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**MINUTES OF BOLAND COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 19:30 ON 30 JUNE 2025 VIA TEAMS**

**1. OPENING AND WELCOME**

- 1.1. The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed all present. He thanked everybody present.

**2. PRESENT AND APOLOGIES**

- 2.1. Present. The following members were present: Jan Vermeulen (Chairperson), Jannie Geyer (Treasurer), Gert Geldenhuys, Andre de Wet, Hugo van Zyl (Competition Organisers), Debbie de Wet (Clothing) and Frans Conradie (Secretary).
- 2.2. Absent. None.
- 2.3. Apologies. None.

**3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

- 3.1. The Minutes of the Boland SAGES Committee meeting held on 23 January 2025 at Kuilsrivier Golf Club was approved. Proposed by Andre de Wet and seconded by Jannie Geyer.
- 3.2. The Minutes of the Special Boland SAGES Committee meeting held on 13 February 2025 at Kuilsrivier Golf Club was approved. Proposed by Hugo van Zyl and seconded by Gert Geldenhuys.

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

- 4.1. 23 January 2025:
- 4.1.1. YOCO Machine. The YOCO machine was purchased and introduced. There are still a few problems obtaining statements and proper records of transactions. These problems are mainly caused by the requirements from YOCO regarding signatures and portfolios. This will be addressed as soon as the Bank can identify a contact person to assist with the updating of the signatories. Another problem was the unavailability of the machine at the Wellington game. This was due to Andre de Wet who did not play at Wellington. The Committee decided that the Organiser will be responsible to keep the machine for the game he/she is organising and to hand it over to the next Organiser. If the next Organiser is not playing, the machine will be handed to the Secretary or a Committee member who will be playing in the next game.
- 4.1.2. Credit/Debit Card. The obtaining of the credit/debit card is also on hold due to the unavailability of a bank representative. Jannie Geyer, however, feels that the current system is working well enough and should not present any problems in the near future.
- 4.2. 13 February 2025:
- 4.2.1. Confirmation of Portfolios. The different portfolios as decided at the meeting is active and confirmed.
- 4.2.2. Hugo van Zyl requested all the Competition Organisers to arrive at the games that they are organising at least 30 minutes before the first tee-off. This will ensure that all the administrative tasks are done before they tee-off. These include the collection of the R20 SAGES fee and selling of raffle tickets. They must also ensure that any problems with the four-balls are sorted out. The Committee decided that the 30 minutes is the minimum. It must preferably be at least 40 to 45 minutes.
- 5. CLOTHING**
- 5.1. Stock on Hand. Andre de Wet, on behalf of Debbie de Wet, prepared a reconciliation sheet which indicates the current status. A copy is attached. The general feeling of the Committee members is that the stock carried is too high but due to the delivery times, it was acceptable.

- 5.2. Disposal of Return/Used Clothing. There is an excessive stock of old or returned clothing and should be disposed of. The Secretary was tasked to obtain guidance from the NMC regarding the disposal of the old stock. It was mentioned in the past that it must be donated to charity or a suitable organisation. The problem is that the clothing all carries the SAGES emblem. The old jackets were disposed of after the emblems were removed. This cannot be done to golf shirts or jerseys.
- 5.3. Alternative Clothing Supplier. Debbie was looking for an alternative clothing supplier to shorten the supply chain and possibly reduce costs. After an investigation she suggested that we stay with Blue Max and negotiate with the Salesperson for quicker reaction time. This will ensure that the correct colour and quality will be maintained. The Committee agreed and approved the proposal.

## **6. MEMBERSHIP MATTERS**

- 6.1. Current Members. There were 173 members on 30 June 2025.
- 6.2. New Members. 21 new members were welcomed since the last meeting.
- 6.3. Resignations. 25 members resigned or were assumed to have resigned as they did not pay their annual subscriptions.
- 6.4. Deceased. Two members passed away during the period since the last meeting.
- 6.4. Transfers In. One member was transferred in from Kouga. He must still be welcomed officially as he has not played yet.
- 6.5. Transfers Out. 0.

## **7. FINANCES**

- 7.1. Current Status. Jannie Geyer briefly discussed the financial situation. No accurate figures were available due to internet and computer problems. Jannie would forward the details after this meeting.

## **8. COMPETITION FEEDBACK**

- 8.1. Feedback from previous competitions is covered in detail in the monthly Newsletter and only highlights are given here.
- 8.1.1. 30 January 2025 Langebaan. All went well. The game was well attended.
- 8.1.2. 13 February 2025 Kuilsrivier (Club Championships). The competition went well no problems were experienced. Jan Vermeulen mention that he finds it disturbing that the Club Champions do not attend the National Tournament. The only Club Champion that attended recently was Suat Palanduz at the 2024 tournament in Mossel Bay.
- 8.1.3. 27 February 2025 Wellington. The competition went well. Hugo van Zyl mentioned that he was thrown into the deep side after taking over from Chris Young at short notice but with the assistance from Chris and Frans Conradie everything was eventually running smoothly. He also experienced problem with his “outdated” computer but that was also sorted out later.
- 8.1.4. 13 March 2025 Ceres. This was a specially arranged game as the National Tournament was moved to May. The competition went well although there were some worries due to the strong (gale force) winds experienced on the road. Ceres was, however, calm.
- 8.1.5. 27 March 2025 Strand. It was Gert Geldenhuys’s first competition, but it went well with some assistance from Frans Conradie.
- 8.1.6. 10 April 2025 Porterville. The competition was well arranged, and a good attendance was had. Andre de Wet felt that Porterville and De Hoek were too close together in the same region. This was due to a historical arrangement and will be looked into for the next year’s planning.
- 8.1.7. 24 April 2025 De Hoek. The competition went very well. The braai arranged and done by Victor Hunt and his assistants was enjoyed by all.
- 8.1.8. 12 – 16 May 2025 Bloemfontein (National Tournament). The tournament was well organised considering that the Free State has not arranged a competition like this for many years. There were, however, problems with the scoring system. This will be discussed later in the meeting.

- 8.1.9. 29 May 2025 Hermanus (Quadrangular). The competition was hampered by a very strong (almost gale force) wind and due to the late start many players finished in the dark. A different scoring method (manual) was used by Overberg, which delayed proceeding a bit. Boland won the competition.
- 8.1.10. 12 June 2025 Wellington. The competition went well. Some players were caught up in traffic and arrived a bit late, but everything ended well.
- 8.1.11. 26 June 2025 Strand (Inter-branch vs Western Province). The competition was cancelled due to a forecast of heavy rain and the probability that no carts will be allowed on the course. It was a great pity to have to cancel the game as it was fully booked with 120 players.

8.2. Full reports of the competitions over the period are in the newsletters covering the period.

## **9. NEW MATTERS**

- 9.1. Feedback – National AGM. Andre de Wet and Frans Conradie, who attended the AGM, gave a brief overview of the events. The new NMC that was elected is as follows:

- 9.1.1. National President. Andre Blom.

- 9.1.2. National Vice President. Con Esterhuysen.

- 9.1.3. National Secretary. Elfie Alston. (Elfie, however, resigned a few days later due to personal and health issues.

- 9.1.4. National Treasurer. Eddie Mantle.

- 9.2. Regional Tournament 2025 Langebaan. Frans Conradie has prepared provisional documentation such as a draft invitation, checklist and draft budget. These documents will be developed further in the next few months. He also proposed that TOC must consist of the following members:

- 9.2.1. Chairperson. Jan Vermeulen.

- 9.2.2. Tournament Director. Andre de Wet.

- 9.2.3. Catering/Functions. Debbie de Wet.

- 9.2.4. Treasurer. Jannie Geyer.

- 9.2.5. Secretary. Frans Conradie.

- 9.2.6. Additional Members. Hugo van Zyl, Gert Geldenhuys.

The Committee accepted the proposal and Jan Vermeulen proposed that Hugo and Gert must look and arrange for sponsors. The Committee accepted the proposal.

Frans Conradie stated that he developed an off-line scoring system to be used if the online system fails. He also requested assistance for the scoring and operating of the computer(s). The Committee agreed and suggested that local members who are not participating are approached to assist with the task.

- 9.3. National Scoring System. Vaal branch lodged an official complaint to the NMC (National President) regarding the problems encountered with the official scoring system over the last few years. The issue was briefly discussed, and various problems were highlighted. The Chairperson stated that he will draft a letter in support of the complaint of Vaal. A suggestion was made that a professional person must be appointed to the NMC and, if finances do not warrant a permanent appointment, the person must be appointed or employed for at least the National Tournament but could also be utilised at Regional Tournaments.
- 9.4. Players (Members) Who Do Not Open Rounds and/or Enter Their Scores. The matter is a standard point in every Newsletter. If any player transgresses, his/her home Club will be contacted and informed of the transgression. This was done in some instances where members are involved. In other instances, the members were contacted directly to correct the situation. Unfortunately, not everybody responded correctly. The Committee decided to enforce the ruling and the home Clubs of all members who transgresses must be contacted.
- 9.5. Malmesbury 02 October 2025. Hugo van Zyl proposed that another venue must be found for the game on 02 October as Malmesbury is not in a good state due to the building of the Mount Royal

course. Jan Vermeulen said that he has contacts at Stellenbosch and Arabella and will approach them. Frans Conradie will contact Moorreesburg as a possible venue although the course might not be in the same condition as what we are used to.

## 10. NEXT MEETINGS

### 10.1. Next Committee Meetings:

03 or 04 September 2025. The date will be confirmed later when all members can confirm their availability. The meeting will be conducted via TEAMS.

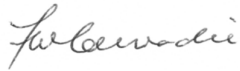
10 or 11 December 2025. The date will confirmed later. The meeting will be aimed at planning for the 2026/2027 cycle. The possibility of having the meeting at Jan Kriel School followed by a game of golf and a braai will be investigated.

07 or 08 January 2026. This meeting must take place in person as the preparation for the AGM must be done. It will also include signing of nomination forms to serve on the Committee for the next cycle. If the December meeting could not be held at Jan Kriel, the possibility of having this meeting there must be investigated.

## 11. CLOSURE

11.1. Jan Vermeulen thanked all members for their attendance and closed the meeting.

11.2. The meeting was closed at 21:00.



**FRANS CONRADIE**

**SECRETARY BOLAND SAGES**



**JAN VERMEULEN**

**CHAIRPERSON BOLAND SAGES**