

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB

Ladies & Junior Girls Section

Committee Meeting held on: Tuesday 23 February 2021 at 3pm via Zoom

MINUTES

Present: Linda Holden – Lady Captain (LC)
Jan Bailey - Vice Captain (VC)
Grace Burke – Treasurer
Sue Saunders – Secretary
Sandy Wright – Competition Secretary
Sarah Lillis – Handicap Secretary
Marion Crofton

1. Apologies for Absence – None
2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting - These were agreed.
3. Matters Arising from the Minutes – Sue had sent out the Job Descriptions.
4. Implications of Lockdown Easing – The Captains Committee had a meeting this morning to consider the way forward. After the Club receives a statement from England Golf the members will get an update.

5. Reports

- a) **Lady Captain** – Knighton Heath had entered a National Mixed 5-a-side Competition, with the final to be held in Portugal. Linda Holden and Andy Groom are the organisers. There have been no meetings for the Management & Greens Committees. A standard Equality Policy, covering bullying, harassment etc across the golf club, has been adopted. Wendy Handford has resigned as Friendly Match organiser. LC thanked her for offering to take on the job. Thanks also go to Marion Crofton who has taken over the job. Linda Levens will be the Knighton Heath representative at the Medal Final at Lyme Regis in June. LC has forwarded the County Division 1 & 2 ladies information to Sianell White, she will let LC know if entered. Social and Junior groups had nothing to report.

Delegates meeting report – Kate Roberts (Captain) introduced Clair Bird who will be Vice from October.

The yellow books have now been sent out in pdf format.

The County Safeguard Accreditation had been agreed by Ben Martin.

The new website would also include SW fixtures.

48 junior girls would play in their Championship at Broadstone.

The county had received over 20,000 queries on WHS, most had now been sorted.

The Partnership Committee had decided not to amalgamate the ladies and mens championships at present.

The first ladies competitions would hopefully be in April with a delayed closing date of 28th March.

The AGM will be at Dudsbury, 2pm on 21st October 2021.

b) **Secretary** – nothing to report

c) **Treasurer** – The Honorarium for the Vice Captain is £80 at present. The Treasurer proposed that the basis of payment be changed: It was proposed that in future the VC would claim expenses if they had to travel to represent the Captain. The Committee would discuss at the next meeting. **SS**

d) **Handicap Secretary** – LC made reference that the bands for Silver, Bronze and High Bronze were possibly going to be reallocated into different divisions. Grace said James Crampton (Golf England) said that it was staying the same for at least a year. Sarah then gave her report: she had been background reading on the new WHS system. She understood that our Ladies' handicaps should not have altered significantly from Congu. She had found that 6 players seemed to have been altered significantly and would be referring them to the Handicap Committee when it had a meeting. One Lady was missed off the system but that has been rectified.

All golf competitions would be calculated on the course index, playing handicap & stroke % deducted. Sarah was concerned that many ladies were not aware that for any individual competition the stroke allowance was 95% of the playing handicap. This was only used for the net score results not for handicap changes but everyone needed to be aware of this. LC suggested Sarah sends an email regarding this to Reunert to forward to all ladies. A 4BBB would have 90% of playing handicap. **SL**

LC also suggested that it might be helpful if Sarah gave a summary to the Ladies Section at a coffee morning (when allowed).

e) **Competition Secretary** – No competitions at present but Sandy suggested that the ladies could use V1 sign up sheets on line for all competitions (including drawn comps) instead of going into the club house. The LC and VC had also been discussing this as a way forward. It would have to be discussed with Andy Windsor. **LC**

The Ladies Tuesday morning was also under discussion.

6. (& 7) Forthcoming Events

a) **The Open** – 9 teams had entered but it seemed unlikely that this could go ahead. We await instructions from KH.

b) **Ladies Invitation** – Grace informed us that a £5 levy to KH would be taken from each team entry. The uptake was not usually big for this event and it was agreed that the food should be upgraded. Therefore Grace proposed that the entry fee per pair be raised to £40. This was agreed in principle but LC would speak to the Office as soon as the Club opened re food. **LC**

Subsidising the Invitation was mentioned as it was a prestigious event. As many lady members as possible should be encouraged to enter.

c) **Golf & Coffee Morning** – 3 teams had entered so far. As this is a charity event there was no levy on entry fee. Jan thought that each stall gave 10% of takings to the charity. All the committee were asked if they knew anyone who would like to have a stall. **All**

d) **Other Competitions** – Sandy and Sarah were waiting to hear from Ferndown to arrange the 2nd round of the Daily Mail Foursomes. The LC had entered KH in the Humphries and Parkin Cup. The Ping and Coronation Foursomes may both have to be rescheduled. The Bramshaw Eclectic entry had not yet been received. Sue would chase. **SS**

8. Correspondence – None

9. Any Other Business – The R&A has a Women in Golf Charter initiative in conjunction with England Golf. This is a commitment to a more inclusive culture within golf. Our appointed Charter Champion is Linda Holden (appointed by KH) and she will assist with the promotion and reporting of the Charter.

The Meeting finished at 4.50.

10. Date of Next Meeting - **Tuesday 23rd March at 3pm**