

**Minutes of the Ferndown Forest Golf Club Ladies Committee**  
**17<sup>th</sup> August 2026**

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| <b>1</b> | <b>Attendees:</b> Carol Guest (CG), Gail Leyland (GL), Caroline Sard (CS), Carol Thornton (CT), Janice West (JW), Martha Tucker (MT) and John Mitchell, Club Secretary.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Apologies:</b> Penny Knight (PK) and Steve Pockneall (SP)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Approval of the minutes from the last meeting:</b><br>The minutes from the meeting on 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2026 were approved.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Matters arising from minutes:</b><br>The cheque for the money raised on the charity day will be handed over at the MS Centre on 27 <sup>th</sup> August.<br>30 <sup>th</sup> June 2027 has been confirmed as the date for the Leigh Clark Memorial day.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                |
| <b>5</b> | <b>Treasurer's Report:</b><br>There is currently £221.60 in cash and £5190.05 in the bank. Once the charity donation has been made the balance will be £1411.15.<br>A SumUp reader has now been purchased and a trial payment made. The reader is linked to the treasurer's mobile so it will not be possible to use it every week and ladies will still need to pay their £3 entry fee in cash. However, it will be used for larger payments, such as for the Christmas lunch, and for the charity day. |                |
| <b>6</b> | <b>Twos Kittys</b><br>In the future twos will be paid out for all competitions, including fun games, with the exception of any team competitions, the ladies' championship and the charity day.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                |
| <b>7</b> | <b>Legg Bowl competition</b><br>The entry fee has been paid and CT is awaiting news about the draw. Each club consists of four players forming two teams with a silver (handicaps up to 20.4) and bronze (20.5 – 36.4) player in each pair.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                |
| <b>8</b> | <b>Trophies and Eclectic Competition</b><br>The winners of the summer Order of Merit and eclectic competition will be awarded trophies. There will be no money prize in line with the other sections at the club. These competitions will close on 30 <sup>th</sup> October.                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                |
| <b>9</b> | <b>2026-27 Diary</b><br>It was agreed that that Ladies' Championship next year should move from July to September and it will take place on the 8 <sup>th</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup> September.<br>The ladies' charity day will take place on 21 <sup>st</sup> July.<br>The Ladies' President -v- Captain competition will take place on 21 <sup>st</sup> April.                                                                                                                                         |                |

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|           | Jon Shimmons must be kept informed about any home matches so they can be added to the club diary in a timely manner.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | CS will liaise with JS |
| <b>10</b> | <p><b>Briefing from John Mitchell, Club Secretary</b></p> <p>JM emphasised the distinction between Master Scoreboard, which he is responsible for, and the tee sheet which is dealt with by Jon Shimmons and can also be accessed by the staff in the shop. The tee sheet is most important and details must be entered well in advance to ensure bookings are made. JM then draws on that information to produce entry forms on Master Scoreboard.</p> <p>All cards, including no returns, must be entered before competitions can be closed.</p> <p>On cards PU, for pick up, cannot be entered for a medal or at any time when the competition is strokeplay. It can be entered for stableford competitions.</p> <p>JM sends out emails with the start lists. It is important that ladies read any additional information which is in those emails because there is often important information included.</p> <p>Ladies should be advised that entries can only be made online until 5pm on the Sunday immediately before the competition. If they miss that deadline they may still be able to join by contacting the shop directly.</p> <p>All summer competitions, including the ladies Order of Merit and Eclectic, will close on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2026.</p> <p>For competitions such as the Ladies' Club Championship, which takes place in handicap order, JM recommended that it is set up so that only people on the start sheet can sign in and take part. That will not prevent ladies joining at short notice but it will mean that they will not be able to put in a score for the competition. It would be advisable to remind staff in the shop about this information on the first day of the championship so that last minute changes are not required.</p> |                        |
| <b>11</b> | <p><b>AOB/Items for the next agenda</b></p> <p>When a competition takes place in which there are fewer than 5 entrants there will be no prizes awarded. However, if an entry fee is paid the scores will count towards the eclectic and order of merit competitions.</p> <p>In the 9 hole competition it has been agreed previously that when there are 10+ entrants there will be two prizes awarded. Those will be in the proportions of 40% and 20% of the sum set aside for prizes.</p> <p>The date of the AGM has been moved to 9<sup>th</sup> November 2026.</p> <p>JW has recently undertaken a survey of committee members relating to their roles and workload. She has shared her report and this will be reviewed and revisited at future meetings before the AGM.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                        |
| <b>12</b> | <p><b>Date of the next meeting:</b></p> <p>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2026, 8.30am at the Forest Inn.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                        |