



# WOMEN'S MAINE STATE GOLF ASSOCIATION

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WMSGGA ANNUAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012  
WATERVILLE COUNTRY CLUB, OAKLAND, ME

## MINUTES

### Call to Order:

President Trudy Dorval called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members observed a moment of silence in recognition of members who have passed away.

### Roll Call:

Roll call was done by Linda Morin-Pasco, WMSGGA Secretary. Attendance list is attached and made part of these meeting minutes.

### Minutes:

Motion was made and seconded to approve minutes as submitted for the May 1, 2012 WMSGGA Spring General Meeting. **Motion Passed.**

Motion was made and seconded to approve minutes as submitted for the May 1, 2012 WMSGGA Executive Committee Meeting. **Motion Passed.**

### Treasurer's Report:

Maddie Kilmister, WMSGGA Treasurer, reported the WMSGGA balance sheet and income statement as of August 31, 2012. Maddie noted income was \$8,110.73 under budgeted income and expenses were \$9,609.87 under budgeted expenses. Current net income for the 2012 year is estimated at \$1,499.14 over budgeted net income.

Motion was made and seconded to approve treasurer's report. **Motion Passed.**

## Committee Reports:

President Trudy Dorval noted committee reports are available on the WMSGGA website at [www.wmsgga.org](http://www.wmsgga.org)

- Tournament Chair Charleen Wiseman reported on success of first Maine Women's Amateur and thanked all who assisted. She also provided information on tournaments for 2013 including 2 Best Ball, Seniors, and Tri-State.
- Rules Committee Chair Ilse Pfander advised there has been an improvement in pace of play this year.
- Budget Committee Chair Helen Plourd thanked Treasurer Maddie Kilmister and all members of the budget committee. She noted revenues from skins have help improve financial stability of the organization.
- Junior Golf Chair Sue Wootton provided update on 2012 NEWGA tournament noting juror players were Ashley Chubbuck of Natanis, Sara Hansen of Val Halla, and Alice Hwang of PVCC and that Alice was this year's Junior NEWGA Champion with a three day total of 250. A Junior Day tournament was held at Turner Highlands on July 17th. The following young ladies participated: Megan Brown, Ashley Chubbuck, Lelsie Dessent, Emily Long, Bailey Plourde, Alison Prescott, and Rachel Vanindestine.
- Administrative Assistant Jean Young provided an update noting membership is at 296; 90 members did not rejoin and the club had 31 new members in 2012: Club membership is at 75 with a loss of 6 clubs and gain of 3 new clubs. Income from 50-50 raffle was approximately \$1,500. She also noted there were fewer players this year at the weekly tournaments. Final vouchers will be sent out following the last tournament at the Portland Country Club.
- Rating Committee Chair Phyllis Gaul advised five clubs have been rated this year and three additional clubs are scheduled for rating this fall.
- Amateur Committee Chair Charleen Wiseman noted 90 women played in the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Maine Women's Amateur including six juniors. Alice Hwang of PVCC was junior champion and Emily Bouchard was state champion. Special thanks to all who assisted and thanks to major tournament sponsor Highland Foods of New Castle. Raffle tickets were sold and well as other memorabilia. Amateur will be held at the Brunswick Country Club in July in 2013.
- NEWGA Chair Terry Hamm-Morris noted 76 players from 6 states participated in the NEWGA tournament held on July 9, 10 and 11, 2012 at Natanis Golf Course. Special thanks and acknowledgement expressed to the Browne family for their exceptional work and support. Recognition and thanks to Jean Young and Trudy Dorval, NWGA members, spotters and all who participated to help make tournament successful.
- Tri-State Committee Chair Helen Plourd thanked team and encouraged members to consider participation in 2013. Tournament will be at Natanis. Must play in five tournaments for application to be considered.

- Hospitality Committee Chair Janice Ogier was thanked by members of all efforts in the 2012 season.
- Prize Committee Chair Carole Chick noted past president pins were ordered. She advised prized for the Senior Tournament which was cancelled because of weather will be awarded to winners in 2013.
- Handicap Committee Chair Trudy Dorval asked members to consider selecting a chair who is not also serving as president noting time involved for each position. She noted attendance at a GHIN Handicap seminar also with Jean Young and provided an update on handicap posting.
- Nominating Committee Chair Ann Lang's report indicated Viola Kemp and Annette Charest are running for one-year position on Executive Committee.

Following committee reports President Trudy Dorval noted there were several vacant committee chair positions including bylaws, historian, publicity, hospitality and the position of president-elect. She noted roles of these positions and importance of having positions filled. Following request for volunteers Trudy noted she will be following up individually with members.

**Unfinished Business:**

There was no unfinished business.

**New Business:**

**Proposals:**

**Proposal #1:**

That the WMSGGA Tournament Schedule include: THE WMSGGA OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

The tournament shall be a two day competition.

The tournament shall be open to all WMSGGA members who have played in five WMSGGA weekly tournaments in the previous year (up to and including those played in the tournament year).

The tournament shall be played in flights; with an overall champion, and flight winners. Flights will be determined by the number of players applying.

This tournament shall incorporate the Helen Thomas Payson tray for the Champion and the Amy Rice Memorial trophy for the Junior Champion.

**Rationale:**

1. I place great value in the history of the WMSGGA, and take great exception to the removal of these awards...without a vote of the membership.
2. When the decision was made to combine the WMSGGA CHAMPIONSHIP and the SWMGA "A" LEVEL CHAMPIONSHIP ... to create the MAINE WOMEN'S AMATEUR, the "committee" ... left the SWMGA "B" CHAMPIONSHIP in place. It would seem only fair for WMSGGA to have a second championship too.  
Respectfully submitted, Denise Hennessey

Discussion included need to have membership vote on changes in awards process. Trudy will check bylaws and bring up at executive board meeting. Change the WMSGGA Janet Drouin tournament to a 2-day tournament giving more member an opportunity to play in this format; don't anticipate it would impact attendance at other tournaments; Natanis is available and agreeable to do in 2013.

Motion amended to WMSGGA will have second two-day tournament to be name Janet Drouin Memorial Open Championship.

**Motion to accept proposal #1 was made and seconded. Motion Passed.**

**Proposal #2:**

Divide the President Elect and Tournament Chair into two separate positions.

The President Elect, working with the tournament chair, would put together a tentative schedule for the following year. The Tournament Chair would contact courses, send and receive confirmations, keeping the President Elect updated with changes. The president will appoint the tournament chair as with other committee chairs.

**Rationale:**

The President Elect would have more time to work with the President and become involved and familiar with the operations of WMSGGA before stepping into the President's position. It would be easier to fill the tournament chair position if she did not have to serve as president. Also, the tournament chair could do many years in a row improving the relationship and continuity with the courses.

Respectfully submitted, Trudy Dorval.

**Motion to accept proposal #2 was made and seconded. Motion Passed.**

**Proposal #3**

Prohibit smoking on the course during WMSGGA competition play.

**Rationale:**

It can be offensive to competitors in the group. It does not promote a healthy environment for competitors. It often slows the pace of play.

Respectfully submitted: Jeanne LaPlante

**Proposal #3 Withdrawn.**

**Proposal #4**

Support a change in - Refund Policy - to read There shall be No Refund except when: A player cancels within (6) days of the opening date (for tournament entry) of the tournament. (Currently policy is 9 days)

**Rationale:**

There are instances where cancelling for family issues is necessary. Difficult when you have to sign up two weeks in advance and cancelling within 9 days.

Respectfully submitted: Jeanne LaPlante

**Proposal #4 Withdrawn.**

**Proposal #5**

Refund skin money when a person cancels.

**Rationale:**

Skins is an added cost and can be easily refunded to pre-pay members at no cost to WMSGGA.

Respectfully submitted: Jeanne LaPlante

**Proposal #5 Withdrawn.**

## **Proposal #6**

WMSGGA return to the policy of scheduling one weekly tournament closer to Southern Maine and the other tournament closer to Northern Maine.

### **Rationale:**

This year the majority of the tournaments have been a long distance from anyone living north of Waterville and often both tournaments have been South and up to 2 ½ hours drive. This year I didn't attend any weekly tournaments until the season was almost half over because of travel distance and I believe there are quite a few members who also don't go to such distant tournaments.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Lang

**Following discussions and update on what has been done to date it was determined no further action to be taken on Proposal #6.**

### **Year End Prizes and Statistics:**

**Most Improved - Janice White-Bangor Muni - 18.55 to 12.5**

**1st Gross - Leslie Guenther-Norway - 77.86**

**2nd Gross - Liz Wiltshire-Natanis – 78.43**

**3rd Gross - Micki Meggision-Sable Oaks - 79.29**

**1st Net - Norma Michaud-Springbrook - 64.57**

**Tie 2nd Net - Shirley Kile-Bangor Muni - 68.29**

**Tie 2nd Net - Nancy Dow-Cobbossee Colony**

### **Nominations and Elections**

Viola Kemp was elected to serve a one-year term (2013) on the WMSBA Executive Committee.

### **Other:**

President Trudy Dorval presented past president's pin to Nancy Pratt.

Charlotte Cole was recognized and thanked for her work as webmaster for the association.

### **Motion to Adjourn**

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. **Motion Passed**

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda M. Morin-Pasco

October 22, 2012