

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

Summary of Key Points from BCLGA Executive Meeting 1st October 2021

Delegates Meeting

The Delegates Meeting on 15th September was the first time we have met face to face since Covid. Christine did a great presentation on WHS and answered lots of questions. We also discussed competition for 2022 and if there should be any changes as the take up was so poor in 2021. Most people thought this was due to Covid and entries would improve in 2022, so we were asked just to run the same competitions in 2022.

Competitions

Bucks Shield final is on 10th Oct at Ellesborough between Gerrards Cross and Chartridge Park.

Interclub Foursomes is on 14th October at Lambourne.

Knockout finals are on 18th and 24th October at Burnham Beeches.

Summer leagues are almost finished.

Winter leagues are down in entries and there will only be 2 divisions for winter 2021/22.

The winter foursomes has 32 entries and has been drawn.

All the trophies have been collected and some have been repaired. It was agreed to put 'NOT PLAYED' for the 2020 winner when the trophy was not played rather than just missing out the year.

First Team

National Finals was held at Denham from 17th to 19th September. It was a great experience and Denham were excellent hosts. The team played well, but the opposition were very strong and we finished in 4th place. Full report is on the web site.

Thanks to all the supporters that came along to watch – we had some good crowds for some of the matches, but we were rather disappointed that more people did not come along to support. This was probably the only time Bucks will be playing in National Finals in our home county, so it would have been nice to see a few more supporters.

Seniors

The Seniors County Championships was held on 21st July at The Buckinghamshire. Although it was a very hot day, The Buckinghamshire looked after us very well and all the players commented that they would like to return to the venue next year.

All the league matches have been completed and we ended up 3rd in the league.

Unfortunately both the spring and autumn seniors meetings were cancelled – spring because of lockdown and autumn as there were just not enough entries. We need to reinvigorate these events for 2022.

Second Team

The Second team only played their 2 league matches this year; all the friendlies were cancelled. The Midlands South Second Team Finals were on 26th August at The Vale (Worcs). We played Worcestershire & Herefordshire for 3rd & 4th places, and lost to a team made up of ,mostly home players.

We are looking at running some training sessions in the winter for second team and seniors to give a few more people the opportunity for county winter training.

Juniors

The Bucks juniors have had lots of success and played in lots of regional and national competitions.

Rosie Bee Kim and Olivia Lee finished in the top 5 at the English Girls U18 and Rosie went on to win the English Girls U14. Both girls have been invited to the England Girls training. Olivia played for England at the Home Internationals and Rosie played for GB&I at the Junior Vagliano.

We also have a number of girls who are going to selection for the England Golf Thames Valley Regional Squad.

The scratch team beat Berks and Oxon and went to the Midlands South Junior Team Scratch Finals. It was a very close match and ended up a tie with Worcestershire & Herefordshire.

We hosted the Midlands South Girls Championships at Beaconsfield. Unfortunately there was a clash with a couple of rearranged events, so the entry was fairly small but there was some excellent golf.

We have been able to hold all our competitions throughout the summer. Our county championship was held at The Buckinghamshire and the 2021 champion is Grace Rigby-Walden. Karchargis competitionentries were down this year, partly due to clashes with the competitions and holidays. We had 18 participate at Oakland Park.

The Intermediate Training with Tony Bowers has been patchy, again due to clashes with other events.

We relaunched the pre handicap fun days in July and are running these once a month either at Abbey Hill or Wycombe Heights.

Junior Captain for 2022 will be Georgia Lloyd from Buckingham.

England Golf

A working party is being set up to decide what should be done with the National Golf Centre at Woodhall Spa, which is a facility which belongs to all the EG members.

We are collecting stories/histories/anecdotes for the BCLGA centenary in 2023.

Next Meeting

The next exec meeting will be on Thursday 25th November via zoom.