



British Columbia Golf Zone 4 Women's Committee
Captains' & Vice Captains' Spring Meeting, March 22, 2018
Minutes of Meeting



Date: March 22, 2018
Registration: 9 am
Meeting: 10 am

Location: Greenacres Golf Club
5040 No. 6 Rd., Richmond, BC

Executive in attendance:

Virginia Astell, Chair

Ann Warrender, Liz Goldenberg, Sherry Work, Bernice Pozdrowski, Audrey Lindsay, Michelle Roy, Sybil Rodger, Helen Steeves, Jo Guthrie

Regrets:

Stephanie Wong, Julie Martin, Darcy Jacobson

1. Call to order at 10:04
2. Confirmation of Quorum confirmed by Liz Goldenberg
3. Introduction of the Executive was made by Virginia.
4. Approval of the Agenda:

Moved by Janet Spooner seconded by Nina Henricksen that the Agenda be approved.
CARRIED

5. Adoption of the Captains' and Vice Captains' Fall Meeting Minutes
 - 5.1 Business arising from the Fall Meeting Minutes - none
 - 5.2 Amendments per discussion

Kathy Patterson (Mylora) read corrections to the minutes:

Amendment: 12.2 insert the words "BC Golf " in front of "Hall of Fame" and add : "and to also recognize Coleen McCulloch who was inducted in October."

MOVED by Kathy Patterson (Mylora), seconded by Sandy Harvell (King's Links) that the minutes be approved with amendments.
CARRIED

6. Correspondence from Nicole Brown regarding entry to Zone 3 /4 Amateur Senior Tournament. Virginia read her request and explained that we had to decline as she is not a member of Zone 3 or 4.



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7. Executive Committee Reports:

7.1 Zone 4 Treasurer, Sherry Work (report and budget attached)

Moved by Lily Fan (Burnaby), seconded by Jean Douglas (Seymour) that the 2018 Budget be accepted.

CARRIED

Discussion regarding BC Golf Fees:

Janet Spooner from Mylora Thursday Ladies reported their membership has dropped to 59 this year from 70 members in 2017. As there is no contingency fund for this deficiency in fees, it will place a hardship on the league and funds will have to be re-allocated from tournament prize funds in order to cover the shortfall.

We have had this problem in the past and have provided relief to the clubs from our Zone funding if the money is available. However, Sherry Work pointed out that you will pay this year's membership fees next year, so it does balance out. This issue will be discussed at the next Executive Meeting.

7.2 Zone 4 Vice-Chair	Ann Warrender (report attached)
7.3 Zone 4 Handicap Chair	Audrey Lindsay (report attached)
7.4 Zone 4 Rules Chair	Bernice Pozdrowski (report attached)
7.5 Zone 4 Junior Girls' Chair	Stephanie Wong (report attached)
7.6 Zone 3&4 1 st Team Chair	Darcy Jacobson (report attached)
7.7 Zone 4 2 nd Team Chair	Ann Warrender (report attached)
7.8 Zone 4 3 rd Team Chair	Michelle Roy (report attached)
7.9 Zone 3&4 BW Chair	Julie Martin (report attached)
7.10 Zone 3&4 Coordinator	Sybil Rodger (report attached)
7.11 Zone 4 Past Chair	Jo Guthrie (report attached)
7.12 BC Golf Zone Council Chair	Helen Steeves (report received)
7.13 Zone 4 Chair	Virginia Astell (report attached)

Moved by Nina Henriksen (Shaughnessy), seconded Sherry Work (Executive) that the reports be received.

Carried



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8. New Business

8.1 Introduction of the Nominating Committee for 2018

Marine Drive
Mayfair Lakes
McCleery

9. Other Business

9.1 Introduction of the new Zone 4 website (presentation attached)

10. Date of the next Meeting: October 11, 2018, at Point Grey Golf Club

11. **Jean Douglas (Seymour) moved adjournment at 11:45 am**

CARRIED



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7.1 – Treasurer's Report and Budget

Hopefully all of you have had a chance to review the budget that was emailed to you.

The Proposed Budget shows a deficit of \$7,965.45. We still have the allotment of \$5,000.00 for website development which we may only use \$500.00.

Our Financial position on February 28th was \$13,735.10 in our Chequing Account, \$10,007.37 in a Reserve Account and \$9,018.66 in the Junior Account.

At this point I would like to have a motion to accept the 2018 Women's Committee Budget.

The Zone 4 levy invoices have been emailed to all Club Captains and Treasurers. If you have not received this invoice please let me know at the end of the meeting and I will resend by email or put a copy in the mail. Payments are due by May 1st.

As of March 20th, we have received Levy Payments from 11 member clubs.

The biggest topic is how do we get these numbers for you Levy.

We, the Zone, do not collect member numbers from you. We rely on the numbers out of the Golf Canada system, reported to us by British Columbia Golf.

The numbers that we get mid-October, are those drawn from the Golf Canada system on September 30th for British Columbia Golf's year end. They, like us, use these numbers for our next year's budget.

Payments for your Golf Canada Fees are due by June 1st with a final date of June 15th. You can add or remove members from your Golf Canada System up to September.

So the member numbers that you paid by June 1 of 2017 with any adjustments up to September, are those numbers that we use for your 2018 Levy Billing. We, like Golf Canada, are a year behind with member numbers as it is impossible to know your current numbers for this year if payments to us are due May 1 as you may still accept members after that date and some may not have returned yet.

Respectfully submitted



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**Proposed Budget - Income and Expenditures
OCTOBER 1, 2017 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**

24/Feb/18

	<u>2018 Budget</u>	<u>2017 Actual</u>
1 <u>Income/Receipts-</u>		
2 Levies from Membership - 3565 @ \$4.00	14,260.00	14,728.00
3 Bal. 2017 British Columbia Golf Grant (incl. Players Club)	1,427.55	1,204.60
4 Advance 2018 British Columbia Golf Grant	450.00	463.65
5 Pin Receipts	500.00	503.00
6 2018 Tournament-Zone 3&4 Amateur/Senior (Zone 3 hosting)	-	7,835.00
7 Zone 4 Senior Women's Open	7,500.00	8,710.00
8 2018 Zone 3&4 Four Ball (Zone 4 hosting)	6,000.00	0.00
9 Seminar fees & Luncheon fees	450.00	698.00
10 Dorothy Olive Franklin entry fees	1,250.00	1,378.00
11 Beat the Champ entry fees	400.00	413.00
12 PIN Round fees	1,500.00	1,590.00
13 Bank Interest & exchange	40.00	22.91
14 Total Income	\$ 33,777.55	\$ 37,546.16
15		
16 <u>Expenses/Disbursements</u>		
17		
18 Membership services		
19 <u>Meetings:</u>		
20 Spring & Fall Captains Meetings	5,500.00	4,765.17
21 Seminars - Rules & Team	500.00	489.15
22		
23 Pin Orders	400.00	530.60
24 Dorothy Olive Franklin fees to British Columbia Golf	1,250.00	1,378.00
25 Beat the Champ fees to Junior Girls	400.00	413.00
26 PIN Round fees to British Columbia Golf	1,500.00	1,618.00
27		
28 Team Trophy Engraving/Keepers	300.00	144.05
29		
30 2017 Tournament-Zone 3&4 Amateur/Senior (Zone 4 hosting)	-	7,237.01
31 2018 Tournament-Zone 3&4 Four Ball (Zone 4 hosting)	7,000.00	56.00
32 Zone 4 Senior Women's Open	12,000.00	10,998.39
33		
34 Team Subsidy for Zone 4 Amateur & Senior Champions	2,000.00	2,000.00
35 Uniforms - Zone 4 - Amateur/Senior	160.00	160.00
36		
37 Operating expenses		
38		
39 Executive meetings	400.00	279.38
40 Transportation & Accommodation	3,100.00	2,947.43
41 Postage & Supplies	600.00	579.00
42 Zone 3&4 Committee Funding	300.00	300.00
43 Banking (cheques)	-	154.91
44		
45 <u>Web Site:</u>		
46 Web site - Frank Umperville	-	250.00
47 British Columbia Golf Zone 4 Men	125.00	125.00
48 Website upgrade & development	5,000.00	0.00
49		
50 <u>Laptop:</u>		
51 Security/Software/Accessories	100.00	93.44
52 Paper/Cartridges	70.00	0.00
53 Bogey Golf Update	70.00	0.00
54 New laptop	-	927.78
55		
56 <u>Gifts & Donations</u>		



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57	Retiring Executive & Volunteer recognition	150.00		119.82
58	Shirts for Executive	200.00		470.40
59	BC Golf Museum	500.00		500.00
60				
61				
62	Expenses - Miscellaneous (name badges/nominating committee)	250.00		307.81
63				
64	Total Expenses	\$ 41,875.00	\$	36,844.34
65				
66	Zone 4 Profit/Loss	(8,097.45)		701.82



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7.2 Vice Chair – Ann Warrender

VICE CHAIR REPORT

March 22, 2018

I am looking forward to working with Virginia and the executive and will have more to report once the golfing season begins.

7.3 Handicap – Audrey Lindsay

Handicap

As we start the new season, many clubs may have new Handicap Chairs. Each club should have a certified Handicap person. If your Handicap Chair is not certified, please encourage them to register for the Golf Canada online Webinar. The webinar costs \$35 and will take approximately 4 hours to complete, but it does not need to be completed in one sitting. Registration in the Webinar also includes a printed copy of the Handicap Manual.

The new Zone 4 Women's website contains links to Golf Canada and BC Golf sites for useful handicapping information for individual players, handicap chairs and handicap committees. The 147-page Handicap manual is available online and a printed copy can be ordered through Golf Canada.

As a reminder, if any of your members played in an active season over the winter - such as California, Arizona, Florida or Hawaii - those scores should be posted for handicap purposes.

Course Rating

New par and slope ratings for Bowen Island have been released into the Golf Canada system. Northlands new par and slope ratings are scheduled to be released on April 1.

The following six courses have been completed by the women's course rating team and are awaiting final ratings from the men's team and Kojo before the new par and slope ratings can be released: Chateau Whistler, Country Meadows, Delta, Fraserview, Musqueam and Riverway.

Last year, three courses requested that their scheduled ratings be delayed until 2018 because they were making significant changes to their courses. This means 2018 will be an exceptionally busy year with 10 on the list compared to the normal 4 or 5 courses. These include: Burnaby Mountain, Langara, Mylora, Pender Harbour, Shaughnessy, Squamish Valley, Sunshine Coast, The Links at Hampton Cove, The Meadows at Pemberton, and Tsawwassen Springs.



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At this point, the following experienced Zone 4 raters are planning to continue in 2018: Nora McKibbin, Sherry Work, Erin Riley, Jennifer Donnelly, Korianne Tylor, Karen Vanzella, Mary Adams and Audrey Lindsay. Marjorie Wood from University Golf Club will be joining our team as a new rater in 2018.

Respectfully submitted,
Audrey Lindsay

7.4 Rules Chair – Bernice Pozdrowski

RULES CHAIR REPORT

We are about to start another busy and demanding 2018 schedule. I find there is already a lot of activity marked on my calendar. I hope to attend most of the Zone 3/4 Jr. Girl tournaments. I really enjoy watching these talented and focused girls play a sport that I love. I encourage everyone to come out and watch and support these young people.

I am going to defer any rules seminar from this year to next. There are going to be dramatic changes to the rules of golf in 2019 and it will impact even the most casual of golfers. I think that we should consider a couple of seminars early in 2019 to try to get the clubs in Zone 4 on board.

I will still make myself available to any club that might wish to have a seminar for their members at their club, to address issues that might be unique to their playing environment. As always, I encourage phone calls and emails about the rules of golf, from any of our members.

On March 12th, the USGA and R and A, published the new rules for 2019. Some of you have probably already looked at them. For those who are interested, you may go online to usga.org/rules and then select the new rules to look at.

I would once again like to solicit the help of our membership to be volunteers for our Junior tournaments as well as our Zone 3 and 4 competitions. Spotters make the pace of play more manageable. Please come out and help for as much time as you have available. You will see some great golf because I won't be playing.

Speaking of volunteers, if there are any Level 3 Rules officials that would like to get some experience in officiating, please contact me. We have a shortage of experienced officials and this would give you an opportunity to put into practice what you have studied. You wouldn't be by yourself.

Respectively submitted:
Bernice Pozdrowski
Zone 4 Rules Chair



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7.5 Junior Girls' Chair – Stephanie Wong

After a successful Spring last year, Christine and I are super excited for another upcoming season. Again, we are going green and will be running registration and payment online through EventBrite, which we will be launching early March.

The confirmed dates and venues for this spring season is the following:

- Sunday, April 8th @ **Point Grey Golf and Country Club**
- Sunday, April 15th @ **Newlands Golf Club**
- Sunday, May 20th @ **Royalwood Golf Course (Summer Games Qualifier)**
- Sunday, June 3rd @ **Vancouver Golf Club (Championship)**

This year, Ray Flynn had reached out to us to partner up for the Summer Games Qualifier this year. We have agreed, and the girls will be playing following the boys on May 20th. The top four players from each zone will qualify to participate- which zone 4 is responsible for 4 players from Zone 4 and Zone 5.

Things to consider:

- 1) Rules Seminar
- 2) BC Players Club Levy (\$4)
- 3) Covering entry fees for zone 4 for the Summer Games

7.6 First Team Chair – Darcy Jacobson

I would like to thank Virginia Astell for drawing up the Team Schedules for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Teams for 2018. I am sure that it took a lot of time and effort and it was much appreciated.

1st Team now has 11 Members. Burnaby Mountain, Chilliwack, Fort Langley, Guilford, Ledgeview, Peace Portal, Pitt Meadows, Surrey, Swaneset, University and our newest member the Vancouver Chinese League.

The Team Chairs agreed to send the Schedule out early on November 27th, 2017 to all Team Captains so they would be able to reserve the dates of play with their home clubs. The contacts lists that we used were from 2017 as the Roster for 2018 was being updated. The Team Captains were requested to send the names of any new contacts so that we could update our contact information.

Minor Revisions to the Team Manual were also sent out with this email so that everyone would be aware of the changes.



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I had one request from Burnaby Mountain asking if they could change the August 21st game to August 29th as Aug 21 interfered with their Club Championship. I instructed them to contact University Club and both Clubs agreed to play on August 29th. I have adjusted the Schedule to show this change.

I am looking forward to a great 2018 Season.

Respectfully submitted,
Darcy Jacobson, 1st Team Chair

7.7 2nd Team – Ann Warender

The 2018 Team Two schedule has been sent out to all the clubs. To date I have not heard from any teams that have changed their team play date. We have ten teams for Team Two.

Submitted
Ann Warrender

7.8 3rd Team Chair – Michelle Roy

Third Team Report to Zone 4 Captains & Vice-Captains Meeting March 22, 2018

The Third Team schedule for 2018 has been sent to all Team captains and Club captains. All teams now have 8 members. All Team captains are encouraged to report their team scores to me as soon as possible after their matches.

There are some clubs who need to change the date of their matches as it conflicts with their club championship in cases where their course dictates available dates. This will need to be looked at when we prepare the schedules for 2019. Team captains have arranged alternate dates and have notified me. Thank you.

All clubs who would like to have a Third Team are reminded that the deadline for application is September 5, 2018 to be considered for the 2019 season.

Please feel free to contact me for any questions or concerns about Third Team. I look forward to a great golf season.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Roy, Third Team Chair



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7.9 Zone 3&4 Business Women's Chair – Julie Martin

Executive:

Julie Martin of Surrey Golf Club is the incoming Chair for the next two years.
Joanne Dorman from Kings Links is the incoming Vice Chair.
Darcy Jacobson of Swan-E-Set is in her last year as Secretary/Treasurer.

Member Clubs:

Seven clubs remain in the Business Ladies League:

Fraserview
McCleery
Kings Links
Surrey
Swan-E-Set
Tsawwassen Springs
University

Annual Tournament:

The 2017 tournament was held on Aug 19, 2017 hosted by Surrey. It was a 1 pm shotgun and was limited to 72 players.

- Low Gross – Teri La France, University Club
- Low Net - Mary Lou Riordon, McCleery
- Team of the Year – Tsawwassen Springs Business Ladies.

The 2018 tournament will be hosted by Swan-E-Set on Aug. 18, 2018. They are planning for a field of 100 golfers.

Future of the Annual Tournament:

One of the reasons clubs give for dropping out of the league is they do not want to host the annual tournament. There is so much work involved and it is very difficult to find volunteers, funds, sponsorships etc.

In order to not lose any more clubs we feel it necessary to review the need for the tournament and request input from the players.

Possible other options we have come up with are:

- Keep the tournament but reduce to bi-annually.
- Change the responsibility of hosting the tournament from a rotation of clubs to a committee comprised of representatives from all clubs.
- Cancel the tournament altogether.



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Captains will canvas their players and report back at the fall meeting.

Nico Wynd Ladies Club:

The owners of Nico Wynd golf course had asked the Ladies Club to leave, they feel they can make more money by allowing public play and hosting tournaments in the time slots currently allotted to the ladies.

Effective 2018 season the previous Nico Wynd Ladies will play out of King's Links.

Next Zone 3-4 Business Women's Captains Meeting:

A fall meeting for the Zone 3 – 4 Business Women's Golf Association has been scheduled for Sunday, November 4th, 2018. At Surrey Golf Course

Respectfully Submitted

Julie Martin
Chair, Zone 3&4 Business Ladies
2018 019

7.10 Zone 3&4 Coordinator – Sybil Rodger

Very many thanks to all who have welcomed me in this new-to-me position.

To date we have Amateur Senior tournament booked for Capilano and Hazelmere Golf Clubs on Monday and Tuesday 28/29 May 2018.

Junior girls Tournament will be at Vancouver Golf Club on Sunday 3 June 2018. Elena Hale, my predecessor, did most of the work on these tournaments. Thank you Elena.

Zone 3 and 4 Four Ball Tournament will be at Tsawwassen Springs Golf Club on Monday 18 June 2018. Work has started on booking the venues for these three tournaments for 2019. It seems that all courses are looking a year ahead in their bookings. As per the 9-year rotation schedule published on Page 11 of 2012 BCGA Zone 4 Members Roster, the 2019 Amateur Senior Tournament will be at Point Grey GC and the Junior Girls Tournament at Seymour Golf and Country Club. Stacey McIlwaine managed to get a tentative agreement for Zone 3 & 4 Four Ball Tournament from Chilliwack GC. Thank-you Stacey. I will also be following up on that.

A successful Zone 3 & 4 Joint committee fact finding meeting was attended by Virginia Astell, chair of Zone 4, Stacey McIlwaine, chair of Zone 3 and Liz Goldenberg who acted as secretary. Many thanks Liz. This meeting was held in the board room at University Golf Club. The rest of the Zone 3 & 4 chairs on this committee were either out of town or unavailable.



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I look forward to participating in as many of the Zone 3 & 4 combined tournaments as I can this year.

Respectfully presented
Sybil Rodger

7.11 Past Chair – Jo Guthrie

The Policies and Procedures Manual has been recently revised and presented by our Past Chair, a copy of which is already online. Due to changes in some BC Golf edicts, I believe that further revisions will be necessary this year. I will be responsible for seeing to this.

At the Spring Meeting I will be announcing the three clubs who are on the rotation for this year's Nominating Committee. The Captains of these clubs will form a Committee and I will be there to guide them. The clubs are Marine Drive, Mayfair Lakes and McCleery.

As Past Chair I will also be the Zone Council voting representative as long as Helen remains the President. Helen has already led a conference call with the other representatives on the Zone Council. I participated in the call a few weeks ago. Helen will update us accordingly.

It will be my pleasure to continue with the Zone 4 Women's Executive as Past Chair, giving as much support and help as possible. Most importantly being there to assist our new Chair, Virginia, in every way I can.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jo Guthrie,
British Columbia Golf,
Past Chair, Zone 4 Women's Committee.

7.12 BC Golf Zone Representative – Helen Steeves

I'm certain that we are all looking forward to the 2018 Golf Season and hoping for great weather, I know I am. Since our Fall Meeting, I have attended 6 B.C. Golf Board Meetings, October 28, December 5, January 4, January 18, Feb 2, March 17 as well as a Zone Council Meeting November 28. Some were face to face and some Video Conference.

On the afternoon of March 17, I attended the BC Golf AGM. As mentioned last Fall, the revenue to the Zones for Public Players has been reduced to \$1.00 from \$5.00. Our Zone levy is \$4.00 so any Public Players wanting to play in Zone events must pay \$4.00 for the 1st event they play in. This is very important with Juniors competing since many Juniors are Public Players.

An increase from \$34.00 to \$40.00 in our BC Golf/Golf Canada Membership fee for 2019, was approved at the BC Golf AGM. There will be an additional \$2.00 increase each year until it reaches \$50.00. One of



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the biggest reasons for the increase is that we now have insurance coverage for things like lost or stolen clubs and broken glass. (You're covered if you break somebody's window with a golf ball.)

I am still chairing the Zone Council and as I do not have a vote, Jo Guthrie as Past Chair has replaced Fyfe Brown as our voting Member. As the Council Chair, I am still on the BC Golf Board, still the Board Secretary and still chairing Constitution & By-Laws. Due to the change to the BC Societies Act, Kojo Frempong (our BC Golf Lawyer) and I have reviewed the BC Golf ones. Three slight changes are required and was reported to the Membership at the AGM.

I hope, with Membership approval today, the new website will be activated and the job of maintaining it will become someone else's responsibility.

A huge thank you is owed to Audrey Lindsey for all of her effort and tremendous work in its creation. After 10+ years the old one was dated & tired.

It was a pleasure to have Leslie Dunning, the new President of Golf Canada, attend our Meeting. She has been involved for many years with both Golf Canada & Golf Alberta. She has now been President of both Organizations and will, I am sure, do a great job.

Thank you once again for allowing me to represent you at the BC Golf Council. It is a job that I have certainly enjoyed doing for Zone 4 Women and promoting Golf.

Reminder, clubs/groups have been advised to send their levies directly to their respective Zone Treasurers not to B.C. Golf.

Wishes for fair weather & good golf,
Respectively submitted,
Helen Steeves.

7.13 Chair Report – Virginia Astell

This is a busy time for all of you, getting ready to start the 2018 season at your clubs. It is wonderful to have a bit warmer weather and golf courses that are in better shape than last year.

You may already be aware of the many changes coming to the golf scene as Golf Canada and BC Golf work to promote and encourage the enjoyment and participation in this sport.

The revision of the rules is well underway and we can look forward to implementation in 2019. You have had a chance to look over the suggested rule changes and many golfers have had a chance to comment on the recommendations. We will schedule rule seminars next year to help familiarize players with the changes. In the meantime, please remember the rules we have seen to date are just suggested changes. They may or may not end up in the final revision and are not in play yet.



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As well, discussions are moving forward on creating a Worldwide Handicap system to replace the 6 different models currently used now. This will mean your handicap factor will be portable from course to course and from country to country anywhere in the world and wherever you play you will now be able to post those scores. A summary of proposed changes can be found in the BC Golf Magazine published in February 2018. I know I am looking forward to being able to post a double net bogey per hole rather than a maximum score of 9. This new system is scheduled to be introduced in 2020.

Our Zone 4 Men are also keen to promote and encourage participation in golf. They are introducing a short news article to be included in all the Zone 4 club newsletters at each course. This will include news from the men and women's sections from Zone 4.

One of the biggest challenges we have been dealing with is locating courses for Zone 4 Tournaments. The SR/AM is being held on May 28 at Capilano and May 29 at Hazelmere for 2018. The Four Ball Tournament is now scheduled for June 18 at Tsawwassen Springs. The Zone 4 Senior Women's Tournament is scheduled for University Golf Club on Monday, September 17. It will be a morning Shotgun followed by lunch this year.

Although we have about 30 courses to draw from in Zone 4, only about half of those are suitable for booking. Location, rising costs, courses not able to host a banquet, other groups booking tournaments a year or more in advance, fewer registrants and restrictions put on by the course have made it more difficult to find a suitable location.

I am requesting that you as Captain at your club help us out by drawing attention to our tournaments. If you have a bulletin board, please print a copy and post the entry forms in a location that will draw attention to it. As well, take the time to talk to your players and encourage them to participate.

You will notice on the Schedule of Events, we do not plan to hold a Team Seminar this year. The changes we made to the Team Manual are still posted on the web site in red print so you can find them quickly. The important change to remember is that all teams are now represented by 8 players for the Zone Interclub.

Did you know that June 5 is International Women's Golf Day.

Clubs around the world are encouraged to hold a special day of golf on this date if they wish. Richmond Club did it last year. Search on the internet to find out more about this celebration.

Also, of interest is the Handicap Workshop which is being offered in the Lower Mainland. Cost is \$30 which includes coffee/tea and lunch. It is scheduled for June 11, venue to be confirmed. If interested, contact Susan White at BC Golf for more information.

I have been asked to remind you about the Champion of Champions tournament to be held at Marine Drive on September 24th. Please make sure that your club championship is held before this date so your Club Champion can be included if your course is hosting a team.



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I am really excited about the introduction of our new updated website. Under the direction of Audrey and Kevin Li, and the help of Sherry and Gail, we are preparing to go live in the very near future. Update – it is now live.

Thank you for taking on the organization of golf at your club. Executive members are always available to help with any questions you may have. Please feel free to contact them if the need arises.

Best wishes for a successful season. Lots of birdies and pars for us all.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Astell
Zone 4 Chair

9.1 Website Presentation – Audrey Lindsay

Background:

Audrey began working with Kevin Li, in Feb 2017 to develop the new Zone 4 Women's Web site. This was part-time, but significant work for both of us. I will talk more about Kevin at the end of my presentation.

Since Jan 1, 2018, it has been very concentrated work to obtain and update 2018 documents, organize training and get ready to "go live". We were very fortunate that Kevin was home from University for Christmas break and he gave a 7-hour training session to Sherry Work, our new Treasurer; Gail Lichty, our former treasurer; and me on the development and maintenance tools for our new website.

Goals for our new website:

- More modern with a "clean" look and feel
e.g. colours, photos, tabs across the top, use of the Zone 4 logo, user-friendly, pdf documents open in a separate tab, etc.
- Scalable to work on PC's, Mac's, tablets and smart phones
- Integration of Business Women and Juniors within the site
- Retain our history for our members and for the executive
- Consistent development approach for ease of maintenance (although maintenance will require a more technical person, we will have 3 people able to do updates)

Demo:

Audrey did a demo of the new website, pointing out various aspects of the new system as she walked through each menu item across the top. Some highlights she pointed out include:



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- Banner line includes course photos – ideally we could have approximately 10 active photos at any time
- Menu across the top
- Integration of Business women and Juniors throughout the web site
- Separate tab for Tournaments, with all tournaments integrated and past results are now available.
- Team is now a separate tab; schedules are available for easy viewing and include pdf's for printing. Business women schedules use the same format and are integrated. 3 years of Past Results are currently available.
- Captains' Pages – separated into non-secure and secure sections. The combined payment form includes ability for e-transfer; minutes of the Captains and Vice Captains meetings are now available. Only the rosters with detailed address information are now in the secure area.
- Past Champions - Added photos of the trophies as well as Zone 4 Senior Open and 4-Ball tournament winners.
- Photos - Changed "Assorted" name to "Gallery" and added index skips by year to easily move to groups of photos
- Handicap Information - added links to Golf Canada, the Handicap Manual , seminars and webinars, the Golf Canada Online store and three useful articles for handicap chairs

Our site went live on Sunday evening March 18 and Sherry and I are still working on correcting a few minor items.

Audrey thanked Sherry Work and Gail Lichty for volunteering to help with the ongoing maintenance of our site. Sherry has supported web sites before, so she has quickly become our Zone 4 expert and go-to person for any complicated updates. She has put in a tremendous amount of time and effort into the site since the middle of January 2018.

As I mentioned earlier, I wanted to give you a bit more information on the development of our site. Last February, Jo Guthrie contacted Kevin Li to see if he might be willing to help us with our site. Kevin was a former Zone 4 junior and he wanted to "give back" so he initially helped develop the Men's website and then he graciously accepted Jo's request to work on the Women's site. Of course, women are typically a little pickier than men and little did Kevin know how much he was going to have to "give back" to assist us.

Part of the reason this took as long as it did was due to Kevin's and my busy schedules. Kevin is currently a third year Computer Science and Economics student at Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island. He is in the work study program and also actively involved on the University Golf Team. This meant that we had to fit our web development around his classes, term papers, exams, work-study assignment in San Francisco, University golf team, music and travel. All of our interchange during the



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development was done via email so I was extremely pleased to finally meet this exceptionally pleasant and talented young man in January for our training session. By the way, Kevin's mother, Ying He, is a member of the Zone 4 Chinese Ladies Team. During our marathon 7 hour training session, we didn't know that Ying spent the entire time shopping and waiting at Metrotown so she could pick Kevin up when he was finished training us.

Kevin did not want to accept payment for his work, so Zone 4 Women are giving him an honorarium as a small thank-you for all his time, expertise and proficiency in assisting with the redevelopment of our website.

Respectfully submitted
Audrey Lindsay