

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB

Ladies & Junior Girls Section

Committee Meeting Held on: Tuesday 12th February 2019 at 2pm at the clubhouse

Present:

Jackie Wilson	Lady Captain
Jane Paine	Secretary
Jenny James	Treasurer
Sally Hawkridge	Assistant Secretary
Joy Crawford	Handicap Secretary
Jan Bailey	Committee Member
Sandy Wright	Committee Member
Grace Burke	County Delegate

The meeting started at 2.15pm

1. Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Lynn Scoones, Cicely Welch, Debbie Lennon and Debbie Knight.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

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

3. Matters Arising

2.i, ii, iv and 7.viii. – The Lady Captain's Newsletter included age changes to the Sally Fish and Austin Cup; the result of the Bring and Win ballot; and that the ballot on the future format of the Championship Cup and Handicap Trophy was underway. It also reminded ladies that they could play on in the 9-hole competition scheduled for 22nd January, but must return their card first.

b.ii. The Secretary confirmed that she had asked the Club Manager to send off the application form for the Broadstone Eclectic. She would check that this had been sent off. The words on line three "in August 2019" were an error and should be removed. **Action: The Secretary.**

5.vi – Captain vs Vice Captain sign-up sheet and menu options are now up on the board.

AOB.iii - The Eclectic sign-up sheet is on the notice board.

AOB. v. The Three Shires Golf Society has been scheduled during members time on 21st March. The Lady Captain explained that this was agreed between the Club Captain and General Manager as it is outside the main golfing season. The Committee agreed that this decision may have set an unhelpful precedent as it did not go through the proper committee channels. The Lady Captain believed that the error had been acknowledged, so this was unlikely to happen again.

AOB.vii – The meeting room clock has been fixed.

4. Reports

a. Lady Captain

The Lady Captain reported that:

1. Management Committee and Captains Committee

- i) Playing membership now stands at 527
- ii) All tee plates have now been changed in readiness for 2020
- iii) Jayne King and her husband have agreed to take over arranging the mixed competitions
- iv) The ladies section have been asked to run the reception desk for 5 of the men's and seniors' events, as follows: -
 - Seniors Wine Scramble - Wednesday 22nd May
 - Mixed Open - Sunday 30th June
 - Seniors Open – Friday 19th July
 - Men's Open – 3rd August
 - Men's Invitation – 14th SeptemberThe Secretary was asked to put a notice up in the locker room asking for volunteers. **Action: The Secretary**
- v) One girl aged 15 or 16 has been having a course of lessons with Andy and it is hoped that she will join the club.
- vi) Two Dorset events have been agreed for 2020. The DCGU have asked for the Junior Knockout final on Monday 24th August to be played here and the Ladies Dorset Ex-Captains have requested Wednesday 17th June for their match against Somerset.
- vii) Alex is leaving the pro-shop on 27th February to take up a position at Ashley Wood. The position is being advertised but the shop may be short-staffed until the end of March. They do have some boys on work-experience helping out.
- viii) New Ping Equipment is now being sold in the pro-shop.
- ix) The Greens staff have done some work to improve the temporary greens, but this will continue to be monitored. The Committee commented that members should be reminded and encouraged to walk around them.
- x) The Club has been asked by the Poppy Appeal to have a D-Day 75th Anniversary competition in June or November. They ask that the entry fee is £5 per head to be donated to the Poppy Appeal. It has been agreed that the club will run this

on Sunday 10th November 2019 as a stableford. The ladies have been asked if we want to join in or run a separate event on Tuesday 12th November, which is already a stableford competition. The Committee supported the Lady Captain's view that the ladies section should join the Club competition, so they can decide if they want to pay £5 to enter. The Poppy Appeal will supply a commemorative bag-tag for each player and both men and lady winners will get a 'gold' medal. In addition, it is believed that the Captain will donate a prize/voucher for nearest the pin.

The Sunday ladies stableford scheduled for 10th November will be moved to Saturday 9th November. **Action: The Lady Captain to advertise the event closer to the time.**

- xi) Colin Flay, Club Vice Captain has purchased Football Cards; each card holds 40 football teams and entrants pick a team for £1. When the card is full a team name is drawn and the winner gets £20 and the Junior Fund the other £20. We have been asked if on some Tuesdays we will try and sell £1 slots. The Committee agreed to promote this good cause and will help when we can. The funding of the junior section was then discussed in more detail. Some committee members said they thought that the £5 paid for reciprocals went to the junior fund, others thought it was a pro-shop administration fee. Finally, the Lady Captain will remind members that they can donate 25p to the junior section when they sign-in on competitions through 'Howdidido'. **Action: The Lady Captain to check current practice re reciprocal monies and to remind ladies to donate when signing in.**

2. General

A)

- i) A £50 donation was sent to Tappers Funeral Services for Waggy Tails in remembrance of Shirley Wheatley. The Lady Captain was asked by a few ladies to organise a collection as well, so a notice asking ladies to put donations into the brown box was also put up in the locker room. No additional money has been collected. The notice has been taken down today. It was felt that some people had donated directly to the charity.
- ii) Gill Tyler has noticed an error on the Honours Boards. She has been credited with winning the Bronze Platter in 2018, but it was Glynis Cook. After checking, The Lady Captain had discovered the Silver Platter is also wrong as Edna Cashmore has been credited as the winner but it was Debbie Knight. The Club Manager has been informed and he has arranged for them to be corrected as soon as possible.
- iii) Before and after the recent 9-hole competition there was considerable discussion about the handicaps given and why some ladies' handicaps altered when they thought they had played in their buffer zone. The Handicap Secretary and the Lady Captain spent some time with Andy Windsor establishing how

- handicaps are calculated in 9-hole competitions and a notice giving a full explanation, which has been obtained from the Congu website, is now on the notice board. The Lady Captain encouraged everyone to read it.
- iv) A notice about bad parking has finally been placed in the Club's Newsletter.

B) Anomalies in the 'Blue Book'

The committee discussed and agreed the following:

- i) SPRING CUP – *Should it be a 36 Hole final and is there a requirement for a referee?* The Lady Captain to check what format was played in 2018 between Jayne King and Debbie Knight and if it was played over the finals weekend.
Action Lady Captain
- ii) MEMBERS TROPHY – *Play in conjunction with the August medal? It has been played in June for the last 3 years at least.*
Agreed that no longer necessary to play in August and can be scheduled whenever suitable. **Action: The Assistant Secretary to update new 'Blue Book'.**
- iii) CHAMPIONSHIP & HANDICAP TROPHY – *How do we deal with "ties" and winners of 2 prizes?*
It was agreed that a play-off would now be sudden death, with holes played in order. **Action: Assistant Secretary to update new 'Blue Book'.** After discussion, the committee felt unable to reach agreement on winners of both trophies and prizes as too many committee members were absent. This will be added to the March meeting agenda. Options considered for trophy winners were: a) winner of the Championship Cup can win the Handicap Trophy if applicable, or b) winner of the Championship Cup cannot win the Handicap Trophy, which would be awarded to the 2nd placed net score. **Action: Secretary to add to March meeting agenda**
- iv) RISEBOROUGH CUP – *No longer played in conjunction with the Open or in June, so amend the Blue Book?* The committee agreed. **Action: Assistant Secretary to update new 'Blue Book'.**
- v) AUTUMN CUP – The committee agreed that members must play in both events (medal and stableford) to win the cup, but can play in either event and win prize money for that day. At the AGM, the overall winner and runner-up of the combined competition will win prizes. Exceptionally, it was also agreed that the formula for calculating winnings based on entry fees would be adjusted to reflect the two prizes awarded at the AGM. This means 50% of the entry fee will be awarded as prize money for the medal (30% to AGM prizes and 20% to ladies section) and, to ensure fairness and consistency, whatever actual monies were awarded on the medal day, this will be matched on the stableford competition regardless of what entry fees are collected. **Action: Assistant Secretary to update new 'Blue Book'.**
- vi) CULSHAW BOWL – It was agreed that if a member moves from bronze to silver division during the year, they should still be eligible to win the Culshaw Bowl as

the most improved bronze players because that was the division they started in. This principle should also be applied to the Margaret Joyce Trophy awarded to the most improved silver player. **Action: Assistant Secretary to update new 'Blue Book'.**

- vii) GWEN HOWE TROPHY – *What money should be sent to the MacMillan Trust?* It was agreed that there should still be a separate 2's competition to be won in the usual way, but the club would donate £50 or 70% of the entry fees, whatever is greater, to MacMillan Cancer Support. **Action: Assistant Secretary to update new 'Blue Book'.**
- viii) EG MEDAL – *No 'Blue Book' entry currently so need to clarify format etc. Runs from 1st January to 31st December each year. If played on both Sunday and Tuesday, how do we decide which count for the EG Medal winner at end of year or do they both count separately?* It was agreed that if a member plays both the Sunday and Tuesday medal competitions, both scores count, but only the Sunday score counts for the club competition and prize money. It was noted that there are 17 EG Medal competitions scheduled for 2019, 10 on a Sunday and 7 on a Tuesday – the ratio would have been closer, but one Tuesday medal in September cannot be played due to course maintenance. Members must play at least four EG medal competitions per year. **Action: Assistant Secretary to create an entry for the new 'Blue Book'.**
- ix) MARGARET JOYCE 4BBB – *Do all the proceeds go to charity and is only the salver presented at the AGM?* The Lady Captain needs to discuss this with Margaret Joyce as the trophy donor. **Action: Lady Captain to speak to Margaret Joyce.**
- x) MYSTERY PARTNERS– The committee confirmed it was a qualifying stableford and prize money would be paid out by division. An additional prize (usually chocolates) would be given to the drawn partners after the event. **Action: Assistant Secretary to create an entry for the new 'Blue Book'.**
- xi) 9-HOLE COMPETITION – The committee confirmed it was a qualifier. The course format should be holes 1 to 7 then 10 and 11 (reflected on the 9-hole card), but to avoid delaying other players in the field, the Lady Captain explained that holes 8 and 9 could be played but these scores would not count. **Action: Assistant Secretary to create an entry for the new 'Blue Book'.**

b) Social

- Friday 29th March -Quiz Night to be run by Ladies Captain and Ladies Vice-Captain. Unfortunately, the Lady Captain cannot attend; Joy Crawford volunteered to help the Vice Captain.
- Sunday 31st March - Mother's Day lunch

b. Secretary

The Secretary reported that:

- i) The Secretary and Assistant Secretary attended the annual Dorset County Secretaries Meeting on 14th January. Notes from this meeting were circulated to the committee separately.
- ii) The Daily Mail Foursomes draw has been made and although they had little notice, Jayne King and Janice Webster have arranged their home match against DGCC for Saturday 2nd March.
- iii) Ladies Open: nine teams have registered so far, which is more than usual in February.
- iv) Ladies Coffee Morning: three entrants have registered so far.

c. Treasurer

The Treasurer reported that:

- i) The Club Manager has provided the January 2019 income and expenditure account but two figures from the Pro Shop appear incorrect so they are being clarified. Until these anomalies have been resolved, the Treasurer cannot provide a full set of accounts. These will be presented at the next meeting.
- ii) Cheques received for both the coffee morning and Open will be paid in.

d. Handicap Secretary

The Handicap Secretary and Debbie Knight attended the Dorset Handicap meeting where Ann Talbot (County Handicap Secretary) reviewed all the new rules. The following are highlights from the meeting:

- i) A pace of play policy was discussed but everyone was in agreement that it would be difficult to enforce.
- ii) The lost ball rule is not to be allowed in any Interclub or County events. No details were known about the Legg Bowl or Beales as they are not County events.
- iii) The maximum score competition which is now available, is recommended mainly for new higher handicaps and at present not being implemented at Knighton Heath
- iv) The EG Medal handicap limit is now 40. **Action: The Assistant Secretary to add to Blue Book entry.**
- v) The World handicapping system was briefly discussed. Dorset are hoping to be organised for 2020, but it is likely to be delayed.

e. Juniors

No report.

f. County Delegate

No report.

5. Forthcoming Events

- 24th/26th February – Mystery Partners Stableford
- 5th March – Chicken Chase Bowmaker. This is during Course Maintenance Week so a reminder will be put in the Lady Captain's Newsletter that we must give way to green staff. As with the Turkey Trot, prizes will be Tesco Gift Cards, the value of which will be determined by entry money on the day. **Action: Lady Captain**
- 10/12th March – Stableford.
- 17/19th March – Captain v Vice Captain. Teams and playing partners drawn on Monday 11th and displayed on the board the following day.
- 2nd April – Freeman Fours – Draw to take place after 26th March medal round. In the Lady Captain's absence (she will be away from 19th March to 16th April) Debbie Knight will be asked to help the Vice Captain with the draw and notifying members. **Action: Lady Captain to ask Debbie Knight**

6. Correspondence

Nothing received.

7. AOB

- i) Paula Graham and Gill Tyler have asked about the 2 and 3 ball tee-time split and why the 10.12hrs 2-ball slot has become a 3-ball slot in recent months. The Committee had taken the decision earlier to have the changeover from 2 balls to 3 balls at 10.20. There was no reason why this should have been changed, although it is accepted that in times of high demand for places it may be necessary make the later 2 balls into 3 balls. Therefore, the next competition to be placed on 'Howdidldo' will revert to the original split. **Action: The Lady Captain.**
- ii) Elaine Senior raised the issue of EG Medal events and the current imbalance between Sunday and Tuesday dates, which penalises 5-day members who want to play medal competitions. The committee noted this imbalance and the Vice Captain will seek to address it for 2020. The Lady Captain will write to Elaine explaining the current ratio including that one Tuesday date was lost due to course maintenance. **Action: Lady Captain.**
- iii) Sarah Lillis asked if the Bring and Win competition could be moved closer to Christmas now that it will have a more festive menu. The committee agreed to swap this event with the Christmas Bowmaker, so the Bring and Win will be on 10th December 2019 and

the Christmas Bowmaker will be on 3rd December 2019. This format will be opted for future years. **Action: Lady Captain to include in her Newsletter.**

- iv) The Secretary asked if the mat basket on the 5th fairway could be moved to the side; it's currently in many ladies' driving range. The Lady Captain will raise this at the next Captain's meeting and also check you receive a free-shot if you hit a mat basket, wherever it's placed. **Action: Lady Captain.**

MEETING CLOSED AT 5:05pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 12th March 2019 at 2pm

Signed:Lady Captain

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