



	Minutes for the General Meeting held on 21st May 2018 at Isle of Wedmore Golf Club	Actions
	<p>President's Opening Statement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Junior Section is growing and has recently increased to a group of young girls moving from Gloucestershire to Somerset along with a Junior Organisor, Dave Owen, who has been helping at Junior Coaching sessions. Ellen Reakes has had her handicap cut from 27 to 17 b. County Championship: Hannah Woodley remains as County Champion and Jess Haines is the youngest winner of the Phillips Trophy. Thanks were given to Weston super Mare Golf Club for hosting this event. The team for SWICMW was announced and details are on the website c. In the EG "Chase Your Dream " medal at Dainton Park, Aimee Sawyer qualified for the final which is to be held at Frilford Heath in August d. Hannah Woodley and Harriet Lockley will go on to represent Somerset at the Champion of Champions event at Frilford Heath in September 	
	<p>Present</p> <p>Amanda Mayne President, Alysia Rees Vice Captain, Sue Hockley Hon Treasurer, Janet Fear Handicap Advisor, Margaret Allen Hon Secretary.</p> <p>Lesley Matthews Bath , Jane Harries and Fiona Hodge Burnham & Berrow, Fran Davies The Mendip, Alison Lee Clevedon, Andrea Jordan Stockwood Vale, Eileen Arundell Long Sutton, Melanie Brewin Whetahill, Zena Balcombe Weston super Mare, Joyce Forrester Tall Pines, Gill Prophet Mendip Spring, Lesley Organ and Carol Lake Saltford and Cath Levell Wells.</p>	
<p>1.</p>	<p>Apologies</p> <p>Cathy Olive County Captain, County Competitions Secretary Jane Pitcher, Acting Assistant Competitions Secretary Erica Klim, Carole Paterson Eng Golf SW rep Regional Committee, Susie Gibbins SS Assesso</p> <p>Past Presidents: Margaret Gliddon, Sally Irlam, Eileen Binding, Ellie Harper</p> <p>Angela Webber and Janet Robson Wedmore, Connie Stolworthy Long Sutton, Val Russell and Eileen Pearce Vivary Park, Rose Hallett Wells, Patricia Brown Oake Manor, Stephanie Moorfoot Bath, Carol Robinson Enmore Park, Joan Kendall Woodspring, Jacqueline Harris Worlebury, Ruth Dowell Cricket St Thomas, Linda Hobbs Tall Pines, Mel Rossi Weston super Mare, Linda Johnson Wheathill, Patricia Pitt Orchardleigh, Ros Chidgey Minehead and Martin Higgs EG.</p>	
<p>2</p>	<p>Minutes of the General Committee Meeting held on Burnham & Berrow Golf Club on 8th January 2018</p> <p>Approved and signed as correct</p> <p>Proposed by Jane Harries Seconded by Alison Lee</p>	

3.	Matters Arising none	
4.	Finance Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. As 18.5.18, there is £9,866 in c/a and £25,000 on deposit. b. Fowler Brooches made a profit of £318.80 against a profit of £158.48 last year, mainly because of increased entries c. County Championship made a loss of £532.40 against a loss last year of £756.83 partly because there was no President's Reception and reduced subsistence costs d. WSM ladies donated £50 to Junior Girls from a raffle. e. Annual insurance premium of £306.26 has been paid which has been partly offset by contributions of £80 from Past Captains and Senior Ladies sections 	
5.	(i) County Captain and County Vice Captain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Coaching sessions have been run with Terry Williams County Coach, Ethen Desmond a putting specialist and Lawrence Farmer a coach to many professional players b. Several Junior Girls have been moved into the Senior Training Squad c. 2nd Team League match vs Devon took place on 29th April which Devon won 6 to 3. The next match vs Cornwall is on 27th May at Weston super Mare GC d. County Champion ships at Weston super Mare: winner Hannah Woodley with Jessica Haines winning the Phillips Trophy e. SWICMW is at St Enedoc from 2nd July until 6th July and details of the squad members are on the website. Practice round will be on June 17th f. Thanks were given to Terry Williams and to both the Junior and Executive Committees g. Support at all these events for the Somerset team would be greatly appreciated by the squad and please wear something green (ii) County Junior Organiser read by Margaret Allen on behalf of Eileen Binding of the Junior Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Junior Championship was held at Wedmore GC on 20.5.18 The 36 hole competition for those with a handicap of 20 or less and the 18 hole for those with a higher handicap. b. 18 hole competition: Gross winner was Jo Champion with a score of 92 and the nett winner with a nett 65 was Alex Champion. Ellie Harper presented a new trophy, the Harper Rose Bowl, to the gross winner. c. 36 hole competition: Gross Champion was Harriet Lockley with a score of 153, U15 Gross Champion was Davina Xanh. Best nett was won by Frankie Dezis with 143 nett and best stableford score was Leah Bowden with 77 points . Prizes were presented by Amanda Mayne County President d. First 18 holes of each event ws used as the Daily Telegraph qualifier and Somerset will be represented by Harriet Lockley (gross) and Jo Champion (nett) e. Junior Pilot Project: report given by Margaret Allen. Junior Conference held at Burnham & Berrow GC on 30.1.18 at 6pm had 63 representatives from 23 clubs. Three core areas were identified as needing input: image/attitudes, volunteers and communication. Workshops were run for each of these areas and the Junior Pilot Committee are now in the process of drawing up an Junior Development Plan 	

(iii) EG SW Regional Com Rep read by Margaret Allen

- a. Insurance for all the events Somerset manage is covered by the Association
- b. Voting members and other officers met with Rod Findlay of EG to discuss a possible merger between SLCGA and SGU. No more progress has been made. Wiltshire and Devon counties have already merged
- c. Next SW event in Somerset is SW Foursomes to be held at Weston super Mare GC in October.
- d. AT EG meeting on 19.4.18 a late proposal to increase affiliation fees to £9.50 + VAT for proprietary clubs was made. This was rejected but will be raised again by EG at the July meeting to try to reverse this decision

(iv) Handicap Advisor

- a. World Handicapping system will come in April 2020 and workshops have been held around the country to pass on the new information. Handicaps will be based on the average of a player's last 20 cards and 0.1 handicap change will no longer be applied. In conjunction with this, all courses will be given a slope rating
- b. Pre-registered scores, formerly Supplementary cards, will play a larger part in handicaps but initially only Stableford and Medal competitions will be used
- c. At some point during the year, a new handicap will be shown alongside a playing handicap. As the new system will be worldwide, players will be able to enter scores from clubs other than their own home club but this does have software implications.
- d. 9 hole qualifiers: SGU in conjunction with SLCGA are running a 9 hole Champion of Champions event in October for Men, Ladies, Senior Men and Senior Ladies. R&A have been running a 9 hole for two years which this year is to be run at Carnoustie.
- e. New rules for January 2019:
 - 1. Less time to look for a ball 3 minutes
 - 2. Drop ball from knee height
 - 3. No need to have flag attended when putting
 - 4. 40 seconds allowed to play the ballDraft version of new Rule Book is online and books will be available in Autumn. Referees are to be retrained later in the year

(v) Acting Assistant Competition Secretary read by Margaret Allen

- a. Fowler Brooches was well supported with 43 pairs. Winners were Shane Bordier and Sara Cox Conklin (Burnham & Berrow) with 40 points. Bath Shield was won by Burnham & Berrow with 71 points
- b. SLCGA Championships were held at Weston super Mare GC in May with 25 players taking part on Day 1. 16 qualified for the next round of the Championship and 8 qualified for the Phillips Trophy. The overall winner, County Champion, was Hannah Woodley and Jessica Haines won the Phillips Trophy. Winner of the Gliddon Vase was Jade Cope and the Holt Shield was won by Mendip Spring. Thanks were given to Weston super Mare GC for hosting the event
- c. County Bowmaker is full with 28 entries
- d. 50+ Championship in July has 16 entries so far and the winner will qualify to play in the Champion of Champions event at Frilford Heath in September as well the County and Junior Champions
- e. Bronze and Silver events will run in August for qualifiers of the Barlow and Dickinson Cup as well as entrants from these divisions

	<p>(vi) SS Assessor read by Margaret Allen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Two new members of rating team are Margaret Allen and Gill Brown, making a total of 6 . Both have undergone training. Unfortunately Gill Prophet has had to suspend her work on the rating team as she is recovering from knee replacement surgery b. Due to bad weather, only Burnham & Berrow Channel course has been rated but 2 have been scheduled for May and there is a full programme for the rest of the year <p>(vii) Hon Secretary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Eileen Binding and Margaret Allen have been working on the Junior Pilot Committee as representatives of the Executive committee b. An email will be sent out to all Delegates and Club Managers as a result of the changes in legislation for GDPR advising them that their data is safe and will not be used or passed onto any third party 	
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6.	<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. EG have written to all clubs advising them that winter rules may be extended until the end of May due to the adverse weather conditions b. A letter has been received from Zena Balcombe of Weston super Mare GC donating £50 for the County Juniors 	
7.	<p>SLCGA Vacancies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. There will be 4 vacancies on Exec Committee and these will be advertised on the website CJO, Hon Treasurer, EG SW Reg Com Rep, Assistant Competitions Secretary. Details of these can be obtained from any Exec Comm member 	8.
8.	<p>News from the Clubs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Jane Harries of Burnham & Berrow reported changes to the course b. Fran Davies of The Mendip reported changes to be made to holes 17 and 18 over the next few years c. Carol Lake had county merchandise for sale 	
9.	<p>Nomination for Vacancy on the Executive Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Margaret Allen resigned as Hon Sec wef 21.5.18 and Lesley Matthews of Bath GC was elected onto the Executive Committee in her place b. Thanks were given to Margaret Allen for her work over the last 41/2 years by Amanda Mayne and Lesley Organ on behalf of the Delegates 	
9.	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. None 	

Signed

Date

The meeting closed at 11.45am. The next General Meeting will be held at Burnham & Berrow GC on Monday 10th September