

**M I N U T E S**  
**ZONE 5 WOMEN**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**Wednesday, October 19, 2011**  
**Victoria Golf Club – 9:30 am**

PRESENT: Jean Anderson (Chair), Merna Mickelson, Peggy Wright, Lynne Foxall, Shirley Granger, Diane Rands, Barbara Rainey

52 Ladies representing 16 Clubs.

Guests: Gayle Fisher (PI), Ann Kilduff (GV)

REGRETS: Nel Bing, Rose Sivertson (RC), Ellen Merriam (CGC)

Meeting called to order by Zone Chair at 10:00 am. The Secretary reported that 16 clubs were present constituting a quorum, and read the Notice of Meeting.

Jean welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced her Committee. Captains were requested to introduce themselves and their accompanying members. A reminder also that Lynne Foxall would have pins available at the end of the meeting.

Previous to the meeting, Captains were supplied with a copy of the 2010 AGM Minutes. Motion to accept the Minutes made by Judy Cryderman (UP), seconded by Marianne Hunt (CGC)...carried. There was no business arising from the 2010 Minutes.

Presentation of the Volunteer Service Award was done early in the meeting to allow ladies from Pender Island to make the necessary return ferry connection.

**VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD**

A large representation of ladies from Pender Island attended to honour the 2011 Zone Volunteer recipient, Gayle Fisher. Barb Souter, Pender Island Captain, made the introduction, outlining some of Gayle various volunteer activities. Since moving to PI in 1996, Gayle has served as Rules & Handicap Chair for the past 14 years as well as Secretary, Treasurer and Pender Post report for the club. She is the scoring guru for both men and women and has been a mentor to new club members. She is a key member of the PI Charity Pro Am Golf Tournament, doing their draws and scoring. Gayle also served 2 years on the Executive of District 8 (Lower Mainland) and served as Treasurer for 1 year on the BCLGA (1996). Before moving to Pender Island, Gayle was a member of Carnoustie Golf Club in Port Coquitlam and served as their Rules Official for club and Pro Am events from 1983 to 1996. A world class badminton player and when no longer able to play due to diagnosis of rheumatoid arthritis in 1973, Gayle turned to golf and became very proficient with a deadly short game.

Barb presented Gayle with a Certificate from BCGA and a bouquet of flowers. Jean Anderson presented Gayle with a BCGA pin.

**REPORTS:****TREASURER:** Lynne Foxall

Lynne presented the Financial Statement for the period October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011. Books have been audited by Bert Enman.

Income:	\$37,974.16	
Expenses:	\$35,102.57	Surplus \$2,871.59
Surplus from previous period		<u>10,337.93</u>
Surplus		<u>\$13,209.52</u>

Cash in Business Account	\$ 9,091.02 (incls. \$3,024.77 Juniors)
Petty Cash	100.00
Money Market Account	<u>4,018.50</u>
	\$13,209.52

Some proposed purchases in 2012 will be a new laptop and printer, at least 3 new radios, time clocks, scorecards, score sheets.

**HANDICAP & COARSE RATING:** Diane Rands.

Diane reminded the group that the handicap season ends November 15<sup>th</sup> and may start again in 2012 on March 1<sup>st</sup>, provided your course is in good playing conditions. The actual opening of the course is the club's decision. Scores must be posted if playing in areas such as California, Arizona, Florida, etc. – enter using the RCGA system – DO NOT enter at your own course as they will probably be deleted.

Unfortunately our BCGA Course Rating Chair was quite ill for several months this year and as a result our new ratings were put on hold. We are still awaiting the ratings for Cordova Bay, and Glen Meadows. Olympic View was also rated but according to information received, it is not effective until March 2012.

This is Diane's last year on the Committee after serving 8 years as the CR/Hcp Chair. She wished the new committee members well, however, will not be far removed as she will continue to serve on the Course Rating Committee.

**JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT** – Nel Bing (report read by Secretary)

First year of competitions went very well and Nel thanked the Committee for their assistance and support. Also a thank you to the Captains, Vice-Captains and Junior Reps for their help. A further thank you to the ladies of Victoria Golf Club and Olympic View who generously donated to the Junior Fund.

The year kicked off with the Meet & Greet in late March at Gorge Vale. Ten girls attended along with most parents. Four girls were unable to attend but were represented by an adult. Guest speaker, Jody Jackson, Head Coach for BCGA, covered such topics as exercise, diet and practice. A video on Long Term Player Development was given to each girl.

Thanks to the generous sponsorship of National Bank Financial (Susan Dafoe), we were able to run a 2-day Skills Clinic at Cedar Hill GC under the excellent tutelage of Jamie Murphy. Nine girls attended Day 1 and eleven on Day 2. Lunch was provided both days. A follow-up fun tournament was held at The Ridge with complimentary play donated by Jim Goddard. Once again NBF picked up the lunch costs. Ann Kelly donated her book written specifically for juniors, "Ready/Set/Golf".

The Vancouver Island Junior Championship was hosted by Zone 6 this year, played at Alberni GC. Six girls from Zone 5 entered with Naomi Ko (OV) crowned as Low Gross Champion, Runner up Cari Chow (RC) and Low Net winner was Allison Lee (CH). A great year for Naomi who also captured the BC Bantam Championship by 11 strokes!

With the decision by BCGA to retire the Centennial Cup, it was decided that the Zone would hold their own Junior Girls Championship scheduled in July at Arbutus Ridge and Victoria. A total of 11 girls participated with Naomi Ko (OV) the subsequent Low Gross champion (Dale Shaw Trophy) and Lexi Kondrak (UP) as the Low Net winner (Norma Kronlund Trophy). Other winners can be found on the Zone web site [www.bcazone5women.org](http://www.bcazone5women.org). The Team to the BC Juniors consisted of Naomi Ko, Allison Lee (CH) and Haley Kruse (VGC). Jessica Wong was unable to participate due to another commitment.

The Zone was pleased to support the Junior Team with financial assistance to travel to Kamloops for the BC Juniors. The Zone also extended financial support to Naomi Ko who was one of only 24 selectees for both boys and girls to the Junior High Performance Camp held at Seymore GC October 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.

**PUBLICITY CHAIR:** Shirley Granger

This is Shirley's final year of a 4 year term on the Zone Committee. Over those years, the Committee has experienced increased costs and decreased numbers of participants in all of their tournaments. Hopefully soon there will be an influx of new female players to the game. Although we have cut back on the number of pictures taken to keep costs down, the results of our tournaments are always covered and can be seen in the yearly album and on our web site. Photo album is available for viewing after the meeting.

Shirley recommended meeting with the Times Colonist Editor and Sports Editor to try and gain support for publishing women's golf events. Allan Gossman of the Island Golfer has been a continuous supporter of all Zone events.

Thanks were extended to all the clubs that assisted with hoisting the Zone banners at Zone tournaments and the media contacts for printing pre and post articles/pictures for various events.

**RULES CHAIR:** Peggy Wright

A successful Rules Clinic was held at Royal Colwood on April 28<sup>th</sup>. Attendance was down somewhat but about 100 women turned out.

Peggy thanked those officials that once again so kindly assisted at the Zone tournaments.... Alison Murdoch, Syd Price, Barry Anderson and Marsha Littlewood at the Clinic; Al Foster and Christine Munro at the Amateur/Senior/Handicap Championships, and again Christine Munro, Alison Murdoch, Barry Anderson at the Foursomes. We are very fortunate to have such experienced Rules people in this Zone.

With regard to Pace of Play, we experienced an extremely difficult first day of the Amateur/Senior/Handicap at Olympic View. There were several factors involved, but again, Pace of Play was very poor; so poor that on the following day at Royal Colwood, we invoked a time restriction for each nine played. This turned out to be very successful. One of the main reasons was that we played in 3-somes at Royal Colwood, whereas Olympic View insisted on 4-somes. For next season we will have time clocks and penalties will be assessed according to our new "Pace of Play" policy. We will also insist on groups of 3. There were no problems at Salt Spring Island for the NET nor at any of the 5 courses for the Foursomes. Might be due to the lower number of participants.

Lots of rules questions fielded throughout the year. New Rules and Decisions books are due out next year.

Peggy passed along her thanks to Jean for her leadership as Zone Chair the past 2 years.

**VICE CHAIR:** Merna Mickelson

Merna gave an overview of the 2011 Tournaments

**Amateur/Senior/Handicap** was played May 30<sup>th</sup> at Olympic View and May 31<sup>st</sup> at Royal Colwood. 58 entrants in total; 9 in the Amateur only; 13 in the Senior only; 10 in both and 26 in the Handicap category. We had anticipated sending groups out in threes, but when numbers were given to OV, we were advised that they had not set aside enough time and we'd have to go out in 4-somes. This along with the difficulty of the course led to a very long and exasperating round. At Royal Colwood, players teed off in 3-somes and were advised they had 2-1/2 per nine. All groups finished on time!!

Amateur Champion	-	Alison Quinlan (UP) - 161
Runner Up	-	Alison Murdoch (VCC) 162
Zone Team - Alison Quinlan and Penny Baziuk as Alison Murdoch unable to attend.		

Senior Champion	-	Margaret Kavanagh (RC) *won on first
Runner Up	-	Alison Murdoch (VCC) playoff hole
Zone Team - Alison Murdoch and Penny Baziuk as Margaret Kavanagh unable To attend. NOTE: Zone Gross winners at BC Seniors!		

Handicap Champion	-	Lee Frank (OV) - 143 * on countback
Runner Up	-	Lynda Morrison (CGC)

**Net Tournament** - Salt Spring Island:

Played on Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup>. There were 51 entries. A BBQ was hosted by SSI ladies on the eve of the tournament for those going over to play a practice round or just have some Island fun - a great success - those Islanders sure know how to cook!

Champion	-	Linda Woodley (SSI) Net 74
Runner Up	-	Denise Heaton (SSI) Net 74 'retro'

**The Foursomes** ran very smoothly with several matches going extra holes at both Glen Meadows and Cowichan. The highlight was at Highland Pacific when Paula Green (CB) aced the 18<sup>th</sup> hole for her first hole-in-one which also won the match. The Medalists were Ginny Storey and Marilyn Lowry (CB).

Champions - Rae Coates and Jeanne Royer-Collard (OV)  
Runners Up - Ginny Storey & Marilyn Lowry (CB)

A new category was added to the Foursomes this year – Team Trophy- which was won by the 4-some of Debbie Needham, Bonnie Fung, Sheila Mitchell and Susan Dafoe (OV). The silver bowl was donated by Al Stewart of Gorge Vale.

All Captains have a copy of the 5-year plan, however we have not confirmed any of the courses for 2012 and there may be some changes from what you have. Our first objective is to avoid any conflicts with other BC events, and/or club tournaments. We will be contacting the following clubs to host our 2012 events:

Amateur/Senior/Handicap

May 28<sup>th</sup> – Victoria Golf Club

May 29<sup>th</sup> – Gorge Vale Golf Club

The BC Women's Amateur/Mid-Amateur is scheduled for July 3 – 6<sup>th</sup>  
At Christina Lake

The BC Senior Women's Championship is scheduled for June 18 – 20<sup>th</sup>  
At Highland Pacific.

Net Tournament

July 19<sup>th</sup> – Metchosin Golf & Country Club

Foursomes:

Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> – Cedar Hill (Qualifying)

Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> – Uplands

Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> – Arbutus Ridge

Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> – Cordova Bay

Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> – Bear Mountain

Participation in tournaments and competitions are down everywhere. We are losing some players to attrition – the older players don't want to compete anymore and the younger or 'new to the Club' members, are not aware of the Zone tournaments, especially the Foursomes. Merna requested Captains, Vice-Captains and all who participate in Zone tournaments to join the Committee in promoting the Zone 5 events. Talk it up, make sure you membership is aware of this unique tournament and encourage them to enter. Communication is everything!!!

**CHAIR:** Jean Anderson

Jean will be retiring as Zone Chair this year and reflected back on all the knowledge gained and the many great ladies she met. She thanked the Committee for making her task an easy one and for all their support, patience and understanding.

We were lucky with the weather and golf course conditions this year although entries were down in our tournaments. This seems to be the trend in golf these days and it is our hope to actively promote Zone events and bring out more competitors in the coming year.

At this time I would like to thank our Sponsor, Bob Marchand and Metro Lexus Toyota, for without their financial assistance, our tournaments would not be as successful and rewarding. We also acquired a sponsor for our Junior Skills Clinic through Susan Dafoe of National Bank Financial. This has been a valuable addition for the Juniors to extend the Skills Clinic to 2 days and a windup golf outing. Susan took part in not only the Clinic but the golf.

We have a tentative schedule for 2012 Meetings as follows:

Spring Captains Meeting	March 26 <sup>th</sup>
Rules Clinic	April 26 <sup>th</sup>
Captain's Forum	June 11 <sup>th</sup>
Annual General Meeting	October 17 <sup>th</sup>

Merna will advise dates for the Tournaments.

Venues will be confirmed later. As soon as the new 5-Year Plan is confirmed, copies will be sent to the Captains.

Jean reminded the Captains to please keep their Vice Captains informed and share all up-to-date material with them. As Zone 5 Committee members are working on your behalf, we ask for your enthusiastic support for our tournaments.

Finally, Jean again thanked the Committee for their support and the ladies who take part in the Zone tournaments.

**BCGA Director for Zone 5 Women:** Barbara Rainey

In 2010 the BCGA rebranded their logo to GOLF British Columbia which ran into a few infringement problems and subsequently another change occurred and now we are known as British Columbia GOLF. Please be careful if you are using the logo for any of your projects that you have the right one. If in doubt, give me a call.

Last year it was reported that Memorial Trophy was commissioned by the BCGA Board in the name of the late Dorothy Wilks and would be presented each year to the Senior Women's Order of Merit winner. The first recipient was Jackie Little from Zone 6 who had a fabulous

2009 until a misguided truck put her off our the 2010 season. Alison Murdoch of Victoria Golf Club was awarded the honour in 2010 and looking at the standings for 2011, Jackie has a commanding lead. It was Alison's year to be sidelined by foot surgery for a number of senior events.

The trophy resides in the BCGA office and winner is announced at the BCGA's AGM in the Spring. Dorothy would be quite pleased I'm sure that the first three recipients are from Vancouver Island.

The Fall BCGA Director's meeting is scheduled for next week and one of the many items to be discussed will be the downward spiral of memberships. The Province is down approx 2700 members which is not offset by a huge increase in the BC Players club. What is the cause? This is a question the Association has been wrestling with for the last couple of years. Our neighbours to the south are also experiencing a loss of memberships to a greater degree.

One of the committees I sit on is the Player Development Trust Fund. It would appear we have the word out that scholarships are available to further education or coaching. We have 14 applicants this year. A large thank you to all the ladies that participated in the Zone's raffle during the Foursomes. \$500 was raised for the PDTF. Cari Chow is one of the applicants (UVIC)

Another committee is Member Services which issues your Captain's Manual and all Forms relating to its' use. The Manual is available on line at [www.britishcoubiagolf.org](http://www.britishcoubiagolf.org) as well as any of the forms. The Manual is constantly being updated so check often.

Regarding Zone and Secretarial duties, the Zone has activated a new photo gallery on their web site, [www.bcgazone5women.org](http://www.bcgazone5women.org) along with another feature "The HIGHLIGHT Zone". This has to be revamped to make it a bit more attractive, but the objective is to keep everyone posted of what's happening in the Zone and to Zone players at other events. If you need to look at By-Laws, past Minutes or year's results, hopefully you will find what you are looking for. For the new Captains/Vice Captains, give me a call if you have a puzzlement - might not have the answer at my fingertips, but guarantee I'll find one without too much delay.

Unfortunately we have to say goodbye to 3 ladies that have been around the Zone Committee for quite some time. Thank you to Jean for her guidance these last two years and previous two as Vice Chair. Shirley Granger has also put in 4 years as Publicity Chair and goes on to volunteer with the Senior ladies, and Diane Rands, who we all thought was a permanent fixture after 8 years as Course Rater/Handicap Chair, will hopefully remain on that Committee. It was great working with you gals and wish you a speedy drop in your handicap factors!

**Harris Erickson** – Georgina Hermans (read by Diane Rands)

Harris Erickson held a total of 17 competitions in 2011. Georgina wished to thank the following golf courses for providing tee times for the competitions: Arbutus Ridge, Bear

Mountain, Cedar Hill, Cowichan, Glen Meadows, Gorge Vale, Olympic View, Royal Colwood, Uplands and Victor. Cordova Bay, Highland Pacific and Duncan Meadows decline our request to hold a competition at their golf courses.

Harris Erickson had 29 members in 2011. Following is a list of the results for the year.

1 <sup>st</sup> Low Gross	-	Penny Baziuk (CB)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Low Gross	-	Alison Murdoch (VGC)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Low Gross	-	Georgina Hermans (CB)
1 <sup>st</sup> Low Net	-	Georgina Hermans (CB)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Low Net	-	Rita Seigo (GM)

The third annual Island Challenge Cup (Match play event) – Zone 5 Harris Erickson vs Zone 6 Dawn Coe-Jones, was held May 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> at Highland Pacific. The Dawn Coe-Jones team won the trophy.

The Hunting Cup (Match play event) Harris Erickson vs Sweeney Cup, was held September 28<sup>th</sup> at Richmond Country Club. The Sweeney Cup Team retained the Trophy.

The Harris Erickson Group held their Fall AGM on October 17<sup>th</sup> and Colleen Wheatley was named the 2012 HE Chairperson.

Harris Erickson group would like to thank the Zone 5 Executive for their continued support and look forward to participating in the Zone 5 competitions in 2012. We would like to encourage anyone who is a member of a golf club in Zone 5 with a handicap factor of 13 or less to join the Harris Erickson next year.

#### **ZONE 5 AWARDS:**

Jean made presentations to the following recipients – unfortunately the awards from BCGA had not as yet arrived, however, a lovely bouquet of flowers was given to each lady (or their Captain for those not present)

Dorothy Olive Franklin	-	Ann Kilduff (GV) -8.5
BC Pin Round – 18 holes	-	Rose Sivertson (RC) -5.7 (absent)
- 9 holes	-	Carol McIntosh (SSI) -2.4
Beat The Champ	-	Ellen Merriam (CGC) (absent)

#### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** Margaret Rogers (Chair), Jean Anderson, Linda Ball

Jean introduced Marg Rogers to conduct the elections for the 2012 season. The following are the candidates for the positions of Vice Chair and Publicity Chair for the period 2012 – 2013.

Vice Chair	-	Corrine Labelle, Cedar Hill Golf Club
Publicity Chair	-	JoAnne Hoffman, Cedar Hill Golf Club

There being no further nominations from the floor, the above ladies were elected by acclamation for 2-year terms.

Jean thanked the Nominating Committee and turned the meeting over to Merna to announce the remainder of the Zone 5 Committee.

Committee members for 2012 are:

Chair	-	Merna Mickelson (CH)	- 2012 - 2013
Treasurer	-	Lynne Foxall (BM)	- 1 year remaining of 2-year term
Junior Development	-	Nel Bing (BCPC)	- " "

Appointees:

Rules Chair	-	Lee Frank (OV)
Course Rating/CR	-	Peggy Wright (RC)
Secretary	-	Barbara Rainey (GV)

Jean presented retiring Committee members, Diane Rands and Shirley Granger, with a bouquet of flowers.

Merna closed the meeting with a bouquet to Jean and thanked all past Committee members for their devotion to duty and welcomed the new members to the Committee for their first meeting in November.

On behalf of the Zone membership, Joyce Mylymok of Glen Meadows GC, thanked the Committee for all the work that is done for the Zone.

Meeting adjourned at noon, moved by Marianne Hunt (CGC), seconded by Barbara Rainey.

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