

**Minutes of Council Meeting
Held at Links Hope Island Golf Club
Friday 21 October 2016 at 9.30am**

Meeting opened at 9.31am

1.0 Attendance Clare Kirby *President and Match Coordinator*
Christine Brierley *Secretary*

Councillors: Betty Veivers (Arundel), Myra Biggar (Club Banora), Kris Rossiter (Burleigh), Pam McAllan (Canungra), Jane Patch (Coolangatta Tweed Heads), Di Gidney (Emerald Lakes), Kathy Thurgood (Helensvale), Lynne Girvan (Lakelands), Jeanette Lanigan (Links Hope Island), Barbara Thompson (Murwillumbah), Aroha Wezner (Royal Pines), Madonna Siokos (Sanctuary Cove), Pam Harse (Southport), Julie Echin (Surfers Paradise), Kay Hamilton (Tamborine Mountain)

Sub Committees: Anne Morpeth (Match)

Club attendees: Virginia Oxenford (Surfers Paradise) and Jennifer Dallinger (CTH & WGGC Accountant)

Apologies: Tamara Dunn (*Vice-President & Vets Coordinator*), Pam Ford (*Vice-President & Junior Coordinator*), Jan Penney (Boomerang Farm), Jennifer Drewitt (Helensvale) Jenny Morgan (Tallebudgera), Jan Edgar (Juniors) & Karen Holt (Match), Denise Engwirda (Palmer)

2.0 Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of 19 August 2016 as previously distributed. Moved Kris Rossiter (BGC) and seconded Jane Patch (CTH) that minutes be accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.

Motion passed.

3.0 Business Arising

Business arising is covered in the agenda.

4.0 Correspondence

4.1 The secretary noted that WGGC had received a letter from the Office of Fair Trading in regards to the submission of 2015 Audited accounts and that the appointed Treasurer could not be the same person as the President.

4.2 Received correspondence from Oculus (Jennifer Dallinger) a reminder regarding tax debit payment to ATO.

4.3 WGGC has formally responded to correspondence re a proposal from the Gold Coast Academy of Sport for a Junior Girls Golf Program. WGGC after extensive discussion at our recent workshop and via email has declined the offer of a development program as it is currently formulated. The Junior Coordinator and Assistant coordinator are of the view that a program that focused on life-skills development would be of more immediate benefit to the girls than golf skills program when most of the junior girls already have a personal coach and access to other skill based activities. It is also an additional expense for parents if their daughter was part of the program.

5.0 Junior Coordinator's Report

Clare Kirby in introducing the Junior Coordinator's report said she was delighted to inform the meeting that Golf Qld had selected Isabelle Taylor to play in the Aaron Baddeley International Junior Championship in San Diego in December.

5.1 Pam Ford's report had been distributed and the following highlights were noted. Gold Coast girls played in the Katherine Kirk Classic at Maroochy River in September. Hills International Academy player Ashley Lau shot an impressive 9 under 207 for 54 holes winning by 9 shots from Alice Kweon from Sanctuary Cove.

5.2 Shylah Singh from Southport won the Hills Fayde Points Challenge.

5.3 Isabelle Taylor (SC) and Hannah Reeves (Hills) were selected by Golf Qld to attend the Srixon International at Cypress Lakes run by the Jack Newton Junior Golf Foundation. Very trying conditions with extreme high winds and Isabelle Taylor was the first girl home in 15th. Isabelle continued in fine form at the South Pacific at Surfers but was eventually overtaken by the No. 1 Australian Amateur, Celina Yuan, who won by one shot on Day 3 from Karis Davidson and Isabelle.

5.4 Pam noted concern in her report of the clash of events and the resultant poor turn out of girls to play the Burleigh GC District Junior Classic with only 3 girls attending. Jan Edgar is seeking to have the event date changed as it clashes with Junior Jug and The Queensland Junior Amateur at Bagara.

5.5 The District is also working towards a Junior Girls pennant in conjunction with the Business Women's Pennant.

Moved Di Gidney (EL) and seconded Julie Echin (SP) to accept report. *Motion passed.*

6.0 Veterans Report

The registrations for the Christmas event at Sanctuary Cove open On Monday 24 October. 'First in first served' basis and it was stressed that the payment for the event had to appear in the account for the same day. Allowances would be made for registrations in the post with cheque as payment (postmarked 24 October) but it is preferable to deposit in the Bank account the same day.

Moved Lynne Girvan (LKL) and seconded Myra Biggar (BAN) that report be accepted.
Motion passed

7.0 Match Report

As previously distributed to Councillors Clare Kirby highlighted the following:

7.1 Meg Nunn – Clare thanked Anne Morpeth for her work with the Meg Nunn team. The team prepared well but the experience of the opposition teams and the course itself made our task too difficult. The teams that performed well were used to this type of course at Kingaroy even though some of our team did travel to Kingaroy prior to Meg Nunn to acquaint themselves with the course. The winning team Central Coast and Highlands had their first win in 20 years. Next year Brisbane and Districts will be hosting Meg Nunn at McLeod. Clare said that the District is always seeking to improve the selection process and preparation for this event.

7.2 Business Women's Pennants and Junior Matchplay. Clare acknowledged the contribution of Carolyn Holmes who is again coordinating the Business Women's Pennants for 2017. Although Royal Pines is not fielding a team in 2017 there are three new teams with Burleigh, Boomerang Farm and Murwillumbah joining the competition.

7.3 Clare congratulated the winning teams and noted that the debrief and presentation of pennant flags will follow the Council meeting.

7.4 Sir Bruce Small will be played next Monday 24 October at Coolangatta Tweed Heads with fourteen teams playing the event and Clare thanked CTH for being so accommodating after the original date in June was rained out.

7.5 District Championships and Champion of Champions. Clare asked that Clubs actively recruit players to enter the Championships. She reminded Councillors that the two events had been combined in an effort to increase the numbers playing in the District Championships. There was a query re the payment for District Championship fees for the second round and Clare confirmed those who were playing in the Champion of Champions and also competing in Round 2 of the District Championship would still be required to pay the Round 2 entry fee as they are two separate events but one person could win both events. However within the event you can only win one award for e.g. if you won both the gross and net you would be awarded the best gross score, which is the Division trophy for this event. Clare also confirmed that in the Champion of Champions players will play in the division they won at their club even if their handicap has altered since this time.

7.6 Player disciplined. The meeting agreed that it was not necessary to record the name of the player who had their club membership terminated due to an incident that had been identified on CCTV prior the commencement of the WGGC Pennants competition at Emerald Lakes. Since this time the player has joined another club and Clare advised that WGGC would also proceed with its own disciplinary measure with this player not being eligible for district events as the player had contravened Section 2.1 (e) of the Code of Conduct, which applies to amateur golfers and caddies, when representing their club in a WGGC event. Clare said she would be consulting further with Golf Qld and our own legal advice before sending formal communication to the player concerned.

Pam McAllan (CAN) and Madonna Siokos (SC) seconded the motion that the report be accepted. *Motion passed*

8.0 Financial report

Jenny Dallinger joined the meeting

8.1 Appointment of Treasurer. Clare Kirby moved that Jenny Dallinger from Coolangatta Tweed Heads Club and Certified Practising Accountant and registered Tax Agent and a

Managing partner with Oculus Solutions to be appointed Treasurer. Seconded by Christine Brierley.

Clare called for a show of hands to support this motion, which was *unanimously passed*.

8.2 Financial Statements. Jenny Dallinger addressed the meeting and distributed the Balance sheet and Profit and Loss statement. The Balance Sheet, which shows the cash position of little under \$58,000 in our accounts at the Bank and includes our recent GST refund. Jenny noted our Inventory figure is not quite correct, as we are about to do a year's end stocktake of badges and towels. With the P & L Jenny said she had rearranged the statement to show more clearly what income has been received against the expenses recorded. She noted that WGGC had \$6800 of inventory purchases in 2016. While they are an expense they also become an asset of the Association.

The accounts do require further tweaking as the meeting will note that in regards to payments of affiliation fees for Golf Australia and Golf Qld there is more money going out of the accounts than being received which is due to timing when some fees were received in the previous financial year. The accounts are currently set up on a cash basis and Jenny had proposed to alter this to an accrual accounting system.

Moved Lynne Girvan (LKL) and seconded Barb Thompson (MUR) that the financial report be accepted. *Motion passed*

9.0 General Business

9.1 Web site. Clare Kirby reported that the new website has taken much more time than ever imagined but important to have it set up properly ready to go live in early January. We will be asking users to register on the site and once that is done your details of golf link number, email address and mobile number will automatically populate for users when registering for an event. Importantly also if the event details change we can send you an email advising you of these changes. To see WGGC events on the site you must be a registered user. Any club or other golfing events such as South Pacific Open will be posted on the site with the direct link for registration to the club web page for registration.

Clare will be demonstrating the site at the Captains meeting which is following this Council meeting.

9.2 Notice of motions and *Notice of Annual General Meeting on 6 March 2017* and Nomination form for Office Bearers. This documentation will be distributed on 3 November.

9.3 Club Membership return form for female participation. This will be distributed to the designated persons in the club administration also on 3 November for return 30 November.

9.4 Affiliation fees for 2017. Golf Australia Fee is \$18.00 (incl GST); Golf Qld fee is \$31.25 (incl GST), which Councillors have been previously advised of is a one off increase due to significant development costs; and WGGC fee will remain the same at \$10.45 (incl GST). Affiliation fees are due 3 February 2017.

9.5 District Brooch and Trophy. The secretary reported that she had the WGGC towels, which are the replacement for the District Brooch (badge) for distribution to Councillors. She also clarified her records with the meeting to identify entries that could

have been overlooked. Similarly the Secretary checked the requests for the District Trophy, which is the WGGC ball marker/hat clip. In regards to the overall winners of the District Brooch Arundel won all divisions.

9.6 Draft Calendar. It has been distributed this morning and not all course allocations are included at this stage. To be further updated and distributed.

9.7 Number of players in each division within the Club. Di Gidney (EL) raised the difficulty in balancing the numbers in each division and still making it fair for the players participating in each division. There was discussion that the divisions will require changes from time to time depending on where the majority of handicaps are within the club. Clare said that is why you have gross and net winners in each division to accommodate the disparity that can sometimes occur in setting the handicap range for each division.

Meeting closed at 10.33 am

The next Council meeting is Friday 27 January 2017 at Southport Golf Club.

Signed as a true record



Clare Kirby President