjoyed looking after the girls this year and it has been lovely to see them all bond so well as a team and to see their handicaps all come down. In August the girls travelled to Dudsbury Golf Club for the SW Intercounties. This was the first time the girls had played together as a team and they all did fantastic. Our 1st match on Sunday was against a very strong Dorset team, and unfortunately Dorset came out on top winning 4-1. In the evening the girls got all dressed up for the President's Gala meal.

Our 2nd match against Devon was an early start at 7.45, the girls didn't seem bothered by this and won 3.5-1.5. On a high from winning in the morning the girls were all ready to go again after lunch against Gloucestershire. At the turn The girls were A/S in 2 matches and down in the other 3. Even then they were still smiling and not giving up. They finished that match by winning 3-2.

I was not sure who was more nervous going into the final day, the girls or myself!! It was a dull damp start but the girls were all buzzing. The girls were really not messing about in this match against Wiltshire, Kira won 2&1, Maisie won 5&3, Lizzy won 6&5 and Sophia Hallett won 6 &4. Final game time, and I didn't want to watch.....we had to play Somerset. A great fight by the girls but unfortunately they lost 3 - 2. We came 3rd overall behind Somerset and overall winners Devon. Well done girls and good luck next year.

On Sunday 17th November the girls played a 2ball better ball comp against a Cornwall Barbarian Boys U18's team. They all had a good time and came back smiling. Unfortunately on the day one of the girls couldn't make it so unlucky for Kira I stepped in and played but on the plus side Kira and I won our match!! This game wasn't scheduled in the calendar but as we needed to present the Order of Merit a few of us parents thought it would be nice for the girls to all meet up again and arranged a last minute game.

The Order of Merit was calculated on the girls best 6 scores as a few of the opens didn't go ahead because of the weather and also some of the girls had other club commitments.

The gross winner this year was Maisie Drewett from Falmouth and the handicap winner was Lizzy Nile from Carlyon Bay.

Congratulations to Kira for being selected to train with the England Girls Junior SW Team and wish her all best. I am pleased to announce that Kira has agreed to carry on as Junior Captain for 2020. The County training letters for 2020 have been sent out to all parents so hopefully all the girl's from this year will return with hopefully some new faces including Charlotte Jenkins from West Cornwall and 2 girls from St Mellion.

Grant Slater is going to be coaching the girls again which will be at Carlyon Bay which will hopefully help girls for the 2020 South West Intercounties which is being held there 8-11 August.

**Veterans Captain:** The Vets have had another busy year.

The Spring meeting, held at Lanhydrock with over 90 players. The Autumn meeting held at Mullion had to be abandoned due to bad weather, but everyone enjoyed a lovely meal and the AGM. The first match against Somerset was very close with all games going to the 17th or 18th. Somerset came out winners 4-3. The second match against Dorset saw Cornwall score an emphatic 6-1 win. the third match against Devon was again a tight match with Cornwall winning 4-3.

The match against the Cornwall Captains Society despite a late start due to bad weather was a win for the Vets to win back the trophy. The CVLCGA Championships final in June at Truro saw Kathy Wells win the Silver Championship and Julie Finch win the Bronze Championship.

At the SW Vets AGM the Inter Counties Shield was awarded to Cornwall. Thanks to everyone who has played in matches and meetings.

#### 4. Election of Officers:

**County President: Jill Simmons Proposed by Helen Davey, Seconded by Jenny Potter**

Passed by show of hands unanimously.

Jill Simmons CLCGA President gave a brief speech to thank everyone for the honour of becoming President of the association. She is looking forward to the next two years. Her cooking skills don't compare with Helens but she will do her best. Jill hoped that everyone will have a successful 2020 and she is looking forward to meeting everyone

#### 5. Presentation of Trophies:

**Vice-President's Cup** – won by Cara Rowe Killiow Golf Club

**Gammon Trophy** – won by **Perranporth G.C.**

**League Shield:**

**Division 1 Shield** – won by **Perranporth G.C.**

**Division 2 Shield** – won by **Newquay G.C.**

**Division 3 Shield** – won by **Carlyon Bay G.C.**

**Division 4 Shield** – won by **Looe G.C.**

**League Play Off Trophy** – won by **Newquay G.C.**

#### 6. Draw for the Gammon Trophy

The draw for the Gammon Trophy Competition to be held in 2020 in which

**Killiow G.C. will play Newquay G.C..**

**Treose G.C will play West Cornwall G.C.**

**The Point G.C. will play Mullion G.C.**

**Perranporth G.C. will play Carlyon Bay G.C**

**Truro G. C. will play Launceston G.C..**  
**Falmouth G.C. will play Looe G.C.**  
**St Enodoc G.C. will play Tehidy Park G.C.**  
**St Mellion G.C. will play Bude and North Cornwall G.C.**

7. A proposal was put to the meeting which was Proposed by Jenny Potter and Seconded by Jacquie Lang .  
"It is proposed that the Cornwall Ladies County Golf Association should adopt and implement the Safeguarding policies for both Juniors and Adults as set out on the CLCGA website"  
A vote was held and the proposal was passed unanimously.

8. **Any Other Business:** None

**Date of Next Meeting: 7th December 2020** at Perranporth Golf Club

Signed as a true and accurate record.....

Vicki Stevenson CLCGA County Captain

Date: 2nd December 2019