



## MINUTES OF DELEGATE MEETING

Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021, Wolston Park Golf Club – 9:30 am

### MEETING OPENED

President Sue Strong declared the meeting open at 9:40 am and welcomed Delegates, Visitors and Golf Australia Board Members.

### ATTENDANCE

**(a) Management Committee:**

Sue Strong, Renai Ridley, Lila Carson, Deborah Marsland, Margaret Bennett, Laraine Sutton.

**Apologies:** Jan Stapleton.

**(b) Delegates:**

Margaret Marshall (Ashgrove), Helen Caris (Brisbane), Margaret Dury (Gables), Sue-Ellen Hopkins (Indooroopilly), Marie Voorma (Laidley), Mary-Anne Vos (McLeod), Leigh Christensen (Nudgee), Pat Walton (Oxley), Helena Healey (Pacific), Trish Bougourd (Redland Bay) Tracy Heading (Royal Queensland), Narelle Fraser (Virginia), Cheryl Hong Choy (Wantima), Carolyn Somerville (Wynnum).

**(c) Visitors:**

Judy Logan (Laidley & Golf Aust - Qld), Kim Storie (Royal Qld), Leone Sands (Wantima), Sharyn Squire (Oxley), Leonie Lee (Wolston Park), Janet Nathanson (Brisbane), Michele Stanley (Golf Aust – Qld), Chris Low (Ashgrove).

**(d) Proxies:**

None

### 2. APOLOGIES

Karen Bretherton (Ashgrove), Nadine Hall (Wolston Park), Sue Bargh (Mt.Warren Park), Vesna McLean (Jinadell), Judie Marschke (Toogoolawah), Mary Byrne (Wolston Park), Erin Englis (Redland Bay).

### 3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS DELEGATE MEETING

Minutes of previous Delegates Meeting held at Nudgee Golf Club on Monday 6th September 2021 was circulated (via email links to BDLGA website). Noted as true and correct by Margaret Dury (Gables), seconded by Leone Sands (Wantima).

### 4. BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

### 5. BDLGA DISTRICT BROOCH PRESENTATIONS

Lila Carson announced that we received 14 entries for the Brooch.

Division 1 – Anna Rautenbach (Nudgee) Nett 56. (Leigh Christensen, Nudgee) accepted for Anna.

Division 2 – Marie Voorma (Laidley) Nett 66.

Division 3 – Jill Knapp (Royal Qld) 43 pts. Tracy Heading, (Royal Qld) accepted for Jill.



**6. COMBINED MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT & JUNIOR REPORT – Sue Strong, President and Junior Chair.**

*This is the last Delegates Meeting for the year. We have managed to navigate Covid and delivered our tournaments with The Order of Merit still to be played.*

*They have all been very well attended and well organized. We will finish the year in a strong financial position, mainly due our Sponsors, who have contributed significantly to BDLGA events and hopefully will again next year.*

*As at the 31st Oct our Association Cash Assets are \$131,769.67.  
All Capitation fees have been paid.*

*Club Competitions - Awards*

*We have tried to instigate special club competitions in an endeavour to give some of the earning back to clubs. Whilst they always start out with quiet a number of clubs taking up the challenge the numbers dwindle away as the competition progresses - mainly through lack of interest or complacent. These earning belong to you the Clubs, so why not fully support the BDLGA in its endeavour to hand some back.*

*Pennants*

*Pennants of course is being organised and it pleasing to see that clubs are looking to including their Juniors in their teams for next year.*

*Two major events, Meg Nunn and Junior Jug. were cancelled because of Covid. Hopefully they will be held next year.*

*Meg Nunn*

*In regard to the Meg Nunn there has been a lot of discussion around the desire to change the format. The reason being that for some Districts it has been difficult to get players. People are time poor and to ask women to be away for 5 days to participate in the Tournament is becoming more difficult as the years go on. Also, the cost of travel and accommodation for some districts is beyond their budgets. To accommodate some of these issues, Districts were suggesting changing the format to allow for a shorter tournament.*

*The format suggested, and there has been a number, is to have Ryder/Solheim Cup format i.e. Foursomes, 4bbb Stapleford and Single Stroke held over two and half days. With the best aggregate score being the winner.*

*Anne Brown the daughter of Meg Nunn has advised that if the format is changed, she will withdraw her support along with the Meg Nunn name.*

*At the Presidents meeting a couple of weeks ago it was agreed to keep the event as Matchplay. If Matchplay remains and each District play each other as they should, than the event will still take 3 days to complete. The decision on format will be decided at the next District Presidents meeting in December.*

*Sarah Jane Kenyon Challenge*

*The Sarah Jane Kenyon Junior Girls Challenge between the Sunshine Coast and Brisbane District was held at Bribie Island on the 31st October.*

*The girls played in cold, windy, wet weather with the Brisbane team winning the match 41/2 to 31/2. The BDLGA team was:*

*Savanah Rains from Keperra - Captain  
Zoe Burt from Pacific*



*Lily Saba From Pacific  
Allegera De Guzman from Pacific  
Nicol Chen From Windaroo  
Tiyra Samararatne from Windaroo  
Gemma Oliver from Wantima  
Natasha Tennant from Wynnum*

*Both district girls played extremely well and should be congratulated for their sportsmanship, consideration for their opponents and respect for the game of golf  
Next year the BDLGA will be the host.*

#### *Junior Championships*

*The 2022 Combined Junior Championships will most likely be held at Brisbane Golf Club on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July. Please encourage your junior girls to participate.*

#### *Junior Pennants*

*The Management Committee has made the decision not to have Junior pennants next year. Over the past couple of years clubs have struggled to find enough Juniors to fill teams. This year there were 6 teams, 2 from Pacific and 4 composite teams. There were four forfeited matches throughout the competition. It's unfortunate that the competition clashes with GNJM tournaments as the girls preferred to play in those events rather than play pennants. It's understandable for them to do so, if they wish to be considered for selection in representative teams. The transition to Senior pennants is a trial for next year and as I said previously, it's pleasing to see that the Juniors are being considered for selection.*

#### *Equality*

*Golf Aust., as you know, have advised clubs to promote equal opportunity for women and girls in golf. Clubs are endeavouring to comply, however there appears to be an abnormality when it comes to both sexes playing in the same competition, such as medleys. The ladies are at a disadvantage, as they do not have the strength nor stamina to compete against a man. A male will out hit a lady by a long way every day of the week. Males dominate leader boards. It's very rare that a woman will win a medley. In fact, women just don't like playing in medleys for that very reason. Which of course means less playing time for a woman.*

*What needs to happen, is that clubs should be adjusting the handicaps and applying them to scorecards handed in at the end of the round which then makes for a level playing field, thus giving ladies a chance to win the competition.*

*The trouble is, this process is not an official rule of golf and clubs don't see it as an issue. With more medleys being played now more than ever before this matter needs to be addressed. If the afore situation is happening at your club, please let us know.*

#### *Golf Australia Strategic Plan 2021*

*GA are running Zoom session to introduce people to their new Strategic Plan.*

*To register go to "2021 Aust Golf Strategy Roadshow invitation." There is a session on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm AEST. Goes for 1 hour.*

*Well worth watching.*

#### *Committee*

*Our AGM will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022.*

*This year has been a difficult year for BDLGA Management Committee.*



*With more resignations taking place at the end of the year, it will be a golden opportunity for you, the members of the BDLGA, to join the Management Committee.*

*You are required to attend 6 Meetings throughout the year as well as attend a number of BDLGA tournaments to assist with registration and presentations. How involved you want to be is entirely up to you.*

*The ladies that have gone before us have created a wonderful organisation, an organisation that we all should be very proud of.*

*However, the time has come to move forward, to progress, we need people who are forward thinking, willing to participate in programs that will benefit our members, willing to communicate and negotiate with all stakeholders to build on our past for a better and stronger BDLGA.*

*Please consider nominating for Committee.*

*I hope you and your family have a safe and happy Christmas and may the golfing gods be kind to you all.*

*Sue Strong*

#### **7. UPDATE 2022 PENNANT REPORT – Deborah Marsland**

*Hello Everyone,*

*The 2022 Pennant season is shaping up to be a big season with Friday Pennants starting on 22April and Weekend Pennants starting on 15May.*

*A total of 22 Clubs have nominated teams across the range of divisions and the breakdown is as follows:*

*GOLD 5 TEAMS*

*SILVER ZONE 1 7 TEAMS*

*SILVER ZONE 2 6 TEAMS*

*BRONZE ZONE 1 8 TEAMS*

*BRONZE ZONE 2 8 TEAMS*

*WEEKEND GOLD 6 TEAMS*

*WEEKEND SILVER ZONE 1 7 TEAMS*

*WEEKEND SILVER ZONE 2 6 TEAMS*

*WEEKEND BRONZE ZONE 1 6 TEAMS*

*WEEKEND BRONZE ZONE 2 5 TEAMS*

*Again and as has happened in the past many Clubs requested the same dates which meant a lot of emails, phone calls and juggling and at the time of writing this report I am still waiting on replies from quite a few clubs confirming dates, tees and tee times for the 2022 Season.....I hope that in the interim I am able to complete the draws and able to hand them out to you today.*

*Thank you to all clubs who have assisted with getting the 2022 season scheduled.*

*Regards Deborah*

#### **8. UPDATE 2022 TOURNAMENT REPORT – Renai Ridley**

*Firstly, I'd like to start by thanking you all for being here today. The support you give your clubs is commendable. Our district really appreciates your representation.*

*It has been an interesting year so far. As my first official year as Tournament Chair, I'd like to pass on my sincere thanks to you and all of your members that supported the BDLGA Tournaments for 2021 and for your patience as I transitioned into the role and also with the introduction of the Golf Genius software.*

*We have had some memorable events this year. The 2022 calendar is looking to be even more exciting. My promise to you all at the AGM was to look at incorporating an event for the Weekend*



*and Junior players into our calendar. I am pleased to let you know that the BDLGA will be introducing a Weekend Event series next year. We will be holding 3 events that hopefully will enable our Junior and Weekend players accessibility to other district courses and BDLGA events. The success of the Major Raffle prize for our midweek series will flow onto the Weekend events as a Points race rather than an Order of Merit. We will also be giving away another major raffle prize on the final event.*

*There is a print out of the proposed dates and venues for next year's BDLGA Event Schedule. Please be advised that this is a guide and may change before the start of the season.*

*The Golf Genius system had quite a few teething problems when it was first introduced. Player's feedback, patience and understanding was appreciated during this year's trial and transition. As the season has progressed, we have seen less and less issues with the system and a more effective and time saving way to plan, register, run and finalise events. I know the short wait time for presentations has been widely appreciated by many players. Golf Genius have been receptive for all of our events and have made changes and troubleshoot issues with us. Over the Christmas break they are making even more changes which will give us a clearer final score and completion to the round. As the world comes to terms with new ways to adopt safer changes to existing practices, I envisage that the BDLGA will always need an electronic option to be able to maintain accessibility to our beloved game. The current covid climate sees high traffic at most golf courses and course availability is at a premium, even within clubs' membership. Due to this we are seeing increases in the green fees at some clubs. The BDLGA endeavours to try to keep our event prices as low as possible for 2022.*

*The BDLGA will be bringing in a new refund policy for 2022. We are seeing more lax approach from players regarding bookings, withdrawals and team changes, sometime the night before and morning of an event. Host clubs need final numbers 1 week out and we are accountable for the green fees after this date. District clubs give us a considerable discount to play other courses so we can't expect them to not charge for late number changes. Once event registration is closed and draw is out, approx. 1 week prior to event date then any cancellations will not be refunded. Team or Player changes will be accommodated up until the day prior to the game.*

*Oct saw the final month for the Club Reward Event that we ran to 'give back' to our clubs. The results for this event were announced at the Interclub day, held on Monday 8th Nov at Keperra*

*We had 18 clubs enter the event. The scores ranged from -85 to +23 over par for the period. The Winning 3 clubs were*

- 1. Nudgee -85*
- 2. Pacific -65*
- 3. Keperra -56*

*Wishing you all a safe, healthy and happy Christmas and New Year. Looking forward to a fantastic 2022.*

*Renai Ridley*

**9. FINANCIAL REPORT – (refer to Management Committee & Junior Report)**

**10. GENERAL BUSINESS**

- a. Judy Logan gave a brief overview from Golf Australia Qld on recent events.
- b. Presentation of Hole in One Badge. Sue advised the attendees that Helen Masterton from Virginia achieved a HIO on the last day of Pennants and called upon the Virginia Representative, Narelle Fraser, to receive the Badge on behalf of Helen.
- c. Question regarding affiliation fees. Affiliation fees will remain as per last year, \$11.60 p.p. and \$12.00 per club.

**MEETING CLOSED at 10:10 am**

**Next Meeting: Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022. Venue: TBA**

**Attendance Sheet 2021 BDLGA  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021, Wolston Park Golf Club**

**DELEGATES OR PROXIES – SIGN ON**

Affiliated Club	Name	Signature	PLEASE TICK	
			DELEGATE	PROXY
Ashgrove	Margaret Marshall	[Signature]	✓	
Bay Islands				
Boonah				
Brisbane	HELEN CARIS	[Signature]	✓	
Brisbane River				
Brookwater				
Bulimba				
Carbrook				
Esk				
Gailes	Margaret DURR	[Signature]	✓	
Hills				
Indooroopilly	SUE-ELLEN HOPKINS	[Signature]	✓	
Ipswich				
Jindalee				
Keperra				
Laidley	Marie Voorma	[Signature]	✓	
Lowood				
McLeod	MARY-ANNE VOS	[Signature]	✓	
Meadowbrook				
Mt Warren Park				
North Stradbroke				
Nudgee	Liegh Christensen	[Signature]	✓	
Oxley	PAT WALTON	[Signature]	✓	
Pacific	Mtceley	[Signature]	✓	
Pine Rivers				
Redcliffe				
Redland Bay	TRISH BAIN	[Signature]	✓	
Riverlakes				
Rosewood				
Royal Queensland	TRACY HEADING	[Signature]	✓	
Sandgate				
Sandy Gallop				
Toogoolawah				
Village Links				
Virginia	Narelle Fraser	[Signature]	✓	
Wantima	CHEYL HONGCHAI	[Signature]	✓	
Windaroo				
Wolston Park				
Wynnum	CAROLYN SOMEWILLE	[Signature]	✓	
<b>Management Committee Brisbane &amp; District Ladies Golf Assoc Inc</b>				
	Lilian Carson	[Signature]		
	Ad Sattion	[Signature]		
	M Bennett			

BDLGA Apologies:

JAN STAPLETON



