



# WOMEN'S MAINE STATE GOLF ASSOCIATION

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WMSGGA ANNUAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2013  
PENOBSCOT VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB  
366 Main Street, Orono, 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 of Past Presidents was done by Linda Morin-Pasco, WMSGGA Secretary. Past presidents in attendance were: Helen Plourd, Linda Pearse and Charleen Wiseman. Roll call of Clubs in attendance was done by club secretary and attendance list is attached and made part of these meeting minutes.

### Minutes:

Motion was made and seconded to approve minutes as submitted for the September 25, 2012 Annual Meeting held at the Waterville Country Club, Waterville. **Motion Passed.**

Motion was made and seconded to approve minutes as submitted for the September 25, 2012 WMSGGA Executive Committee Meeting. **Motion Passed.**

### Treasurer's Report:

Maddie Kilmister, WMSGGA Treasurer, reported on the budgeted vs. actual WMSGGA financial report noting that: thru August 31, 2013 total revenue was \$70,570.10, expenses were \$65,964.01 for a net income of \$4,616.09. Projected total for year-end 2013 are income of \$93,849.72 with expenses of \$92,251.17 and a net income of \$1,598.55 and estimates on the projected variances.

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

**Administrative Assistant's report:**

Jean Young, WMSGGA Administrative Assistant provided membership update as follows: WMSGGA has 287 member and 7 junior members, down from 299 members and 8 junior members in 2012. Club membership is at 72 which is down from 75 in 2012. \$7,950 was paid in vouchers and \$3,550 in skins. Jean reminded members to review tournament applications and submit information required; that applications will not be accepted if dues are not paid; and can not enter tournament if insufficient balance in prepay account. Complete report is filed on WMSGGA website.

**Committee Reports:**

President Trudy Dorval noted all committee reports are available on the WMSGGA website at [www.wmsgga.org](http://www.wmsgga.org). She provided reports or updates as follows:

- By-Laws: Meriby Sweet has been reviewing minutes starting with 2008 to make sure all bylaw changes have been noted and implemented. It is anticipated an electronic version of bylaws and changes will be archived for future reference.
- Grievance: No grievances were reported.
- Junior Golf: Sue's report is online. It was note 7 members played at Val Halla on Junior Day.
- NEWGA: Thanked Terry Hamm-Morris who has chaired tournament for six years. Maine team did very well. Gail Gleason will chair tournament in2014 and it will be in Keene, New Hampshire.
- Public Relations: Meriby has done excellent job and there has been more press in more papers this year. Members are encouraged to contact Meriby if any stories or information should be published.
- Rules: Only one issue raised and dealt with this year.

Other committee reports included:

- Handicap: Shirley reminded members of importance of posting all scores to maintain integrity of handicap system. Winter scores need to be posted and all scores should be posted as soon after play as possible.
- Budget: Helen Plourd noted membership numbers are down and members are encouraged to be creative in getting new people to join and play.
- Historian: Gail Gleason reported issues on converting information on awards and trophies. Trudy will convert data and provide Gail with a new copy.
- Hospitality: Robin Ash will forward cards and flowers to WMSGGA members when needed and encouraged all to contact her so she has the information needed.
- Maine Women's Amateur: Micki Meggison thanked all members and volunteers for all their help. Joy Eon was tournament chair. 77 players competed at the Brunswick Country Club. Both

WMSGGA and SWGA received approximately \$2,300 in income from the tournament. Dale Hannon will serve as MWA chair for 2014. The tournament will be held at the Waterville Country Club on July 28, 29, and 30, 2013. Abby Spector received the Abby Spector Award and this award will be presented every year at the WMA. Micki acknowledged hole sponsors and major sponsors for the tournament included Golf and Ski Warehouse and Saco Biddeford Savings Bank.

- Rating: Phyllis Gaul noted the three clubs rated this year were Presque Isle, Augusta Country Club and Sugarloaf.
- Tournament: Charlotte has been working on 2014 schedule. Anticipates fewer 9 hole courses. Tournaments will be schedule in south, central and north so should be easier to get to events. Annual meeting will be at Martindale in 2014.
- Website: Charlotte asked and website suggestions can be sent to her.
- Tri-State: Helen noted report is online. Next year's tournament will be in St. Johnsbury, VT. Application should be submitted and she will put a team together. Natanis, Browne family, volunteers and staff were all thanked for efforts and success of tournament.
- President's Report: Trudy thanks everyone for the encouragement, help and support during her Presidency. Pennie Cummings recognized as WMSGGA Seniors Champion. Trudy advised members that her full report is posted online.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

There was no unfinished business.

#### **New Business:**

##### **Proposals:**

##### **Proposal #1:**

That the Janet Drouin Memorial Open Championship be open to all WMSGGA members who have played in Three WMSGGA weekly tournaments in the previous year (up to and including those played in the tournament year).

**Rational:** To increase participation.

*Submitted by Denise Hennessey*

Discussion: Tournament date range for consideration same as 2013. WMA counts as 1 tournament.

Motion moved, seconded and voted. **Motion Passed.**

**Proposal #2:**

I propose the Helen Thomas Payson Trophy be retired to the Golf Hall of Fame. This trophy represents the past 85 State Amateur Champions beginning in 1927 through 2011.

**Rational:** Let's honor our champions and their accomplishments by retiring this award. At the MWA this year I heard Abby Spector speak about what the WMSGGA meant to her. After reflection I hope to see our prestigious champions honored in the retiring of the trophy.

The JDMOC is a wonderful opportunity to play in another major tournament in our season. I admire the hard work that goes into running this event. In honor of Janet Drouin this tournament should have its own award.

*Submitted by Liz Coffin*

Discussion: Following discussion motion amended to include Amy Rice Trophy.

Motion moved, seconded and voted as amended. **Motion Passed.**

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**Proposal #3:**

This is a proposal for a new membership type to be added to WMSGGA. It is for a lifetime membership in WMSGGA. This membership would require nomination at the annual meeting and a majority vote by the membership. This membership would grant the recipient lifetime membership in WMSGGA at no cost. If they wish to participate in tournaments they would still be required to pay for that.

**Rational:** I believe that this is one way to recognize and show appreciation for someone who has given a lot to the organization.

*Submitted Birdie Pearse*

Following discussion motion moved, seconded and voted. One vote opposed. **Motion Passed.**

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**Proposal #4:**

Winners of each flight in JDMOC will be awarded gross and net prizes according to number of competitors, rather than just gross.

**Rational:** All WMSGGA Championships are gross and net. It is important we keep participation up and allowing not only gross winners but also net winners a fair chance.

*Submitted by Viola Kemp*

Discussion: Suggestion to form Committee to review flights and prizes.

**Motion moved and seconded to table until Committee can prove report and recommendations to Executive Board. Motion tabled.**

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**Proposal #5:**

Eliminate requirement of playing in a certain number of tournaments to qualify for special tournaments.

**Rational:** Our numbers are diminishing and we are making it harder for people to play. Many young women work to support their families and they have to plan to use vacation days to play in some of our tournaments. We should be encouraging them to play in as many as possible even if it is just one.

*Submitted by Dale Hannon*

**Proposal #5 Defeated.**

**Year End Prizes and Statistics:**

**Most Improved - Janice White-Bangor Muni – 16.7 to 12.5**

**1st Gross Average – Micki Meggison-Sable Oaks – 80.1**

**2nd Gross - Liz Coffin-Bangor Muni – 81.4**

**3rd Gross – Kim Griffin-Sanford – 81.8**

**1st Net – Kathy Sproul-Sheepscot Links – 64.57**

**Tie 2nd Net - Norma Michaud-Springbrook – 69.5**

**Tie 2nd Net – Darlene Soboleski – Natanis – 69.5**

**Nominations and Elections**

Micki Meggison was elected to President – two-year term (2014-2016) Committee.

**Executive Committee Positions**

Viola Kemp – 1 year – member at large – term expires end of 2014

Diane Pooler – 2 year – member at large – term expires end of 2015

Diane Herring – 2 year – member at large – term expires end of 2015

Linda Morin-Pasco – club secretary

**Other:**

President Micki Meggison presented past president's pin to Trudy Dorval.

President-elect position remains open. Members asked to contact President or Executive Committee with recommendations.


Motion was made to recommend Helen Plourd for a life-time membership. Motion moved, second and voted. **Motion Passed.**

Hilda Wardwell received special recognition from the members Bangor Muni and from MWSGA members for her years of play and support of women's golf. She shared stories and thanked members for their encouragement and as the first 90 year old WMSGGA member she was honored with a standing ovation from all.

### **Motion to Adjourn**

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. **Motion Passed**  
Meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda M. Morin-Pasco

October 25, 2013