

## **KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB**

### **Ladies & Junior Girls Section**

**Committee Meeting Held on: Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 2pm at the clubhouse**

#### **Present:**

<b>Jackie Wilson</b>	Lady Captain
<b>Cicely Welch</b>	Vice Captain
<b>Debbie Lennon</b>	Immediate Past Captain
<b>Jane Paine</b>	Secretary
<b>Jenny James</b>	Treasurer
<b>Joy Crawford</b>	Handicap Secretary
<b>Debbie Knight</b>	Assistant Handicap Secretary
<b>Sandy Wright</b>	Committee Member
<b>Grace Burke</b>	County Delegate

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The meeting started at 2.10.pm

The Lady Captain welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded everyone that anything discussed in the meeting is confidential until the minutes are signed and published at the following committee meeting, unless it is agreed that information can be shared.

#### **1. Apologies for absence.**

Apologies were received from Jan Bailey and Lynn Scoones

#### **2. Minutes of previous meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting (9<sup>th</sup> October 2018 ) were amended at Members present to include Debbie Knight and agreed as a true record and a copy signed by the Lady Captain.

#### **3. Matters Arising**

**4.a.ii.c** Cost of 2019 Open etc The Secretary had included this item on the agenda for today.

**4.d.** Handicap limit for Open etc The Secretary had included this item on the agenda for today.

- 4.f. County Delegate. The Lady Captain reported that the management committee had not decided that the Club should charge for County events to be held at KHGC in future.
- 5.ii Bring & Win. The poster had been altered to make clear the presents should be food and drink only.
7. The Secretary had made the September notes available + sent them to the Club manager to put on the website.

## 4. Reports

### a. Lady Captain

The Lady Captain reported that:-

#### 1. Management Committee and Captains Committee

- i) The Ladies Section had been asked to agree to starting competitions at 8.40 on 4 occasions during the year when the Seniors had friendly matches, such that their matches should not affect Members time which begins at 12.noon.  
The relevant dates are:-  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April –Stableford.  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Knighton Bowl & EG Medal  
Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August – Gwen Howe Trophy  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October – EG Medal.  
On these days our last tee time will be 11.08 am with the Seniors starting at 11.15 am.  
The Lady Captain had agreed to this, subject to the approval of the Committee.  
There was a brief discussion in which it was agreed that in general the Seniors section was very supportive of the Ladies Section and we would be happy to help in this regard. A vote was taken and all were in favour.
- ii) There was a new local rule re dropping zones around the 8<sup>th</sup> green while there was GUR . It is compulsory to use the dropping zones.
- iii) A new organiser was required for the Mixed Fours Competition. The Management Committee had suggested a husband and wife team and the Committee members were invited to consider the matter and put forward any suggestions. **Action: All to consider possible candidates.**
- iv) The Management Committee is reviewing the handicap limits for all the Trophies detailed on Pages 12 & 13 of the club diary.
- v) The Club Manager was looking into arranging a club event to provide information about the new rules starting in January 2019.
- vi) There would also be events organised during the year to explain the Slope system coming in 2020.

- vii) Sandra's position has been filled. The new functions secretary will be Denise Bennett who will be officially starting in January.
- viii) Lynne Scones had raised the issue of when single seater buggies would or would not be allowed on the course. The Lady Captain said that there are 4 levels when assessing the course for play. If buggies are allowed, if single seater buggies are allowed, if trolleys are allowed and finally if the course needs to be closed completely. These decisions are made for Health and Safety reasons and the Head Greenkeeper has the final say and does not take these decisions lightly.
- ix) The total playing membership now stands at 522, with an increase of 15 new members this month.
- x) For the Men's and Mixed Opens a levy of £5 will be charged for visitors meaning that two separate charges will be shown on the entry forms i.e a member's and a visitor's fee.
- xi) Bramshaw Golf Club will in future be charging £10 per person to be paid on arrival for any reciprocals and it has been decided that we will do the same for any Bramshaw players coming here.
- xii) Boundary Lakes Golf Club has agreed to increase their reciprocal arrangements to 2, 4 balls a week.

## 2. General

- i) **Team Captains.** The Lady Captain reported that she would be the Beales Captain as she is a Bronze player and the Vice Captain would be the Captain for Interclub. The Friendlies would be organised by Lynn Scoones . Another person would be needed to help with this. Debbie Lennon offered to be the other person and her offer was accepted.
- ii) **Other Committee Responsibilities.** Jan Bailey will take on responsibility for looking after the Locker Room and for preparing it for visitors when we are running events. She will also help with Secretarial business.  
The Lady Captain reported that Sally Hawkrige had put her name forward to be co-opted onto the Committee as Assistant Secretary. The Secretary explained that Sally had approached her at the AGM but had not sought nomination at that point as our Standing Orders state that any nominee should ideally have been a member for at least 2 years. The Secretary had explained that it was not without precedent that some one of less experience at the club could be co-opted on. The Committee agreed to thank Sally for coming forward and to Co-opt her onto the Committee as from the next meeting.  
**Action: The Lady Captain to inform Sally.**

- iii) **Format for the Daily Mail Foursomes.** This item had been bought forward from an earlier meeting. There was a brief discussion about whether to make the qualifying round for the Daily Mail Foursomes a stableford. By a majority vote it was decided to keep the format as strokeplay.
- iv) **Continued subsidies for match teas for Beales and Interclub.**  
Last year we had subsidised match teas for home matches. The players paid £2 towards a tea/coffee and cake/tea cake and £4 for a hot meal and the Section paid the difference. The Treasurer reported that these payments had not significantly impacted on the finances for the section. After a brief discussion it was agreed to continue with the same subsidies for this year.
- v) **Christmas tips for the staff.** The Lady Captain outlined what had been given to the various groups of staff last year by way of Christmas tips. It was agreed to do the same again this year. **Action: The Lady Captain.**
- vi) **Car Parking Space.** The Vice Captain's parking space would not be used this year and it had been suggested that it could be offered as a raffle prize to benefit the Captains' charities. It was agreed to do this but to specify that it should only be used by a reasonable sized car not a van. **Action: The Lady Captain to take back to the Management Committee.**

### 3. Social

The Lady Captain reported the following up-and-coming events:-

- 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner & Dance – fully booked
- 18<sup>th</sup> January – Quiz Night with Club Captain & Vice Captain
- 16<sup>th</sup> February – Disco/ Pub singer night.

### b. Secretary

The Secretary reported that:-

- i) **2019 Ladies Open, Ladies Invitation & Coffee Morning.** The Secretary reminded the Committee that the Club now charged a fee for visitors at these events, (not the Invitation) which had now been increased to £5 per head. The exception would be the Coffee Morning as long as all the proceeds go to charity. After discussion it was agreed to keep the price of the Open at £20 per person and the Coffee Morning at £13 per person. In addition, it was decided to set a handicap limit for the Open of 36, with higher handicappers (up to 40 ) to play off 36. **Action: the Secretary to produce the relevant posters and the Club Manager to put them on line.**
- ii) It was also agreed that there should be a 36 handicap limit for the Section's Cups and Trophies again with higher handicappers allowed to play off 36.

### **c. Treasurer**

The Treasurer presented the Income & Expenditure Account until the end of October 2018, which showed a deficit of £922.25, which is more than last year but reflects the monies paid out in vouchers for the Trophy winners.

The Treasurer also reported that she had picked up an earlier discrepancy where there had been an error in posting and the Ladies Section had been billed for the Seniors' and Men's Competitions for one month as well as our own. Rectifying this will make the figures look much healthier.

The Committee thanked her for her vigilance.

### **d. Handicap Secretary**

The Handicap Secretary reported that:-

The EG medal winner for the year was Elaine Senior. This would be announced at the Bring and Win. Should she so wish, she can go forward to the regional medal final.

More details of which will be received in the new year.

### **e. Juniors**

The Lady Captain reported that we have no junior girls at the moment. As last year, Andy Windsor will provide information to the Captains Committee and the Lady Captain will report anything relevant.

### **f. County Delegate.**

The County Delegate reported that:-

- i) There were new rules for the County Association due to changes brought in at the AGM. She had placed the minutes, posters and entry forms for events on the Notice Board. The Veterans information was also there and she would encourage all the relevant lady members to enter the events.
- ii) The main points from the AGM were as follows:-  
Handicap Limits:- High bronze will now be 29-40: the Bowmaker will have a limit of 36 with 37-40 able to enter but play off 36: Seniors 36: Over 70s 40:  
Interclub 4somes Bronze will be 21-36:  
Changes to Full and Associate membership were made and rules for Seniors and Juniors championships added because of a new EG Competition.
- iii) The County Delegate had attended a workshop on the new handicap system for 2020 and reported that Knighton Heath had been "Slope" rated so we are ready

when the changes come. The system will look at 20 cards submitted in the last 2 years and calculate the playing handicap on the best 8.

- iv) With regard to the new rules for 2019 clubs should be providing information and giving presentations on them. She would recommend the You Tube video from Expert Golf as a good overview showing the basic 20 changes.
- v) The results of the Interclub survey re number of team members had resulted in the maintenance of the status quo i.e 7 members to a team.
- vi) There had also been a discussion about caddies at the Interclub finals. It was agreed that the existing rule re caddies (10.3) was adequate and that a copy of the caddies job description should go out with the Interclub, Humphreys and Parkin instructions.
- vii) Up-and-coming events:-  
5<sup>th</sup> May regional medal final at Bridport & West Dorset GC  
23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> July Senior series and captains event @ Isle of Purbeck  
24<sup>th</sup>- 27<sup>th</sup> July European Ladies Championship @ Parkstone.  
There is a full list of EG competitions on the notice board
- viii) Finally the County delegate asked if we would be sending a donation to the County for the county juniors this year? After some discussion it was agreed not to, we had not done so last year and it was felt that our own Junior section was more in need of support.

## 5. Forthcoming Events

- i) **Stableford** 25<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> November. Decorating the Christmas tree. The Lady Captain said that any help would be appreciated and that wood-turner John Wilson would attend to sell Christmas gifts in aid of her charity.
- ii) **Mixed 4s + carols +meal.** Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December
- iii) **Bring & Win.** 4<sup>th</sup> December. The Lady Captain, having consulted other Committee members, had decided, due to demand to have 3 balls this year. The Lady Captain had received 3 emails asking for a Christmas themed menu and having discussed this with the Vice Captain has decided to ballot the ladies at this year's tea as to their views for next year.  
Sandy Wright agreed to take on the organisation of the raffle for this event and for others in the future.  
At the event the Macmillan Spoon and the eclectic prizes, which had not been available at the AGM, will be awarded.  
13 social members have been invited with 9 that the Ladies Section would pay for. The Lady Captain asked that we review the criteria for who pays and who doesn't at a later date. **Action: The Secretary to include on a later agenda.**

- iv) **Christmas Bowmaker.** 9<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> December. The Lady Captain had put a reminder in her newsletter that seasonal dress is optional.
- v) **Club Christmas lunches.** 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> December. Booking is essential.
- vi) **Turkey Trot Stableford.** 18<sup>th</sup> December. Vouchers will be presented on the day.
- vii) **Christmas Day & New Years Day:** Club closed. The Lady Captain reported that our yellow ball competition would normally take place on the Tuesday of the first week in January but as New Years Day falls on a Tuesday this year it would not take place.

## 6. Correspondence

- i) Thelma Waterhouse had asked if 9 hole competitions could be arranged following the normal field on Tuesdays for those members who were finding it difficult to complete the course and wanted to keep their handicaps. After discussion it was agreed that this was a good idea and that there should be a trial of competitions in February and March where a 9 hole competition could be added. Players would have to go out behind the field and play holes 8 & 9 in order not to cause disruption but score and submit the 9 hole card. Issues such as Standard Scratch and booking on HDID would have to be considered. **Action: The Lady Captain to announce at the Bring & Win .**
- ii) The Secretary reported that she had received the invitation for the winners of the Daily Mail foursomes to go forward to the next round and she had registered Jayne King and Janice Webster for that event.
- iii) The Immediate Past Captain reported that she had received a thank you letter from the Pulmonary Fibrosis Trust for the cheque received. She will display the letter in the locker room.

## 7. A.O.B

- i) The Lady Captain said that following some discussion last year the Committee needs to take another look at the age split for the Sally Fish & Austin Cups. **Action: the Secretary to include on the agenda for January.**
- ii) Likewise there needs to be a review of the Handicap divisions probably in February or March. **Action: the Secretary to include on a future agenda.**
- iii) As she will be away the Lady Captain asked that the date of the April Committee meeting be changed from 9<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> April.
- iv) In relation to the fixture list for 2019 the Lady Captain reminded the Committee that there will be no competitions during the Course Maintenance week in September. In addition, The Club Manager has asked that the Windsor Cup on

the Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August be swapped to the 11<sup>th</sup> and the Presidents Day moved to the 10<sup>th</sup> with a free disco in the evening.

- v) Entry for the Annodata Trophy has to be in by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019. The entry fee is £60 per team. The Committee agreed that the Club Manager should enter a team for the Ladies Section. Debbie Lennon asked if, as last year, the Club would offer to pay expenses if we reached the final **Action: The Lady Captain to inform the Cub Manager and discuss at Captain's Committee.**
- vi) Humphries Bowl & Parkin Cup entry forms would come in February and usually necessitated a quick turnaround. The Committee agreed that we should enter both competitions again in 2019.
- viii) The Secretary reported that she had been asked to pass on a suggestion that we purchase a small cordless vacuum cleaner for the locker room, so that in the winter if ladies wished to they could clean up any debris brought in on their shoes. After some discussion, given that the locker room is cleaned on a daily basis it was decided that it might be more cost effective to purchase a dustpan and brush. **Action: The Secretary will buy one.**
- ix) The Committee congratulated the Legg Bowl team members for their success over Dudsbury. The Silver team, Jayne King & Janice Webster won 7 up and the Bronze team, Paula Graham & Sharon Aldrich won 1 up. The next round will be against Remedy Oak at Remedy Oak and will be completed by the end of January.
- x) There had been an issue in relation to bad parking in the car park where a van had parked too close and the lady member concerned had had difficulty getting into her car. **Action: The Lady Captain to ask the Club Manager to put a reminder about parking considerably in the next Club newsletter.**
- xi) A question was raised about what the policy was if someone had a hole in one. It was agreed to adopt the Men's Section policy, that is, if the member has entered the "2s" competition they would be awarded the "2"s money x 2. In addition, it was agreed, as this year, to provide a bottle of prosecco at the AGM

**MEETING CLOSED AT: 5.17 pm**

**Date of Next meeting: No meeting in December: 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 @ 2.00.pm**

**Signed:..... Lady Captain. Date:.....**