

BRISTOL & DISTRICT LADY GOLFERS' ALLIANCE
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT KNOWLE GOLF CLUB
On Friday 15th December 2017 at 10.00am

Present:

Sue Johns	SJ	Carol Kirkwood	CK	Gill Prophet	GP
Angie Frith	AF	Marian Crewe	MC	Ruth Hughes	RH

ACTION

1. **Apologies** – Rosemary Fife, Zena Balcombe
2. **Minutes of Meeting of 15th September** – agreed without change and signed
3. **Matters arising** – None

4. Minutes of AGM and matters arising -

The minutes were agreed without change. There were two matters arising –

i) Bristol and Clifton requested that we revisit the use of caddies rather than buggies if requested. Sue contacted Nancy Squires again (in house Solicitor/Compliance Manager for EGU) and checked that the policy that we have does give each golfer access to the game at the level of her ability and our policy has been approved by EGU. Caddies are only allowed according to EGU guidelines as in their booklet “A Modification of the Rules of Golf for Golfers with Disabilities”. Rule 6-4 (Caddie). Our policy for use of buggies also applies to all County competitions, so the committee could see no reason for altering our policies. Buggies are allowed to give equal access for disabled golfers in the alliance and we only ask that there is a medical requirement. It is up to that particular player whether they use a buggy on every occasion and they can choose not to if they are on a “good day” or if the course is not too strenuous for their particular problem. The committee voted unanimously not to amend our policies to allow caddies in Alliance matches, so Sue will write to Bristol & Clifton explaining. **SJ**

ii) The ability for C teams to be included, which Henbury will propose for next year’s AGM. Sue has received some feedback which she has collated and will feed back to Henbury. **SJ**

5. Chairman’s Report

Sue said once again, many thanks to the committee for ensuring the AGM ran smoothly.

She welcomed Ruth and Zena to the committee and hoped they find the learning curve gentle so that when we lose Marian and Rosemary next November they will be acclimatised and can help the next new ones slot in easily. We discussed succession planning so that we don’t have too many leave the committee at the same time, as happened in 2015. It was suggested that Sue looks for a new chair for 2018, with Gill and Angie leaving after 4 and 5 years.

6. Secretary’s Report including website upkeep

AGM – draft minutes and photos were also published to the website straight after the meeting.

Rules and Regulations – updated versions for the league following the changes ratified at the 2017 AGM are on the website.

League – The information for the packs to the clubs is collated and ready to e-mail. It was agreed that this year it would be sent to Team Captains as well as Ladies' Captains. All e-mail addresses have been loaded and checked so the packs will be sent in the new year.

- List of committee contact details
- List of the Ladies' Captains' contact details – for Ladies' Captains only
- List of Team Captains' contact details
- Covering letter which was reviewed and finalised at the meeting

All the fixtures dates for all teams have been received and are now on the website.

Scratch & Handicap Foursomes

The draw sheet is complete and published to the website. The finals will be on 16th and provisional 23rd September 2018. Venue and referees to be arranged by Rosemary. **RF**

Website

Sue has started creating a manual for the website so that others can use it to edit if necessary. She will finish this and send to Angie and Carol. **SJ**

7. Treasurer's Report

Gill reported £2,074.94 in current account, £3,441.21 in deposit account and £87.23 in petty cash. We are still awaiting the £300 promised by Bath University for the Harper Salver sponsorship which Gill is chasing. **GP**

Gill has arranged to meet Susie Gibbins in January to close the Santander account. She will set up a deposit account linked to the Lloyds current account. **GP**

There will need to be the purchase of another two years' supply of towels and more ball markers for the Harper Salver. **RF/GP**

8. Results Co-ordinator's Report

Nil to report at present, other than it is good to have the spreadsheet of dates for the matches already completed for the year ahead.

9. Championship Secretary's Report

The poster and entry form for 2018 are now on the website. Angie will send Sue a copy so that she can put on the County website and send to the SW Region for advertising. **AF/SJ**

10. AOB – Nil

11. Date of next meetings – all at Knowle Golf Club

- Friday 9th March at 10:00
- Wednesday 6th June at 10:00
- Thursday 27th September at 10:00

The meeting closed at 11:30