



Isle of Wight Ladies Golf Association

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6th July 2026 at Shanklin & Sandown Golf Club at 10.00 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:

Freshwater Bay – Jackie Evitts (JE)
Newport - Jackie Mouat (JM-N)
Osborne - Shirley Mawdsley (SM)
Ryde – Tricia Penn (TP)
Westridge – Louise Webb (LW)

HLG Rep – Lucy Burke (LB)

Apologies: Jude Ferris (JF), Lyn Guy (LG) and Emma Powell (EP)

The captain welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on the 18th May 2026 were agreed as accurate and signed by the captain.

2. Matters arising:

- **Fairfax Trophy engraving update** – LM reported that Timpson's were unable to undertake the engraving but had suggested another supplier who would be able to complete the work. This was done at a very reasonable cost. LM showed the trophy to the committee, and all were happy with the engraving.
- **Wight Games Festival venue** – LW had approached the proprietor at Westridge who said he had no prior knowledge of this Festival and unfortunately due to the late timing, they would be unable to accommodate our request. All agreed that golf should be included for any future events, and this should be highlighted at the earliest opportunity.
- **HLG Unification meeting** – response update – refer to Secretary report.
- **Club V1 fix update** – Following a lot of communication between MG and Bob Singh-Bansi, it was finally revealed that Club V1 had been in touch and the issue that we had been experiencing was a problem at their end, which has now been fixed, and everything should be working for our next qualifying competition, the Veterans Trophy.
- **130 Anniversary update** – LW had spoken to both our President Elect (Gillian Fahy) and Vice-Captain Elect (JF) and various options had been looked at, however nothing had been decided. The committee discussed this and feedback from some was that there may not be a great

amount of interest in holding a specific celebratory event. All agreed to discuss this further at a future meeting.

3. Captain's report:

Maggie gave an excellent description of the standard of play of both Sammi Keen and Emma Powell prior to the presentation of the Fairfax Trophy at the Championships. This was because, due to the weather, very few followers were brave enough to venture out to watch the impressive display of golf. Congratulations go to Sammi for retaining her title of Island Champion. All our prize winners should be commended for their efforts in the demanding conditions.

I would like to thank Maggie for doing the presentation at Osborne for the Isa Ballard, unfortunately I was feeling under the weather. Congratulations go to the winners, Jacky Cook and Viv Tomlinson (SSGC) with an exceptional score of 46 points, two clear of Ann Geary and Melanie Cross (O) with our President Maggie and her partner Jude Ferris taking third place with 41 points on countback.

The league has seen mixed fortunes for most teams this year and I was hoping to say that the final fixture today would be 'all to play for' but Freshwater Bay has a strangle hold on the competition and will be worthy winners this year. The trophy will be presented at the Captain's Day.

I have chosen to run a 12-hole Texas Scramble on my Captain's Day followed by an afternoon tea. The paperwork is out at the clubs, and I am just hoping that the weather is kind.

4. Secretary's report:

- **Isa Ballard Trophies** –Unfortunately, Sara Mckie could not attend the presentation this year due to transport issues, however, I have extended her an early invite to next year's competition, which she has accepted.
- **Delegate attendance at host club competitions** – A gentle reminder please, that for any competition (trophy/league) that is held at your clubs, can you ensure you are there, for at least the start, in case of any queries relating to the course, facilities etc. If you cannot be there, please arrange for a substitute.
- **HLG Unification meeting** – Following the information forwarded to us all from our Hampshire Delegates, does the committee feel the need for a meeting with HLG to discuss proposed unification and how it may affect us. This was discussed and there were some concerns that we were being steered into a course of action that may not realise the benefits suggested. It was agreed that we would look at options for suitable dates where an HLG representative could come to the Island for a meeting. The AGM was suggested or our annual luncheon once the date is confirmed. Action on hold until date of luncheon is finalised.

4. Treasurers report:

Balance of account is £2,105.36. This is slightly inflated due to several vouchers that are outstanding, (£480), however this has been reduced to £310 today following a visit to SSGC Pro shop. Also, within this figure is the Fourball entry fee of £250. Therefore, the running total stands at £1,375.36.

MA queried how much the new website has cost to date, LM confirmed that £300 had been paid.

5. Competition Secretary's Report:

- **Website** – MG expressed her thanks to Jane Wilson for the sterling work she is doing with our new website and for running of the Fourball competition this year.
- **Centenary AM-AM** – The paperwork has been sent out for this competition.
- **Isa Ballard** – MG was really pleased with how the competition went, it was a huge field that required a two tee start in the morning and afternoon, and there were no hold ups at all throughout the day. It was really pleasing to see a good number of ladies staying for the presentation.
- **Competition Secretary support** – MG said she will be working with JM-N to see if she would be interested in taking over the role after next year. The league is the responsibility of the captain, with support from the Secretary, so MG can step back from that next year if desired.

6. President's Report:

- **Championships** – MA extended her thanks to Mandy and the team on the way this year's competition was run, especially due to the difficult weather conditions. Congratulations to all the players and winners.
- MA said she was pleased to note that no cards were required to be sent out to any of our members since our last meeting.

7. Hampshire Rep:

LB advised that she had nothing new to report but would re-iterate that the HLG Captain, Eileen Cunningham, is very happy to come over to the Island to meet with us.

8. Any Other Business.

- **Competition vouchers – paying them in.** JF had received a request from the Cowes Secretary, to ask if the method of paying in our vouchers could be simplified. LM reminded the committee of our current process, in which winners are given printed vouchers that they can spend at any Pro shop or pay into their own club account (via Secretary). This method can be long winded and does involve printing costs alongside some double handling. The other option would be for Secretary's to be notified of the winners and the relevant amount paid straight into the individual's club account. This was discussed by the committee, and it was felt that the current process gives ladies the flexibility to spend the vouchers wherever they want and does support the Pro shops on the Island. The committee unanimously voted to retain our procedure for voucher payments. LM will remind all winners to redeem their vouchers as soon as possible and how they can be used. **Action: Treasurer**
- **Proposed Scratch and handicap singles competition.** LB noted that most of our competitions are team or pairs events and wanted to suggest running an individual qualifying event with prizes for both scratch and handicap. This format would hopefully encourage a good number of our members to take part. The first competition if agreed, would be scheduled for 2027 and could perhaps highlight and celebrate our 130-year anniversary. LB stated that she is happy to organise the event. This proposal was discussed and unanimously agreed. MA will liaise with LB as she wishes to donate a President's Trophy and this could be utilized at this time. A communication will be sent out by MA and LB. **Action: HLG Delegate & President** JM will share draft 2027 fixture list with LB to avoid any diary clashes. **Action: Secretary**
- **IWLGA Lunch** – As per e-mail previously sent to the committee, the IW College no longer open their restaurant on Monday's or Friday's, therefore our booking of 16th October needed to be moved. The college had offered two dates in October (13th and 20th) and due to a commitment on the first date, the 20th was provisionally booked. However, this may present a slight issue due to half term holiday. An alternative date of 3rd November has been put

forward, and SH asked if this was acceptable to everyone. All agreed to this new date. SM asked if the sit-down time could be pushed out to 13.00. SH will contact the College to check: **Action: Captain.**

Post meeting note: Booking has been confirmed by the College; however, the timings will remain as 12.00 for 12.30.

9. Date of the Next meeting:

Monday 10th August 2026 at Shanklin & Sandown Golf Club – **start time 10.30.**