## **ANNUAL REPORTS**

## **Lady Captain**

At our Ladies AGM for 2019, the members voted for the Ladies Club Championship to be played over two consecutive days on a weekend, with 5 Day members given entry without a green fee cost.

This took place on Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd August alongside the Men's and Juniors.

Thirteen ladies took part and the weekend was a great success. The Ladies Club Championship was won by Linda Holden, runner up was Maureen Dilkes. The Net Championship was won by Sue Saunders and runner up was me Cicely Welch.

Due to the terrible weather last winter followed by the lockdown only one other Trophy competition has so far been played. Which was the Sandeb. Won by Grace Burke and Gill Tyler. Runners up were Pat Steer and Linda Spires. As usual Prizes of M&S Vouchers will be handed out.

The Margaret Joyce 4bbb is yet to be played on 13th October.

Monies for my charity "Macmillan Caring Locally" have obviously not had the best year either. However, I am still pleased to say that we will have a reasonable donation to be handed over.

Earlier this year the Ladies Committee was asked by the Captains Committee to update the Ladies 'Standing Orders' or rules. The purpose of this was to bring equality and continuity across all sections of the club. This has now been done and are now called our 'Terms of Reference'. This has also been done by the Men's Seniors. A copy is available in the ladies locker room.

My great thanks go out to our Ladies Committee. Jackie Wilson, Debbie Knight, Linda Holden, Sally Hawkridge, Sharon Aldrich and Sandy Wright for their hard work in a difficult and frustrating year. A year with almost consent changes and rearrangements to be dealt with week by week throughout this Covid year.

I have Awarded the 'Member of the Year' Trophy to Linda Holden. Linda has been especially supportive and encouraging throughout the year. She has stepped up at every opportunity, for both me and for Debbie.

And finally, I would like to wish Debbie and her new Committee all the best for the coming year.

They will have my fullest possible support.

Cicely Welch

## **Ladies Secretary**

- 1) Committee officer roles were filled for the majority of the year, although Janice Webster resigned at the end of June as she left the Club, so we have been without a Treasurer since then, which has not been ideal. Committee meetings were not held during lockdown, but when we could meet, either in person or virtually, we had a quorate for them all.
- 2) Sadly, Covid-19 prevented us holding our usual events including the Ladies Open and Ladies Invitation Day. This was particularly disappointing for the Open event as we already had 16 teams (64 ladies) by early February it was upsetting to destroy all the cheques and applications I had received! However, we were allowed to hold the Coffee Morning and 50 visitors played making over £600 for the Lady Captain's charity. Although we had to restrict the numbers for this event, again because of Covid-19, it was very worthwhile running and another good showcase for the club. Thanks to the catering team, Sharon Aldrich and Linda Holden who worked with me on the day to ensure everything went smoothly and safely.
- 3) During lockdown I was asked to help the Lady Captain with drafting the new Terms of Reference. These have now been ratified by the Captain's Committee and available in the locker room – I am sure they will be available on the club website shortly. The main changes are to the structure of the committee and associated roles and how the vice-captain/captain are elected.
- 4) This will be my last year on the committee having served as Assistant Secretary and Secretary. I leave things slightly changed we now have a new Competition Secretary which takes on some elements of the Secretary's role but it remains a busy and interesting job, providing you like taking minutes of course!
- 5) Best wishes to the new committee for the coming year.

Sally Hawkridge

## **Handicap Secretary**

This is my first report as Handicap Secretary and who could guess what a year this has turned out to be.

The main thing in my report is to remind you of the imminent change in our handicapping from Congu to the World Handicap System (WHS) on November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020.

I had hoped to have been able to gradually introduce the various "easy to watch and understand the changes" videos and information sent from England Golf but sadly this was not to be.

This new handicapping system will be a good step forward by giving a fair handicap when playing away at other courses.

A Handicap Index is the measure of your demonstrated ability, based on a golf course of standard difficulty (i.e. a golf course with a Slope Rating of 113). This is the number you will tell people if they ask, "What's your handicap?"

Your Handicap Index converts into a Course Handicap, which is the number of strokes you will receive on the golf course from a specific set of tees. This is determined by the difficulty of that golf course, based on its rating.

Your Playing Handicap is your Course Handicap adjusted for any handicap allowances.

The WHS includes a 'playing conditions calculation' (PCC), which will analyse how eligible players have performed on any given day compared to their expected performance on that golf course.

The PCC will reflect weather conditions, associated course conditions and course setup, all demonstrated by the scores submitted on that day. If expected results fall outside an acceptable tolerance level, an adjustment will be applied to all players' Score Differentials on that course for that day.

For more information please go to The World Handicapping System website.

The Knighton Heath Ladies' Handicap Secretary's job is changing to include competitions. Please see the new job description on the notice board.

I hope to remain your Handicap/Competition Secretary for 2020/2021. Please do contact me re any questions or suggestions.

Best wishes for the next golfing year.

Sandy Wright