

**Bangor Women's Golf Club
Spring Meeting
May 8, 2019
Seasons Restaurant**

Members in Attendance

Robin Ashe	Brenda Crosby	Marilyn Rice
Kathy Constantine	Rita Stimpson	Marilyn Hughes
Claudette Amoroso	Jean Bridges	Sue Roberts
Jean Young	Carol Brooks	Susan Payne
Karen Bamford	Judy Richard	Dottie Cerbone
Gwen Archambault	Yukiko Bigney	Anne Pooler
Shelley Drillen		

Guest: Cindy McNeal

Thank you for participating in our spring meeting.

Welcome: President, Robin Ashe

Robin welcomed us to the Spring Meeting. She announced that Marlene Viger has resigned as Vice President and has appointed Brenda Crosby to be the interim Vice President.

Rob Jarvis, golf pro at Bangor Municipal Golf Course, reported that Bangor Muni has the option of rating its own holes. Golf Genius can keep track of scores and determine the difficulty rating of each hole from most difficult to easiest. USGA determines the slope of the holes.

No golf carts are allowed on the course yet because it is so wet.

Tournament fees:

The cost for people who are not members of Bangor Municipal Golf Club will be \$22.00 to walk and \$36.00 to ride. This rate is considered a senior rate and is only for Ladies' Day. In addition, participants will pay \$5.00 for the tournament, and \$.25 for putts

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.

Introduction of the Executive Committee:

President, Robin Ashe	Interim V. Pres. Brenda Crosby
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

Reports:

1. **Secretary's Report: Gwen Archambault**

All members have had access to the minutes from the Fall Meeting. Members were emailed copies of the minutes, and a copy of the minutes was placed in the Meeting Minutes notebook in the locker room. They could also be found online at

<http://www.liz44.com/bangorgolf/index.htm>.

Anne Pooler moved that the minutes be accepted. Kathy Constantine seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

2. **Treasurer's Report: Jean Young**

The balance in the treasury as of October 29, 2018, was \$1,488.16. Our current balance is \$2333.86. Several members have already paid their dues. Our dues are \$45.00 each year. GHIN fees and BWGC fees for President's Cup and Club Championship are included in the amount of the dues.

Proposed Budget: Gratuities are increased from \$350.00 to \$375.00, as was recommended at the Fall Meeting. Budgeted donations to charities are presented according to what was given during the 2018 golf season.

Brenda Crosby made the motion that the budget be accepted. Judy Richard seconded the motion. Marilyn Rice suggested that we add an asterisked item to the budget that will show how much we raise in 2019 for Caring Connections. That will be added.

The motion to approve the budget was accepted.

Members who did not pay \$5.00 into the hole-in-one fund may do so this year. Kathy Constantine will collect the money and keep a list of paying members.

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

3. **Handicapper Report: Sue Roberts**

Posting scores: Sue explained that her job as handicapper is to be certain that people are posting their scores in a timely manner. She also checks scores.

New golf rule changes: Sue briefly discussed some of the new rule changes. One of the most important concerns how to drop a ball. If a ball is dropped from the shoulder, it must be redropped from the knee. If a ball is hit that was dropped from the shoulder, the player incurs a **two stroke penalty**.

A video demonstrating the rules changes can be found at <http://www.usga.org>. (You Tube has videos regarding the rules changes, too.)

Each week a new rule change will be presented. The pro, Rob Jarvis or Brian Enman, will explain the change before we go to assigned holes for beginning a round. At noontime, the rule will be discussed again. This year players will help each other. If someone is not following a rule, they will not be given a penalty but will be helped to see what should have been done. **However, when playing with MSGA**, players will be expected to know the rules and penalties will be imposed.

Tournament participants need to be in the area near the first tee 15 minutes prior to the start of play to hear the Pro's explanation of a rule change and to hear the explanation of the game of the week to be presented by Marilyn Rice or Sue Roberts. If play begins at 9:00 AM, please be there at 8:45 AM. If play begins at 8:00 AM, please be there at 7:45 AM.

In addition to a handicapper, a **Rules Chairman** and a **Rules Committee are needed**. Sue will serve as a member on the committee.

Scoring and scorecards: Scores will be posted on the computer in the Pro Shop 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. There will be two scorecards for each group of BWGC players. There will be a place for putts on those cards.

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 for the hole.

If the player elects to use the drop area in front of the green, the tournament score for that hole will be the player's actual score. However, when recording the game score in the computer, the player must 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's Cup and Club Championship, a player must use the designated drop area in front of the water hazard.

4. **Maine State Golf Association (MSGA): Jean Young**
MSGA is still made up of both men and women's state organizations.

Brian Bickford is replacing **Nancy Storey**, who has retired, as **Executive Director of MSGA**.

The website for women's state golf information and activities is www.mesga.org. The cost of individual dues for MSGA Women is \$30.00. Applications may be completed online. If it is not possible to register online, instructions concerning how to mail in applications are available at the website. Once a player has become a member, it is possible to enter tournaments online or by mail. Any payments online can be made by credit card.

Sherrie Thomas' title is now Tournament Manager. (Sherrie@mesga.org)

The MSGA/Women's Tournament will be at Bangor Muni on September 3, 2019.

Two tournaments have already been played. On May 6th there was a tournament at Samoset, and on May 7th there was a tournament at Portland Country Club.

5. **Tournament Chair: Marilyn Rice**

Weekly game schedule and game scoring: Marilyn is organizing the calendar showing the schedule of weekly tournaments. She would like **input from members** concerning games they enjoyed or didn't enjoy last season. Marilyn will meet with Rob to be certain that the games chosen are compatible for scoring with Golf Genius. When the schedule is completed, it will be posted on the bulletin board in the women's locker room and on the website.

During tournament play there will be one player from each flight on a team: an A, B, C, and D player. Players may find themselves playing with some members several times because there aren't as many people in the D flight.

Game scoring is net scoring except for the last of the month when Theme Day tournaments are played. Those tournament scores are flighted gross and net. Theme Days are usually on the same day as the monthly meeting.

Standing Tournament Rules and Weekly Tournament Rules:

Marilyn reviewed some of the important standing rules of tournament play.

- In order for play to be considered a tournament, 8 people must be in attendance.
- Ready play helps to avoid unnecessary slow play. She suggested we all go to the BWGC website and read the Member Booklet where Standing Tournament Rules and Weekly Tournament Rules are presented.

Some people have complained about never starting a tournament on hole number 1. Marilyn suggested we be flexible about that.

This Thursday players do not need to sign up in advance in order to play. Starting with the 16th players will need to sign up or contact the pro shop by Wednesday noon if they wish to play in that week's Thursday tournament.

Special Tournaments:

President's Cup	chair needed
Club Championship:	chair needed
Hilda Day:	coordinator needed
Solheim Cup	executive committee of BWGC
Caring Connections	chair is needed

The date for the beginning of the President's Cup matches is being moved ahead of last year's date so that all matches can be completed earlier.

Monthly Tournaments:

June	chair needed
July	chair needed
August (Solheim)	Executive Board
September (Caring Connections)	chair needed

Off-site tournament: On July 11th, there is a tournament scheduled for a group other than BWGC. We will need to play at a different course. Susan Payne has spoken to Colin Giles about this. We can play at Traditions for \$25.00. That includes the round of golf and a cart. He suggests we play from the white tees to make it more challenging. Kathy Constantine made the motion that we go to Traditions on July 11th. Judy Richards seconded this motion.

In further discussion, Shelley Drillen suggested that we go to Rocky Knoll on the 11th. We would have the round of golf at the same price as what Traditions would offer us. Sue Roberts suggested that we consider Brooks Golf Course again. Last year they, too, said that we could play 18 holes and have a cart for \$25. Jean Young suggested that we go to Calais that day and play 9 holes where Lori Frost is going to be working at the golf course there.

Kathy Constantine withdrew her motion.

Anne Pooler made the motion that we present 2 or 3 choices to our membership. They will vote online by ranked choice voting for the place where we will play on July 11th. Jean Young seconded this motion. The motion carried.

Sponsor Committee:

Jean Young, Robin Ashe, Jean Bridges and Carol Brooks will be the members of the sponsor committee. Following are the duties of the sponsor committee:

- Send sponsor letters to past and new sponsors.
- Send thank you letters that will include pictures of the signage for the sponsor's business.
- 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. (Jean Bridges has volunteered to do this.)
- Purchase new signs as needed.

Website:

Robin will be working with Liz to update sections of the BWGC website.

Regular weekly play, people who have agreed to serve:

- **Ringer Board:** Janet Anderson
- **Birdie Board:** Kathy Anderson
- **3-Putt Jar:** Judy Richard (backup: Gloria Attenweiler)
- **Chip-ins:** Carole Cook
- **Photographers:** Marina Aston and Kathy Constantine
- **Hole-in-One Chair:** Kathy Constantine

Pages in the back of the Ringer Board notebook will be used to record Birdies and Chip-ins. Please record birdies in the Ringer Board notebook in the event that a bird gets removed from the Birdie Board by accident.

The motion to adjourn was made by Brenda Crosby and seconded by Kathy Constantine. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen Archambault, Secretary