EASTHAMPSTEAD LADIES GOLF CLUB

Minutes of committee meeting: Thursday 28th May 2026

VENUE: in person Downshire 6.15pm

PRESENT/ APOLOGIES:

Captain	Al Woolley	**Membership secretary**	Norma Moran
Vice Captain	Gill Cain *Apologies*	**Competition secretary**	Mandy Creed
Treasurer	Ish Thomson	**Committee member**	Alex Cram
Secretary	x	**Committee member**	Liz Clarke
Handicap secretary	Hazel Rogers *Apologies*	**Social secretary**	Dawn Ledgard

LAST MONTH'S MINUTES Minutes of last meeting: 23 April 2026 having been previously circulated were agreed. **Matters Arising / Actions from previous meetings** ● Changing rooms - Simon has said that money will not be in place for this until August ● Trophy cabinet: lock has been purchased (use when NAPGC trophies are in there). A big key ring to be added and kept in the locker behind the Pro-shop. Suggest the spare is kept by the current captain and passed on.	
REPORTS	
Captain's report **Golf:** qualifying list for NAPGC championships of England has been submitted, so a number of ELGC players will be playing at Cherwell Edge on July 21st. Rabbits Cup: won by Anne Butcher, runner up Kathryn Price The accompanying stablefords were won by Jenny Blewett and Liz Clarke. Aussie Spoons: the winners were Jenny and Norma, runners-up Dawn and Reiko. May stableford on Thursday 21 May was won by Christeen Alexander. ***Captain's Charity Day:*** very well supported and an impressive £1200 raised, split between the two charities	

I have sourced a number of 4-ball vouchers, plus a voucher for a free lesson at Lavender Park. I'm looking at setting up an electronic silent auction for these. The plan had been to do the auction at the waltz evening, but it will hopefully reach a wider audience by doing it electronically. Will look at this more closely after the Golden Medal event. **Coming up:** ***Golden Medal & Interim Prize Giving on May 31st:*** good numbers for this 35 playing and all staying for the food and mid-year prize giving. Options were given to prize winners from cash, M&S voucher, JL voucher, memento. Choices: 45% chose cash, 25% defaulted as cash for not replying. The other 3 options were each 10%. ***Golden Waltz:*** 27 ELGC members playing, but only 22 of them coming to the evening. Info has only recently gone out to the Men's section, so hopefully there will be more of them, especially for the evening - Dawn to work on rounding them up! 13 guests confirmed for the evening, with some also playing. I would hope to get it up to 50 for the evening. ***Tim Brierley 4-sections - new format:*** our first round is against the Juniors on July 11th. The format has been agreed as 4x 4BBB and 4x singles matches. 12 players needed - points forfeited to the other team if matches are not played due to lack of players. Points from each of the 4-sections matches accumulate to give a total and the section with the highest total wins the trophy. All four sections are playing their final round on Sept 20th.	
Vice Captain report The first rounds of the Summer K/Os are due by 31st May. Most have been played but I've mailed around to get the last results so I can update the Board at the Club and also theGoogle Drive record.	
Treasurer's report The account stands at £7441.98. This includes an invoice of £1093 for the 50th (bag tags). Still very solvent!!	
Handicap Secretary - continuing problems entering blobs on Howdidido. Reply from helpline pending - they tell me the update has sorted out the issues we had with the mixed better balls . We shall see on Saturday	
Membership Secretary	

Our numbers are now 72, this includes the past members who wanted a social membership and were unable to have it at the time and have now taken this up. The split of members is now 65 full members (although 11 of these do not play regularly and I have made contact with some of these), 3 'Social with handicap' members, 2 'Social without handicap' members and 2 juniors. I have sent information to 3 interested to learn about membership and I will update if any of these ladies wish to join. 1 has a handicap and 2 do not.	
Competitions Secretary ● In the Mary Forster competition, team B (Anne B, Al and Kate) played in the Final at Stockley Park on 10th May which was won by Huntswood. ● In the Whitewebbs: Team B won their first-round match against Mitcham and will now play Hoebridge A away in the second round. Dates have been agreed for the region 2 away match at Portsmouth and region 2 home match against Warley Woods which is being played at a neutral ground - Cherwell Edge. Teams have been selected for both matches. ● The team has been selected for the Interclub Shield on Thursday 28th May. ● The Academia Matchplay team narrowly lost in the second round away at Royal Ascot. ● In the NAPGC Hawtree competition the mixed team has been selected to play at Stockley Park on 21st June. ● Katy Lansley and Amilie Clarkin played in the BWG Tegner Trophy, qualifying for the knockout phase and Katy came 3rd. ● Viv Lovell represented the club in The Race to Woodhall Spa at Royal Ascot. ● In the BWG Spring Meeting for Div 2 & 3 which was played at the Downshire on 19th May, Chris Smith won the Katy Plater Trophy and Christeen Alexander won the Aspect Trophy.	
Social Secretary I'll send an email on Monday to the group encouraging members to message if they book a casual tee time & would like other members to join them for a game. Once they've made contact shall I've encouraged them to contact each other directly via Whats App. Let's see how it goes & maybe have a WhatsApp group for this purpose. I'll send it to the New Members Whats App group too. Maybe mention on Sunday at Prizegiving. Planning a practical rules night outside maybe in Sept	

Cram & H have some great ideas from their Rules course. I am thinking of a Monday or Tuesday. If we went for Tuesday 8 th Sept, sun sets at 19.30 is that too early to make it work? We have our 9 hole Away Day to Billingbear on Monday 8 th June. There are 23 members already signed up & paid with 3 more possibles. I have secured & paid for 10 tee times so we can add more people up to the day. Paying the balance on the day. It is £20pp for golf & prizes (doesn't include drinks or food) but that is available to purchase at the club. I'll send out another email next week to hopefully attract a few more members, maybe mention it on Sunday at the Gold Medal Prize Giving The Texas Scramble for new & potential new members is set & booked for Tuesday 21 st July first tee 5.30pm. Sunset that day is 9pm but the car park gates are locked at 10pm. Green fees would be £19.40pp for potentially 18 holes. We could start earlier but I am sure a number of possible players work, possibly 9 or 13/14 holes. Help from members would be needed.	
<u>Secretary</u> Safe Golf accreditation has been updated and confirmed. New certificate for noticeboard.	
AGENDA	
1: Costs when external matches are played before 13.00 at weekends (Mandy) Where possible matches will be arranged after 13.00. It was agreed that for the time being (whilst funds are good) the extra tee cost will be paid for by the club for 5-day+ members. For non-season ticket holders the green fee is already at a subsidised rate, therefore equating to the subsidy of the club paying for the 5-day+ costs.	Decision Book?
2: Hot Weather Concerns (Gill) Can we consider emailing around the members to remind them to take precautions to protect themselves from the hot weather? One of the Mitcham Ladies felt faint at the end of her round on Sunday but didn't divulge until after the round had ended. Bringing extra drinks / ice, using umbrellas and investing in a reflective umbrella can be good ways to give yourself extra protection. We should keep sun cream topped up and stay in the shade as much as possible. Most of us are pretty sensible but giving everyone a reminder wouldn't hurt?	
AOB	

1: Submitting reports earlier to enable reading of them by all (Al W) Can we all please try to submit reports by the beginning of the week of the meeting to give time for longer ones to be read and properly considered.	
2: 2 new members, via Gill Cain - will need cards marking (Norma) Plenty of volunteers for this	
3: Feedback from a few members that the price of the Waltz day is putting them off. Al to email out after the weekend to make it clear that the evening is just at cost price for the food, icecream dessert and a welcome drink. Also the Golden Medal is zero cost to all participants.	
4: Making up the Goody bags for the Golden Medal - all to help please! (AW) *this was impressively rapid!*	
Meeting closed at: 19.30	