NORFOLK VETERAN LADIES' GOLF SOCIETY

Minutes of Committee Meeting held at Eaton Golf Club
on Friday 6 November 2026 at 10.00

Present:	President	Lynda Love
	Secretary	Catherine Jeffries
	Treasurer	Lynn Wykes
	Membership Secretary	Sue Ryan
	Match Captain	Anne Sibley
	Competition Secretary	Jill Bullimore
	Committee Member	Sue Olds

1. **Apologies**
   Sue Fage. In her absence the President, Lynda, chaired the meeting.

2. **Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on 7 August 2026**
   These were approved and signed by LL.

3. **Matters Arising**
   Website – still no invoice.

   Tablecloth – this has been repaired by AS and looks much better.

   New committee members – it was noted that we might need three new committee members. As well as a Treasurer and Comp Sec we may need a new Match Captain. There followed a discussion about the necessity of playing matches. They cost the society over £1k per year and people are not keen to play because of the travel time. The County now has a Seniors team so there is not the need for Vets matches. It was agreed that the committee would propose, at the AGM, to cease matches from 2027. If this was accepted we would not need a Match Captain. The AmAm would be organised by the Comp Secretary. It was suggested that that role could be taken on by two people. SF and CJ to send out an email asking for volunteers to take on these roles and that of the Treasurer. It was noted that AS holds several jumpers that could be sold off and some match badges.

   Excel document – at the moment this is updated by LW and SR although it is accessible on Dropbox and can be altered by any committee member. In future it should also be updated by the future Comp Secretary who will need to have good IT skills. SR has a backup in case information is inadvertently lost. Data is available for attendance to all the 2026 events. It can be found in Dropbox: NVLGS\Treasurer\2026\261031 NVLGS 2026 Event Attendance Analysis.xlsx

4. **Secretary's Report**
   Nothing to report

5 **Treasurer's Report**

NatWest balance at 6th November 2026 is £5,327.35

Income

Subscriptions for 2026 received since last meeting = £15
AmAm entries = £ 2,700
Championships entries = £ 1,350
Subscriptions for 2027 received so far = £15
Total raised for our charity **=** £ 1,418.19 (including £89.50 raised at the Championships on 30th September) This has been sent to Norfolk & Norwich Hospitals Charity
Greensomes Bawburgh Loss = £ 142.84
AmAm Wensum Valley Loss = £ 83.98
Championships Barnham Broom Loss = £ 67.55
The membership list has been updated for these three competitions and the website with report and photos.

Accounts Year End

The year end accounts will be ready to give to Peter Sturman for approval once Sue Fage has helped balance them.
LW will continue to do the accounts until the AGM but would prefer if this could be sooner which means that a new Treasurer needs to be found as soon as possible.
LW confirmed that she will not be continuing after the AGM.

6. **Membership Secretary's Report**

There are now 413 members: 402 playing, 8 non-playing and 3 honorary (up from 409 in August).
New members came from across different clubs and have joined so that they could play in the competitions.
All files have been updated on Dropbox and so are available to the committee.
All the files and emails about the collection of the 2027 subscriptions have been sent to the club reps.
There has been one change of rep this year. Sue Drake at Mattishall has stepped down this month and has been replaced by Laura Ginesi.
The WhatsApp group to communicate with reps is working well.

7. **Competition Secretary's Report**

The Championships (Finale) were held at Barnham Broom on 30 September. Twenty-four ladies took part. Twelve in the medal and twelve in the stableford. Thanks to Jane Sheppard (Lady Captain) for acting as starter and Debbie who co-ordinated the day. The Barnham Broom staff were very helpful.

LW reported that there are 25 playing members with a handicap of over 36 (as at June '26 handicap list) and only 2 of them took part in the Waltz – thus supporting the decision to scrap the competition

Thoughts for the future - JB confirmed that entries by email are preferred as post is too slow. Having a four-week lead in time for each competition works well.

Future raffles - JB has a voucher for £160 for a photo session from Jenny Coe and a voucher for a four ball at Barnham Broom. (*Given to CJ after the meeting*)

Dates for 2027:

4BBB	16 April	Swaffham

Greensomes	15 July	Gt Yarmouth and Caistor
AmAm	26 August	Wensum Valley
Season Finale	15 Sept	Sprowston

8. **Match Captain's Report**

AmAm - 72 ladies came to Wensum Valley to play the Wensum course. The format was a four ball with two scores to count on each hole.

The winners were:
In 1st place & winners of the Judith Mackinnon Salver with 85 pts from Bawburgh - Penny Lamb, Mary Gamble, Gilly Cocks and Angela Loveday.
2nd with 83 points on countback - from Bawburgh - Phillippa Bond, Fran Johnson, Mary Tuddenham and Brenda Payter
3rd also on 83pts from Wensum Valley, Sue Fage, Sue Olds, Tania Smith and Bev Dennett.
4th with 80 points from Bawburgh, Ros Foster, Daphne Aldridge, Stephanie Fisher and Susan Tuck.
Nearest the pin on the 10th, Julie Proctor, Kings Lynn and on the 13th, Claire Kent, Kings Lynn
The raffle was rather different with six themed baskets - the raffle made £295 which will go to the Norfolk Norwich Hospital's charity.
There was a rolling meal, no prize-giving and people left when they were ready. Everyone seemed happy and there were some lovely compliments saying how well the course was presented and how much they enjoyed the day.
Thanks must go to Emma and her catering team and the staff in the pro shop at Wensum Valley for ensuring everything ran smoothly in the clubhouse and on the course.
Several ladies from Wensum Valley volunteered to help with signing in, the raffle and general meet & greet and it was lovely to have Lynda Love, our Lady President who was able to talk to most players during the day. Catherine Jeffries, Committee Secretary also came along to help check the cards once the players were finished.
The Judith Mackinnon Salver will be presented to the winning team from Bawburgh at the AGM

9. **Correspondence**

From Debbie Watson: *RNGC members would like to raise is the question over qualifying competitions for handicap purposes. We understand that this is not the case but believe it should be.*

This was discussed and the answer given: All individual rounds of golf (ie as in the Season Finale) can be used for handicap purposes. Each player must register their intention to play before the game on the "My EG" app with an appropriate marker named. Following the game the score should be uploaded to the app. The round does not need to be qualifying if the player does not wish it to be.
If the club, where the competition is being held, adds the players to its system and processes the cards then the rounds will be used for handicap purposes.

10. **Any Other Business**

Poster and Fixture Card – LW will prepare a poster for 2027 fixtures. The fixture card was discussed and it was decided not to produce one this year. It was thought to be unnecessary because of the poster and our improved communication using

WhatsApp and Facebook in addition to the website. It would save money (c. £170) and they are often uncollected. LW will put the poster on the website, SR on Facebook and CJ email to Reps.

AGM planning and progress – LW has confirmed the date etc with the Events Manager at WVGC. She has also produced a poster and entry form. These will go on Facebook (SR), the website (LW) and circulated by email to the reps (CJ) as soon as possible. LW confirmed she will not organise the AGM held in February 2028.

"Contact us" tab on website – it was noted that this is unmonitored so no use for urgent communication. It was decided to remove this tab as all the committee members emails were available on the website. (Action LW). Also, SR asked why the AGM section on the website was password protected. It was decided that this is unnecessary and would be removed (LW).

Reps meeting – it was decided that this was useful and another would be held before the start of the 2027 season.

SO asked about engraving the trophies. As they are no longer all given out at the AGM the best plan of action would be to have the Judith Mackinnon Salver (AmAm) engraved for the AGM but all the others could be collected about a month before the appropriate competition and have them engraved then. It was noted only 5 need engraving. SO would check to see how long the engravers needed the trophies for. The trophy that Felicity Leigh gave for the Waltz would be returned to her.

11. **Date of Next Meeting**

Friday 15 January 2027 at 10.00

Lynda closed the meeting at 11.25 and thanked everyone for their input.

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Chair

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