



Isle of Wight Ladies Golf Association

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 10th August 2026 at Shanklin & Sandown Golf Club at 10.30 am

Present:

President – Maggie Ankers (MA)
Captain – Stephanie Hart (SH)
Vice-Captain – Louise Webb (LW)
Treasurer – Liz Morris (LM)
Competition Secretary - Mandy Gould (MG)
Secretary – Julie Miller (JM)

Delegates:

Cowes – Jude Ferris (JF)
Freshwater Bay – Jackie Evitts (JE)
Newport - Jackie Mouat (JM-N)
Osborne – Gillian Fahy (GF)
Ryde – Tricia Penn (TP)
Shanklin & Sandown – Lyn Guy (LG)
Westridge – Louise Webb (LW)

HLG Rep –

Apologies: Shirley Mawdsley (SM), Lucy Burke (LB) & Emma Powell (EP)

The captain welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th July 2026 were agreed as accurate and signed by the captain.

2. Matters arising:

- **HLG Luncheon Invite update** - SH confirmed that the lunch at the College will be on Tuesday 3rd November, 12.00 for 12.30 with a maximum number of 60. Following discussions, it was felt that this was not the right occasion to invite the HLG Captain to answer any questions on Unification. We will put this on hold and if in the future a meeting is desired, we can extend an invite as required.
- **Scratch match/handicap competition – communication update.** MA advised that she and LB had not had the opportunity to discuss this further but will do so. JM confirmed that the draft 2027 fixture list had been forwarded to LB. JM will send to MA so date/venue options can be viewed. **Action: Secretary.**
TP highlighted that a member from Ryde asked if it was possible to hold a competition once a year at a weekend, to make it more accessible for working ladies and perhaps this one might be an ideal opportunity. All agreed. MA to relay this to LB at their meeting. **Action: President.**

3. Captain's report:

Congratulations go to Freshwater Bay on winning the foursomes league for 2026, Cowes won all 4 points on offer at the final fixture so claimed the runners-up spot just 1 point behind.

Seventeen teams of four took part in my 'stand aside' Texas Scramble over 12 holes. The weather was kind with a breeze to take the edge off the heat, and an afternoon tea was waiting to follow the golf which I believe went down very well. I chose golf towels embroidered with the chevron design for my prizes along with golf balls, again, featuring the new logo.

The winning team were Ronnie Hirst (S), Sarah Nye (S), Ann Geary (O) and Carol Pointer (R) with a nett 28.

Second place went to Lorrie Hawkins (S), Lesley Catchpole (O), Ann Smith (F) and Sally Kavanagh (S) with a nett 30.

Third prize went to Jo Tucker (N), Fran Doyle (R), Beverley Carroll (S) and Lorraine Swallow (W) with a nett 31.

Penny Diez won the nearest the pin on the 9th.

I would like to thank Lyn and Julie for all their help in Mandy's absence, Louise for the lovely flowers and chocolate and the management committee at Sandown for allowing me to host a very enjoyable day.

We have reached the semi-final stage of the Island Fourball, teams from Freshwater Bay, Ryde and Shanklin are still in the mix, and Cowes has kindly agreed to host both.

The Centenary Am-Am was held last Monday at Newport where the team of Sarah Nye (S), Julie Miller (S), Joy Jenkins (O) and Mandy White (O) were victorious. Jane Gray (N), Helen Whittaker (W), Ann Geary (O) and Sally Kavanagh (S) were the runners up. It was nice to see Mandy back, with her computer, crunching the numbers once more.

A 'Good Luck' card was sent to our Hampshire 1st team ahead of the England Golf Women's County finals.

4. Secretary's report:

- **League 2026** –Congratulations to Freshwater Bay for winning this year's league and well done to Cowes for securing second place which was not decided until the last match on the final day. Thank you to everyone who took part and especially to Mandy and Maggie for their support to Stephanie and myself over the five weeks of matches.
- **League 2027** – I have heard from LW that Westridge will be unable to field a team for next season, and I would like to ask all Delegates to check with their clubs to ascertain whether they will be taking part in 2027. I know this is an early request but any changes to the schedule are quite complex, and it would be good to have this information before the end of the year. Thanks to SH for all her hard work and support with managing this year's amendments.

Action: Delegates

- **Fixture list 2027** – The requests for 2027 competitions and league matches have now been sent to the Club Secretary/Managers. I am pleased to announce that I have received a response from

Freshwater Bay, Newport, Osborne, Shanklin & Sandown and Westridge and they can all accommodate our competition dates. Cowes have acknowledged our request but need to confirm with the Competition's committee.

- **AGM 2026** – Officer nominations. I will be sending out AGM documentation at the beginning of September and need to check with our current officers (Competition Secretary, Treasurer and Secretary) if they wish to put their names forward again and if so, would need a Proposer and Second. The HLG Delegate role is a recommended 3-year tenure. I will just touch base with LB and EP to remind them of this. **Action: Secretary**

The Treasurer and Secretary confirmed they would be happy to stand for the upcoming year, however, to note, the Treasurer stated that this would be her last year. MG asked for her name to be withheld for the moment as it was important to highlight that even though she had announced at last year's AGM her wish to finish within the next year or two, no volunteers had come forward apart from JM-N to look at the role. Following a comprehensive discussion, MA felt that the Competition Secretary position should be shared across two people as it is no longer a one-person role. All agreed. It is also important to note, that if we do not find anyone, the Association as we know it, may cease to exist. It was agreed that an Officer's meeting be arranged to qualify what the Officer roles are and in particular re-visit the Competition Secretary Job Description. We need succession planning in place, and all Officers should have one person to back them in case of any unforeseen circumstances where they may need to step away for a period. JM to organise a date/venue for Officers meeting. **Action: Secretary.**

- **AGM 2026** – Delegates requested to update at our next meeting, any ladies from their clubs who were/are members of our association that have sadly passed away during the past year. JM confirmed the names that had been advised to date, two others noted at the meeting. **Action: Delegates.**

4. Treasurers report:

Balance of account is £2,578.22. This includes entries from Cliff Dinham Salvors, (£540) and the Fourball (£250). There are £355 vouchers outstanding, but LM was pleased to announce all those from this year's Championships have all come through. There is a running balance of £1,433.22.

Competition refunds were discussed, and LM explained how these were managed and noted that a refund would not be given for any 'on the day' dropouts as the prize money is worked out 24 hours ahead of the event.

Finally, LM said going forward she would bring copies of the accounts to the meeting, as some committee members have difficulty printing them.

5. Competition Secretary's Report:

- **Centenary AM-AM** – This team competition was held last week and for various reasons, we had players that dropped out. We were able to find replacements for two of them but not all. It is very difficult and time consuming to find ladies wishing to play who have not already signed up and it was felt that any player who needs to withdraw should have the responsibility to find their own replacement so as to not let down their team.
- **Cliff Dinham** – This is scheduled for Monday 17th August at Cowes and the extreme weather conditions were discussed. We understand that the forecast is for slightly lower temperatures, so it was agreed that the competition will run on this date. Ladies need to ensure they are prepared for playing in these very hot conditions.

6. President's Report:

- Since our last meeting, we were very sad to hear of one of our ladies unexpectedly losing her husband. Our thoughts and sympathies are with her.
- Congratulations to Freshwater Bay on winning this year's league.
- Following a health concern for one of our ladies out on the course in the Centenary AM-AM and the lack of a spare buggy at the clubhouse to assess the situation, Delegates were asked if they had a buggy available at their clubs for any future incidents. All confirmed yes or there would be assistance available from the green staff if required. Following further discussions, Delegates asked to find out if they have defibrillators within the clubs and their location. **Action: Delegates.**
- MA congratulated SH on her excellent Captain's Day, it was a great success.

7. Hampshire Rep:

EP and LB unable to attend today so nothing to report.

8. Any Other Business.

- **Shanklin & Sandown Vice-Captain** – LG advised that Jane Wilson will be our Vice-Captain from now until our AGM in October, taking over as Captain on 6th October.
- **Website** – MA stated that Jane Wilson was having a meeting with Georgina Botterill to look at correlating some of the archive information and photos etc to run on our website.
- **Past & Present Captain's competition** – TP asked that entry forms be sent to both herself and Marg Kirby please. Payment to our Treasurer in the usual way.

9. Date of the Next meeting:

Monday 7th September 2026 at Shanklin & Sandown Golf Club – **start time 10.30.**