



## Brisbane & District Ladies Golf Association Delegate Meeting Minutes

<b>Date/Time:</b>	Thursday, 24 April 2025 from 9:30am to 10:05am
<b>Venue:</b>	Nudgee Golf Club
<b>Attendees:</b>	Renai Ridley (President); Ros Englund (Vice President); Gillian Di Corleto (Treasurer); Cathy Hindmarsh (Secretary); Lisa Laney (Pennant Chair); Ros Pickels (Tournament Chair); Glenda Elson (Committee Member); Judith Griffiths (Committee Member) Val Piggott (Bulimba); Margaret Dury (Gailes); Gillian Hausmann (Keperra); Marie Voorma (Laidley); Deborah Marsland (McLeod); Leigh Christensen (Nudgee); Debra Shand (Oxley); Marg Ross (Pacific); Claire Jackson (Redcliffe); Jenny Gorton (Redland Bay); Narelle Fraser (Virginia); Julie van Heythuysen (Wantima); Judy Logan (Laidley); Di Hall (Brisbane); Clare Pole (Ashgrove); Robyn Byrnes (RQ)
<b>Apologies:</b>	Jacque Giles (Juniors Chair); Lee Mathieson (Committee Member) Margaret Marshall (Ashgrove); Julie Brown (Brisbane); Rhonda Clarke (Brookwater); Sandra Brown (Carbrook); Cathy Forth (Indooroopilly); Rosemary McKeon (RQ); Judie Marschke (Toogoolawah); Lynda Simonds (Windaroo); Renee Kramer (Wynnum); Margaret Male (Virginia); Sharon Squire (Oxley)

## Minutes

	Items	Action by Whom/When
1	<p>Welcome/Apologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Renai Ridley (RR) welcomed attendees and noted apologies as listed above.</li> </ul>	For noting.
2	<p>Guest Speaker</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RR invited Ros Pickels (RP) to provide feedback on <b>Golf Australia Women &amp; Girls 10-year vision workshop</b> held in Brisbane at Pacific Golf Club on 7/04/25.</li> <li>RP reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- event hosted by Virginia Irwin &amp; Tamara Mason with approx. 30 attendees; workshops being held throughout Australia; focus on what matters to members to help drive meaningful progress over next decade; intent is to build strategic roadmap</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Action:</b> Workshop suggestions to be incorporated where relevant into new BDLGA 2026 to 2030 Strategic Plan.</p>



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	<p>aligned with <b>Australian Golf Strategy</b> to future-proof the game, create greater opportunities for women &amp; girls and other minority groups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- organised group discussions re females at various stages of their lives on strategies to introduce them to golf &amp; retain their interest.</li> <li>- brainstorming ideas included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> actively change perception golf is an 'elite sport'.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> golf clubs more welcoming to the community.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> shorter competitions e.g. 6-holes for time poor/working women held early morning or late afternoon <math>\pm</math> night lights on courses.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> PGA Traineeship needs improvement as feeling nothing learnt in current format.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> More role models, not just low markers or professionals.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Dating App for golfers.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Bring a friend day.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Action:</b> GA statistics noted at workshop to be included with Delegate minutes.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Broadcast message circulated to Captains/Delegates on 4/5/25 inviting them to Golf Australia hosted National Online Workshop on Women &amp; Girls 10-year vision scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 7 May 2025.</p>
3	<p>Minutes of previous Delegate Meeting (6 December 2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Previous minutes accepted by consensus. <b>Closed.</b></li> <li>• Cathy Hindmarsh (CH) reminded attendees Delegate Meeting Minutes available on BDLGA website at <a href="https://bdlga.com.au/about-bdlga/delegate-meetings">https://bdlga.com.au/about-bdlga/delegate-meetings</a>; BDLGA website provides single source of truth &amp; members encouraged to visit it regularly.</li> </ul>	<p>For noting.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> CH to include listing of 2025 Delegate Meeting dates <b>including meeting start times</b> at <a href="https://bdlga.com.au/about-bdlga/delegate-meetings">https://bdlga.com.au/about-bdlga/delegate-meetings</a></p>
4	<p>Business Arising from previous minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2026 to 2030 BDLGA Strategic Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RR reiterated new BDLGA Strategic Plan under development &amp; invited attendees to contribute by liaison with their members &amp; feedback to BDLGA.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>For action by Club Captains / Delegates.</p>
5	<p>Business arising from BDLGA Management Reports</p> <p>5.1 President's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RR welcomed Robyn Byrnes to meeting as Board member of Golf Qld.</li> <li>- RR presented report (attached below).</li> </ul>	<p>For noting.</p>



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- CH apologised for missed advertising of BDLGA local comps during her time on leave.</li> </ul> <p>5.2 Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gillian Di Corleto (GDC) presented report (attached below).</li> </ul> <p>5.3 Junior's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nil presented.</li> <li>- RR advised 2025 Junior Championships will be held in conjunction with the boys &amp; played over 36 holes on <b>3/4 July 2025</b> at Indooroopilly Golf Club; registrations via <b>Brisbane District Golf Association (BDGA) website</b> – go to <a href="https://www.bdga.org.au">https://www.bdga.org.au</a>; BDLGA entering Junior Jug team again in 2025.</li> </ul> <p>5.4 Tournament's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RP presented report (attached below).</li> <li>- Flagged new BDLGA Blitz event to be held at Toogoolawah Golf Club (flyer on website - <a href="https://bdlga.com.au/golf/bdlga-events">https://bdlga.com.au/golf/bdlga-events</a>) &amp; will be included on BDLGA calendar (see <a href="https://bdlga.com.au/calendar/monthcalendar/2025/8">https://bdlga.com.au/calendar/monthcalendar/2025/8</a> /-)</li> <li>- CH reminded Clubs to confirm 2025 BDLGA Brooch dates asap noting 'eform' now on website for results submission.</li> </ul> <p>5.5 Pennant's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lisa Laney (LL) presented report (see below).</li> <li>- 2025 Pennant Debrief session to be convened <b>Saturday, 21 June 2025; host venue and time TBC.</b></li> <li>- CH reiterated no connectivity between BDLGA website &amp; Golf Genius (GG); GG is a golf scoring tool with capacity for email communication from Tournaments ± Pennants; whilst BDLGA website includes info about Tournaments, Pennants &amp; various other BDLGA information, it is a stand-alone system from GG.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Action:</b> Club Captains / Delegates encouraged to download all BDLGA event flyers from <a href="https://bdlga.com.au/golf/bdlga-events">https://bdlga.com.au/golf/bdlga-events</a> &amp; display on clubhouse noticeboards.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> All affiliated Clubs to submit 2025 BDLGA Brooch dates asap.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> 2025 Pennant Debrief session to be added to BDLGA calendar, noting host venue and time TBC.</p>



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6	<p>General Business</p> <p>6.1 Future email management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RR advised BDLGA had upgraded from Webmail to Gmail via Google Workspace Business Starter option to strengthen electronic communication with members.</li> </ul> <p>6.2 Upcoming Golf Qld meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RR advised first meeting of Golf Qld to be convened <b>20 July 2025</b>; delegates invited to submit agenda items to BDLGA.</li> </ul> <p>6.3 Other business arising from the floor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RR invited other matters to be raised from the floor; nil raised.</li> </ul>	<p>For noting.</p>       <p><b>Action:</b> All affiliated Clubs to submit agenda items to BDLGA for upcoming first meeting of Golf Qld.</p>
7	<p>Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To be held <b>Friday, 11 July 2025 at Wynnum Golf Club</b> (9am for 9:30am)</li> </ul>	<p>For noting.</p>

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

**Date: 4 May 2025**



## Summary of Actions Arising

### Brisbane & District Ladies Golf Association Delegate Meeting

#	Meeting Date	Action	By Whom	Completed
1	06/12/24 (Item 6.2)	New BDLGA Strategic Plan 2026 to 2030 to be prepared. <b>3/02/25</b> – first draft discussed.	BDLGA sub-committee	WIP
2	24/04/25 (Item 2)	GA workshop suggestions to be incorporated where relevant into new BDLGA 2026 to 2030 Strategic Plan.	BDLGA sub-committee	WIP
3	24/04/25 (Item 2)	GA statistics noted at GA Women & Girls 10-year vision workshop to be included with Delegate minutes.	C Hindmarsh	4/05/25
4	24/04/25 (Item 3)	Include listing of 2025 Delegate Meeting dates including meeting start times at <a href="https://bdlga.com.au/about-bdlga/delegate-meetings">https://bdlga.com.au/about-bdlga/delegate-meetings</a>	C Hindmarsh	4/05/25
5	24/04/25 (Item 5.4.1)	Club Captains / Delegates encouraged to download all BDLGA event flyers from <a href="https://bdlga.com.au/golf/bdlga-events">https://bdlga.com.au/golf/bdlga-events</a> & display on clubhouse noticeboards.	Captains/Delegates	Closed
6	24/04/25 (Item 5.4.2)	All affiliated Clubs to submit 2025 BDLGA Brooch dates asap.	Captains/Delegates	Closed
7	24/04/25 (Item 5.5)	2025 Pennant Debrief session to be added to BDLGA calendar, noting host venue and time TBC.	C Hindmarsh	25/04/25
8	24/04/25 (Item 6.2)	All affiliated Clubs to submit agenda items to BDLGA for upcoming first meeting of Golf Qld.	Captains/Delegates	Closed

# What We Already Know... Queensland

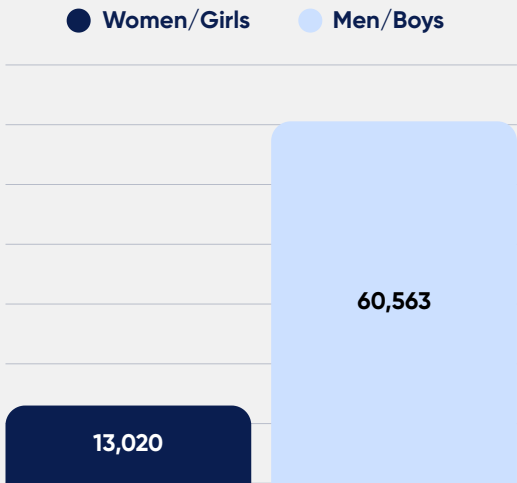
Data Sources: Golf Australia 2023/24 Participation Report



## Members by Gender | Queensland

Women/girls members increased nationally by **3.2%** in 2023/24.

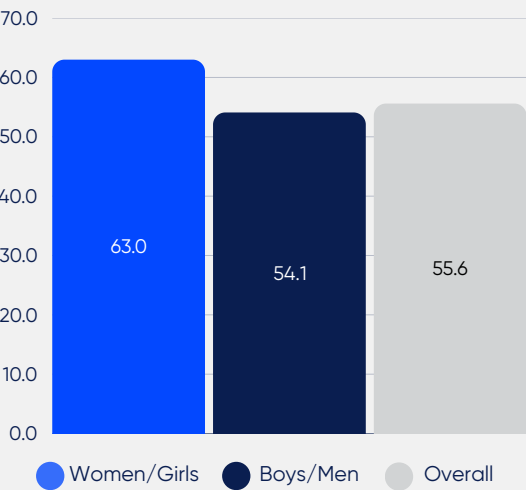
The resultant gender mix reported for 2023/24 sees women/girls share of membership remain at **18.1%** of total members.



Total Playing Members: **73,583**

## Member Age Profile | Queensland

The average reported age of club members across Australia is 54.9 years. Men/boys have an average age of 53.1 years (53.9 last year) with women/girls averaging 19.9% higher at 63.7 years (64.8 last year).



## Women/Girls Members by Cohort

The overall national movement in 2023/24 for member clubs (the aggregate of metropolitan and regional clubs) was an increase of 4.2%. All states saw growth, with both **Queensland** and Tasmania reporting **increases over 6%**.

Queensland's overall membership numbers are:

**Metro:** 18,107  
**Regional:** 55,446  
**Social:** 30

### Social Clubs:

Registered clubs without full affiliation, which typically play in allotted tee times at public courses but may also be 'virtual' in nature, that is, creating handicaps for their members to play in any event at any course.

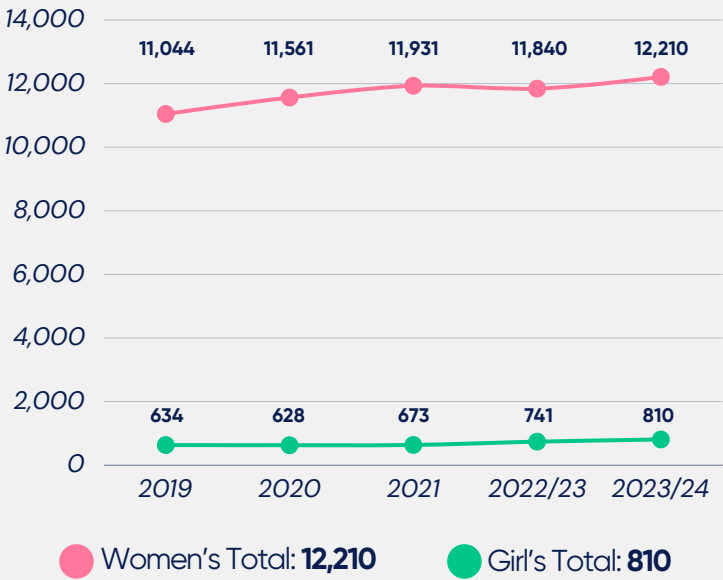
### Member Clubs:

Clubs that are fully affiliated with the relevant state body.



## Women/Girls Member Numbers | Queensland

Queensland's Women/Girls Membership numbers year-by-year. 2023/24 sees an increase in both Women's and Girl's membership numbers.



Women/Girl Members

17.7%



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## BDLGA President's Report - April 2025

Welcome Delegates and members to our first BDLGA meeting of the 2025 season. With the recent weather I hope your Clubs and members have not suffered too much. Extreme weather, unfortunately, looks to be a big issue moving into the future which we all need to look at for ways to lessen the impact it has on our sport.

A big welcome to our 2025 District Committee and especially to new members **Lee Mathieson**, **Judith Griffiths** and **Glenda Elson**. I would also like to thank our continuing members for their commitment and representation of our Association. Our Chair positions for 2025 see a few new faces in roles and you have already been hearing from them this year. They are doing a fantastic job! We have **Lisa Laney** as our **Pennant Chair**, **Ros Pickels** as our **Tournament Chair** and **Ros Englund** as our **Vice President**. Thank you ladies for stepping into these roles.

A big welcome and thank you to our new Club Delegates and of course our continuing representatives. You are our link to the wants and expectations of our Member Clubs and your members. It is your voice that helps guide us in how best we support all of our members and we ask you to reach out to us any time you or your club may need assistance.

The **BDLGA Challenge by the SCBDWGA** to participate in a home and away Team Matchplay Challenge is again on the calendar of events, dates to be confirmed but still aiming for July 2025 for these matches. Team selection for this will again be based on Tournament, Pennant and Club Matchplay results with forms available tomorrow. Due to the large gaps between rounds we will be selecting the team prior to the Pennant season fully completing.

BDLGA wishes to thank our generous sponsors and Golf Clubs who continue to support our District events and in turn support our district players. We have seen an increase again in the green fees for most clubs and we are holding our entry fees at the same rate as 2024.

**Tony Hollands Funerals** is our main sponsor for 2025 and is sponsoring 4 of our events and also contributing to our ball rundowns throughout the year. This is fantastic for continuing to keep great prizes and low costs for our players.

Our **2025 Major Raffle Prize** will be provided by BDLGA and will be a trip for 4 to the BDLGA Golf Trip in 2026. The last few years this has been held at Noosa Springs Resort. Every time a player plays in one of our events they will receive an entry into this draw. This will be **drawn at our Order of Merit Final**.

We have a full trip for our **annual BDLGA Getaway at Noosa Springs** this year in October. We still have 2 spots available for anyone who wants to arrange their own accommodation. Please contact [tournament@bdlga.com.au](mailto:tournament@bdlga.com.au) if you would like more information.

We look forward to another exciting year from our talented district junior players and will be watching all of their feats this year.

Thank you for supporting women's golf in our District and we look forward to a fantastic 2025.

**Renai Ridley**, BDLGA President 2025

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## Treasurer's Report - April 2025

1. The financial position for the BDLGA is in very good condition with the following amounts being in the bank as at 24 April 2025:

Business Account 10607638:	\$ 60,683.90
WebSavings Account 20373642:	\$ 20,355.83
Premier Investment 23372056:	\$ 87,454.82
	<b>\$168,494.55</b>

2. Income for last few months includes sponsorship payments from Tony Hollands and with additional payments for the Noosa Spring 2025 Getaway for those people who repaid their deposits when a request was made from Golf Genius and the request for the second payment request of \$350 per person, and from payments into our first competition of this year - the Foursomes.
3. Changes to registration of the Association is in progress for the Treasurer to be the ATO contact and is still continuing.
4. Expenditures for the first few months of the year have been for Committee Member laptops, computer software associated with that, storage facilities and will now begin for competition fees and the Noosa Springs event in October.

**Gillian Di Corleto**

BDLGA Treasurer



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## BDLGA Pennants Report - April 2025

### 2025 season

- Pennant competitions were scheduled to commence on Sunday, 9 March 2025 and Friday, 14 March 2025. Instead we experienced damaging winds and the wettest day in 50 years thanks to Cyclone Alfred. The weather impacts did not stop there with further prolonged rainfall and ex Cyclone Diane bringing more flooding.
- Thankfully the waters subsided, and with amazing efforts by maintenance teams and volunteers, some Pennant matches were able to proceed.
  - **Friday Pennants** - out of the 14 scheduled matches, only five have been played with six rescheduled and three cancelled due to host club availability.
  - **Sunday pennants** – 12 matches were scheduled, but only four matches have been played, five rescheduled and three cancelled due to suitability of dates.
- Most of the matches have been rescheduled, however we did have to look at alternative options to ensure the matches could proceed and would be suitable for both the host clubs and players.
  - Three of our Sunday Pennant matches have been rescheduled to Sunday, 27 April 2025, which is within the mid-season break.
  - Friday Emerald pennants will play their rescheduled match at Virginia Golf Club on Monday, 19 May 2025.
- We are currently in the mid-season break, to allow for school holidays, public holidays and Mother's Day. Pennant competitions will resume after the break on Friday, 2 May 2025 and Sunday, 18 May 2025 (following the three matches this weekend).
  - Friday Pennants – 20 Pennant matches remaining.
  - Sunday Pennants – 12 Pennant matches remaining.

### Pennant regulations

- **Pace of play** – to maintain pace of play, players should take their shot within 40 seconds of getting to the ball, take a maximum of three minutes to search for a lost ball, and players are encouraged to offer 'gimmie' putts to their opponent.
- **Use of carts** – if weather does not permit carts on the course on the day of competition, the matches will proceed unless the course is closed.
- **Roles of players** – the player is ultimately responsible for their actions and decisions during a round of golf, even if they are advised by their caddy.
- **Roles of caddies** – a caddy can provide advice and help in various ways, but they cannot make decisions or rulings on behalf of the player, nor can they concede a stroke, hole or match for the player.
- **Juniors** – the minimum age for the pennant competitions is 13 years on the first day of competition. The caddy for the junior player must hold a Blue Card, or if their parent is caddying, no Blue Card is required.
- **Matchplay order of play** – if you play out of turn, your opponent may cancel that stroke and make you play again.

### **BDLGA website**

- The pennant competition draws have had multiple updates throughout the season and the current draw for each division is available on the BDLGA website.
- The results for each division are also available on the Pennant's page of the BDLGA website. This will be updated directly from the result entered to the Team Match Portal in Golf Genius.

**Lisa Laney**, BDLGA Pennant Chair  
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## BDLGA Tournaments Report - April 2025

Welcome back for our 2025 golfing season!

The **Foursomes Championship** sponsored by Tony Hollands Funerals will be our first event in the BDLGA calendar to be held at **Windaroo Golf Club** on **Monday, 12 May 2025**. Entries opened on 1 April 2025 with more than 60 players (30 teams) currently registered.

Our second event, the **District Championships**, will be held at **McLeod Golf Club** on **27 June 2025**. Entries will open for this event on 14 May 2025 so please ensure your members are aware of this competition. It is a single stroke event across 3 divisions and Senior and Senior Veterans categories with Gross and Net being contested. Our famous **Champion of Champions** held in conjunction with the District Championships sees the best of our current Club BDLGA champions dueling it out which makes for some fantastic golf. Winners of Gross and Net for all divisions qualify to represent our BDLGA team in the **State Interdistrict 3-day Championship** to be held at **Royal Pines** in **November 2025**.

On **6 August 2025** we are holding a **Blitzer event** at **Toogoolawah Golf Club**. This NEW event is based on the Blitz Golf format. In 2026, BDLGA hopes to invite all affiliated Clubs to hold their own Blitzer event with the 3 Division winners from your Club being invited to play in the BDLGA district final.

The **Noosa Springs Getaway** in October 2025 is at full capacity. We are anticipating some very exciting golf as well as post-match socialising!

For further information on these events, please refer to the BDLGA flyers on our website at <https://bdlga.com.au/>

With golf course usage at an all-time high, we are finding it very difficult to secure a variety of courses at a palatable rate. Despite the increase in costs, BDLGA is holding entry fees at a similar rate to last year.

We have the Tournament Calendar available online - <https://bdlga.com.au/golf/bdlga-events> and all events have a flyer. This is available to print out for your ladies' room noticeboard and/or email out electronically. If your Club is hosting an Open Day or other event, let us know and we will add it to our website calendar available at <https://bdlga.com.au/calendar> If you are a new representative or know of your Clubs new committee members, please notify our Secretary, Cathy Hindmarsh via [secretary@bdlga.com.au](mailto:secretary@bdlga.com.au) of the details so we can update our Contacts List so available at <https://bdlga.com.au/about-bdlga/directory-of-clubs/member-clubs>

Our 2024 District Brooch had many Clubs contesting in it with some great golf being played.

Congratulations to our **2024 District Brooch Champions**:

- A Grade - Shar Viking, Nudgee Golf Club;
- B Grade - Lorelle Digan, Ashgrove Golf Club; and
- C Grade - Julie Sherman, RQ Golf Club.

The Brooch Conditions of Entry have been updated for more consistent results across Clubs so please revise these before putting in your Club's 2025 results.

Aside from our Junior representative teams, we also have the Sunshine Coast Team Matchplay Challenge and team selection for the Queensland District Team Championships so we will keep you updated on these things once they go online. Please share this information with your Club members!

Looking forward to an exciting golf year.

**Ros Pickels**, Tournaments Chair  
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