

Perth Suburban Women's Golf League Inc

50th Annual General Meeting

2020 Annual Reports

LIFE MEMBERS

Shirley Simpson Dolly Williams

Marj Malatesta Joan Nicoli Megan Lewis

DECEASED DIVISION 1

DIVISION 3

Mrs G Clayton Mrs J Sinclair Mrs L Greene
Mrs P Catoni Mrs D Liddelow Mrs T Lenthall
Mrs B Wattleworth Mrs J Lovell

DIVISION 2

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President Jan Graham

Vice PresidentTournament DirectorDIVISION 4Genny ConnerJeanette Bannister

Secretary Treasurer Fiona McArthur Ruth Strugnell

Committee Representatives - GolfWA Delegates

Megan Lewis Margrette Gilmore

Match Committee

Chair Jeanette Bannister

Match Committee Members

Carolyn Reeve Lorraine Lyons Roberta Jones Stella Busch (co-opted)

Judy Sinclair Memorial Trophy

Liz Ashton Jandalakes 38 pts

Team Event - Jandalakes 144 pts Liz Ashton, Margrette Gilmore, Tricia Hille, Lorna Richmond

Perth Suburban District Women's Golf Championship

Team Nett - Pt Walter 278 pts Vicki Bailey, Elizabeth Copley. Jenni Mokrzycki, Phyll Moynihan

Team Gross - Yaringa 335 pts Jan Graham, Lynley Hunter, Libby Nowlan, Robyn Tyson

Team Stableford - Jandalakes 144 pts Liz Ashton, Fiona Chin, Vicki Passmore, Lorna Richmond

District Champion Winner - Libby Nowlan 81 pts

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 2020

A big welcome to everyone attending the 2020 AGM of the Perth Suburban Women's Golf League. We sincerely appreciate your contribution to the League in your capacity as Delegates for your individual clubs. You are a very important link between the League's Management Committee and your members as we rely on you to pass on important information to the ladies to ensure they are fully informed on League matters.

I would also like to welcome our Life Members, Shirley Simpson, Joan Niccoli, Marj Malatesta, Dolly Williams and Megan Lewis and acknowledge their support to the League over many years and to this present day. We do hope you realize how much the League appreciates your individual efforts as you have all given of your time in a physical sense and also financially.

At this point I cannot continue without referring to the Covid virus and the significant effect it has had on so many people throughout the world.

There are obviously many more important ways people have been affected than the fact that we've been unable to play as much golf this year but given we are here to participate in the League's AGM I would just like to say that the League was very disappointed in not being able to provide the usual number of competitions in which the ladies could participate in 2020 because of the virus.

The competitions that we did manage to stage such as the Spring Carnival (formerly the State Carnival), the Judith Sinclair Memorial Trophy and the PSWGL District Championships held at Maylands, were very successful as shown by the large increase in the number of ladies participating this year.

Another bright spot in the events held this year was the Presentation Luncheon held at the MAAC club on Monday 26th October with Nigel Williams being our guest speaker. From the number of questions put to Nigel at the end of his speech showed us that the ladies appreciated his time in attending and speaking to the ladies on the day.

Several trophies were presented at the luncheon with the Club Champions being acknowledged by the audience as the League was unable to hold the usual Champion of Champions Play-Off. The 83 ladies who attended seemed to enjoy the relaxed format on the day including jokes recited by some of the wonderful ladies in attendance.

Let's hope 2021 will allow people to continue with their lives in a normal manner so that our program can be fully delivered as in previous years.

GOLFWA DELEGATES' REPORT 2020

PLAYER LIABILITY INSURANCE

Earlier this year your Delegates liaised with GolfWA to formulate the information which is now available on the home page of the PSWGL website. In summary, this policy is maintained by Golf Australia and covers members for personal injury or property damage they may be liable for while playing or practising golf, or while attending a golf event or venue as a player, guest or spectator. The Player Personal Liability Insurance Policy does not cover members for injury caused to them by others.

GOLF HANDICAPPING

It would seem that following the changes made to the RandA Rules in January 2019, followed by the implementation of the World Handicapping System in January 2020, there are no major problems – being used to the previous constant communications from the Golf Australia Director of Handicapping, 'the silence has been deafening'!!

We both continue to enjoy our involvement on the Management Committee of the PSWGL, part of which is to represent member clubs on matters relating to GolfWA and Golf Australia. We have both been nominated to continue in our positions for the 2021 season and hope the member clubs are happy to elect us again. We wish all Delegates and their families a safe and happy Christmas period and look forward to a more 'normal' season of GolfWA and League events, and competition next year.

Megan Lewis and Margrette Gilmore

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT 2020

The tournaments we ran this year were very successful and well attended. It seemed that lots of ladies were starved of competition golf during the lock down.

As you all know by now I am stepping down this year as Tournament Director, but will be here to assist the new people who take over. It seems that the majority of ladies think this position is too onerous, how wrong can they be. It does take up a bit of time and some energy, but this is why we volunteer to do things, and this is far superseded by the lovely people you meet and the satisfaction you get from running a successful day of golf for so many ladies. The initial setting up of the computer and getting the files in order will take a couple of days, but after that it is just a matter of altering entry forms to the year we are in, and changing the information from last year's tournament to this year's.

Sometimes, it was very frustrating when the entries came in and I couldn't read them, but have managed to educate most of the clubs to now type them, also when someone got upset when their name was spelt incorrectly – sometimes my fault and sometimes the person who sent the entry in, but if that is all they had to worry about then that is tough.

Unfortunately as I write this, there has been no nominations for this position, and that is sad, because we have such a unique golf league which has been organising tournaments for ladies public course golf clubs for over 50 years, and we now need a couple of ladies to step up and take a turn. I have heard excuses like "I thought about it, but" and "I don't have time". There is not a lot of time needed, and you just have to manage what time you have to get things done. There also has to be a bit of commitment and organisation – but you cannot tell me that there is NO ONE out there who isn't interested and would not be able to take on the position. Think about it. If you can play golf, then you can do this.

I am optimistic about the future of the League, and look forward to working with the ladies who take this position on next year.

I hope you all have a lovely Christmas and that we have a great year in 2021 without any interruptions to our season

I would like to acknowledge all our wonderful members of the Committee who have worked extremely hard, maybe not as hard as previous years given the presence of the Covid virus, but there was still a lot to do and they have given their all when required. I do hope you appreciate their efforts in organizing the League's golfing calendar so that you and your members can enjoy participating in the different competitions throughout the year.

Our Vice President, Genny Connor, who brings a friendly and lovely energy to her role. Genny hasn't been able to be too involved this year but she is hoping her work commitments next year will change that will enable her to enjoy her role as I know she is wanting to be involved on a more consistent basis.

Our Tournament Director, Jeanette Bannister, who is retiring as at today's date. As you would all be aware Jeanette has served the League tirelessly over many years in a number of roles but it is now time for her to step down from the Committee and to hand the baton to someone else. We seriously hope someone will put their name forward to take on the role of Tournament Director because, if not, there could be serious ramifications for the League in that we may not be able to hold our annual competitions.

Our Secretary, Fiona McArthur, who works efficiently and tirelessly in this very important role. Fiona is always ready at the helm to carry out her duties and to do the little bit extra when asked to do so.

Our Treasurer, Ruth Strugnell who took on this role last year and has shown much enthusiasm and efficiency in keeping control of the League's bank balance.

Our two Golf Representatives, Megan Lewis and Margrette Gilmour, who attend GolfWA meetings when they are on the agenda providing us with a very important link to the goings on in GolfWA which, in turn, gives us feedback on issues which affect us all in our games of golf.

Our Match Committee – Carolyn Reeve, Roberta Jones, Lorraine Lyons who assisted Jeanette when asked to do so in a variety of ways. Stella Busch is also a member of the Match Committee who has, for many years, helped to collate all the League competitions and to enter the results into Golf Link. The Committee is most appreciative of the efforts of all these ladies.

I have very much enjoyed taking on the role of President of the League over the past few years and believe the Committee has worked together in a very harmonious way which has made it easy to do our work in an efficient manner.

Would you please show your appreciation to our hard working committee members.

Thank you once again for being here today to support the League. It is sincerely appreciated.

I do hope you all have a Merry Christmas and 2021 brings you good health, happiness and good golfing.

Jan Graham President

Major Tournament Winners 2020

Autumn Cup

Silver, Bronze and Brass

Metropolitan Championship

Spring Carnival

Day One

18 Hole Stableford Veteran Winner - Claudia Murphy, Embers
18 Hole Stableford Open Winner - Claudia Murphy - Embers
18 Hole Nett Veteran Winner - Maureen O'Dea - Collier
18 Hole Nett Open Winner - Maureen O'Dea - Collier
18 Hole Gross Veteran Winner - Jan Graham - Yaringa
18 Hole Gross Winner - Libby Nowlan - Yaringa

Day Two

18 Hole 4BBB Winners - Jandalakes 47 pts Joan Blair, Tricia Hille

TREASURERS REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1ST NOVEMBER 2019 THROUGH 31ST OCTOBER 2020

As this has been a most unusually inactive year, a decision was made and passed by the Executive Committee, to forgo the annual audit of accounts. I can confirm that at each Executive Meeting during the year, I presented a financial report, detailing all income and expenditure. The records for the year are available for anyone to examine if required.

As per Financial Report:

Bank Statement Balance as at 1 November 2019 was \$9223.68

Income for 2020 as per financial report \$29323.15

Expenses \$28502.26 giving a surplus of \$820.89

<u>Income Received</u>: Annual Fees: 26 member clubs <u>\$260</u>, 978 Associates Affiliation Fees <u>\$4890</u>. We had a new club join this year, Whaleback Women's Golf Club.

League Games: including Green fees, lunches, entry fees and 50th anniversary receipts \$18201.50. A note here, that in the financial year 2018-2019, we had received extra income for the 50th anniversary event, prior to 31/10, which is of course not reflected in this year's financial report. I can report that the League's contribution to the 50th anniversary, in the form of drink vouchers, gift bags, celebration cake and incidentals was \$984.18.

Income from raffles after expenses was \$2107.81

We ran raffles at the 50th anniversary celebration at Claremont, all meetings during the year, Spring Carnival, JSMT playoff, Maylands Championship, and Presentation Lunch

Vouchers and 2 new perpetual trophies for the Spring Carnival 4BBB were generously donated by Shirley Simpson. Vouchers for which Joan Nicoli and Marj Malatesta would normally donate annually, for Autumn Cup and Metropolitan Championship, were not received, as neither of these events was held.

There is an income listed in the Refunds column, which refers to entries received for Opening Day, which was cancelled.

Expenses:

League Games: including green fees, lunches, vouchers, prizes, golf balls, engraving, 50th anniversary & refunds \$21257.63

Other Expenses: Administration, website maintenance, AGM/Delegates morning tea 2019 and room hire at RPGC 2020, \$1205.44.

Administration expenses included computer service calls, paper, ink etc

Trophy Presentation Luncheon at the MAAC: Cost was \$59 pp of which \$20 pp was subsidised by the League, leaving the cost for attendees of \$39. League's expense: \$2196 which includes the subsidy, life member's and guest speaker attendances and room hire charges

Honorarium: Jeanette received a reduced honorarium of \$300 as recompense for fuel, phone calls, incidental costs incurred whilst organising tournaments.

There is an expense in the Refunds column, which includes refunds for Opening Day, which was cancelled.

The bank statement has been reconciled and the balance as at 31 October, 2020 is \$10.044.57

GOLFWA DELEGATES' REPORT

GOLFWA

This year has been different and challenging as we dealt with COVID-19 impacting on golf as well as all aspects of our lives and after March, GolfWA was forced to either cancel or revamp 2020 fixtured events. We have been very fortunate as golfers in Western Australia, that we have been able to continue to play and enjoy all that golf offers, when most other sports had to be discontinued.

Despite not having events to run, GolfWA personnel continued to be very supportive of clubs and districts, regularly communicating the ever-changing Federal and State government health restrictions and providing helpful recommendations. In September, Chairman of the GolfWA Board and the CEO wrote to clubs congratulating them on the responsible way in which clubs had conducted their affairs during the pandemic, enhancing the reputation of golf as a responsible and inclusive sport.

The GolfWA AGM was held on 9 March just prior to COVID impacting WA and both Perth Suburban Delegates attended. The meeting was straight forward with no contentious issues. We had voted by post on changes to the GolfWA Constitution to accept:

- That along with postal voting, electronic voting also be acceptable
- That the Chairman of the GolfWA Board be elected by Board members

A member of the Hamersley Ladies Golf Club, Emma Elliott was elected to the GolfWA Board for two years.