



	<b>Minutes for the General Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May at Enmore Park Golf Club</b>	<b>Actions</b>
	<p><b>Present</b>            Ellie Harper President, Cathy Olive County Captain, Alysia Rees Vice Captain, Sandra Ford Competitions Secretary, Jane Pitcher Assistant Competitions Secretary, Beryl Richards Acting Junior Organiser , Carole Paterson Eng Golf SW rep Regional Committee, Janet Fear Handicap Advisor, Sue Hockley Hon Treasurer, Margaret Allen Hon Secretary.            Past Presidents: Eileen Binding, Margaret Gliddon            Lin Hobbs Tall Pines, Carol Lake Saltford, Lesley Matthews Bath, June Smith Wedmore, Connie Stolworthy Long Sutton, Sheila Grant Oake Manor, Jane Harries Burnham &amp; Berrow, Ros Chidgey Minehead &amp; West Somerset, Yvette Gregg Stockwood Vale, Rose Hallett Wells, Ruth Dowell Cricket St Thomas, , Gill Prophet Mendip Spring, Jill Paul and Patsy Morgan Taunton &amp; Pickeridge, Lesley Organ Saltford, Carol Robinson Enmore Park, Lesley Matthews Bath, Jan Finan Wheathill and Martin Higgs County Support Officer</p>	
1.	<p><b>Apologies</b>            Amanda Mayne Vice President and Kate Musgrave-Brown SS Assessor            Past Presidents: Sally Irlam            Anne Kirk Orchardleigh, Jo Espley The Mendip, Jacqueline Harris Worlebury, Mel Rossi Weston super Mare, Jean Sage Farrington Park, Patricia Brown Oake Manor and Joan Kendall Woodspring</p>	
2	<p><b>Minutes of the General Committee Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January at Burnham &amp; Berrow Golf Club</b>            Approved and signed as correct  <b>Proposed by Connie Stolworthy    Seconded by Lesley Organ</b></p>	
3.	<p><b>Matters Arising</b>  <b>none</b></p>	
4.	<p><b>Finance Report</b>  <b>a.</b> As at 17.5.17, balance in current a/c £11,598.79 and in deposit a/c £25,000.  <b>b.</b> EG have introduced a system whereby 8 months into a club's renewal year, the club will be asked to account for any new members and pay the full annual EG/LGU fee.  <b>c.</b> An increase to the per capita fee is to be considered by the Executive Committee at their next meeting in July. This is to support the Junior coaching programme which has had their funding reduced by EG. The SGU per capita is £11 pa and the SLCGA is currently £6pa</p>	

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**(i) County Captain**

- a. Coaching programme is going well
- b. Match vs Millfield School was cancelled because of bad weather
- c. Match vs Wedmore Men's 1<sup>st</sup> team played on 2.4.17 as Foursomes match play with a win for Wedmore 3 1/2 to 1 1/2
- d. Three members of the squad have stepped back: Megan Dennett due to work commitments, Charlotte Humphries is pregnant and Victoria Watts is working in America. Two girls from Saltford have joined the squad: Carys and Kimberly Parker
- e. The team for SWICMW was announced at the end of the County Championship which was held at Burnham & Berrow GC from 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> May. Full details on SLCGA website
- f. SWICMW is at Wrag Barn in Wiltshire from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> July. Support from Somerset Ladies wearing green would be appreciated
- g. County Coaches Karen Nichols and Stuart Wells have resigned wef August 2017 due to their increasing work commitment. Thanks were given to them for all their hard work over the last four years

**(ii) County Vice Captain**

- a. Next friendly match is against Yeovil. SLCGA will be represented by 8 girls playing Foursomes
- b. Training and friendly matches have been organised to fit in with Junior coaching dates as the diary is very busy

**(iii) Acting County Junior Organiser**

- a. 45 Junior girls are currently attending Junior Coaching: 16 in Performance, 16 in Development and 13 in Futures squads.
- b. Junior Girls Spring meeting held at Wheathill GC on 13.4.17. Chivers Cup was won by Abby Gray of Farrington Park, Libbie Dezis won on par 3 course and the chipping and putting competition was won by Laura-Ann Marshman of Wedmore. The day was not well attended so it was hoped a venue could be found to host this event on a Sunday outside of the school holidays
- c. County Girls Junior Championship was held at Enmore Park in conjunction with the Boys event on 23.4.17. 16 girls took part and the Junior Girls Champion is Patience Rhodes of Burnham & Berrow, under 15 cup was won by Davina Xanh of Mendip Spring and the best nett was Carys Parker of Saltford. Full details are on SLCGA website. Patience Rhodes will go through to Champion of Champions event run by EG. Thanks were given to Richard Dix of SGU for all his help
- d. 7 girls entered the County Championships at Burnham & Berrow GC on 5<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> May with all qualifying for the knock out stages of the competition. On Qualifying day, Harriet Lockley of Wedmore won 2<sup>nd</sup> Gross and Gliddon Vase and Abby Gray won 3<sup>rd</sup> Gross for handicaps 10-20. Arabella White reached quarter finals, Harriet Lockley reached semi finals and Abby Gray won Phillips Trophy. Full details are on SLCGA website.
- e. SW Girls Inter Counties event is to be held at Exeter Golf & Country Club from 23.7.17 to 25.7.17. Team will be announced by 11.6.17 and support would be appreciated
- f. Mimi Rhodes of Burnham & Berrow GC won U16 Trophy at Scottish Championships and has been selected for U16 team to play for GB and Ireland in Junior Vagliano Trophy, Harriet Lockley played in Wales vs Ireland U14 match and Arabella White has been training with U18 England squad.
- g. Assessment day at Farrington Park to be held on 17.9.17, 2018 SW Girls Inter County event is to be held at Brickhampton Golf Complex Gloucestershire from 12.8.18 to 14.8.18
- h. Delegates to ask at their clubs and advise Acting CJO of any girls who are receiving coaching but are not known to the County.

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**(iv) England Golf SW Reg Com Rep**

- a. Graham Yates has stepped down as Chairman of EG after 10 years voluntary service on 12.4.17
- b. At EG AGM, focus was on getting women into golf
- c. CDOs are now known as County Support Officers employed directly by EG
- d. SW events are being supported but as yet there have been no entries for Australia Spoons from Somerset
- e. Review of all competitions organised by EG has now started
- f. SW rep for Gloucestershire has had to stand down for personal reasons. Management of website is being temporarily looked after by Linda Carruthers and Eileen Binding has offered her support
- g. Applications are being received from Ladies who hold joint membership of clubs but are not eligible to enter SW events unless they are affiliated to one of the six counties in SW region
- h. Tricia Folland from Burnham & Berrow has qualified for the national final of Bridgestone's "Chase your Dream" Trophy run in partnership with EG

**(v) Handicap Advisor**

- a. Handicap meeting in February was well attended. 9 hole competitions and the new Non-Qualifying Competitions report were discussed. A flow chart has been provided by EG when Continuous Handicap reviews are conducted and this has been circulated to Handicap Secretaries
- b. A complete review of the rules of golf will be conducted in readiness for 2019
- c. A world wide handicap system is being planned for

**(vi) Competitions Secretary**

- a. Fowler Brooches: congratulations to the winners for a second year to Kay Beaumont and Gill Barry, who is in her 70<sup>th</sup> year of playing golf
- b. SLCGA County Championship was held at Burnham & Berrow with 27 entries. Congratulations to Hannah Grant of Enmore on becoming the County Champion for the second year in succession. The raffle run by the Ladies Section raised £100 for the Junior Girls
- c. County Bowmaker at Farrington Park is to be held on 5<sup>th</sup> June and there are still spaces for any late entrants.
- d. Start sheets will be published two weeks in advance and, where is still room for entries, the closing date will be one week before
- f. Entry forms and details for the next Delegates meeting at The Mendip are now on the website and contain details of the Fun Golf competition.
- g. Thanks were given to all the clubs who had hosted County competitions this year and in particular to Burnham & Berrow who were excellent hosts and whose ladies made everyone very welcome

**(vii) Standard Scratch Advisor report read by Margaret Allen**

- a. SLCGA and SGU have rated the Red and Yellow tees for Ladies and the Green, White, Yellow and Blue tees for the Men for Burnham & Berrow. These results have been forwarded to EG and the club will be advised of any changes
- b. Courses to be rated by end of 2018: Wells, Stockwod Vale, Cannington, Fosseyway, Farrington Park, Vivary Park, Worlebury and the Channel course at Burnham & Berrow. Any dates are subject to weather conditions. SGU will contact each club and arrange for two possible dates. If any of these clubs would like the Ladies Yellow tees assessed, please advise your Manager so they can liaise with SGU. This will mean that 50% OF Somerset clubs will been have been assessed by the end of 2018

	<p><b>(viii) SGDG</b></p> <p>a. Most recent meeting was cancelled</p> <p>b. EG have removed £900 funding from over 14s and have not increased U14 funding. This means that Somerset 's funding for coaching has been reduced by about £1000 for 2017/8. There is some funding in place to cover this deficit for the time being but long term, it is expected that funding will be further reduced. Parents will be asked increase their donation</p> <p>c. Selection at Farrington Park is to be held on 17<sup>th</sup> September. This day is for the girls to meet other girls who play golf and to try to encourage any raw talent. Posters will be circulated to Delegates, clubs and Club Pros</p> <p><b>(ix) Hon Secretary</b></p> <p>a. 2017 has been a busy year with lots of communications from EG</p> <p>b. Next Delegates meeting is at The Mendip on 11<sup>th</sup> September for the Fun Golf. It is the opportunity for the Executive Committee to thank their Delegates for their hard work over the year. It will be reviewed after the meeting in terms of its effectiveness.</p> <p>c. Delegates Contact booklet: thanks were given for the updates from Delegates which enable this booklet to be as up to date as possible.</p>	<b>MA</b>
6.	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>a. Correspondence from EG included an update of organisational changes and new contact details for EG, the restructuring of the County Development Officer network and funding from Sport England, a copy of the letter to club mangers announcing the sample of affiliation fee audits to be conducted with clubs mainly selected at random, details of the Women's County Finals to be held at Felixstowe Ferry Golf Club in September and copies of "Growing the game of Golf in England", " England Golf's updated Strategy for 2017-21" and the "Annual Review for 2016" Copies of these booklets have been sent to all affiliated clubs</p> <p>b. A copy of the EG Press release regarding the award granted to Jennifer Hobbs of Bath</p> <p>c. Resignation note from Jean Sage of Farrington Park as the County Delegate</p> <p>d. Letter from BDLGA to the Executive Committee.</p>	
7.	<p><b>SLCGA Vacancies</b></p> <p>a. Current vacancies are for Hon Secretary for which an application has been received and for the position of Assistant County Competitions Secretary for which applications are still required . Delegates to ask at their own clubs to see if anyone would be interested. The Job Description is available on the website</p>	<b>DEL</b>
8.	<p><b>County Coach Appointment</b></p> <p>a. Terry Williams of Farrington Park has been appointed as the County Coach wef 1.9.17.</p>	
9.	<p><b>News from the Clubs</b></p> <p>a. Clubs reported on their news and competitions for the forthcoming season</p> <p>b. Taunton &amp; Pickering and Weston-super-Mare each have their 125<sup>th</sup> anniversaries this year and will be celebrating with a series of competitions.</p>	
10.	<p><b>AOB</b></p> <p>a. Martin Higgs (MH) reported on his new role as a County Support Officer which will be cross county. It is a full-time post and he is employed directly by EG.</p> <p>b. MH will be running a workshop for clubs on 4.7.17 at Burnham &amp; Berrow GC. Posters to be</p>	

	forwarded to MA for distribution to the Delegates c. Somerset has been accepted as one of the four counties on the Junior Priority Counties pilot programme. No more details are available at this time	<b>MH</b>
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**The meeting closed at 12.25**

**The next General Meeting will be at The Mendip Golf Club on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 11am**