

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB

Ladies & Junior Girls Section

Committee Meeting Held on: Tuesday 21st May 2019 at 2pm at the clubhouse

Present:

Jackie Wilson	Lady Captain
Jane Paine	Secretary
Cicely Welch	Vice-Captain
Jenny James	Treasurer
Sally Hawkridge	Assistant Secretary
Joy Crawford	Handicap Secretary
Debbie Knight	Assistant Handicap Secretary
Debbie Lennon	Immediate Past Captain
Lynn Scoones	Committee Member
Jan Bailey	Committee Member
Sandy Wright	Committee Member
Grace Burke	County Delegate

The meeting started at 2pm

1. Apologies for Absence

All members present.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the last meeting (16th April 2019) were agreed as a true record and a copy signed by the Lady Captain.

3. Matters Arising

- **3. (4.b.2.B) i-ix.** The Lady Captain has checked all the entries for the new Blue Book and discussed the Margaret Joyce 4BBB with Margaret. It was agreed that the competition entry fees would not be given to the Lady Captain's charity, but prizes would be given at the AGM in the usual way. Margaret also confirmed that she would like the competition to remain limited to a maximum of 36 handicap and would like the event to be played on the same day as the AGM in October. Additionally, the Lady Captain raised three competitions (Mystery Partners, Par and Birdie Trees and Monthly Stableford) and asked the Committee if they felt it was appropriate to limit these to 36 handicap. The

Committee agreed that all three should be changed to full handicap in line with the Flag competition. **Action: Assistant Secretary to amend and finalise the new 'Ladies Section: Club Competitions' book.**

- **7 (AOB i).** The Lady Captain has spoken to Barbara Regler, and has also asked Andy Windsor to move all the ladies competitions up to 45 handicap. This will need to be kept under review.
- **7 (AOB v).** The issue of combined scores for Sunday and Tuesday Competitions on *Howdido* was raised again with Andy Windsor, but he is not able to amend the software. The County Delegate will now speak to the General Manager. **Action: County Delegate**
- **4a (1i).** Lynn Scoones asked for clarification on whether England Golf will cover personal liability insurance when this new system is implemented. The Lady Captain referred to Blue Finn insurance information from England Golf, but agreed to raise this topic at the Captains' Committee including what information will be shared with members and when. **Action: Lady Captain**

4. Reports

a. Lady Captain

The Lady Captain reported that:

i) Management Committee and Captains Committee

- The 16th bunker is completed and now open.
- Distribution of the men's competition prizes is still under discussion and will be reviewed at the June meeting.
- Total playing membership is now 550.
- Emergency Medical Exemption (EME) - If a member is injured immediately prior (1 day before) or on the weekend of a Board or Qualifying Competition, any member of the Handicap & Competitions Sub-Committee (Captain, Vice-Captain, Ladies Captain, Ladies Vice-Captain & Professional) is authorised by the Captains Committee, to issue an EME which would allow the injured member to play in the competition, by using a buggy. This EME is only valid for the particular competition. The Handicap & Competition Sub-Committee members' decision is final, and he/she must immediately inform the Professional of the decision. The committee asked if this rule applied to fun competitions. **Action: Vice-Captain to seek clarification at the next Captains Committee.**

ii) General

- Bronze Parkin Cup: the ladies won their first-round match against Queens Park at home and the next match is home against Moors Valley on 6th June.
- Silver Humphreys Bowl: the ladies lost the match against Queens Park at Queens Park.

- Janice Webster won the DLGCU Johnstone Cup. Many congratulations to Janice from all the Ladies and the Captains Committee.
- In the Beales Competition the first match against Broadstone was lost 2/5 and the second against Ferndown won 4/3. The next match is Friday 24th May at Parkstone.
- The Lady Captain has updated the Par Competition notice for next year, asking ladies to record their score (in addition to their +, - and 0 scores), but in the same way as a stableford to pick up once they have run out of shots.
- The Group lessons for ladies have been cancelled due to lack of interest.

iii) Social

- The next function is the Elton John Tribute night on Saturday 1st June. The entertainment starts at 8.30pm.
- The Captains Day on Saturday 13th July. There will be a free disco for all members after the prize giving.

b. Secretary

The Secretary reported that:

- The Ladies Open went very well and she wanted to thank everyone (committee members and volunteers) who had helped on the day to make it such a success, especially as she had been unable to attend herself. The club had also received a Thank You card from the Lady Captain at Meyrick Park. The committee commented that numbers might have been reduced this year as it clashed with the Ladies Open at Brockenhurst, although it was acknowledged that our Open is always likely to clash with something. Consideration will be given to moving the date in 2020.
- Coronation Foursomes: The winners (Jenny Airth and Linda Levens) had wanted to enter the national competition but unfortunately all the venues and dates are unsuitable, especially as all are on a weekday. She asked the committee if the second-place pairing should be invited to play. The entry fee is covered by the club competition entry fees, so no additional costs will be incurred. Runners-up Debbie Knight and Sandy Wright would like to enter, so the committee agreed that the Secretary should submit a team.

Action: Secretary

c. Treasurer

The Treasurer circulated the Income & Expenditure Account for April, which showed a surplus of £875.15. She reported that:

- The accounts looked healthy as they included Open entrance fees without prize money reductions which will show in the May account.

- She reported that some anomalies had been spotted but since rectified and that there had been problems with VAT – recently the Ladies Section has not received the VAT back. It was thought that this might be down to different methods used by different people who handle the club accounts. The Lady Captain and Treasurer will discuss this further with the General Manager to ensure consistency for the future. **Action: Lady Captain and Treasurer.**

d. Handicap Secretary

Nothing to report.

e. Juniors

Nothing to report.

f. County Delegate

The County delegate reported that :- As the delegate for Knighton Heath and President of the Dorset Ladies County Golf Association, she wanted to share the letter she sent to the Club thanking them for all their help at the recent hosting of the DLPGA County Championship. See Annex A.

5. Forthcoming Events

- a) On Wednesday 22nd May: The Lady Captain, Handicap Secretary, Secretary and Jan Bailey are manning the reception desk for the Seniors Wine Scramble. The first tee time 7.52am and last 2.30pm.
- b) The Stableford on Sunday 9th June clashes with the James O'Dowd Trophy and Sandy Wright had asked the Lady Captain to move it to Saturday 8th June, but there is a mixed friendly match already on this day creating another clash. The Lady Captain sought suggestions from the committee and after discussion it was agreed that the Stableford competition would be moved to Saturday 8th June. **Action: Lady Captain**
- c) Ladies Captains Day 18th June
 - The entry list and food sign-up sheets are on the board in the locker room. Debbie Lennon and Debbie Knight's husbands are to help in the refreshments tent on the day.
 - Separately, the Lady Captain has been approached by one social member who has been invited to tea (for which she pays), but has also asked if she can play. Having checked the rules and bye-laws, it is stated that social members can play 10 times a year paying the members guest rate, but cannot play in competitions other than Captains Day, Presidents Day or Professional Day, if so invited. The Lady Captain and County Delegate also checked Congu handicap rules and 26.1

states that unless you are a member of another club you do not have a current/valid handicap. After discussion, it was agreed that the Lady Captain will contact the social member and ask in the first instance if she had a current handicap. **Action: Lady Captain**

- d) Ladies Invitation Day 16th July will cost £30 per pair. The buffet cost is £14 per pair this year which is an increase of £1. Once again, the Committee agreed that the ladies section would pay for cakes as a dessert at a cost of £14 per cake as last year. Once the number of entrants is clear a decision on prizes will be made. Although other roles and responsibilities will be discussed at the next meeting, the Assistant Secretary and Sharon Aldrich will man the refreshments tent. The Lady Captain asked the Secretary to put up a sign-up sheet in the locker room and also a notice asking for raffle prizes and cakes and savouries for the refreshments tent. To give the catering staff sufficient notice, these should be up on or around the 11th June. **Action: Secretary.**
- e) Ladies Club Championships . The Secretary will put the sign-up sheet in the locker room around mid-June. The Griffin Trophy will be available on *Howdido* in the usual way. It was agreed that they would continue with the light meal afterward for the 36-hole competitors when trophies and replicas will be presented. The Lady Captain has already purchased the replicas. **Action: Secretary.**

6. Correspondence

None received.

7. AOB

- i) Lynn Scoones asked if a photograph of Janice Webster winning the Johnstone Cup would be put up in the ladies locker room. The County Delegate said she would provide a photograph taken at the presentation ceremony. **Action: County Delegate.**
- ii) Lynn Scoones said that the mixed fours and Christmas carols were still very early in December (1st) and asked if they might be moved closer to Christmas. **Action: Lady Captain to raise at the next Captains' Committee meeting.**
- iii) After the recent clubhouse break-in, Lynn Scoones asked if, after discussions about site security, there were any concerns about the contents of the trophy cabinet? **Action: Lady Captain to raise at the next Captains' Committee meeting.**
- iv) At Linda Holden's request (she sent an email to the Lady Captain, but she hadn't received it), Sandy Wright asked why the club had not entered the Ping Competition this year. The committee noted that this had been discussed at a previous meeting (date unknown) and a decision was made not to enter, but agreed it would be worthwhile exploring whether this was possible for 2019 if there was member interest. The competition is not expensive at £5 per pair.

The Lady Captain agreed to explore dates and options to play. **Action: Lady Captain.**

*(Note: post-meeting it was agreed by the Ladies Committee through email exchange to add this competition to the 2020 fixture list as first agreed. The Lady Captain could not identify a suitable tee closure date with the General Manager before the competition entry deadline of 31st July 2019 - many weekend dates are already very busy and only Sunday 16th June was a possibility. Any amendment to agreed tee closures would have to be discussed at the next Captains Committee on 5th June, leaving very little time to advertise this competition to the ladies section. Also, only the top 50 in the County qualify with the next 50 playing for a plate. Substitutes cannot be sent, so winners would also have to be prepared to play at Thonock Park in Lincolnshire. **Action: Vice-Captain to add to 2020 fixture list.**)*

- v) Debbie Lennon said there had been a friendly at Barton-on-Sea on 9th May; which we lost 2½/1½.
- vi) The Lady Captain said the August committee meeting has been moved to 6th August as the auditors need the conference room on 13th August and she asked the Committee members to amend their diaries.
- vii) The Secretary gave Sandy Wright the list of entrants for the Par and Birdie Tree – she is responsible for the competition this year – and said that the general manager also has to have a copy of the list so that the entry money can be deducted from bar cards. The winners are announced and given cash prizes at the AGM.

MEETING CLOSED AT 3:45pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 11th June 2019 at 2pm

(Apologies already received from the County Delegate, Treasurer, Handicap Secretary, Assistant Handicap Secretary and Debbie Lennon).

Signed:Lady Captain

Date:.....

Annex A

Dear Reunert,

On behalf of the DLCGA I would like to express my thanks to you and the KHGC management for your kind permission to allow us to hold the Johnstone Cup and County Championship at Knighton Heath. I would also like to thank you personally Reunert for all your help and support in the lead up to the event and throughout. Martin Collins our Captain stood for 3½ hours in the cold and pouring rain on Wednesday 24th as the starter with great good humour. Andy Groom was the starter morning and afternoon on Friday, thank you to both of them.

Alan Magee the Course Manager and his staff and our Professional Andy Windsor were all amazing, squeegeeing the greens and generally keeping the course open so we could finish the first day. Everyone I spoke to who played said the staff were brilliant and not many courses could have taken that amount of rain and carry on as they all did.

David, Tom, Harley and Emma were the usual happy and efficient team they always are, Trish and the catering staff were congratulated on the great food quality and service. Thank you to Kevin Way who did the risk assessment for me regarding ball spotters, hence the high viz jackets or bright clothes!

Last but not least the ball spotters, Wednesday in the torrential rain we had Pam Chard, Lynda Notley, Sylvia Kent, Jenny Jefferies, Martin Seear and Linda Holden and Friday in a howling gale, Sharon Aldrich and Sally Hawkridge who did morning and afternoon, Pam Chard back for a second day also Pat Steer and Cicely Welch, thank you all very much.

Congratulations to Janice Webster from Knighton Heath who won the Johnstone Cup in a very exciting final, beating Charlotte Monson from Yeovil 5/4.

Linda Holden from Knighton Heath got through to the last 16 of the Championship, well done Linda. This event has worried me for the last few weeks but with the help of all at Knighton Heath it has been a great success.

Kind regards

Grace (President DLCGA)