

# **BCLGA Junior Newsletter**

Autumn 2017

### <u>CJO Column</u>

Well, what a summer!

We have seen two of our girls playing for England, crowned a new Junior County Champion and seen the girls collecting prizes at lots of junior opens and regional and national competitions.

It is a great feeling to talk to club members wherever we go to play. They all want to tell me how pleased they are to see so many delightful young ladies playing golf.

One again, I need to thank the Junior Committee, who do most of the work:

Delyth for running all the competitions Katherine for looking after the Pre Handicappers

Sue Lee for organising all the Academy Training

Tony for running the Intermediate Coaching Sue Ashworth and Teddy for all their support.

Also many thanks to Georgina, our junior Captain, who supports all of the events and is a great role model for all the girls.

Janet

## Midlands South Team Finals

I am delighted to report that we won all four of our league matches, so are through to both scratch and handicap finals on 10th September at Harleyford. Well done to all the girls who played in the matches and good luck on the 10th.

## Match vs Northamptonshire



We played against Northamptonshire in a 9 hole match for the high handicappers at Abbey Hill. This was a great day and much enjoyed by all. Bucks won  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$ .

## Spring Meeting

We were hosted by Whiteleaf on a glorious spring day and were made very welcome by all the members. The girls played off the white tees – quite a new venture for many of them. The winner was Rebecca Jennings, just beating Hannah Cash on countback.



## Academy Competition



Bucks, Berks and Oxon each run a competition for girls who take part in academy training. The Bucks competition was held at Wexham Park on 30<sup>th</sup> April, and was won by Ciara Egan from Katie Reid. At the time Ciara's handicap was 28 and Katie's was 32 – now they are off 18 and 20 respectively!

## Summer Meeting (Daily Telegraph Qualifier)

The scratch competition was won by Thalia Kirby with a level par 71. The nett competition, run as a stableford, was won by Ana Pearson with a very impressive 52 points!!

Ana is still leading the Telegraph Nett Girls competition with only a couple of weeks to the closing date, so let's hope she retains her place and get the trip to Portugal that is on offer for the winner.





#### Junior County Championships

Olivia Lee had a great day, winning not only the Championship, but also the Nett Cup and both U15 and U13 cups and in the process cutting her handicap to single figures. Fortunately, Securicor were on hand to help her carry all the silverware home!

#### National Competitions

Megan Dennis was  $3^{rd}$  in the English Girls U18 Open Championships – a great result. This was Megan's final competition before flying off to Florida where she is now studying.

Thalia Kirby was runner up in the English Girls U16 Open Championships – she was beaten by Annabel Fuller who birdied the  $1^{st}$  extra hole. Daisy Kennedy was  $8^{th}$  in the same event.

#### England Selection

Thalia and Daisy were selected to play for England in the U16 match against Switzerland at Pannal, and helped the team of 4 to a 5 -1 victory. Thalia is now down to a handicap of plus 1 and Daisy to scratch.



#### <u>Other Successes</u>

Daisy won the English Schools Under 16, the North of England U16 Girls and the Midlands South Girls Championships.



Amelia Curtis and Olivia Lee were tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Abraham Trophy, which is held by England Golf for the most improved girl golfer.

Amelia won a Junior European Open qualifying event in Bournemouth and has qualified for the Finals in Spain.

Rosie won her age group at the Venice Girls Open with a 36-hole score of -6.



Jess Pilgrim, along with dad Rupert, were 4<sup>th</sup> in the Ping Family Foursomes.

Grace qualified for the American Golf Girls finals at Gainsborough and was 2<sup>nd</sup> in the final.

#### Ladies County Championships

Daisy, Georgina, Megan, Rosie, Amelia & Grace all qualified for the matchplay at the BCLGA County Championships. Rosie also won the nett prize in the 36-hole qualifying event.

Megan had a great championship, but was beaten by Alice Kozlowski (who was a junior only a couple of years ago) in the final.





## Club Championships

Many of the girls have done well in their own ladies club championships:

Ciara won the Austin Rose Bowl (Nett) at Woburn, Georgina won at Stoke Park, Rosie was runner up at Burnham Beeches and Freya won the Pauline Bishop Trophy (Nett) at Huntswood.

#### Dates for Your Diary

We have almost finished our competitions for this year, but there are a few dates remaining:

10th September Midlands South Junior Team Finals Harleyford

24th September Alresford Cup Alresford (Hampshire)

24th September Pre Handicap Competition Abbey Hill

30th September Match vs Beaconsfield Boys Beaconsfield

1st October Autumn Meeting Huntswood

22nd October Pre Handicap Competition Aylesbury Park

24th October Intermediate Training tba

We also have a few dates already arranged for 2018:

10th April BB&O Girls Championships Harleyford

12th April Spring Meeting Ellesborough

All of the fixtures and results can be found on the BCLGA web site: www.bclga.org.uk

