

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB
Ladies and Junior Girls section

Minutes of 45th Annual General Meeting
Held on Tuesday 12th October, 2021 at 6.30pm in the Club House

Present: 38 members – (see Annex A). Also observing proceedings were: Maurice Randall and Kevin Harrington, as requested by ManCo.

1. Apologies for Absence - received from 15 members (see Annex A).

2. There was no AGM in 2020 due to COVID-19 and extenuating circumstances. An EGM was called in November to elect officers for the year 2020/21, therefore there were no minutes.

3. Resolutions put forward regarding the Standing Orders and Rules of the Ladies Section.

No Resolutions had been received.

4. To receive and adopt reports.

Secretary's Report - presented by Sue Saunders – see Annex B

The report proposed by Jan Elliot and seconded by Sally Hawkridge was accepted.

Treasurer's Report - presented by Grace Burke – see Annex B and Income and Expenditure June 2021 report (see Annex C).

There was some discussion regarding the charging of £60 erection fee for the halfway house tent. This would be discussed at the next Committee Meeting.

The report proposed by Jane Paine and seconded by Susan Burke was accepted.

Report on the changes to the World Handicap System – This report was given to each lady attending the AGM for information and produced by Sarah Lillis– see Annex B

Lady Captain's Report- Presented by Linda Holden - see Annex B

The report proposed by Debbie Knight and seconded by Linda Levens was accepted.

5. The Lady Captain then presented the Trophies and Prizes. *Prizegiving was followed by drinks and nibbles, while the votes were counted for the Election of Officers.*

6. Recommendations of the Committee regarding Honoraria.

The Honoraria should remain the same i.e. £150 for the Lady Captain and £80 for the Vice Captain.

7. Election of Officers.

The Lady Captain confirmed that the Nominations for the Ladies Committee fell below the number required to make up the Committee. Therefore, the voting forms completed tonight would only be for the Lady Captain, the Vice Captain and the non voting County Delegate. The Secretary asked the members to complete the voting forms (one had been placed on each seat) to elect the 2021/22 Lady Captain, Vice Captain and County Delegate as above. Linda Levens, Jenny James and Joy Crawford kindly agreed to count the votes on behalf of the Committee; the results were:

	For	Against	Abstain
Lady Captain Janice Bailey	38		1
Vice-Captain Jane Paine	36	1	
County Representative Jackie Stoodley	36		

One ballot paper was void.

The Lady Captain confirmed the names of the three elected members of the Committee.

The Lady Captain handed the meeting over to the new Lady Captain, Jan Bailey. Please see: Appendix D.

8. To deal with any Resolutions.

Grace Burke put forward the Resolution that “In the event of one player winning both the Club Championship and the Handicap Trophy, she will take both trophies and prizes in line with AGM trophy prizes”.

This should be replaced by:

“One player can only win one Trophy and one prize. i.e. one lady can win either the Gross Club Championship or win the Handicap Trophy”.

Grace said that the Trophy and prize allocation at the Club Championship was changed in 2019 by the Committee in place at that time. This change allowed the Championship and Handicap Trophies to be won by the same person. The Committee’s intention is to encourage more players to enter this competition not

fewer and the incentive to play for the Handicap Trophy diminishes if both Trophies can be won by the same person, as happened this year. We also thought bringing this resolution to the AGM for the members to vote on, would result in future committees respecting the decision made at the AGM and that this particular rule would not be up for discussion again in the foreseeable future.

No member requested to speak against the resolution and the vote was: 2 against and everyone else in the room was for the change. The Resolution was passed.

Date of Next Meeting: 11th October 2022 @ 6.30. pm

As there was no further business, the Meeting was closed at 7.45pm.

Signed

Date

APPENDIX A

Attending the AGM

Jane Paine	Jackie Wilson	Jackie Stoodley
Joy Crawford	Jenny James	Lin Levens
Sharon Aldridge	Sally Hawkridge	Maureen Dilkes
Lynda Notley	Penny Yeats	Sylvia Kent
Jan Finch	Sue West	Jill Tappin
Di Shepherd	Pam Chard	Jan Elliott
Karen Stride	Gill Tyler	Barbara Regler
Sarah Lillis	Linda Pickford	Elaine Senior
Margaret Foden	Jill Shepherd	Debbie Knight
Sianell White	Cicely Welch	Hazel Iveson
Susan Burke	Paula Graham	Penny Parkes
Val Briggs	Sue Saunders	Jan Bailey
Linda Holden	Grace Burke	

Apologies for Absence

Chris Corder	Chris Bartlett	Margaret Joyce
Pauline Webb	Angie Loveridge	Pat Wiener
Sue Huggett	Marion Crofton	Hilary Walker
Jenny Airth	Jancie Blackburn	Sandy Wright
Gill Mills	Wendy Hanford	Sue Merritt

APPENDIX B - REPORTS

Secretary's Report – Sue Saunders

Good Evening Ladies.

I am sure you will all realise that this year has had its challenges – with our golf, socialising and our Committee Meetings. Many of these meetings were held on Zoom and all of them were quorate.

Unfortunately many events and competitions did not take place due to COVID. The Ladies Open had 9 teams registered before we had to cancel and all of them have requested that I send them details for the 2022 event when available.

On a happier note - It was fantastic to welcome 18 Ladies, from 13 different Clubs, to our Invitation Day in June. The weather was brilliant and everyone seemed to enjoy the golf, the company, the halfway house and food afterwards. The Coffee Morning in September was also well attended with 76 players filling all the allocated tee times. We had 6 stalls for this event selling a wide variety of goods. Again we were lucky with the weather. These events showcase Knighton Heath Golf Club and I would like to thank fellow members of the Committee and a great many Lady members' for their time, effort, raffle donations and baking – we could not run these events without you.

Our Ladies also helped with several Mens and Senior Section events as well as the Junior Open – again many thanks.

Most of our Friendlies were cancelled due to lack of players. This is such a shame as friendly matches are a great way to play at other courses and meet fellow golfers. Hopefully by next year more of these will be able to go ahead.

We hope that you have enjoyed your golfing year and we all look forward to a less restricted year to come.

Treasurer's Report – Grace Burke

Can I say before I go through the figures, it has been a very difficult 18 months due to the pandemic and the figures are not running at their usual level. I was very pleased and gave a big sigh of relief to end the financial year with a small surplus of £367.07.

The Charity fund plus Coffee Morning will no longer appear on the Summary of Accounts going forward. The Charity money has been administered by the Club for some time, but the Coffee Morning income and expenditure, (Captains charity money) has still gone through the Ladies' accounts, inflating our figures artificially. The Coffee Morning entries for 2021 were removed to the club charity account before completion of the end of year summary.

The annual admin grant of £330 from the Club, with a rise of £80 from the previous year was very welcome.

Our Open meeting was cancelled and all but £100 was refunded, one group of ladies wanted their fee carried over to 2022.

There are no Invitation figures included in this report due to a change in the collection of entry fees. We now collect the money from the bar card, on or around the day of the Invitation, allowing all income and expenditure to be completed in the same financial year. This year we were within budget for the day, only to be told after the event, we had to pay £60 to erect and dismantle the refreshment tent! This figure will now need to be taken into account when organising our Open and Invitation events in future.

Entries were £200, these are mainly County events e.g Humphreys Bowl, Parkin Cup, Interclub Foursomes also Eclectic and Medal winners' regional final entry.

Honoraria is £178.20 but over the two years it balances out at £230 per year.

The match teas figures are low, as only Interclub was played this year but we still intend to subsidise these matches in the future, finances permitting.

Our competition income and expenditure is considerably down on last year, sadly the competitions did not resume until May making it very difficult to generate any income for the section.

Sundries are at a reasonable level, the biggest spend was on flowers, £145.70. We will need to repair or replace one of the venetian blinds in the locker room, if we still want to retain some privacy, so that needs to be taken into consideration when managing the sundry budget next year.

Our account stands at £2991.86 this year and I feel with increased entry due to new members and hopefully a full year of competitions, we are looking in good shape going forward.

If anyone has a query, I will try to answer now, or as soon as I can.

I would like to end by saying a big thank you to Jackie Wilson for all her help and support this year, I certainly needed it! Also to wish Jan and her committee a happy and successful 2022.

Information on the New WHS System – Given to each lady attending the AGM by Sarah Lillis

Dear Ladies,

This is just a quick explanation regarding changes to our handicap limits and boundaries for competitions now we are using the WHS system.

I expect you have by now all seen on the notice board in the locker room, we have set the divisional boundaries for our monthly medals and stablefords as follows:

Silver Division

Handicap Index	0 – 19.2	Course Handicap	0 - 22
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Low bronze

Handicap Index	19.3 – 25.2	Course Handicap	23 – 29
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High bronze

Handicap Index	25.3 – 54.0	Course handicap	30 - 63
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The ladies committee have also had to adjust all our trophy competitions in accordance with the WHS changes this year.

Most of these competitions have been donated by previous members and therefore we have tried to keep all conditions such as maximum handicap limits etc as close as possible to the donors' original wishes.

The majority of our competitions are played as individual stroke play, medal or stableford format. Where these had a maximum handicap limit of 36 we have replaced this with a handicap Index limit of 32.9 which, when using our ratings board, corresponds to a Course Handicap of 38 and with the mandatory 95% stroke allowance, gives a Playing Handicap of 36.

Where these competitions in the past have allowed a player to still play if they have a higher handicap than 36 this is still the case.

There are a couple of other competitions which have had to have a slightly different handicap index limit, namely the Freeman Fours and the San Deb Trophy.

The Freeman Fours is a foursome medal competition where a pair receives half their combined Course Handicaps and the San Deb is a greensomes where the allowance is 0.6 of the lower and 0.4 of the higher Course handicap.

As these competitions are not individual stroke play competitions players get their full Course Handicap ie it is not reduced to 95%. For this reason the handicap index limit has been set to 31.2 corresponding to a Course Handicap of 36.

Again players with a higher handicap can still play as before.

I hope all this makes sense. The Gold Competition book in the ladies locker room has been updated with all these changes.

Lady Captains Report- Linda Holden

Where has the time gone from standing on the tee in October at the Drive-in with my knees entwined doing the Time warp hoping my ball would not go into the Waterworks and now my final report !

Covid reared its ugly head, tried to play Havoc but before we went into Lockdown I was able to run the Bring and Win. The Rain interfered but whilst we could not have a Lunch so many Ladies entered and stayed the Course Having a Mince Pie as they walked to the Tee, It was such a fun day I laughed so much at some of the antics that took place !!! The Proof is in the Photographs,!!

We then went into Lockdown until the clouds lifted and we were back on the fairways in April whilst some said Why No Competitions, suddenly in May we have not stopped- The Matches started, Humphreys Bowl, Annodata, Interclub, Bramshaw Eclectic, Legg Bowl I can't thank all the Ladies that stepped up to the plate to play in these matches, whilst not being on the Podiums not once did anyone moan playing in some dreadful conditions. Some of the Matches were very close, I'm sure the tide will turn next year.

The Beales /Woods did not run this year, unfortunately the Parkin Cup there was a Blip but all to play for next year. The Friendly Matches whilst advertised many were cancelled because I could not raise Teams but the two that were played Canford School and Boscombe Ladies proved to be good fun.

Congratulations Go- to Linda Levens who made it to the All Medal Winners Final at Lyme Regis,

Pam Chard and Alison Cummings to a Qualifying Round of the Coronation Foursomes at Came Down.

Jackie Stoodley and Myself despite thinking we were the underdogs brought back to Knighton Heath The DLGGA Scratch Pairs Foursomes Trophy beating Broadstone in the Final. They had held it for 19 years !!

Sianell White our Club Champion for 2021 Winning both the Gross and Nett Trophies.

Now to my Year as Lady Captain- I had great ideas for my year setting them out in one of my Newsletters, I have managed to achieve all except Lady Captain/Pro Matches and Lady Captain/Captain Matches but would I have had time !!

In December 2020 I was asked to be the Ladies Charter Champion for Knighton Heath Golf Club- The Charter Champion will be responsible for supporting and monitoring the Clubs Women in Golf Charter Commitments and initiatives. Sadly Covid played host so I have not been able to promote this properly but over the weeks have attended several England Golf Webinars, Golf is moving forward, Golf Clubs are changing especially with their approach to Women and Girls, I feel we need to encourage women of all ages and girls to take up the game.

Following the above I was delighted when we received the Congratulatory Letter from the CEO at England Golf and Certificate that we are now a registered signatory of the Women in Golf Charter.

Since my year began we have 16 New Members with quite a range of Handicaps and experience Jill Tappin, Jan Finch, Di Shepherd, Chris Bartlett, Carol Chamberlain, Debbie Niven, Karen Wilkinson, Lyn Fitzsimmons, Anne Caunter, Colette Miller, Angie Loveridge, Michelle Clement, Pauline Webb, Sue Huggett, Sarah Mould, Debbie Millard.

I could write page for page but space is limited therefore My Highlights of the Year have been my Lady Captains Day which was fantastic certainly one for me to remember especially as so many Ladies played, stayed for lunch and for those that did not play or eat but came to the Halfway Hut. Thank you.

The Ladies Invitation Day was a huge success, I had to get Ladies to continue with their round as they were soaking up the Party Atmosphere in the Halfway Hut, what was in the punch!

The Seniors V Ladies in the Doug Proctor Trophy. We had a great day but whilst not publishing the results, I will say that the Ladies loaned the Trophy to the Seniors for 2021 !

The Coffee Morning and Charity Day for my chosen Charity Help For Heroes was a huge success, We had a marvellous raffle and six stall holders , There were 76 players from visiting clubs who all enjoyed the Course, the day and the stalls. Whilst still counting £1,500 was raised. A big thank you to all who contributed, gave raffle prizes and donated money throughout the year some anonymous I have been able to present a Cheque today for £2,000.

The Lady Captain V Lady Vice Captain matches was able to go ahead with a bit of juggling to reschedule, The Lady Captain's team listened and went round twice to ensure we had a win but only just. Everyone played some very tough matches closing out on the 18th, This was followed by a Traditional Tea, home-made sandwiches, scones and cakes. A credit to Trish despite her thinking perhaps just once!!

My Lady Captains Away Day at Paultons Golf Centre was a little worrying as the rain decided to play a part in the days leading up to it and in the middle of the night - but 32 Ladies braved the wind wearing copious amounts of clothing. The sun shone, there was a lot of laughter and great team spirit. A big Thank you to Susan Burke and Hazel Iveson for taking the worry away from me by doing all the paperwork, sorting out the shots and the results.

Last but not least the Lady Captain's Dinner: Wow what an evening, it started off very demure and polite, everyone looking splendid in their finery, the meal was very enjoyable then Ladies suddenly disappeared Jan Bailey, Jackie Wilson, Jane Paine, Sue Saunders and Grace Burke followed by Pam Chard who became the Mistress of Ceremonies introducing the Entertainment for the evening. I wish we had time to ask the Ladies to perform again it was Fantastic. Hopefully you will have seen it on the many recordings. This was then followed by Gill Tyler giving us a splendid joke, Ladies you got my Golden Buzzer!

My year would not have gone smoothly without help behind the scenes- To all the Helpers and Starters who gave up their time to ensure the major events ran without a hitch. To Alan Magee and the Green Keepers, Andy Windsor and his team in the Proshop, Trish and her Staff in Catering, Tom and His Staff at the bar, Denise Bennett, Our Events and Functions Manager, Pat in Accounts, Reunert our General Manager who was there for all my questions and answers.

Thank you to my Vice Captain Jan Bailey, Sue Saunders Ladies Secretary who has really been an asset, at times I'm sure Brian must have said We are on Holiday! To Grace Burke Treasurer not only was she busy with keeping the Ladies Funds in check but stepped up to monitor all the Ladies competitions and results each week. Sarah Lillis for updating all the Trophy limits, quite an arduous task. I would like to wish the Incoming Captain Jan and her Committee good wishes for 2022.

Finally I would like to thank everyone for their support to me as Lady Captain throughout the year, You cannot please all but stealing the words from Frank Sinatra I did it MY WAY.

APPENDIX C – Grace Burke

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB		
Income & Expenditure Account July 2020 - end June 2021		
INCOME :	2020/21	2019/20
Charity Account / Ladies Captain's Fund	-	-
Contributions from KHGC	330.00	250.00
Open Meeting	900.00	
Invitation	-	780.00
Coffee Mornings	-	455.00
Match Teas	28.00	-
Medals / Stablefords / Cup Competitions	1,134.00	1,496.00
Sundry Income/VAT refunds	25.00	14.40
	2,417.00	2,995.40
EXPENDITURE:	2020/21	2019/20
Catering (Not match teas)	-	38.22
Donations	-	50.00
Entries	200.00	332.00
Match meals	87.40	39.20
Charity Account / Ladies Captain's Fund	-	-
Honoraia	178.20	281.80
Open Meeting	800.00	240.00
Invitation	-	756.48
Coffee Morning	-	936.00
Printing / Postage / Stationery	-	3.99
Prizes / Awards / Engraving	529.80	1,621.88
Sundries	254.53	550.93
	2,049.93	4,850.50
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) of Income / Expenditure	367.07	(1,855.10)
BALANCE SHEET		
Accumulated Funds	2,624.79	4,479.89
Surplus / (Deficit)	367.07	(1,855.10)
TOTAL FUNDS	2,991.86	2,624.79
KHGC Ladies Account	2,991.86	2,624.79
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APPENDIX D – Jan Bailey

LADY CAPTAINS SPEECH – 12 OCTOBER 2021

This isn't the speech I had originally planned.

Thank you for electing me as your Lady Captain. I feel honoured to be representing you for the forthcoming year. I will endeavour to try and unite the Ladies Section and to ensure that it is run in the best possible way. I realise that not every decision which is made will be to everyone's liking but I hope that we can all work together for the good of the Ladies Section

As you have heard from Linda earlier I was told last Thursday night in the Captains Committee that as we did not have six Committee member nominations we did not have a quorum to form a Committee in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Club. I was disappointed that this information was not mentioned to me until it was too late to do anything before this AGM.

As we now have a further 2 nominations for the Ladies Committee an EGM is to be called on 2 November 2021 to elect the Committee members for the coming year, as agreed with the General Manager. The relevant notices will be put on the Notice Board in the Locker Room after this meeting

I would like to thank Linda for her hard work this year and for asking me to be her Vice Captain, which I must admit came as a shock at the time.

I would like to thank Jane Paine for agreeing to be my Vice Captain. Also I would like to thank Sue Saunders, Jackie Wilson and Sue West to previously agreeing to be on the Committee in the roles of Secretary, Treasurer and Committee Member respectively, also to Jackie Stoodley for agreeing to be our County Delegate.

I have chosen for my Charity this year Lupus UK. This is a Charity very dear to my heart as my eldest daughter was diagnosed with this awful Autoimmune disease when she was 18 years old. The actual name of this disease is Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE) for short.

For those who haven't heard of this disease, it is a Chronic Inflammatory Connective Tissue Disease which affects the joints and major organs of the body including the brain, heart, lungs, kidneys and the nervous system.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for coming this evening, but as a lot of you know I am having an operation on the 22 October so won't be around at all for roughly three weeks, although I won't be able to play golf until about February. I am going to be staying at Jackie's so you can contact me on my mobile phone.

I wish you all a happy, healthy and good golfing year and a safe journey home.