

**Hérons Glen Lady Niners
Draft Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2025**

Valerie McCarter (President)

Welcome to first meeting of our 2025-26 golf season.

Introduction of Officers and Appointments:

- Susan Visner, Vice President
- Lori Vivian, Secretary
- Bonnie MacGregor, Treasurer
- Ellen Halleran, New Member Liaison
- Becky Gignac, Website Administrator
- Donna Johnson, Sunshine Coordinator
- Wendy Murray, Golf Committee Liaison
- Carol Ross, KISS Coordinator
- Kathleen Colletti, Duke and Duchess Tournament Organizer
- Terry Viau, Eagle, Birdie and Chip In Administrator

Bruce Harris (Head Pro)

Marking ball on green reminders:

- Ball mark should be placed no closer to the pin than the ball, preferably behind the ball (not on the side, except in scrambles)
- Marker should be placed first, and then moved if in the line of other golfers' puts
- Recommend using a larger marker for balls that are far from the pin and a smaller marker closer to the pin (sold at pro shop)

Out of bounds balls options:

- Can take ball anywhere up to two club lengths on the fairway from where it went out of bounds (arc, no closer to the hole) and receive a two-stroke penalty.
- Alternatively, can take another shot from where the ball was originally hit and receive a one stroke penalty and the loss of the yardage from the first hit.
- If you are not sure if your ball was hit out of bounds, you can play a provisional ball. If your original hit was not out of bounds, play it with no penalty. If your original ball was out of bounds, play your provisional ball, and you will be lying 3.

Pick up after 10

- Currently the Lady Niners do not have a "pick up after 10" rule. Previous decisions regarding this rule were voted on by members.
- A review of this rule and its impact on the Lady Niners will be done and a decision will be made regarding its implementation.

Reminder to hole out all puts.

Notes from Mike Loppnow (Assistant Pro and Coordinator of Lady Niner Games)

- Sign up for play in Chelsea, except on monthly meeting days (sign up in binder in Pro Shop)
- Score cards get turned into Mike immediately following play
- Contact the Pro Shop as soon as you know you will be unable to play and also notify a member of your team. This allows a person from the waiting list to be contacted and avoids delays.

Minutes from Last Meeting (April) Approved

Bonnie MacGregor and Ellen Halleran

Introduction of New Members:

- Kathy Gehring
- Nancy Kroszner
- Diana Leysock
- Mary Peterson
- Pat Spagnalo
- Pat Stuchly
- Elaine Dotolo
- Linda DeGurian
- Ann Schmid
- Kathy Schell
- Anna Ellis (returning)
- Richie Kowalski (returning)

Budget: no change in numbers from April meeting

Current Membership: 69 (limit of 70)

The dues increase from \$25 to \$30 was voted on last year and implemented, but was not recorded in the By-Laws. A re-vote was taken and approved and the By-Laws will be updated.

Luncheons: Susan Visner organizes the luncheons and will continue to explore options that keep the price at \$20-\$25. Please note that if you do not cancel more than 24 hours prior to the event, you will be charged.

Terry Viau

Reminder that players should report all eagles, birdies and chip ins on League Day.

Volunteer Opportunities

Duke and Duchess Tournament Organizer

- Date: 2/11/2026
- Teams can be Duke/Duke, Duchess/Duchess, or Duke/Duchess
- Currently organized by Kathleen Colletti

KISS Event Committee Chair

- Events throughout year
- Annual Herons Glen KISS Event (October)

- Current Chair is Carol Ross

Pretty in Pink Breakfast Chair and Other Committees

- Anna Ellis and Trudy Flannery will be providing more information about volunteer opportunities at the next luncheon and will provide sign up sheets

Valerie McCarter Updates

Raffel: Local realtor Donna Barber-Dunn is providing a gift card to the nest at each of our monthly luncheons. October and November winners are Skipper Cook and Carol Moore.

The Lady Niners will join the 18-Holers for a Christmas game and luncheon on December 10th. Play will be a fun scramble for 18 holes. A raffle will be held with 1/3 of the money going to one winner, 1/3 going to a second winner and 1/3 to a battered women's shelter. Reminder to bring cash if you want to participate.

The Lady Niners will have play on 12/24 and 12/31. No games have been posted yet, but will be added.

The Lady Niners lost a valued member this summer, Lylette MacDonald. Her husband is holding a remembrance for her at their home on Valparaiso on November 20th. Please let Carol Ross or Trudy Flannery know if you will be attending.

Meeting Adjourned