

BRISTOL & DISTRICT LADY GOLFERS' ALLIANCE
76TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT LANSDOWN GOLF CLUB
ON 14TH NOVEMBER 2005

Mrs. Lesley Organ, in the chair welcomed everyone to Lansdown. She thanked Lansdown for hosting the meeting and thanked the Ladies Captain and the Managing secretary Terry Mercer for making the arrangements.

Mrs. Organ then introduced the BDLGA committee members to those present.

She reflected on the 2005 year and thanked all the Lady Captains who had responded so well to the BDLGA web site with their team results. She thanked Lindsey Hammond for her hard work in setting up the successful web site. Apart from a few small hiccups the web site worked well during 2005. In 2006 the BDLGA Committee hope to have a backup in place to help with her results input. There is now a link to us on the ELGA and LGU websites.

Mrs. Organ commented that there had been several unusual queries for the committee to deal with in 2005. She urged all the Ladies present to acquaint themselves with the rules of the Alliance; especially the new changes made for 2006. She requested that the rules be available in the Ladies Locker room for match days.

She then asked the secretary to convene the meeting.

1 Notice convening the meeting.

The secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

2 Apologies

Received from Diane Barwell

3 Minutes for the Annual General Meeting 2004

The minutes of the 2004 AGM had been circulated and were taken as read and the Chairman signed **them as** a correct record.

4 Matter Arising

There were no matters arising.

5. • REPORTS

1. HON TREASURER

Jill Jestico presented the accounts to those present. The accounts are attached. She remarked that bank interest was a little higher than last year, and only one cup had to be repaired this year at a cost of £54. There was extra cost to the Harper Salver but this was due to enough golf balls being purchased for three years. The prize money for the Harper Salver remained the same. The accounts were accepted.

Proposed:- Mendip Golf club Seconded:- Burnham & Berrow

2. HON SECRETARY REPORT

Joy Ball reported that the first Division was won by Bristol & Clifton with 124 points followed by Henbury with 94 points, Shirehampton and Lansdown drop to the 2nd Division. Three people with 18 points Clare Page and Jane Bell of Bristol & Clifton and Helen Potts of Bath shared the Osborne cup.

The 2nd Division winners were Weston super Mare with 112 points with Bristol & Clifton B team 2nd with 106. Both these teams go up to Division 1 and the Rules of the Alliance will apply to Bristol & Clifton GC. Bath B and Orchardleigh are relegated. Dorothy Bastable won the Trill cup for the 2nd time with 19 points.

Wells won Division 3 with another good score of 126 points having come into the Division only last year. They are certainly a rising club. The 2nd team Henbury B with 91 points. These 2 clubs go into Division 2. Filton and Clevedon A drop to the 4th Division. Angie Seal of Wells won the

Tracy Park Cup with 18 points.

In the 4th Division The Park won with 108 points followed by Knowle with 105, both these teams go into 3rd Division. Chipping Sodbury and Saltford B drop to Division 5 on a count back.

The Harding Salver has 3 winners, Karen Beaumont-Wraith, Lorna Learney and Frances Henry all scoring 18 points.

In the 5th Division Farrington scored 145 and with Mendip 89 go into Division 4. Jackie Walker won the Bath Salver with a maximum 24 points.

The Scratch foursomes was won by, Hannah **Barwood** and Joanne Hodge of Knowle, beating Lansdown in the final.

The Handicap **Foursomes** was won by Saltford who beat Clevedon. Both finals were played at Filton

Mrs. Joy Ball thanked Lindsey Hammond for her help with the Web site during 2005.

The Chairman presented Joy Ball with a gift and thanked her for her hard work over the past 5 years. She wished her well in her new career as treasurer of the Gloucestershire County Seniors

3. Championship Secretary Report

Annie Hill reported on the Harper Salver for 2005 played at Bath on a very hot June day. The Harper Salver is now on the ELGA Order of Merit so enjoys a high standard of young players. In 2005 the entry was full and a ballot took place.

The Winner Joanne Hodge (Knowle), scored gross 144, second was Hannah Grant of Enmore with 148. Kelly Tidy from Manchester (age 13) had a nett 66 and gross 76 during the morning round

Many thanks go to sponsors Harper Business Contracts for not only providing sponsorship money but also golf balls for all the players. Next years championship is at Bath Golf Club on 18th June, entry forms are now available.

6. Dates for 2006

The dates of Open Meetings and Somerset & Gloucestershire Fixtures and been previously circulated. A few amendments were made on the day. The revised sheet will be circulated with the Lady Captains Pack in January.

7. Election of Committee members

Present committee

Chair	Lesley Organ	Elected 2003
Hon Secretary	Fay Galley	Elected 2005
Hon Treasurer	Jill Jestico	Elected 2001
Hon Championship Secretary	Annie Hill	Elected 2002
Committee Member	Lesley Floyd	Elected 2005
Gloucestershire Liaison	Eva Tucker	Appointed 2002
Officer		
Somerset Liaison Officer	Diane Barwell	Appointed 2001

Proposed en bloc by Lansdown GC

Seconded by Shirehampton GC

- 8. Draw for Foursomes**
The draw took place for both the Scratch and Handicap Foursomes during the Meeting and the draw for Venues followed the Meeting. The Draw sheets will be sent out with the next mailing. The final will be held on Sunday September 3rd. Two weeks later if bad weather.
- 9. Date of the next AGM**
13th November 2006 at Lansdown Golf Club
- 10 Presentation of Trophies**
The Chairman presented the trophies and reminded clubs that they have to engrave the cups themselves
- 11** The Chairman formerly closed the AGM and thanked the committee for their hard work. She then invited informal discussion.
- 12** Burnham & Berrow raised the point that they needed clarification on the rules when ladies changed handicap the day before a match. Quoting that it seemed unfair that a member who may have taken a day off work to play was suddenly not required. She requested that maybe the availability of players 7 days before a match be “adhered to”
Weston Super Mare agreed with Burnham & Berrow over the difficulties with ever changing handicaps.
Wells stated they had a “Squad meeting” at the beginning of the season and discussed “unavailability to play” when handicaps changed at the last moment.
Mendip said that any player could always make herself unavailable.
The Chairman reminded ladies of Rule 3 “v” about availability and the Committee could not make a ruling based on timings, but that clubs should interpret the word “availability” within the rules.
Burnham & Berrow requested that the Rules 3 “v” be rewritten.
The Chairman took note of this request.
- 12** The Chairman reminded Lady Captains to read and circulate minutes of BDLGA meetings as there is important information contained in them.
She reminded ladies to try to persuade Club Secretaries to give a reasonable amount of empty tee time before Alliance Matches.
She referred the Lady Captains to the need to adhere to the time scale for E Mailing their Match Results, and asked outgoing Lady Captains to brief the new Captains accordingly.
- 13** The raffle took place.
Bristol & Clifton said they were thrilled to win the Alliance league for the first time and thanked the BDLGA committee on behalf of the ladies present for their hard work.

The meeting closed at 1.15pm.

