

**Golf Newfoundland Labrador
Annual General Meeting
Bally Haly Golf & Curling Club
St. John's, NL
Friday April 19th, 2013
Minutes**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The President , Marchate Gallant called the Annual General Meeting of the Newfoundland Labrador Golf association to order at 6:40 P.M. NST

2. NOTICE CALLING THE MEETING:

The notice calling the meeting was read by Jim Sloan who made the motion to adopt and seconded by Allison Crawford to acknowledge the call of the Annual General Meeting of the Association via e-mail on Monday February 4th, 2013 and subsequent notices thereafterwards.

Carried

3. ROLL CALL:

Voting Delegates Present were:

Marcheta Gallant	President, NLGA	marchetagallant@gmail.com
Allison Crawford	Vic-President, NLGA	allisoncrawford@hotmail.com
Jim Sloan	Rules Director, NLGA	jsloan@mikan.ca
Wayne Allen	Junior Director, NLGA	wayne27@hotmail.com
Bert Peddle	Tournament Director, Gander	bert.peddle@bellaliant.net
Callum Tulloch	General Manager, Gander	gandergolfclub@nfld.net
Ted Stonehouse	Dir Golf Operations, Clovelly	tstonehouse@clovellygolf.com
Vicki Anstey	Bally Haly Country Club	info@ballyhaly.com
Mike Davidson	Bally Haly Country Club	info@ballyhaly.com
Gary Oke	Humber Valley Golf Resort	oke@humbervalley.com
Neil Peckham	Tamarack Golf Club	neil@industrialrubber.ca
Mike Leudee	Blomidon Golf Club	michael.leudee@gmail.com
Kevin Reid	The Wilds Golf Resort	kreid@thewilds.ca
Heber Smith	Terra Nova	heber.smith@nf.sympatico.ca
Paul Kelly	Glendenning Golf	pkelly@glendenninggolf.ca
Mark Fitzpatrick	Glendenning Golf	mfitzpatrick@glendenninggolf.ca
Trevor Hefferan	The Wilds Golf Resort	thefferan@thewilds.ca
Patti Hamilton	The Willows at Holyrood	phamilton@glendenninggolf.ca

Mike Russell	Grande Meadows Golf Club	mike_russell_4@hotmail.com
Barry Stacey	Grande Meadows Golf Club	bstacey@nf.sympatico.ca

It was confirmed that there are a total of twenty (20) voting delegates in attendance representing twelve (12) golf courses.

Observers:

Greg Hillier	Executive Director	nlga@hnl.ca
Kay Thompson	Governor, Golf Canada	cthompson@nf.sympatico.ca
Christine Dengel	Regional Director, Golf Canada	Cdengel@golfcanada.ca
Bruce Watson	Commissioner, Tely Tour	bruce2@mun.ca

4. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

It was moved by Gary Oke and seconded by Bert Peddle to approve the agenda as presented.

Carried

4. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF 2012 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

The President referred to the minutes of the April 20th, 2012 Annual Meeting which was previously circulated.

With the correctio to the Course Report for Gander stating that the practice range should be noted as a 120 yard facility, it was moved by Heber Smith and seconded by Allison Crawford to adopt the minutes as amended.

Carried

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

The President noted that there was no business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence to be tabled at the meeting.

7. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

7.1 President's Report

The President, Marcheta Gallant attached her annual report in detail (attached). In her review of the

report a number of points were noted including the amalgamation of the NLGA with GNL, participation at the Golf Canada Annual Meeting and representation on the National Provincial Council. She noted the increase in junior activities including the development camp program, Canada Games development program, implementation of a junior committee and the success of the provincial tournaments.

7.2 Vic-President's Report

The Vic-President tabled her report (attached) and reviewed the document in detail. She highlighted the fact that her major role is that of Chair of the Hall of Fame & Awards Committee. She noted the structure of the committee and the development and revision of the policy and the process of circulating and receiving nomination. It was noted that while this was the second year for the program there were nominations in every category. It is the goal of the committee to receive an increase in nominations from other members.

There being no questions or concerns with the two reports, it was moved by Vicki Anstey and seconded by Mike Davidson to adopt the reports as presented.

Carried

8. TREASURER'S REPORT

In the absence of the Treasurer, John Angel, the Executive Director tabled the audited financial statements for the year ending September 30th 2012 for both the NLGA and GNL organizations. A copy is attached to these minutes.

The Executive Director reported that in regards to GNL, this organization realized a net deficit of approximately \$12,000.00 mainly due to the decrease in contributions from the Tourism Division. However, prior to the amalgamation GNL addressed this deficit and entered into amalgamation with a net surplus mainly as a result of the submission of membership fees for the coming year.

In terms of the NLGA, the association realized a small net surplus at the end of the fiscal year. This was mainly due to the fact that the organization increased funding from a number of sources. The balance sheet, statement of revenues, expenditures and surplus and statement of cash flows were referenced from the report.

The Executive Director noted that aside from one (1) member club, all of the outstanding membership fees and accounts payable have been received.

There being no further questions or concerns it was moved by Bert Peddle and seconded by Mike Davidson to adopt the audited financial statements for the year ending September 30th 2012.

Carried

9. REPORTS FROM PROVINCIAL STANDING COMMITTEE DIRECTORS

1. Archives:

Due to the fact that Ms. Helena Bragg could not attend the meeting, her report was tabled and read by President, Marcheta Gallant. The report is attached to the minutes of the meeting and after a review there were no questions.

2. Course Rating -Handicap Report

In the absence of the Course rating Director, Sandra Sparrow, the Vic-President tabled the report and noted that over the course of this past season two courses were rated and provided the information. It was noted that over the past four years all of the courses in the province have had their rating completed and this will mean that in future years courses will be completed on a rotating basis.

3. Junior Report

The Junior Director, Wayne Allen tabled his report (attached) and reviewed the document in detail. During the review he noted a number of points including:

- The Provincial Junior Camp was held at Terra Nova and not The Wilds as noted in the report
- The association had a very successful year with the Golf in Schools and Future Links Programs which will be expanded and continue into this year.
- Highlighted the creation and development of a Provincial Junior Development Program that will be continued after the Canada Summer Games
- Highlighted the results at the Atlantic and National competitions and the improvement of the NL junior players.
- Highlighted the NL Summer Games and noted a number of concerns that will be addressed for future games.
- Discussed participation in the annual SportFest and thanked a host of volunteers for their assistance in making the programs function.

4 Rules Report

The Rules Director, Jim Sloan, tabled the Rules Report for 2012 (attached) and referenced a number of points including an acknowledgement of individuals that have assisted with the weekly rules seminars and officials that have volunteered their time to participate in the Provincial Championships and the dedication of these individuals to foster and enhance officiating throughout the province.

5 Tournament Director

Acting Tournament Director, Allison Crawford tabled the annual report (attached) and noted a number of changes that will be required to update the report. The report was reviewed in detail and a number of points were discussed. It was noted that the Executive Director would revise the Tournament Report and circulate it to the membership.

There being no further questions on any of the reports, it was moved by Gary Oke and seconded by Neil Peckham to adopt the reports as presented.

Carried

10. MEMBER CLUB REPORTS

There were a total of twelve (12) clubs in attendance with the following courses providing a written or verbal report:

1. Gander Golf Club;

Bert Peddle tabled a written report on behalf of the course and introduced Callum Tulloch as the new General Manager and acknowledged the work of the outgoing GM Tonya Abbott. He noted that the course had a successful season and will be completing major renovations to the clubhouse this spring.

2. Bally Haly Country Club

Mike Davidson reported that the club saw an increase in Intermediate memberships, that being the age group between 19 to 35 years of age. There was an increase in green fees and with the renovation to the facilities there has been a major increase in the hosting of special events and other functions i.e. Wedding.

3. Humber Valley Golf Reort

Gary Oke noted that since 2010 there have been major changes at the course including the restructuring of fees and management. He noted that in 2012, there were over 20,000 rounds played at the course which is a substantial increase from previous years. He noted that Humber Valley is rated very highly on the national stage and is presently 10 in public courses across the country. Gary noted that in 2012 they introduced a Men's Invitational and this event was received extremely well.

4. Blomidon Golf Club

Mike Leudee presented a written report (attached) and highlighted a number of activities including the hosting of the adult Provincial Championships and the support that was received from the membership to host this event. The course introduced a green fee incentive program versus a membership based approach and this appeared to have worked well. Finally, he noted that Andrew Magerson has been hired as the new GN/Superintendent.

5. Clovelly Golf

Director of Golf Operations, Ted Stonehouse reported that Clovelly opened a Golf Studio in early January and provided instruction, use of simulators, exercise equipment, club fitting and other services during the winter months. The facility was also accessible and used by members of the Canada Games

Development Teams. Presently there are four (4) PGA candidates on staff and he anticipates opening a Golf academy in the spring. Improvements to the course will continue and a number of major events will be continued and enhanced during the year. Finally he congratulated Humber Valley Golf resort on placing 10th in a national review of public golf courses.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

The Executive Director tabled (attached) a policy paper related to the participation at Atlantic and National competitions and provided an overview of the policy to date and the rationale for adopting a new system for players to compete in these events with the support of the organization.

There was general agreement with the policy however there were concerns with players having to be within the top 25% of the field to compete at the nationals. This was discussed and the following point was made.

There was a general discussion on the matter and it was agreed that for junior players, if their results are within 50% of the total field in their Division at the Atlantic Championships then GNL will provide some form of assistance to attend the national championships. However any player that makes the top three positions at any provincial championship has the right to compete directly in the nationals with no support from the organization.

12. REVISIONS TO CONSTITUTION

The Executive Director tabled a motion on behalf of the Board of Directors (attached) that was moved by John Angel and seconded by Allison Crawford to amend a number of articles in the constitution and by-laws to reflect the amalgamation of the sport and marketing organizations.

After a detailed review and discussion on the motion, the initial motion was rescinded and the following motion was made:

THAT: The following changes be made to the Constitution and By-Laws:

- The name of the organization shall be changed to: "Golf Newfoundland Labrador Inc."
Constitution, Article # 1

- That the Objectives of the organization be revised to include the following:
Constitution, Article #2

To promote and market the golf product to resident and non-resident golfers

To maintain and create golf promotions within the internal marketplace

To create and maintain various promotional materials

To create and maintain partnerships with existing similar marketing organizations

To use the funds of the Association in the best interest of developing and promoting golf

- The name of the Tournament Director be replaced with "Competitions Director"

By-Law # 5, Clause # 5.1.2

- The following Directors be added to the list of Officers and Directors
By-Law # 5, Clause 5.1.3

Marketing Director
Membership Services Director

- The Superintendant Director be added to the list of Directors under By-law #5, Clause 5.1.2

RATIONALE: With the amalgamation of the sport and marketing organizations, these changes to the constitution will ensure full representation from the industry and incorporate both sport and marketing objectives to grow the game of golf.

Moved by Jim Sloan and seconded by Allison Crawford

Carried

13. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS:

It was moved by Gary Oke and seconded by Jim Sloan to appoint W. P. Collins as the auditor for NLGA for the year ending September 30 2012.

Carried

13. ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

In the absence of Nominations Committee Chairperson Helena Bragg, Greg Hillier tabled a report (attached) that he has received nominations for a number of position and will accept nominations from the floor as each position is called At the conclusion of the nomination process for each position, the following positions have been filled by acclamation:

President – Marcheta Gallant	Acclamation
Viv-President – Allison Crawford	Acclamation
Treasurer – John Angel	Acclamation
Secretary – Ray Tuck Acclamation	
Competition Director	Vacant

Course Rating/Handicap Director – Sandra Sparrow Acclamation

Rules Director – Jim Sloan Acclamation

Superintendants Director – Andrew Magerson Acclamation

Marketing Director – Paul Kelly Voted

It was moved by Allsion Crawford and seconded by Jim Sloan to destroy the ballots.
Carried

Junior Director Vacant

Membership Director Vacant

15. PRESENTATION OF 2012/13 GNL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President - Marcheta Gallant

Vice President - Allison Crawford

Secretary – Ray Tuck

Treasurer - John Angel

Rules Director – Jim Sloan

Course Rating/Handicap Director – Sandra Sparrow

Superintendants Director – Andrew Magerson

Marketing Director – Paul Kelly

Competitions Director – Vacant

Junior Director – Vacant

Mememrship Director - Vacant

15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M. on a motion by Jim Sloan.

Respectfully Submitted By;

Greg Hillier
Executive Director