

## Low Country Team Annual Meeting Minutes April 5, 2024

Ruth Bartlett, General Chair, welcomed everyone to the luncheon at 11:31am.  
The Invocation was given by Wendy Locus.

Meeting was called to order at 12:09pm by Ruth Bartlett.

Board Members Present: Ruth Bartlett, Kathy LaBonte, Niza Hall, Carol Hammond, Laura Collins.  
Not present: Suzn Stewart, Denise Harris and Mary Jane Peebles.

1. A motion was made by Heather Goldberg and seconded by Julie Martin to approve the minutes from the 2023 Annual Meeting. The motion was approved.
2. Treasurer's Report: Cynthia Leaf gave the Treasurer's report on behalf of Suzn Stewart. Balance on Jan 1, 2024 was 5770.86. Revenue for the past year was \$9072.00 (42 dues x \$216), expenses through April 5 are \$4761.17 and additional expenses through April 8 are \$4577.16. Thus, Total expense ytd are \$9338.33. The balance is \$5504.53.
3. LCT Mission and Donations: Ruth Bartlett presented the organization's Mission Statement and reported that \$1750 would be donated to both Hilton Head Junior Golf and LPGA Girls Golf. These same donations were made in 2023.
4. Recognition for 2024 Season: 7 new teams played in the newly created Division 6. LCT is comprised of 19 Clubs having 42 Teams with over 550 players on the rosters. Oldfield has made a formal request to join LCT and is on the waiting list.
  - a. Board members were recognized
    - i. Ruth Bartlett, General Chair, 1 year remaining on her term
    - ii. Mary Jane Peebles, ex-officio, 1 year remaining on her term
    - iii. Suzn Stewart, retiring after completing her term
    - iv. Denise Harris, Div 1 Chair, captain's materials
    - v. Niza Hall, Div 2 Chair and meeting coordination
    - vi. Carol Hammond, Div 3 Chair and scoring
    - vii. Kathy LaBonte, Div 4 and Div 6 chair, post season organization
    - viii. Laura Collins, Div 5 chair and scheduling
  - b. Team Captains were recognized
  - c. Hole-in-Ones by Tina Outrich and Renee Cannon were recognized with gift certificates for a round at Sea Pines Country Club.
5. Notes from the Season
  - a. Carol Hammond introduced the Golf Genius scoring system and its benefits and encouraged members to try it.
  - b. Any Clubs adding or deleting a Team should notify the Board by May 31, 2024
  - c. Slow Play – 5 hour rounds are not acceptable and the Board will explore methods to improve pace of play for next season
  - d. Inclement Weather may cause delays and interruptions. Players are encouraged to commit to availability for the entire day.

- e. Course Reservation Contracts – all contracts have been received for the 2025 season. Contracts for the 2026 season must be submitted April 1 to May 25, 2025 and priority will no longer be given based on submission date.
  - f. Warm-up before matches: a single line feeding all individual stations at driving ranges should be employed next season.
  - g. Penalties: One team was penalized for team members playing out of order this season. The forfeited points were not awarded to the opposing team. The Standing Rules will be amended for clarity.
  - h. Score Boards and Rain Dates: the cumulative scores should not be entered on the score board when a prior play date has been delayed and no scores are listed for those matches.
6. The 2024 Division Champions were recognized
- a. Div 1 Colleton River I
  - b. Div 2 May River I
  - c. Div 3 Callawassie I
  - d. Div 4 Haig Point I
  - e. Div 5 Moss Creek II
  - f. Div 6 Berkeley Hall III
7. Nominating Committee was chaired by Mary Jane Peeples. One Board position was vacated at the completion of Suzn Stewart's term. Cynthia Leaf was nominated for a 3 year term as Secretary/Treasurer. Ruth Bartlett was nominated for 1 more year as General Chair and Mary Jane Peeples will remain on the board for 1 additional year as Ex Officio. Other Board members as listed above. Heather Goldberg made a motion to approve the nomination and Lori Witz seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
8. Comments and Questions:
- a. Diane T. (Dataw) asked if we could we employ day of event handicap indices? Ruth Bartlett said the Board would review the issue.
  - b. Cynthia Odell requested that the schedule be spread through February and March.
9. Ruth Bartlett thanked Niza Hall and the Long Cove Staff for organizing and providing a wonderful luncheon.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:36pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cynthia Leaf, Secretary