KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB

Ladies & Junior Girls Section

Committee Meeting Held on: Tuesday 27th February 2018 at 1pm at the clubhouse

Present:

Debbie Lennon.	Lady Captain
Jane Paine	Secretary
Jenny James	Treasurer
Debbie Barrett	Assistant Treasurer
Joy Crawford	Handicap Secretary
Cicely Welch	Assistant Handicap Secretary
Lynda Notley	Committee Member (via video link)
Debbie Knight	County Delegate

The meeting started at 1.02 pm

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from:- Jackie Wilson, Jan Bailey, Lynne Scoones & Glo Greenwood.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the last meeting (9th January 2018) were amended at **7. A.O.B i)** to change "schedules" to "scheduled" and at **iii)** to change "but" to "put" the minutes were then agreed as a true record and copies signed by the Lady Captain.

3. Matters Arising

4.a.ii) The Lady Captain reported that following discussion the General Manager had agreed to provide another tier of match meals with a main course costing £6.50 and a desert costing £2.50.

7.ii) There was now a new bin in the wash room area of the Locker Room but the Lady Captain reported that it had not been possible to find a suitable mirror for that area from a charity shop. It was agreed that the General Manager should be asked to provide a quote for a new mirror. **Action The Lady Captain.**

In addition, there was a request for another smaller bin in the Locker Room close to the hairdryers etc. Action: Glo Greenwood to purchase one.

7. iii) The Secretary reported that there had been further requests for help with the various Opens throughout the year and a list asking for volunteers would be put up. **Action: The Secretary.**

i) Proportional System for allocating winnings.

The Lady Captain outlined the three proposed options which had been suggested to the Committee at the December 2017 meeting.

It was generally agreed to introduce a proportional system. After further discussion, particularly as to whether the section should keep 30% or 20% of the amount paid in, and taking into account the views submitted by the absentees, a vote was taken and by a majority of 7:2 (the Lady Captain did not vote) the version adopted was that of splitting the entry monies between the Ladies Section (30%) and the winners (70%) and splitting the winnings so that the winners etc in each division received the same amount.

It was agreed that the Lady Captain and the Treasurer should consider how this would work with team events and that the new proposal would be kept under review. Action: The Lady Captain & Treasurer.

ii) Lady Members Trophy.

A vote was taken as to whether the Lady Members Trophy could be played on both the Sunday and Tuesday. Of the members present 4 voted for the change with 2 against. In addition, the absent members would have voted 3 in favour and 1 against. The Lady Captain did not vote.

ii) Blinds for the Locker Room

After discussion the committee's preference was for aluminium venetian blinds, which would match the others along the front of the building and it was agreed to set up a sub-committee consisting of Jackie Wilson, Cicely Welch and Debbie Knight to decide on the final colour etc.

4. Reports

a. Lady Captain

1. Management Committee and Captains Committee

i)The Lady Captain reported that at Captains Committee it had been decided to enter a Ladies team for the Annodata Golf Club Classic (which is replacing the Mail on Sunday Competition) and that if the team gets to the final in Spain the Club will pay for the flights. The Lady Captain will captain the team.

ii) At the meeting the Vice Captain had asked if, for the Friendly match against Dudsbury on 30th August 2019, the rule 24 exemption could apply allowing the match to start sooner. This was not accepted as the exemption could only be applied in exceptional circumstances for example where the opponents were coming a long distance which is not the case with Dudsbury.

2. General

There was a discussion about match meals in relation to the new price list produced by the General Manager. It was decided that the Section could subsidise the cost at £4.00 for a hot meal and £2.00 for a tea and tea cake with the team captains to liaise with their opponents and decide which would apply.

3. Social

i) The recent social event on 10th February had attracted 55 attendees.ii) The next social event would be a St Patrick's Day event on 17th March with free entry and paying for food. There would be an Irish Golf Day beforehand.

c. Secretary

The Secretary reported that she and the Assistant Secretary had attended the County Secretaries meeting on 15th January. (Minutes attached) The main issues discussed were:-

i) The cost of match meals. Various clubs commented on how they approached this and the overall view of the meeting was that it was up to the team captains to liaise about what was being provided and the cost.

ii) Increased handicaps to 54. Again Clubs were approaching the handicap increase in a variety of different ways. Some were limiting their Opens etc to a maximum handicap of 36 (37+ could enter but would play off 36) and there was a suggestion that this should be adopted for Friendly matches. Other clubs had already, or planned to set up extra divisions e.g. Sherborne now have a Copper division for those playing off 37 +

It was pointed out that the handicap limit for EG medals was 36 and it was suggested that best practice would be to provide a Stableford Competition for those on 37+ to follow on after the medal.

iii) It will be the turn of our Ladies Section to manage and host the next meeting in 2019. However, after discussion, it was agreed that the venue should be the Bowls Club in Dorchester as it was a more central position. We will still be responsible for managing the meeting.

iv) Unlike previous meetings there were far fewer clubs wanting to pass out printed details of their Opens & Coffee Mornings reflecting the fact that most clubs now do this electronically.

d. Treasurer

The Treasurer handed out copies of the Income & Expenditure Account for November and December 2017 and for January 2018, which shows a deficit of £1,023.69 (See attached copies).

There was a discussion of the deficit and it was noted that cheques from the Open attendees had yet to be paid in.

In addition, there was a query on the November statement which shows an expenditure of £581.92 for the Invitation Day. The Lady Captain said that the income for that event had probably been disclosed in the previous financial year. Action: The Treasurer and Lady Captain to check.

There had also been a problem printing the statements for the Committee in the absence of the General Manager as no one else has access to his computer. It was agreed that the Lady Captain will speak to the General Manager and the Treasurer will investigate whether it is possible to print in the general office from the computer in the Section office. Action: The Lady Captain and the Treasurer.

e. Handicap Secretary

i)The Handicap Secretary reported that there had been only one qualifier so far this year, but not on a Tuesday, so there have been no further handicap changes.ii) In future there will be handicap reviews every quarter.

iii) Members should be aware that if they disagree with the results of a handicap review they can appeal to the Club Handicap Committee and if they are still not satisfied they have a right of appeal to the County and ultimately to England Golf.

f. Juniors

No report this month.

g. County Delegate.

The County Delegate reported on a recent Delegates meeting. The main points were as follows:-

i) There has been another layer of competition introduced for the Ladies Senior Championship with regional finals following the county finals.

ii) As mentioned at the Secretaries meeting the advice re dealing with the change of handicap to 54, was to allow 37+ handicappers to follow any EG medal with a stableford.

iv) All County meetings this year will have a handicap limit of 54, with a High bronze limit of 40 as events have been advertised without including a 36 handicap limit.
v) The R & A had made some rule changes from 24th February and these are included on their website.

vi) Clubs were asked to give their opinion on allowing the County events for over 70s to have a maximum handicap of 45 next year. It was agreed that we would support this.

vii) Clubs were also reminded that they should keep space in their diary (1st Friday in September and 3rd week in September) for the Interclub semi-final and final. In case they have to host it.

5. Forthcoming Events

i) The Spring Cup qualifier this year, will also be played on the Sunday 25th March. Action: The Lady Captain will let the Pro shop know.

ii) Freeman Fours 3rd April. Action: the Secretary will put up a sign up sheet.

6.Correspondence

The Secretary reported that the date for the county Secretaries meeting next year has been confirmed as Monday 14th January 2019 and the venue has been booked. It has also been confirmed that the County will pay for the room hire and refreshments will be available and be paid for individually.

7. A.O.B

i) The Lady Captain reported she had taken some flowers from the Section to Jackie Wilson, following her recent operation.

ii) Unfortunately, Gwen Howe has died.

iii) In addition, the funeral for Doris Clarke will take place on 9th March. She was 103 years old.

iv) There is a new lady, Jill Mills, interested in joining the Club

v) Debbie Barrett asked whether the winter 4balls and the Aggregate pairs could be looked at again for next year as some people considered the format too slow. Action: The Vice Captain.

vi) She also asked that the form to record who is available for the Interclub matches could cover all the matches so that prospective players could see where the gaps were. Action: The Vice Captain.

MEETING CLOSED AT: 3.20 pm Date of Next meeting: 27th March 2018 @ 2.00 pm

Signed..... Date.....