

Senior Captain's Report 2019-20

An interesting year you might say, I was looking forward to all the joys of captaincy, but instead I have become the Covid captain, who has to be an expert in cancelling competitions, matches and Open events.

Having said that I think that we have achieved a great deal this year. I hope the monthly newsletter that I send out to you keeps you all well informed of what is happening within the Seniors section.

One of the most important things that has been implemented is the "Seniors Men's Section Terms of Reference" which your committee has to work to. There is also a document which details the roles and responsibilities of your committee members. You may have thought these items already existed, but they did not.

We sent out a Questionnaire which some 96 of you responded to, giving a good idea of what seniors wanted in the way of competitions and other items. The lockdown has somewhat got in the way of implementing some of these ideas but they will be passed on to your incoming committee to implement.

We did manage to hold the Seniors Christmas Dinner which was fully subscribed.

We presented two cheques to the charities we supported last year who were Jack's Place and Julia's House receiving £1500 between them, this being the money raised from two open competitions and a quiz night run by Maurice Randall and myself.

I am sure you are all aware that a large proportion of the seniors committee resigned their membership of Knighton Heath in June this year leaving us with a committee of three. To fill this void I co-opted Jeff Gee, Mike Wakeham and

Richard Pearce to committee and can report that they are all standing for election at September's AGM.

I cannot thank my excellent vice-captain Phillip Handley enough for all his input, hard work and support during this difficult year, his work on the Terms of Reference and the Questionnaire was invaluable and he even managed to find time to organize all the friendly fixtures for 2021.

I believe George Davies joined Knighton Heath in 2007, and became Treasurer in that year also. George has found it necessary to become a social member this year and as such will be leaving our committee after some 13 years. I would like to put on record our thanks for the dedicated way in which George has carried out his duties as Treasurer and also run the very successful Wine Scramble Open and up until a couple of years ago the Seniors Open.

The one board competition that we have managed to play is the most important of the year, the Seniors Championship which was won by Graham Taylor with a gross score of 80 playing off 9. Oh and for those of you who are not aware 80 is also Graham's age.

The nett trophy was won by Allan Caygill with a net score of 65.

The presentation of both these trophies will take place at this year's AGM on the 7th September.

What does the 2020-21 season hold in store for us? Well I certainly don't know, but what I do know is that I have been asked to stand as your captain for a second year and if elected will work as hard on your behalf to make golf as enjoyable as possible for you whether representing the club in competitions, friendly matches or senior competitions.

Richard Collis
Seniors Captain