

LANCASHIRE LADIES' COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION

COUNCIL MEETING

WELLINGTON PARK

25TH OCTOBER, 2010

<u>PRESENT:</u>	COUNTY PRESIDENT	Mrs Patsy Wolstenholme
	COUNTY CAPTAIN	Mrs Janette Smart
	COUNTY VICE-CAPTAIN	Mrs Joy Bury
	HON. TREASURER	Mrs Brenda Flett
	HON SECRETARY	Miss Elaine Clark
	ASSISTANT SECRETARY	Mrs Jennifer Fallows

EXECUTIVE Mesdames: C. Connell, E. Hepworth, L. Marr, J. McMunn, J. Ryder, J. Snowden, D. Vaux.

SHIELDS AND OTHER OFFICIALS Mrs C. Ashton, Mrs R. Cooper, Mrs L. Robinson and Miss B. Whiting + 13 Past Captains, Honorary Life Members, Past Presidents, Vice Presidents, and 109 delegates representing 65 clubs.

APOLOGIES: Mrs J. Birtwistle, Mrs H. Booth, Mrs M. Greenhalgh, Mrs A. Howard, Mrs A. King, Mrs D. Johnson, Mrs M. McCartney, Mrs M. Milne, Mrs B. Simpson, Mrs C. Stokes & Mrs M. Valentine, Mrs S. Warrington

Clubs: Ashton & Lea, Beacon Park, Blackpool Park, Brookdale, Grange over Sands, Huyton & Prescot, Lee Park, Mossock Hall, Rishton, Southport Ladies, Tunshill, & Walmersley.

The Captain opened the meeting by welcoming all the delegates to the meeting.

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meeting, have been sent to all member clubs prior to the meeting.
The minutes were approved and signed.

MATTERS ARISING: There were no matters arising.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer gave her report on the finances of the Association.

EXECUTIVE REPORT: The Secretary read the Executive report.

SHIELDS

REPORT:

The Secretary read the Shields report. The Secretary told the meeting that the Scratch Shield draw would now be read out at the meeting, and asked all clubs present to exchange match secretaries' details after the meeting. The draw is as follows:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
<u>A</u>			
Formby Ladies	Bolton Old Links	Crompton & Royton	Ashton & Lea
Rochdale	Royal Birkdale	Penwortham	Silverdale
Royal Lytham & St Annes	Ormskirk	Bolton	Haydock Park
Blackpool North Shore	Rosendale	Manchester	West Lancashire
		Fairhaven	Clitheroe
<u>B</u>			
Childwall			
Pleasington			
Hillside			
Preston			

The winners of Group 1A will play the winners of 1B on a date to be advised.

The Secretary then read out the draw for the Handicap & Bronze Shield finals which is:

**South East v North West
East v South West**

E.W.G.A. In the absence of Mrs C. Stokes, Mrs J. Fallows read the E.W.G.A.
REPORT: (Northern Region) Report.

Copies of all these reports are attached to the minutes.

RECOMMENDATIONS. NONE

AOB.

- i. Delegate from Formby Ladies' raised the issue of the ban on the use of Distance Measuring Devices in County competitions; she wanted to gauge the views of other clubs. Captain responded that we follow the EWGA recommendation which is under review. Clubs were invited to write if they have strong views on the matter.
- ii. Delegate from Accrington referred to a request from the EWGA Handicaps Committee for feedback from clubs about the number of cards required to retain an active CONGU handicap. 80% of Lancashire clubs want the number to remain at three.

- iii. Delegate from Blackburn questioned the number of players on the Handicap Shield team. Do other clubs feel that it should be reduced to five, the same number as Scratch and Bronze, rather than seven? The Executive is always looking for feedback from clubs and another questionnaire is a possibility.
Delegate from Manchester said that as a single figure player is eligible for the Handicap team, as are Bronze players, there isn't necessarily always pressure on the same players. Clubs always have the option of entering more than one team in a Shield competition, dependent on the make up of their membership.
- iv. Delegate from Royal Birkdale asked about the Bronze Shield Finals being played over 2 days, which resulted in extra travelling. This seemed to be more of an issue for clubs in the South West Division, which already had a larger number of teams in the group stages.

The Vice-Captain gave a vote of thanks to the Captain for chairing the meeting so well, and the Captain then closed the meeting by thanking everyone for coming and wished them a safe journey home.