

BWGC Spring Meeting Minutes
May 6, 2024 @ 5:30 P.M.
Season's Grill and Lounge

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Members Present:

Anne Pooler	Liz Coffin	Claudette Amoroso
Judy Richard	Karen Bamford	Carole Cook
Kathy Constantine	Sandy Salsbury	Carol Brooks
Dottie Cerbone	Donna Jancewicz	Jean Bridges
Rachel Therrien	Marlene Viger	Peggy Larrabee
Marilyn Rice	Robin Ashe	Suzanne Roberts
Sue Coffin	Ellen Libby	Jean Young

Welcome: The meeting was opened by Co-President Marlene Viger who welcomed the 21 members present back for the 2024 golf season including new member Donna Jancewicz. Marlene congratulated Jean Young and Judy Richard on their present and recent birthdays and also mentioned that Marilyn Hughes would be staying in Florida and not returning to Maine this summer. She also spoke to the loss of three dear members this past year: Diane Herring, Hilda Wardwell, and Brenda Crosby. Also, three members lost their spouses this past year as well: Yukiko lost her husband Edmund, Carol Brooks lost her husband Warren, and past member Janice White lost her husband Don.

Secretary's report: Robin Ashe: There was no discussion regarding the minutes of October 2, 2023. Sue Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes, and Judy Richard seconded it. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Sandy Salsbury

- Status of the treasury: The balance in the treasury is \$3,771.59, and of that, \$1620.00 is delegated to Brenda Crosby donations.
- Membership: Presently we are at 24 paid with ghin though our league and four paid with their ghin elsewhere.
- Sponsorship: Jean Young and Jean Bridges will work with Sandy Salsbury to send out sponsorship letters.

Maine State Golf Association: Marlene Viger

- Updates:
 - Bangor Muni will be hosting state day on September 3rd.
 - Karen Bamford spoke to the group as she serves on the committee for state women's golf.

- Belgrade will be first come, first serve with the requirement that each person must have played in 3 state days in the past year to be eligible to play in this popular event.
- The Metropolitan will be at Fox Ridge, and to be in the competition, the team should all come from the same club.
- Natanis and Val Halla will host the Women's Golf Celebration/Janet Drouin Fundraiser on June 4th.
- Marlene encouraged members to participate in state days...one gets to play lots of great venues and meet other golfers...and it is fun.

Weekly Tournaments: Marilyn Rice

- Weekly tournament schedule can be found on the BWGC website and posted on the bulletin board in the locker room.
- There is a variety in the schedule with ABCD games, five flighted gross and net days, a match play practice, and 4 theme days, including a new May theme day.
- With Golf Genius expanding capabilities, Rob is agreeable to trying some new games to add to the schedule but is not receptive to working with anyone.
- Robin and others will produce a list of games that they played this past winter.
- Peggy Larrabee and Robin Ashe will do the July theme day. Liz and Karen will do the Par Three Challenge in June. Marlene and her committee will do the Caring Connections. The May 30th Theme Day is open.
- July 11th will not be available to us due to a tournament so we will be looking at off site locations.

Handicap Chair: Sue Coffin

- Sue distributed information about four USGA changes for 2024:
 - Treatment of 9-Hole Scores
 - Treatment of Scores When 10-17 Holes are played
 - Minimum Length to Obtain a Course Rating and Slope Rating
 - Additional Handicap Review Tools for Club Use
- Sue reminded members to post all scores except on league day. Rob will post our scores that day.
- Sue mentioned that Rob would like to have the women's league try out mobile scoring through Golf Genius. 1 person in each group would do the mobile scoring and another will keep the scorecard. Stay tuned.
- Copies of this are found in the locker room on the bulletin board.
- The weekly scorecard needs to have all chip ins and birdies written on it and turned into Susan Coffin each week after the game.

Forward Tees Project: Jean Young, Liz Coffin, and Ellen Libby

- Jean Young spoke for the committee and passed out a paper on IDEAL TEE POSITIONING.
- The goal of ideal tee positioning is to provide a course that is comfortable for women, seniors, new golfers, young golfers etc to play, and therefore, results in a fun and enjoyable experience, and less frustrating.
- The committee is working with Rob to get forward orange tees in motion as quickly as possible.
- These forward tees will need to be rated, but perhaps we can have a temporary rating with just an 800 yards difference.

List of 2024 Volunteers Needed to coordinate the following: Jean Bridges

- List was circulated for the following jobs. Thanks to those who have volunteered already.
 - President's Cup: Sandy Salsbury
 - Club Championship: _____
 - Caring Connections: Marlene Viger
 - May Theme Day: _____
 - June Theme Day: Karen and Liz
 - July Theme Day: Peggy and Robin
 - Bluebird Cup: Executive Committee
 - Three Putt Jar: Ellen Libby
 - Chip-Ins _____
 - Birdies _____
 - Ringer Board Stats: _____
 - Hole in One
- Contact Jean or Marlene if you are willing to serve.

Old Business: Marlene Viger

- Hilda Bench: The Hilda Bench is ready to set out near the 14th. The Pro Shop assembled the bench. A plaque with Hilda's name and picture will be put on the bench. May we remember Hilda Marjorie Wardwell as we come to this hole.
- Members are asked to call the clubhouse if they are unable to come on Thursday morning due to inclement weather, illness etc

New Business: Brenda Crosby Donations: Marilyn Rice

- A total of \$1620 in donations has come in in memory of Brenda.
- Marilyn and two others will work with Doug and Laura, Brenda's daughter, to figure out how to best use the money. Marilyn will choose her committee.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45. Respectfully submitted, Robin Ashe: Secretary

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