ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Of the NORFOLK VETERAN LADIES GOLF SOCIETY
Held at WENSUM VALLEY GOLF CLUB
On MONDAY 27th FEBRUARY 2023

Present	President	Pippa Holliday
	Chairman	Sue Hill
	Honorary Secretary	Lynda Love
	Honorary Membership Secretary	Helen Ayres
	Honorary Treasurer	Sue Fage
	Competition Secretary	Angie Allsopp
	Match Captain	Chrissie Owens
	Committee Members	Felicity Leigh
		Deidre Cave
	And 80 members	

The President, Pippa Holliday welcome all to the meeting, especially new members.
Pippa asked for a minutes silence in respect of the deaths of members, who had passed away recently, in particular Bettie Turnbull who was 99 years of age and Judy Curtis who had both donated trophies for our competitions.
Pippa opened the meeting.

1 **Apologies** received from Carolyn Child, Diana Naylor, Lesley Bridge, Glenda Langmead, Maureen LeLievere, Sara Bland, Marilyn Barter, Susan Griffin, Mary Wilson, Fan Brown Alex Cowie, Sue Meadows, Sue Drew, Pip Martin, Sharon Spooner, Maureen Flach, Muriel Wincup, Teresa Tarrant, Sheila Spreadborough, Pat Hancock, Cathy Shand, Jane Wheeler, Wyn Ross, Annette Hardy.

2 **Approval of previous minutes February 21st 2022**
Previously circulated and taken as read, proposed by Felicity Leigh, and seconded by Jane Watson, agreed by all.

3 **Matters Arising –** There were no matters arising

4 **Honorary Secretary's Report**
Lynda thanked all for attending and also thanked Wensum Valley Golf Club for hosting the AGM and lunch. A full year of competitions had taken place with good attendances and she thanked all the members for their support.
Committee Meetings initially had taken place on zoom but latterly proper meetings were taking place at Eaton Golf Club. Lynda thanked Eaton and the committee for their attendance and support.
A scaled down version of the booklet had been produced and would be distributed to the clubs after the AGM. Also a poster had been produced and reps were asked to place this on their notice boards. Entry forms had been produced and would appear on the website along with other information.
Lynda also thanked the reps for passing on messages and help with the smooth running of the Society. One of these was the questionnaire which proved very interesting, proving that some of the questions had 50/50 response, the committee therefore have done their best to please everybody.

Lynda was finishing her stint as Honorary Secretary and thanked everybody for their help and assistance, it had been a pleasure being involved in the Society. However, she did mention that there was a need for fresh faces on the committee and urged members to come forward.
She hoped everybody enjoys their lunch and the coming golf season.
Pippa thanked Lynda for her work during the last four years.

5 **Honorary Membership Secretary's Report**

Helen reported that the membership in 2022 totalled 433 playing members, 8 non-playing members and one honorary member. 80 ladies did not renew their membership, 78 playing and two non-playing. Sadly, three ladies passed away during 2022, Judy Curtis, King's Lynn a former President, Marjorie Harvey – Dereham and Bessie Turnbull – Royal Norwich
7 ladies transferred from playing to non-playing and 9 ladies transferred from one club to another. 45 new members joined at beginning of 2023 and 1 lady transferred from non-playing to playing bringing the total 2023 membership to 391 playing members and 13 non playing members, a total of 404 compared with 442 in 2022.
Helen thanked the Club Representatives who do a great job during the year and their hard work is much appreciated by the Committee.
There were two changes during 2022, Debbie Watson became the Royal Norwich Club Rep and Claire Carney took over at Richmond Park when Chris Whyatt, who had been the rep for many Years, had moved to Suffolk. A plant would be presented to Chris.
Pippa thanked Helen for her report.

6 **Honorary Treasurer's Report**

Sue Fage presented the financial report. Comparisons to 2021 bore no resemblance as only 3 events took place however, this year a full year – 5 events taking place. Hopefully next year accounts will look normal
The membership fee returned to £3 for the year, the previous year it was only £1 due to the uncertainty. Unfortunately, all the cheques got lost between lodging at the Post Office and the long journey to the bank, therefore, Sue had to request another payment, which most Representatives paid via bank transfer.
Four raffles were held during the year and were well supported, a cheque for £770.10 was sent to the Norfolk & Norwich Hospitals Charity.
All events were well supported with an income of £12,871.00 which was well up on the previous year, even taking into account there were only three events in 2021.
Two matches were played at home with a total green fee of £540.00.
Expenses – no major costs this year, however, we did reimburse the cost of travel to the Competition Secretary in light of significant increases in fuel costs.
Net Income for the year was a surplus of £701.57 and the account balance stands at £2,031.65 as at 31st December 2022 and the NS&I account balance was £1,427.44.
The books have been verified and signed off by Mr P Sturman on 21st January 2023 and in summary Sue was pleased to report that the Society's finances have recovered from 2021 and we are now in a more stable position.
The acceptance of the accounts was proposed by Ann Ewer and seconded by Sheila Glenn and was passed by all attending.
Pippa thanked Sue for her report.

7. **Competition Secretary's Report**

Angie reported a full year of events.

The first competition was the 4BBB held at Bawburgh, a full entry and the winners – Teresa Tarrant and Linda Asker.

The Championships were held at Kings Lynn and were well supported. It proved a popular move for higher handicaps to play a Stableford competition. With the approval of donors it had been necessary to slightly reallocate the cups and trophies. Sue Clarke from Kings Lynn won the Championship Cup.

The AmAm run by the Match Captain, Chrissie Owens was held at Dunston Hall and the winning team was June Meadows, Sue Lang, Sue Brothers and Heather Bullard.

The Autumn Greensomes, always a popular event was held at Swaffham with a full entry. The winners with 35 points were Chrissie Owens and Heather Keeble.

Thanks to all clubs who hold our events and make us so welcome and for supporting the N & N Charity with our raffles.

One or two points had arisen during the year. There were mixed views on presenting the prizes on the day of the competition. Some rounds were taking over 5 hours to complete which meant a very long day for those going out first. It was decided to send prizes to clubs for presentation and trophies to be presented at the AGM.

The other point is the ever-increasing cost of green fees and food. The committee try to keep costs down and hope we are giving good value for money.

Angie has one more year as Competition Secretary and pleaded with members to step forward to take over the vacancies on the committee.

The 2023 venues are at Sheringham, Wensum Valley, Swaffham and Heacham Manor.

A full list of winners appears on the website.

The trophies were presented to those attending.

Pippa thanked Angie for her report.

8. **Match Captain's Report**

Chrissie Owens reported on the 2022 season. Three out of four matches were played in the format of 4BBB match play, off scratch with eight players in each team. The match that was not played was an away match versus Lincolnshire as the venue suggested would have resulted in long travelling times. Norfolk lost to Cambs and Hunts in June at Swaffham, the away team fielded a very strong team and the match resulted in a loss of 2 matches with 2 halved.

The second match in July was played in Bedfordshire with new ladies playing in the team. a great win was achieved winning 3½ to ½.

The final match in September versus Suffolk was played at Dunston Hall and this resulted in a friendly half.

All matches were played in good spirits and post-match hospitality and catering were excellent.

9 **Election of Officers and Committee for 2022/23**

The committee would be as follows:

President – Helen Ayres (for one year only), Chairman – Sue Hill,

Honorary Secretary – Felicity Leigh

Honorary Membership Secretary – Annie Baker, Honorary Treasurer – Sue Fage (had agreed to continue for another year)

Competition Secretary – Angie Allsopp, Match Captain – Chrissie Owens,

Committee – Deidre Cave.

Presentations were made to Lynda Love and Helen Ayres as they were both stepping down from their respective positions.

Pippa reiterated the thoughts of Lynda and Angie regarding new members on the committee and if new members were not forthcoming the future of the Society would be in jeopardy.

As Pippa would also be finishing her tenure as President – Helen thanked her for her hard work over the past few years and a presentation was made to her of a voucher and flowers.

10. **Fixtures for 2023**
    These were on the website with entry forms for each competition.

11 **AOB –** there was no AOB and no proposals

The meeting closed at 12.10 and Pippa thanked all for attending and informing the meeting that the raffle would now take place. Thanks to Angie for arranging.