



# BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

## Summary of Key Points from BCLGA Executive Meeting 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021 – via Zoom

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### **New Exec Members**

This was the first meeting since the 2021 AGM and we welcomed our new Seniors Captain, Lois Shoesmith and new Handicap Advisor, Karen Scott.

### **Competitions**

All the 2021 summer competition finals have been completed.

Winter League 2021/22 has started. 12 teams from 10 clubs have entered, so there are only 2 leagues.

The first round of the Winter foursomes has been completed. This was restricted to 32 pairs for winter 2021/22.

All the 2022 entry forms and terms of competition are being updated. At the delegates meeting in December we will ask the delegates to publicise the various BCLGA competitions.

Several of the league trophies are in a poor condition and some have run out of space for engraving. It was agreed to replace some of the trophies where space for engraving has run out and they are in poor condition with new trophies that do not need engraving. History will be held on the honours board which is on the web site.

There was a discussion on handicap limits for competitions and it was decided to take this to the delegates meeting in December for discussion.

### **Elite Winter Training**

Winter training will be split into two groups – one with the first team squad and the other with the second team and senior squad. Invitations will be sent out to 18 players for the first team squad, but several of these are away at college, so we do not expect them to attend. Jackie and Lois will coordinate to decide on who to invite to the second/seniors training.

Dates are: 20 & 27 February at The Oxfordshire, 20 & 27 March at Harleyford and 24 April at Beaconsfield - 27 Feb and 27 March are second/seniors and the others are first team.

### **Seniors**

Waiting dates and venues for a couple of matches and the seniors championships. We are hosting the Midlands South Seniors Championships in 2022.

### **Juniors**

The pre handicap days have been going well and will be held on the first Sunday of each month in 2022, alternating between Abbey Hill and Wycombe Heights. There will be no event on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June as this is a bank holiday.

A first aid course for the junior committee is being arranged.

Most of the 2022 competitions have been arranged.

Noel Rousseau, who has run the Academy Coaching at Wycombe Heights for a number of years, is not able to run the coaching in 2022, so we will use an alternative coach. We will still be using Keven Jones at Abbey Hill.

The Intermediate Training with Tony Bowers has been popular this year and we plan to run two sessions in 2022 during some of the school holidays.

Delyth is also planning to send out a note to parents about dress code – we don't want the girls having to wear expensive kit, but we have had comments from some clubs about some of the girls' golf attire. We will ask that leggings are plain colours (no lace) and that shorts and skorts cover bottoms.

### **England Golf**

The number of unfulfilled score intents has become unmanageable for clubs, so EG are introducing the automated penalty score at the end of November.

The new iGolf system, allowing people to get and manage a handicap without being a club member has been popular, but only 4% of the iGolf members are women.

### **Handicap Advisor**

Karen reported on a couple of queries about handicapping. She also said that clubs need to complete their handicap review by 31<sup>st</sup> December. Karen will do a short presentation at the Delegates meeting about the handicap review process.

### **Sponsorship**

In late 2019 the exec decided to investigate getting some sponsorship to help with costs. This was suspended with Covid, but work needs to restart in early 2022.

### **County Kit**

The second team and seniors county kit is quite old and tired and also does not have sufficient sizes for the various players. Janet, Jackie and Lois had a discussion about county kit and agreed that the second team and seniors should move to the 'red bubbles' shirts that are currently used by the first team, and we should just have 'county team' embroidered on the shirts so that the same shirts can be used by any of the three teams. This should save some money and also allow us to buy some extra shirts so that we have a better range of sizes.

### **County Match Week 2022**

Lynda and Janet attended a CMW Meeting at Leamington and County GC, the venue for the 2022 Midlands South County Match Week. This was to review the 2021 event and start plans for the 2022 event.

The course is about 5 minutes from junction 13 of the M40, so a pretty easy journey from anywhere in Bucks.

### **Event Bookings**

Lots of clubs are very busy in 2022 and we are all finding it difficult to find venues for events. It appears that clubs are making up for lost revenue in 2020 and 2021, when they had to cancel a lot of society bookings, but it is causing problems in trying to arrange county events.

Need to remember to book early for 2023.

### **Next Meeting**

The next exec meeting will be on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January via zoom.