

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB

Ladies & Junior Girls Section

Committee Meeting Held on: Tuesday 12th November 2019 at 3pm at the clubhouse

Present:

Cicely Welch	Lady Captain
Debbie Knight	Vice- Captain
Sally Hawkridge	Secretary
Sharon Aldrich	Assistant Secretary
Janice Webster	Assistant Treasurer
Sandy Wright	Handicap Secretary

The meeting started at 3.00pm.

1. Apologies for Absence

Received from Jackie Wilson and Linda Holden.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the last meeting (8th October 2019) were agreed as a true record and a copy signed by the Lady Captain.

3. Matters Arising

Nothing to report.

4. Reports

a) Lady Captain:

i) Management Committee and Captains Committee

- Club Championship: It was agreed that the Ladies Club Championship will be played on the same day as the men in 2020 – given how busy the diary is at weekends, it was felt this was the only real option. The ladies will play a 3-ball format and in handicap order on day one; on day two the leaders will go out last. Tee-times will start 15 minutes after the men with a 30-minute buffer after the last group before the tee is opened again to others. If needed, up to a 1 hr 30 minutes could be allocated to ladies tee-times for the event. It's possible that a Disco will be organised to follow the presentation ceremony on Sunday, so also possible for food to be arranged if the ladies would like something more formal than ordering bar food. Full arrangements will be firmed up closer to the time and advertised accordingly, but the event will feature in the 2019/20 diary.

- The Lady Captain asked why the raised tee on the 5th (on the left of the standard tee) was not being used. It was explained that this was used occasionally but was difficult to maintain, so will only be used on special events.

ii) General

- The Lady Captain attended the Dorset County AGM in October. Once launched, the County will run a workshop on the new handicap system – a date for this event will be advertised on their website. Three people can go from each club: The Pro, Club Handicap Secretary and Ladies Handicap Secretary.

iii) Social

- 22nd November – Quiz night.
- 7th December – Seniors Christmas Dinner
- 20th December – Christmas Dinner Dance

iv) Junior

Nothing to report.

b. Secretary

The Secretary reported that:

- She had written to all 22 social members inviting them to the Bring and Win carvery on the 10th December. To save on costs, she emailed those she had addresses for (18 of 22) and sent letters to the remaining four. To date, she has received three replies.

c. Treasurer

The Assistant Treasurer said that she had not had her handover/briefing yet, so had nothing to report.

d. Handicap Secretary

The Handicap Secretary reported that:

- The Texas Scramble played on 3rd November 2019 should have been played using a 1/8th handicap, not a 1/10th. As a fun competition, the Lady Captain said it was not appropriate to change things after the event, so the results would stand. The committee agreed that the format would be looked at again for next year.

Action: Lady Captain to speak to Andy/Pro Shop

- The Daily Mail Foursomes is a maximum 30 handicap for ladies – some ladies with 30+ handicaps had entered the event on 22nd October, but a maximum of 30 had not been correctly reflected on their competition card. She asked that this is also made clear on the locker room flip folder (displayed on the desk); the Secretary said that Jackie Wilson would be updating the whole folder shortly. The Lady Captain said she would also mention this to Andy/Pro Shop.

Action: Lady Captain

5. Topics for Discussion

- **2020 costs: Open and Coffee Morning:** The Secretary explained that it was time to agree 2020 costs so that she could start to advertise both events. She said that this year they had cost £20 and £13 respectively. However, next year the Open (and the Invitational, in due course) will incur a £5 levy per visitor – see October 2019 minutes – which needed to be factored in. After discussion, the committee agreed that the Coffee Morning would increase to £15 per person – this was still considered good value for money compared to similar events – and the Open would increase to £25 per person to cover the additional £5 levy. Although the Ladies Sections has funds to cover the additional levy, the Committee agreed that it was better to subsidise events for members rather than visitors, although, if necessary, some money could be used on the Open to ensure it remained a showcase event for the club.
- **Dorset County Delegate:** The Lady Captain said that Jackie Stoodley had agreed to be our County Delegate, requiring her to attend meetings in Dorchester three times a year. To ensure she is not out of pocket, the Lady Captain sought agreement to fund her petrol for these meetings. The committee supported this idea but only if this was extended to all committee members who have to attend County meetings but who don't receive an honorarium, i.e. Secretary, Handicap Secretary and County Delegate. After discussion, it was agreed that individuals' in these roles could claim a nominal £10 per round trip should they wish. This approach was more straightforward than claiming a rate per mile, which can be up to 45p based on HMRC rules before there are tax implications. Any claims for expenses can be made through the Treasurer/Assistant Treasurer in the usual way.

6. Forthcoming Events

- 16th and 17th November - Turkey Trot
- 19th November - ABC Bowmaker
- 24th and 26th November - Stableford
- 1st December – Mixed 4s with meal and carols

- 3rd and 8th December – Christmas Bowmaker
- 10th December – Bring and Win Carvery (11-hole Stableford)
- 17th December – Turkey Trot 13 Clubs Stableford
- 28th December – Stewards Cup (Festive Bottles Competition)

7. Correspondence

Nothing received.

8. AOB

- The Assistant Secretary had been asked by Sarah Lillis if presents could remain unwrapped at the Bring and Win so that members could choose their gift more easily. The committee agreed this was a good idea, providing festive name tags with who the gift was from was still added, and meant that as members were called to collect a gift based on their score on the day, they could choose what they really wanted. Members could add ribbons or tinsel to make the gift more festive if they wished. Sarah Lillis also asked if the gifts could be non-food and drink items e.g. golf related etc. After discussion, the Committee decided that it should remain food and drink only as Sarah's idea had been done before and had not been successful. **Action: Secretary to amend the poster in the locker room accordingly.**
- The Handicap Secretary said that putting the Christmas Decorations up on 26th November had always been a job for the committee and considered a privilege, but a poster in the locker room says 'please lend a hand if you can'. The Secretary explained that although the wording was different last year, the 2018 poster did not specify that the decorations were done by the committee only. The committee agreed that it was their responsibility to ensure the decorations were put up, but would not want to refuse the help of other members if it was offered. It was also agreed that, to make the event more festive, the Lady Captain would explore the cost of four dozen mince pies (and sherry although this might prove too expensive) for all lady members that afternoon.

Action: Lady Captain

MEETING CLOSED AT 4.40pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 14th January 2020 at 3pm

(10th December meeting cancelled as it now clashes with the Bring and Win Carvery).

Signed:Lady Captain

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