

BRISTOL & DISTRICT LADY GOLFERS' ALLIANCE
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT KNOWLE GOLF CLUB
On Wednesday, 1st October 2014 at 10.30am

Present

Barbara Cuff (Chairman), Sue Gibson, Mary Groves, Di Yates, Karen Beaumont-Wraith, Rosemary Fife and Claire Biggs

1. Apologies

Susie Gibbins

2. Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 2nd June

Signed

3. Matters arising from previous meeting.

- There was further discussion on item 10 and the Committee decided to leave out the last sentence about the 30 minutes rule as it may not always be possible or practical to implement.

4. The Committee discussed the question of FAQs and decided that Sue would look at the wording again and then publish them on the website.

SG

5. Chairman's Report

Barbara thanked the members of the Committee, Karen and Di, for all their hard work at the Finals Day at B & C, following this year's Day the following points arose:

- There is a need for 2 referees and Pat Murphy would be a good person to approach,
- The Trophies need to be collected/delivered earlier to avoid hassle,
- In order to maximise the choice of venues the drop out clubs need to be monitored earlier.

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6. Secretary's Report

In her absence, Claire reported to the Committee on Susie's behalf that there had been a query regarding the names of players on the start sheet at two matches. The Committee were given all the details and decided that Claire would e-mail the clubs to try to discover all the correct information.

CB

7. Treasurer's Report

Susie reported to the Committee that the accounts had now been passed on to the auditor.

8. Championship Secretary's Report

Karen reported that she had spoken with Mr Roberts from Bath and whilst they are happy to continue to host the event as before the cost will rise to £1000 (including fruit and water). The date is Sunday 14th June 2015. The Committee discussed the cost and Karen will speak to some other suitable clubs as a comparison and will also look at the entry fee (at present £30). The general feeling of the Committee, however, was that Bath was the right place for this prestigious competition. Karen estimates that we should have a full field for 2015.

KBW

Karen thanked Bath and their members for their support and reported the results – Becky Harries Haverfordwest (+3) won the Harper Salver with a gross of 146, Ainee O'Connor Sundridge Park (4) had the best nett 146.

9. Website Organiser

- All the necessary AGM paperwork for clubs is now on the website,
- Sue has requested any details of Holes in One this season,
- Debbie Dardis from Saltford has agreed to stand for the position of Website Organiser for election at the AGM.

10. Correspondence – none.

11. The Committee agreed the request from Susie Gibbins for a change of date for the end of year accounts from 31st October to 30th September. It will make it easier to complete all monetary details without a huge rush at the end.
12. The Committee discussed the question of which games in the Handicap and Scratch Foursomes would have their venue drawn at the AGM and decided that only the first game played by any club (round 1 or 2) would be drawn for Home/Away.

13. AOB

- CB raised the matter of slow play having had e-mails from a club complaining about long matches. The Committee discussed the matter again and decided that all clubs do try hard to avoid this but some clubs are very limited as to the times they are allowed and have no control over other bookings made by the club.
- DY raised a query concerning clubs drawing up their teams in advance, sometimes up to a week before, so that ladies, especially working ladies, can make their arrangements to be available. In some clubs, even if a player with a lower handicap becomes available after the team is published, that team still stands. The Committee discussed this and agreed that no Alliance rules were being broken as long as the team goes out in the right order. It has long been the practice of the Alliance that team selection is up to the individual clubs and we would not interfere with their club rules as long as they comply with ours.
- KBW asked about a poster for the Harper Salver and SG will publish one on the website as soon as all details are confirmed.
- RF came up with a very easy/good way of photographing players and trophies at the AGM. She will take charge whilst SG writes names and CB will photograph all trophies with the names/ details before the AGM and print a sheet with all these details for future reference.

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The meeting closed at 12:30pm

Date of next meeting: The AGM on Monday, 10th November at Knowle at 11am.