Bangor Women's Golf Club Spring Meeting April 30, 2018

Seasons Restaurant

Members in Attendance

Robin Ashe	Brenda Crosby	Marilyn Rice
Kathy Constantine	Marlene Viger	Rita Stimpson
Claudette Amoroso	Jean Bridges	Sue Roberts
Jean Young	Carol Brooks	Gloria Attenweiler
Karen Bamford	Judy Richard	Marina Aston
Gwen Archambault	Liz Coffin	Cathy Crowell
Shelley Drillen		

Thank you all for participating in our spring meeting.

Welcome: President, Robin Ashe

Robin welcomed us to the Spring Meeting.

A lot of information regarding Bangor Women's Golf Club, BWGC, is on the website, http://www.liz44.com/bangorgolf/index.htm. Liz Coffin is the Webmaster for this site.

Robin thanked Karen Bamford, our past president for the evening's agenda. It follows Karen's agenda of last year's Spring Meeting agenda saving Robin a lot of time.

Robin read Article II Object of our by-laws and constitution.

The object of the Club is to promote fellowship and sportsmanship among its members and to encourage the active participation of its members in golf tournaments conducted in accordance with the rules of the United States Golf Association, except as modified by local rules of the course.

Local rules for BWGC include:

- Hole #2 where there is a water hazard
- Preferred lie
- 10 stroke maximum.

Introduction of the Executive Committee:

President, Robin Ashe Vice President, Marlene Viger

Secretary, Gwen Archambault Treasurer, Jean Young
Past President, Karen Bamford Handicapper, Sue Roberts

Weekly Tournament Chair, Marilyn Rice

Members at Large

Gloria Attenweiler Sandy Meehan Jean Bridges

Message from the Pro Shop

Rob Jarvis wishes us a good meeting and a good beginning to our golf season.

The women's locker room has been redecorated.

Greens fees are \$2.00 more this year than they were last year for our tournaments. The cost for people who are not members of Bangor Municipal Golf Club will be \$22.00 to walk and \$36.00 to ride. (At the meeting, Robin mistakenly said that the rate to walk would be \$18.00.) This rate is considered a senior rate and is only for Ladies' Day.

Reports:

1. Secretary's Report: Gwen Archambault

The headings from the Fall Meeting report were read. The minutes from the Fall Meeting can be found at http://www.liz44.com/bangorgolf/index.htm.

2. Treasurer's Report: Jean Young

The balance in the treasury is \$1,480.04. Our dues are \$45.00 each year. GHIN fees will be the same as last year, \$18.00. GHIN fees are included in the amount of the dues.

As of this evening, fourteen people have paid their dues for 2018. We have two new members to date: Cindy Labbe and Cathy Crowell. Five (5) of our members are honorary members. Honorary members have reached their 80th birthday. Their dues are paid by BWGC, but they will pay their own GHIN fees.

Jean is working on the budget for 2018. It will be very similar to the budget for 2017 and will be presented at the May monthly meeting.

We have \$129.00 in the Hole-in-One fund.

Copies of the treasurer's report can be found in the Monthly Meeting Minutes in the women's locker room.

3. Kathy Constantine moved that instead of paying \$1.00 each year for the Hole-in-One fund, we each pay \$5.00. Members would not pay any more money until someone gets a Hole-in-One. This was seconded by Sue Roberts and unanimously approved.

Paying into the Hole-in-One fund is optional. However, if a member gets a Hole-in-One but did not contribute to the fund, the member will not receive the money in the fund.

Kathy Constantine will be in charge of collecting the money and keeping the record of payees

4. Tournament Chair: Marilyn Rice

Marilyn is organizing the calendar showing the schedule of weekly tournaments. This will include special tournaments.

There will be theme days in June and July. The theme day in August will be the Solheim Cup. The Caring Connections tournament will be held in early September with Marlene Viger as chair. The Club Championship will be the first week in August.

This Thursday will be an informal tournament. There is no need to sign up this week. When we start formal tournaments, we must sign up by noon on the Wednesday before the Thursday tournament.

5. Handicapper Report: Sue Roberts

Posting scores: There will be a sheet posted in the locker room that will explain how to post scores. Scores should be posted the day of a tournament. If that cannot happen, they must be posted before the next tournament.

Scores will be posted as regular play unless they are the results of special tournament play such as Club Championship and President's Cup. Then they will be marked as tournament play.

If you are playing alone, do not post your score. Only post a score outside of BWGC tournaments when playing with a partner who can verify the score.

Adjusted handicap: If you are injured and are playing golf in a tournament, you will have an adjusted handicap until healing occurs.

GHIN handicap reports: When GHIN computes a handicap index, only the top 10 of the 20 most recent scores are considered.

Hole #2. If a player fails to get over the water hazard during a regular Thursday tournament and uses the designated drop area in front of the water, record the accurate score.

If the player elects to use the drop area in front of the green, the tournament score for that hole will be the actual score. When recording game score in the computer, adjust the score of that hole to reflect the maximum number of strokes taken for a hole based on ones handicap.

During special tournaments such as President' Cup and Club Championship, a player must use the designated drop area in front of the water hazard.

New Rule: One new rule is that players cannot anchor their putter against their chests. They can anchor a putter against their arm.

6. Maine State Golf Association (MSGA): Jean Young WMSGA no longer exists. It was founded in 1926 and merged with MSGA in 2018. Women will now be members of MSGA, but will have their own division. The website to get all information is www.mesga.org.

Sherrie Thomas' title is now Tournament Director. (Sherrie@mesga.org) The SMWGA Administrative Assistant, Barbara Freeman, is also a Tournament Director. (Barb@mesga.org) Sherrie and Barb are both available to all members if there are questions.

Individual dues are now \$30.00. Applications may be completed on line. If not possible, instructions to mail in applications are available at www.mesga.org.

Once you have become a member, it is then possible to enter tournaments online or by mail. Any payments online can be made by credit card. The weekly tournaments now have a longer period of time to enter. For example, April 6 to April 14, 9 days. Under WMSGA the entry time was only 5 days.

It seems that the prize structure will remain the same, being determined by the size of the field. However, MSGA will not issue vouchers at the end of the year. Your credit will be kept in your account and you can request your winnings when you want to use them. Also, you can use your accumulated credit to pay for carts at the tournament sites on the day of the tournaments.

The tournament schedule is available on the website. The first tournament is May 1 and the final tournament is on October 23.

Special tournaments for MSGA/Women:

- Metropolitan, Turner Highlands, June 25 or 26
- Maine Women's Amateur, Rockland, July 23-25
- Senior Championship, Springbrook, July 31
- Janet Drouin Memorial, Natanis, August 13-14
- Mixed Championship, Cape Arundel,
- NEWGA, The Woodlands
- Parent/Child Championship, Natanis
- Tri State, Rochester, NH.

All of these tournaments can be entered at the present time.

The MSGA/Women's Tournament will be at Bangor Muni on August 28. There will be a shotgun start at 9 AM. The entry dates are August 3-11. Many volunteers will be needed to make this a great event!

Bangor Women's Golf Club

Special Tournaments:

President's Cup chair needed
Club Championship: chair needed
Hilda Day Marilyn Rice
Solheim Cup Executive Board
Caring Connections Marlene Viger

Monthly Tournaments:

Junechair neededJulychair neededAugust (Solheim)Executive BoardSeptember (Caring Connections)Marlene Viger

Carol Brooks informed us that Penobscot Valley Country Club would like to have us come there to play. **Mark Hall,** the Golf Pro at PVCC talked to us about this, too. We could go there as just our club or play with the women's club there.

Sponsors:

A committee is needed to do the following:

- Send sponsor letters to past and new sponsors.
- Write thank you letters.
- Organize a schedule for putting out signs on meeting days and on days of special tournaments. The schedule will be posted on the bulletin board.
- Purchase new signs as needed.

Marlene Viger and Jean Young will be this committee.

Members' Committee:

Update the members' list and put on the website Liz Coffin, Webmaster; Jean Young and Gwen Archambault

Special Individual Positions and Job Descriptions

Hole-in-One Chair: Kathy Constantine

Collect the \$5.00 from members who wish to contribute.

Keep a list of contributing members.

Add the name of the person getting a hole-in-one to the Hole-in-One plaque.

Three-putt Jar: Judy Richard Claudette Amoroso (in Judy's absence)

After each round of golf collect monies from players who have had 3-putts. For one round, it is \$.25 for each three-putt. However, the maximum amount any player pays after a round is \$1.00. (**This is optional.**)

At the end of the season, give the money to the treasurer. The money will be matched by the BWGC and given to a charity.

Chip-ins: Carole Cook

Players record chip-ins in the book provided by Marlene Viger. Record the date and number of the hole where the chip-in occurred. Chair gives a golf ball for each chip-in recorded at each monthly meeting and at the Fall Meeting.

Ringer Board: Janet Anderson

Players record their gross scores on a board in the locker room on their first game day. Each week they can readjust their scores if they have improved.

At the end of the season the chair will compute the first, second, and third place winners of the Ringer Board and present awards during the fall meeting.

Janet Anderson has purchased new sheets for the Ringer Board that will take less space on our bulletin board and be easier to use than the large poster board used in previous years.

Birdie Tree: Kathy Anderson

Players record their names and date on the appropriate hole number on the Birdie Tree after scoring a birdie(s) during a round. At the Fall Meeting the Chair presents a gift to all who have had birdies during the season.

Chip-ins book, Ringer Board, and Birdie Tree are all located in the locker room.

Old Business:

Gwen Archambault resubmitted a proposal that was tabled at the fall meeting.

Proposal for Changes to Standing Tournament Rules for Ladies' Day

Current wording

Standing Tournament Rules for Ladies' Day

- 4. BIRDIES scored on Ladies' Day only will count for the Birdie Tree.
- Ringer scores may be recorded on the yearly Ringer only on Ladies' Day.

Proposal Wording

Standing Tournament Rules

- 4. Birdies and Chip-ins scored during any tournament sanctioned by Bangor Women's Golf Club may be recorded on the Birdie Tree and in the Chip-ins notebook located in the women's locker room.
- 5. Ringer Board scores may be changed after participating in any tournament sanctioned by Bangor Women's Golf Club that occurs on the 18-hole course of Bangor Municipal Golf Course with the exception of match play events.
- 6. Hole-in-One may be claimed during any Bangor Women's Golf Club tournament play.

The proposal was adopted by a unanimous vote. Liz and Robin will work together to update the change in the Bangor Women's Golf Club booklet found on the website.

New Business

Locker Room

The locker room looks very nice with new paint and new pictures. The chairs have been reupholstered. A new curtain and matching table runner will add to the refurbishment.

The bulletin board needs to be decorated. Jean Bridges and Brenda Crosby will work on this.

Marlene showed some of the pictures that she is adding to the women's locker room. One features the winners of the 2017 President's Cup, and the other is of the 2017 Club Championship winners.

Marlene has also ordered a new clock for the locker room and has purchased a new three-putt jar.

New Members

Robin asked that we all help to recruit new members by asking friends to join BWGC.

She also asked that we make ourselves available to people who come to join us. Another suggestion by Robin was that we update the new member booklet.

Another suggestion was that we sponsor an evening 9-hole event for working women. Rob is already sponsoring a Wine and Nine event on Monday evenings. Robin is trying to find another evening for working women who are part of BWGC.

We have lost three members. Barbara Sheets, Staci Creech and Darby Vigue. They will be missed.

Publicity

Robin is hoping that we can get publicity from the Bangor Daily News and from television coverage this year.

Liz Coffin, Marina Aston, and Kathy Constantine are our photography committee. However, photos from other club members are very much welcomed.

Website

There is a lot of information on our BWGC website. Please visit it to see all that is there.

Thursday morning golf

Before beginning a round on Thursday, Marilyn will explain the rules of the game being played.

Robin has asked Rob if the golf pro on duty that day would give us a golf tip. It might be clarification of a golf rule, a tip regarding speed of play or another topic the pro chooses..

We will have two dotted score cards. One will be the official card; the other will be a backup. The names of all four people in a group will be on both cards. **Tip:** The two people who are not keeping score should hit their next shots while the scorekeepers do their work.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen Archambault, Secretary