

**RIVERINA WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION
DISTRICT MEETING**

Held **10am on SUNDAY 5 March 2023**

At Lockhart Ex-Servicemen's Club

MINUTES

Welcome: The meeting commenced at 10am. Vice President Janelle Doust welcomed Life Member Gail O'Halloran and all delegates to the meeting. She also thanked those who had sent positive messages to the RWGA Committee in recent weeks.

ATTENDANCE:

Judy Kroek (Secretary) WWCC; Janelle Doust (Vice President) Wagga City; Ann Webber (Vice President) Ganmain; Chris Cunial (Vice President) Griffith; Sameera Bashir (Vice President) Narrandera; Marg Hogan (Match) Wagga City;. Sandy Newton (Match) Henty; Gail O'Halloran Life Member Howlong; Marg Naseby, Coleambally; Marilyn Broughan Henty; Glenda Hoskin Howlong; Christine Harrison Leeton; Julie Colman Thurgoona; Sandra Mellen Wagga City; Kim Bentley WWCC;

APOLOGIES:

Karen Grant (Treasurer) Narrandera; Carolyn Martin Life Member Coleambally; Jan Bye Commercial Albury. Karen Hilton Coolamon. Margaret Playford Corowa; Heather Lowe Culcairn; Chris Spokes Holbrook; Julie Sleigh, Heather Cameron Jerilderie; Virginia Ebert, Mihi Smith Jindera; Carol McGrath, The Rock; Teresa Waters, Walwa;

Moved: Janelle Doust, Seconded: Marg Naseby that Apologies be accepted.

CONFIRM MINUTES of PREVIOUS MEETING held on 22/01/2023

The minutes were confirmed Moved by Janelle Doust and seconded by Sameera Bashir

BUSINESS ARISING:

- Nil

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence Inward November 22 – February 2023

- Various emails re Golf NSW Medal
- Various information emails from Golf NSW
- Cancellation of Zoom Plan confirmation
- Clubs information and Pennant entries – various emails
- ADM Nominations – various (J Kroek, K Grant, J Doust, S Bashir, C Cunial, A Webber)
- Norton protection reports
- December – Website error fixes from Rich Larcombe
- High Res Logos request from Cade Webb
- Clubs tournament details - various
- President, Captain and Financial Reports for January meetings
- Email from Graeme Phillipson Golf NSW re ADM issues
- January – further nomination for ADM (M Hogan)
- Feedback from Howlong Ladies Committee re ADM
- Feedback from Holbrook Ladies Committee re ADM
- Various emails re Pennant 2023 from Deniliquin and Jerilderie
- Invoice from Lockhart RSL for meeting charges 2022

- Thank you card from Margaret Naseby

Correspondence Outward November 2022 – February 2023

- January 7 – Email from President Trish Gray re ADM
- High Res Logos to Cade Webb
- Email to Graeme Phillipson Golf NSW re ADM issues
- February – email to all Clubs re new RWGA Executive for 2023
- Replies to Deniliquin and Jerilderie re Pennant 2023
- Various emails re Foursomes at Commercial Albury
- Forward Invoice from Lockhart RSL for meeting charges 2022 to RWGA Treasurer

It was moved by Sandra Mellen and seconded by Julie Colman that the Correspondence be accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Janelle presented Karen Grant's report in her absence.

Balance of Working Account \$12,218.27; Term Deposit x 2 balances \$10,000.

It was moved by Chris Cunial and seconded by Glenda Hoskin that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

REPORTS:

Executive and Match Committee:

- Foursomes update
 - Sameera reported that 17 pairs had nominated so far for the Foursomes in Albury. She is hoping for 40 pairs, 80 players. Cost is \$60 per pair.
- Pennant Update
 - Marg Hogan reported that the Procedures and Rules have been updated for 2023. Marg handed out copies of these.
 - Fifteen teams have entered, play will be in three Zones:
 - Zone 1: Coleambally, Coolamon/Ganmain, Narrandera, Leeton and Griffith
 - Zone 2: Commercial Albury, Holbrook, Thurgoona, Wagga City 1, Howlong 1
 - Zone 3: Jindera, Henty, Howlong 2, Wagga City 2, Wagga Country Club
 - Play from May 1st each Monday. Home team will have the Bye.
 - Lunches information from Procedures
 - Draws will be posted on RWGA website with Finals information
 - Rules changes as per Rules sheet
 - For wet weather the Greenkeeper/Club Official makes decision to close the course. Give early notice if possible.
 - Players to arrive on time. Continued late arrivals should be reported to the Match Committee.
- Fixtures Cycle
 - Confirm 2023 events: Foursomes at Commercial Albury – Thursday 13 April 2023. Sandgreens at Holbrook on Wednesday, 31 May 2023. Open Championships – Leeton - 18-20 September
 - NSW Medal District Playoff at Howlong. Note to inform players for District Playoffs that they need to be available for the State Playoffs in Sydney.
 - RWGA vs SWLGA at Wagga City. Questions re catering – dinners will be off site, hopefully catering for lunch will be possible.
 - 2024 venues are: Open Championships at Narrandera, Foursomes at Wagga City, Sandgreens at Ganmain, NSW Medal District Playoff at Thurgoona, RWGA vs SWLGA at SW.
- Affiliation
 - Janelle explained affiliation as below:
 - There seems to be some confusion about affiliation.
 - Full Club affiliation is when a club pays \$3 for each for each female member or \$1.50 for each female Junior to affiliate with RWGA.

- With full club affiliation your club can play Pennant and the Rudd Allen as these are club events and individuals can play all other RWGA championships - The Open Championships, Foursomes and Sand Greens.
 - Dual affiliation is when individual females from a club pay \$3 each or \$1.50 for each female Junior to affiliate with RWGA. Dual affiliation allows those individual players to play in these RWGA Championships –The Open Championships, Foursomes and Sand Greens.
 - Rule 1 of the Pennant Rules states that: Clubs affiliated with Golf NSW, the RWGA and located within the RWGA District may enter one or more teams in the Association inter-club competition.
 - Discussion followed with some Delegates feeling that players should not be able to play Closed Events if not a member of an affiliated Club. Ie. Should not be allowed to pay \$3 and play Closed Events
 - MOTION:
 - Players who are not members of an RWGA Club are not eligible to win RWGA Closed Events.
 - Moved: Gail O’Halloran Seconded: Chris Harrison
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Meeting Venues
 - It was suggested that District Meetings be moved around to different venues such as Culcairn or Henty and Narrandera to allow more attendance with less travel for some.
 - Discussion followed and it was accepted that we leave the District Meetings at Lockhart as it is central and leave meetings on a Sunday.
- Mixed 4BBB Championships are to be held at Yenda Golf Club on August 13. Ann Webber had an email from Col Tuckett, RDMA. Looking for support for this event.
- Gail O’Halloran suggested that as RWGA has money in the bank, that we give some to smaller clubs to help with their tournament.
 - Julie Colman suggested that we ask for input from Clubs about this.
 - There needs to be a ladies tournament to be eligible
 - Ask for expressions of interest
 - No need to meet a criteria
 - Amount of \$300 was suggested
 - RWGA has a Grant Program. Encourage ladies to apply. Share information about these Grants.
 - Golf NSW will provide \$90 pp for coaching. Contact Cade Webb about this if interested.
 - MOTION:
 - Call for Expressions of Interest from Clubs for up to \$300 to assist with running your Ladies Tournament. The RWGA Match Committee will assess all applications.
 - Moved: Julie Colman Seconded: Ann Webber
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Marg Hogan presented the Runners Up Pennant Flag for 2022 to Christine Harrison from Leeton Golf Club.

Next Meeting

The next Delegates Meeting will be on May 21 at Lockhart RSL.

The Meeting closed at 11.15am