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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

12th October 2020 at Gungahlin Lakes Golf Club at 2.30 pm

Opening of Meeting and Welcome

In the absence of the President the meeting was chaired by the Junior Promotions Officer, Sue Harrison.

The Chairperson welcomed all delegates and other CSGA Club members to the meeting.

Notice of Meeting

The Secretary read the Notice of Meeting

Attendance:

Committee:

Treasurer – Margo Bain

Secretary – Di Stafford

Pennant Coordinator – Barbara Wallace

Tournament Directors – Barbara Clayton and Sally Boundy

Junior Promotions Officer – Sue Harrison

Trophy Officer – Di Lovell

District Players Award Officer – Jennifer Power

Web Manager – Dawn Manning

Life Member: Coralie Amos

Apologies

President – Vicki Miers

Life Member: Helen Mayman

Attendance – Club Delegates

Belconnen – Margaret Hardy

Bowral – Jane Clifford

Braidwood – Michelle Henry

Federal – Julie Chater

Gungahlin Lakes – Fiona Wicks

Moss Vale – Diana Pine

Queanbeyan – Pam Sassella

Royal Canberra – Sue O'Connor

RMC – Gayle Jenkins **Yowani** – Carmel Lynch

Apologies – Clubs

Bigga

Capital

Crookwell

Fairbairn

Gibraltar

Goulburn

Moss Vale

Murrumbidgee

Mt Broughton **Tully Park**

Other Attendees present are detailed in the attached signed Attendance List.

Acceptance of the 2019 AGM Minutes

The Minutes from the Annual General Meeting in 2019, which had previously been distributed to Members for perusal, were tabled at the meeting. There were no outstanding items or business arising from this meeting and accordingly the Minutes were accepted on the motion of Pam Barker (Immediate Past President (Bowral) , seconded by Michelle Henry (Braidwood).

Reporting:

For efficiency, all of the below Reports were forwarded to delegates for perusal prior to the meeting. This facilitates delegates to comprehend the reports in advance and, if necessary, raise any queries at the meeting.

President Report:

In the absence of the President her written report which had been circulated prior to the meeting was accepted on the motion of Pam Sassella, seconded Fiona Wicks. The Report noted in particular that 2020 has been a year where we had to be flexible and very proactive in considering the welfare of our members when planning our District and Club events. We have been unable to hold many events with the cancellation of our Pennants Competition being a great disappointment to many golfers. The Clubs in our District and all over NSW have faced financial hardship firstly from the devastating fires of last summer and then the Covid19 pandemic. We were truly fortunate that many Clubs were able to hold social and Club Competitions in a reduced format over the past months which was particularly important to the mental and physical well-being of our fellow golfers.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's written report, together with the financial statement has been previously circulated to all clubs. The report noted that Affiliation fees account for the majority of operating income for the CSGA with a total of \$13,691.65 in affiliation fees from 19 clubs in our district (excluding Capital Golf Club and Kangaroo Valley). This income has fallen 7.5% since last financial year. During the F/Y \$3,900.00 in sponsorship was paid out to juniors for their representative duties at state and Australian tournaments. The CSGA has proudly assisted girls junior golf by providing awards and subsidising the cost of clinics through the junior golf program in conjunction with Golf NSW. The CSGA has also provided sponsorship to women to attend and represent the district at National Seniors events and Golf NSW playoff events. As with each year the Association makes donations to charities with \$658 being donated to Diabetes Australia and at the Gala Day hosted this year by Fairbairn a donation of \$1,691.00 was made to the nominated charity- Pegasus. The bank accounts, as at 30 June 2020 stand at Business Transaction Account - \$6,341.16 and Business Online Saver Account - \$32,251.25

Acceptance of the written report was moved by Margo Bain, seconded by Carmel Lynch and agreed.

Junior Promotions Officer's Report

The Chairperson spoke to her Junior Promotion Report and noted that the Covid 19 pandemic had heavily impacted the golfing year and that many tournament and opportunities had been foregone. These included both junior weeks of golf, School Sports ACT, the Australian Girls Amateur and Interstate series and JNIG Juniors on the Move. Junior Pennants were disrupted and but each of the eight teams of six players included girls. Some notable achievements by

junior girls include inclusion in the Jack Newton Junior Golf Talent Development Programme of Silka Solomon (RCGC and Yowani) and Michelle Di Natale (Bowral)

Acceptance of the written Report was moved by Sue Harrison, seconded by Margaret Hardy and agreed.

Pennant Coordinator's Report

The written report of the Pennant Coordinator was circulated prior to the meeting. Major items in the report included note that the 2020 pennant season commenced on Sunday, 1st March with a Brindabella Shield round at Gungahlin Lakes. Unfortunately, only a few rounds were able to be completed before the CSGA was forced to cancel the remainder of the season because of the risks associated with the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Proposed changes to handicap ranges for the various pennant competitions have been circulated to clubs and while not all clubs have yet signified their approval of the new ranges there is already support from a number of clubs.

Acceptance of the report was moved by Barbara Wallace, seconded by Michelle Henry and agreed.

Tournament Directors' Report

The written report of the joint Tournament Directors was circulated prior to the meeting. Major issues covered in the report included the Foursomes Championship with the Bridges Cup being won by Carly Warn and Tiana Westbury from Gold Creek. As the Annual Championship could not be held as a 2 day event given NSW Covid-19 health recommendations concerning travel it was decided to host a modified one day event. Yowani hosted the event for which daily prizes were awarded but no annual championship trophies. Events which are able to proceed (subject to there being no further changes in Covid-19 rules) are the Golf NSW District Medal Playoffs 12 October), The Canberra Shield (5 November) and Gala Day (16 November).

Acceptance of the report was moved by Margo Bain, seconded Jane Clifford and carried.

District Players Award

An unofficial report was the presented by the District Players Award Officer noting that the Award Competition for 2020 was cancelled due to the restrictions placed on district golf by the Covid-19 situation. Registrations for the 2020 Competition were good with many players registering online and at the CSGA Opening Day at Yowani on in February. The Points System for the Competition was revised this year in order not to disadvantage players who were required to do a lot of travelling to meet Pennants and Open Day commitments. The new system only required a minimum of 5 Games in designated CSGA events or Open Days, to qualify. The Results of the 2019 CSGA District Players Award was Gayle Jenkins from Royal Military College Golf Club with Overall Points of 55.6. The Runner-up was Edie Meir from Murrumbidgee Country Club with Overall Points of 54.2 and third place went to Liz Smyth from Queanbeyan Golf an Overall Points score of 54.

District Brooch 2020

Winners of the three divisions on the CSGA District Brooch were presented with their awards by the Trophy Officer. The winners were:

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| Division 1 | Linda Dorsett, Queanbeyan Golf Club - Score 5 under the PCC |
| Division 2 | Elaine Lay, Federal Golf Club - - Score 5 under the PCC |
| Division 3 | Noela McMurray, Bowral Golf Club - score 7 under the PCC |

General Business

1. **Canberra Shield:** Following a question from Margaret Hardy, Delegate from Belconnen, concerning the advertised \$25 entry cost for each player in the Canberra Shield given that the Golf Club was only charging a green fee of \$16 per player, there was discussion of the general costing for this event. A motion was moved by Pam Barker, seconded Margaret Hardy that:
“the fee for the Canberra Shield be set in line with the green fee of the hosting club plus an allowance for minimal expenses”.
Further discussion of the issue resulted in **agreement** that the CSGA Committee at its next meeting would review the advertised cost for 2020 and consider the proposed motion as well as the possibility of developing a formula which governed the determination of costings for all CSGA events.
2. **Caddies at GNSW Medal finals.** Following a question from Pam Sassella, Delegate from Queanbeyan, about the presence of a caddy at the CSGA medal playoff the meeting was advised that the GNSW rules made no reference to whether or not caddies may be used and the fact that there were no caddies at the state final related to the local rules and the use of carts by all players at that event.
3. **Most Improved Junior** – Sue Harrison outlined the history of the award for Most Improved Junior noting that it started with the Anita Devlin Award for the person who lowered her handicap by the most points between 1 January and 31 August. It was subsequently recognised that that formula made it very difficult for a low handicapper to ever win. Accordingly a second award was introduced for the player who lowered her handicap by the greatest percentage. The 2020 winners were both present and received their awards.
 - a. The Anita Devlin award went to Emily Mollard of Royal Canberra Golf Club whose handicap dropped from 41.8 in January 2020 to 18.4 on 31 August. (Subsequently it has further lowered to 14.3).
 - b. The award for the greatest percentage decrease went to Taylah Ellems, whose handicap dropped from 1.7 in January to +0.7 in August. a drop of well over 100%.
4. **GNSW Medal District Playoffs**
The winners of the CSGA District Playoffs who will represent CSGA at the 2020 State finals were announced as
 - i. Division 1 – Narelle Woods, Murrumbidgee Country Club
 - ii. Division 2 – Sue Collins, Gungahlin Lakes Golf Club
 - iii. Division 3 - Ann Paterson – Moss Vale Golf Club

Election of Office Bearers and Committee for 2020-2021

All Committee members relinquished their positions. The Chair was taken by Life Member, Coralie Amos, who conducted the elections. All those nominated were declared elected as follows:

President Vicki Miers (nominated Barbara Jeffrey, seconded Lindy Ingam)

Treasurer Margo Bain (nominated Carmel Lynch, seconded Jan Gosman)

Committee Members

Barbara Clayton (nominated Christine Hill, seconded Carole Turpie)
Sally Boundy (nominated Sue O'Connor, seconded Margaret Atkin)
Barbara Wallace (nominated Jennifer Power, seconded Patricia Thomas)
Dawn Manning (nominated Sue O'Connor, seconded Margaret Bain-Smith)
Susan Harrison (nominated Heather McCullough, seconded John McCullough)
Dianne Lovell (nominated by Julie Chater, seconded Cathy Meredith)
Anthea Solomon (nominated Margo Bain, seconded Susan Harrison)
Janet Jenista (nominated Fiona Wicks, seconded Dianne Carlos)
Carmel Lynch (nominated Jan Gosman, seconded Kerrie Basman)

There were no nominations for the positions of Vice President or Secretary.

The positions of Joint Tournament Directors are to be filled by Barbara Clayton and Sally Boundy. The Pennant Coordinator is to be Barbara Wallace, The Junior Promotions Officer is to be Anthea Solomon, and Trophy Officer is to be Dianne Lovell. The filling of other positions and allocation of other duties is to be decided at the first Committee meeting.

Next AGM

The 2021 AGM will be held in September 2021 on a date to be determined.

Closure of Meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 3.43 p.m.

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Secretary

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Chairperson

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