



Brisbane & District Ladies Golf Association Delegate Meeting Minutes

Date/Time:	Friday, 6 December 2024 from 9:30am to 10:45am
Venue:	Redland Bay Golf Club
Delegates/Proxies:	Renai Ridley (President); Gillian Di Corleto (Treasurer); Jacque Giles (Juniors Chair); Cathy Hindmarsh (Secretary); Ros Englund (Management Committee); Lisa Laney (Management Committee); Jan Stapleton (Management Committee) Margaret Marshall (Ashgrove); Julie Brown (Brisbane); Rhonda Clarke (Brookwater); Val Piggott (Bulimba); Sandra Brown (Carbrook); Margaret Dury (Gailes); Cathy Forth (Indooroopilly); Gillian Haussmann (Keperra); Judy Logan (Laidley); Leigh Christensen (Nudgee); Sharyn Squire (Oxley); Marg Ross (Pacific); Margaret Bennett (Redland Bay); Narelle Fraser (Virginia)
Guests/Visitors:	Robyn Byrnes (RQ & Golf Qld Board member); Cathy Connellan (Golf Qld Board member); Lila Carson (Pacific); Clare Pole (Ashgrove); Jenny Gorton (Redland Bay); Michelle Stanley (Redland Bay); Judy Noble (Redland Bay)
Apologies:	Ros Pickels (Management Committee) Nicky Stanfield (Boonah); Gabriel Holmes (Bulimba); Marie Voorma (Laidley); Deborah Marsland (McLeod); Deb Shand (Oxley); Claire Jackson (Redcliffe); Lynne Matthews (Redcliffe); Shirley Morgan (Rosewood); Pat Thomas (Sandgate); Judie Marschke (Toogoolawah); Margaret Male (Virginia); Julie Van-Heythuysen (Wantima)

Minutes

	Items	Action by Whom/When
1	Delegates / Proxies / Management Committee / Visitors Welcome/Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renai Ridley welcomed attendees and noted apologies as above. 	For noting.
2	Guest Speakers 2.1 'Every Girl Can' play golf in Qld program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cathy Hindmarsh delivered a brief presentation supplied by Virginia Irwin (GA Qld) in her absence. 	Action: Presentation including Virginia Irwin's contact details to be included within minutes. Closed.



	Items	Action by Whom/When
	<p>2.2 Delegate presentations on Club highs/lows ± future plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Margaret Marshall (Ashgrove) talked about a major weather event 2 years ago significantly impacting the course, noting course re-building progressing well; successful Open Day held mid-2024; ongoing support by women's committee orientating new women to the course (subsequently increasing female membership); arranging enjoyable women's golf trips as well as regular women's only comps each Tuesday; MyScore introduced as pace of play management strategy, noting time set to complete Ashgrove course was 4 hours and 20 minutes; new initiatives include 9-hole membership targeting women who haven't time to play 18 holes. ● Margaret Bennett (Redland Bay) spoke about ongoing course development over past 3 years, achievable as RBGC has 20 holes on-site; course handicaps therefore continually changing dependent upon holes in play; women's Get Into Golf has been a long standing program offered at the club which involves 4 x weekly golf lessons with the Pro followed by on-course mentoring provided by the women golfers; 144 women have undertaken this program since 2022 with 30% conversion rate to club memberships; orange tees introduced for handicappers over 45 with incentive since December 2024 to encourage new players to reduce their handicaps prior to commencing play off red tees. ● Judy Logan (Laidley) advised her club, opened in April 1951, continues to be operated predominantly by volunteers; the 12 hole course has 18 tee blocks and whilst land has been purchased to allow for 18 holes, expansion costs cannot be justified; membership includes 39 ladies; comps are held Wednesday and Saturday open to all including guests; due to smaller numbers, Laidley play the 'triple valley' pennant comp rather than BDLGA comp; the 2-day Laidley Ladies Classic held in April annually is well attended. 	<p>Renai Ridley thanked the speakers for sharing their club experiences with the meeting. Closed</p>
3	<p>Minutes of previous Delegate Meeting (30 September 2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Renai Ridley noted previous minutes accepted by consensus. Closed. 	<p>For noting.</p>



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4	Business Arising from previous minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renai Ridley noted the business arising from the previous minutes had been completed. Closed. 	For noting.
5	BDLGA Management Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5.1 President's Report - Renai Ridley <ul style="list-style-type: none"> see below. 5.2 Treasurer's Report - Gillian Di Corleto <ul style="list-style-type: none"> see below. 5.3 Junior's Report - Jacque Giles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> see below. 5.4 Tournament's Report - Renai Ridley <ul style="list-style-type: none"> see below. 5.5 Pennant's Report - Robyn Byrnes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> see below. 	For noting.
6	General Business - Renai Ridley <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6.1 Presentation of 2024 BDLGA Brooches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Renai Ridley invited Club Delegates to come forward to accept their winning brooches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leigh Christensen (Nudgee) accepted Div 1 winners brooch to be presented to Shar Viking with a total score of 120 points. Margaret Marshall (Ashgrove) accepted Div 2 winners brooch to be presented to Lorelle Digan with a total score of 117 points. Robyn Byrnes (RQ) accepted Div 3 winners brooch to be presented to Julie Sherman with a total score of 117 points. 6.2 What Clubs want from capitation fee contribution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Michelle Stanley queried why BDLGA grants were no longer offered; Renai Ridley explained different clubs needed different things plus grants provided by GA, Golf Qld and BDLGA overlapped on occasion; Jan Stapleton also added BDLGA grants were offered in response to COVID constraints; potential to revisit into future. Judy Logan suggested 'Come and Try' country days. Renai Ridley suggested establishing a BDLGA Blitz style comp (similar to advertised Oxley LIV program i.e. 3 divisions each play 6 holes with only winners contending next 6 holes followed by winners completing 	<p>Action: Delegates to organise brooch presentation to winners at respective home clubs. Closed.</p> <p>Action: New BDLGA Strategic Plan 2026 to 2030 to be prepared.</p>



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	<p>final 6 holes, noting number of players per tee block TBC).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concepts to be factored into new Strategic Plan 2026 to 2030 and/or tested earlier. <p>6.3 Other business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renai Ridley noted BDLGA membership now in excess of 4400 members. • Renai Ridley advised Sunshine Coast & Burnett District are amalgamating with the men; this leaves only 4 Districts across Qld (Gold Coast, Downs, FNQ and B&D) with men and women Associations separated. • Jacque Giles requested Clubs contact her if they have any interest in Juniors assistant role. • Jan Stapleton encouraged a wide range of Club membership on the management committee, noting diversity important. • Judy Logan expressed disappointment about limited non-metro involvement at Delegate meetings and sought to encourage more non-metro participation. • Cathy Hindmarsh reported inclusion of female membership (Gabriel Holmes) on Bulimba Golf Club Management Committee; other Delegates also reported increased inclusion of female membership on their Management Committees. • Julie Brown (Brisbane) shared Deb Kember had recently won the inaugural most influential woman in golf award. 	For noting.
7	<p>Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday, 24 April 2025 at Nudgee Golf Club (9am for 9:30am) 	For noting.

Signed: ***RRidley***
Renai Ridley, President

Date: 8 December 2024



2024 Summary of Actions Arising Brisbane & District Ladies Golf Association Delegate Meeting

#	Meeting Date	Action	By Whom	Completed
1	12/07/2024 (Item 2)	Advertise proposed BDLGA King Island, Tasmania tour with Alliance Airlines Golf via facebook site with EOIs to the President or Secretary.	Cathy Hindmarsh	16/07/24 Closed
2	30/09/2024 (Item 2)	Obtain a gift of appreciation for guest speaker - Deb Kember and deliver it to her club.	Cathy Hindmarsh	8/10/24 Purchased 9/10/24 Delivered Closed
3	30/09/2024 (Item 4)	Promote proposed King Island Golf Tour via BDLGA website.	Cathy Hindmarsh	9/10/24 Closed
4	06/12/2024 (Item 2.1)	Presentation about 'Every Girl Can' play golf in Qld program including Virginia Irwin's contact details to be included within minutes.	Cathy Hindmarsh	9/12/24 Closed
5	06/12/2024 (Item 6.1)	Organise brooch presentation to winners at respective home clubs.	L Christensen M Marshall R Byrnes	6/12/24 Closed
6	06/12/2024 (Item 6.2)	New BDLGA Strategic Plan 2026 to 2030 to be prepared.	BDLGA sub-committee	WIP

NOTE: Action #6 carried over to 2025 Summary of Actions Arising from BDLGA Delegate Meetings.



Brisbane & District Ladies Golf Association (BDLGA)
Delegates Meeting Presentation
Friday, 6 December 2024 at Redland Bay Golf Club

Golf Australia is excited to announce the "Every Girl Can" play golf in Queensland program. Golf Australia Queensland is bringing this event to three locations across Queensland, making it easier than ever for more girls to play golf in Queensland. This unique program is designed exclusively for girls aged 5 to 18. The signature program will be delivered by female PGA Professionals, female PGA Associate Professionals, Women's PGA Tour Professionals, and female National Program Deliverers. The talented all-female coaching team is passionate about empowering the next generation of golfers.

"Every Girl Can" play golf is perfect for beginners and seasoned players alike. This is a chance for all girls in Queensland to learn, grow, connect, and have fun in an inspiring and supportive environment.

The three locations hosting this program are:

1. Nudgee Golf Club - 20 & 21 January 2025 - **currently 106 registrations**
2. Cairns Golf Club - 10 & 11 April 2025 - **22 registrations**
3. Hervey Bay Golf Club - 14 & 15 April 2025 - **13 registrations**

I would like to express my gratitude to the three host venues, the PGA Professionals, staff and management committed to increasing participation and leadership opportunities for women and girls in golf.

Please let me know if there are any questions.

Question from the floor - Do players need their own golf clubs?

Response - Equipment will be provided if required.

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President's Report December 2024

Welcome Delegates and guests to our BDLGA meeting!

The new Qld District Championships was recently held at Royal Pines and was quite a success with **114 players** from **61 clubs** representing 8 female and 11 male Districts. Meg Nunn's daughter, Anne Brown and her husband Bob were also there at the presentation to support the event. The Meg Nunn Salver has been presented back to the Gold Coast to be homed at Southport Golf Club which was Meg's home club.

With 3 days of very close results, the consistency of the Wide Bay teams was tough to beat with the female team scoring 3,100 points. Our BDLGA team came 3rd with 2,800 points. **Kylie Jackson** - Wynnum, **Di Paez** - McLeod, **Amy Kim** - Windaroo, **Nicole Stansfield** - Boonah, **Judy Noble** - Redland Bay and **Joanne Meier** - Carbrook made our District proud. The men's results saw Wide Bay also win with 2,650 points while our BDGA came in a close second on 2,475 points so overall the Wide Bay team took out the championships.

Our players had some fabulous individual and team scores. All players reported they had an amazing time. Surveys have been sent out to players and Districts for feedback regarding the event which will be held annually at Royal Pines Resort in November. Our 2025 team will be selected based on the Gross and Nett winners of the 3 divisions at our **District Championships** which will be held at **McLeod Golf Club** in June 2025.

The Golf Qld AGM was held after the final round of the Royal Pines event and the State said goodbye to **Judy Logan** and **Michelle Stanley** who retired from their positions. We thank them for their representation and we would also like to congratulate **Robyn Byrnes** from the BDLGA who was voted into one of the available Board positions. Unfortunately this means Robyn had to resign her Management Committee role with us but Pennants are in great hands with **Lisa Laney** taking on the Chair role for 2025. Robyn will still be available to assist as a member of our District, for which we thank her.

Our major sponsorship this year from Go Golfing saw the major raffle prize being won by **Judy Noble** from Redland Bay Golf Club. Judy won a luxury golf trip for 2 to the Sunshine Coast in 2025.

The BDLGA Order of Merit Final at Oxley Golf Club was a nail biter with **Jo-Anne Fritz** from Wynnum Golf Club winning the 2024 title.

Noosa Springs golf away was a success this year and next year's event staying onsite is already at maximum capacity. We have increased players with a stay away and play option and currently, we have **92 players for 2025** which will see it become an even more exciting event.

Thank you, our Delegates for passing on our news and events to your members. We truly appreciate the time you put into your position and it is representatives like you who help us continue to support golf for all our members now and into the future.

Please contact us if you have issues or have other ideas for us as an Association to adopt. We are here to support and represent you and your club members.

Renai Ridley

BDLGA President 2024



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Treasurer's Report December 2024

1. BDLGA continues to be in a strong financial position with continued support via capitation income from Golf Australia and from our members' support for our tournaments.
2. The 2024 Financial Statements have been prepared and audited by our appointed auditor, Mr Robert Warner from Ferrari Warner, Chartered Accountants (CA). The Financial Statements have been certified by the Auditor as being true and correct without qualification.
3. Profit and Loss, a Statement of Income and Expenditure, the Association Balance Sheet and Depreciation Schedules for the period ending 30 June 2024 have all been outlined in the Financial Statements of the 38th Annual Report, along with the Independent Auditor's Report.
4. As at 6 December 2024, BDLGA bank balances are as follows:
 - BOQ 10607638 \$52,087.87 (working account)
 - BOQ Websavings \$20,356.47 (will be rolled over)
 - Premier Investment Account \$83,200.00 (will be rolled over)

Gillian Di Corleto

BDLGA Treasurer



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Juniors Report December 2024

BDLGA is pleased to share news about Association support for **two (2) junior girls clinics** run at Pacific Golf Club in term 3 of 2024. Each clinic targeted a specific cohort of junior girls - high performance players (handicaps <10) and emerging talent players (handicaps between 10 to 20). Up to 8 identified junior girls per group were invited to participate in these 8-week clinics. We are thrilled to share with you a current junior player - **Allegra De Guzman** volunteered to assist running these clinics and giving back to her sport. Allegra assisted Pacific Pro - Fabiana Yu with the emerging talent group while Pacific Pro - Ben Fletcher coached the high-performance group. BDLGA plans to run clinics again in 2025 and will share details with Delegates once dates/venues are locked in.

Our 2024 Junior Jug team - **Jazarah Kamu** (Royal Qld), **Janie Carroll** (Royal Qld) and **Allegra De Guzman** (Pacific) were in camp from Saturday 16 September to Wednesday 20 September 2024 where they were mentored by leading female PGA professionals and took part in development opportunities with a special visit from Katherine Kirk herself. The team is to be congratulated on conducting themselves so well and playing to the best of their abilities. Congratulations to Wide Bay on their win this year.

The Sarah Jane Kenyon Challenge against Sunshine Coast, scheduled to be played at Redcliffe Golf Club on 3 November 2024, was won on forfeit by our BDLGA team - **Skyla Taylor, Amara Aston, Ky-An Vu, Angelina Drake, Abbie Cook, Anna Chen, Zayetta Brady** and **Lilly Dellar**. BDLGA looks forward to contesting this annual event against Sunshine Coast District again in 2025!

Next year, the **2025 Brisbane Junior Amateur Championship** will again be held in conjunction with the boys and played over 36 holes on 3 and 4 July 2025 at Indooroopilly Golf Club. It would be great to see an increased number of girls participating in the championship as Indooroopilly has 4 wonderful courses for the juniors to experience. Registrations will be via the BDGA website.

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Tournament's Report December 2024

Well we had a very interesting final 2024 with some amazing events and unfortunately due to weather, another event was cancelled from the calendar.

Our Noosa Springs golf away saw **76 players** play 3 days of golf - single Stableford, Ambrose 4 and a team skins event. Anna's Hair & Beaute Boonah, Go Golfing and Noosa Springs were our fabulous sponsors who supplied prizes for the events and we send a massive thankyou for your support. For 2025 we have 80 capacity onsite which was booked out within 2 weeks of opening and we have added so far another 12 players who will stay elsewhere but play and dine with us. This sees the event up to **92 players** and there is still room for additional teams if any players are Interested.

The Inter-Club event at Sandgate was a wonderful day with the **combined team from Redland Bay of Dawn Lane and Pam Thomas joining Som Kennedy from Wantima and Mary Ting from Oxley in taking out the Ambrose comp with 12 under 60**. They were closely followed by **Jo-Ann Fritz** and **Helen Thomas** from Wynnum and **Claire Daly** and **Judy Laubscher** from Sandgate with 9 under. It was a wonderful day with fabulous Sandgate hospitality. It was also wonderful to see the work the members have done with the refurbishment of the club and we appreciate seeing what the proceeds of the BDLGA grant went towards. Well done!

Unfortunately due to the few days of downpours, the Team Weekend Challenge at Wantima was cancelled as the course remained closed. And because of the late date of the event in our calendar, we were unable to reschedule. Our thanks are extended to Wantima and we hope to have another event soon at their course. We also look forward to seeing the new layout and ratings.

The Order of Merit Final results - daily winners, held on Thursday 5 December were as follows: **Joy Shin** from ... Golf Club - winner; ... from ... Golf Club - runner up; and **Gillian Di Corleto** from Keperra Golf Club - third placegetter.

A big thankyou to our sponsors and also to all the players who continue to support our events.

Renai Ridley

Tournament Chair



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Pennants Report December 2024

2025 Pennant Season

After review of the 2024 season and with no fundamental change to the structure of the competition from 2023, it was decided to alter the divisions on both Friday and Sunday for 2025 by:

1. Reducing the maximum GA for Sapphire Divisions to 28, and
2. Introducing an Emerald Division with a minimum GA of 20 and a maximum GA of 36 and a minimum aggregate handicap of GA 125. Teams will have five players and all competition will be handicapped.

The concept of running an off the stick (OTS) competition for low handicaps was again considered, but as in previous years there were insufficient clubs that could field teams to make the competition viable. It was decided in the Yellow Diamond divisions, a sub-competition with a Pennant awarded for the team with the most successful group of OTS players will continue as in 2024. We have tried to run the Pennant competition over the past few years in the second term of school.

2025 is an unusual year in that school holidays, Easter, Anzac Day, Labour Day and Mothers' Day combine to make a series of holidays and long weekends. Further it was decided not to run competitions on Mothers' Day in 2025. This has meant the 2025 pennant season has had to start earlier than the past couple of years and be split by an extended break over April and the beginning of May. At the request of the vast majority of Clubs, we have attempted to have the process of determining the draws finalized as early as possible to allow Clubs to lock in dates for hosting competitions.

Thank you to all for lodging their Intention to Compete Forms by September. Draws were sent to Clubs at the end of September and two zones have had date changes since that time. For the 2025 season there will be the following divisions and zones:

- Friday Yellow Diamond has seven teams.
- Friday Sapphire has fifteen teams which have been divided into two zones.
- Friday Emerald has seven teams.
- Sunday Yellow Diamond has six teams.
- Sunday Sapphire has twelve teams which have been divided into two zones.
- Sunday Emerald has six teams.

Golf Genius

Golf Genius will be used again in 2025 to run the pennant competition. There is an update to the software which was expected to be released in December 2024 but this remains a work in progress. After we receive the update, we will be able to advise whether the processes around the use of Golf Genius can be further simplified. To help ensure all team captains are confident with Golf Genius, it is intended to hold a training session on **Saturday 22 February 2025 at 3 pm to 5pm at RQ Gold Club**. Confirmation will be sent to Clubs closer to the event.

Pennant Regulations

It is intended Pennant Regulations will remain fundamentally the same as in 2024 with the

alterations necessary for the changes to Sapphire Division handicap limits and the introduction of Emerald Division. There may be changes arising from any other Golf Genius changes. The Regulations for the year will be posted as soon as possible.

2024 was my third season as Pennant Co-ordinator and I have enjoyed meeting so many of the BDLGA members. Thank you for all your assistance over the past three years and your understanding and help when things changed or did not go ahead as expected. Thanks also for embracing the move to Golf Genius.

I have taken on a role with Golf Queensland Limited, therefore I have had to resign as a member of the BDLGA Management Committee and as the Chair of the Pennant Sub-committee.

I thank everyone who was so helpful during the year, in particular the other Pennant Sub-committee members **Jacque Giles** and especially our President, **Renai Ridley** who had to take over running the competition while I was away. A special thank you also to **Lisa Laney** who joined the Management Committee this year coming onto the Pennant Sub-committee and will be taking over the role as the Pennant Chair going forward.

Robyn Byrnes
Pennants Chair