



# HAMPSHIRE LADIES' COUNTY GOLF ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT OTTERBOURNE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY, 22<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER 2018 AT 2.00pm

**IN THE CHAIR:** Jackie Keay (Hartley Wintney), President

Jackie welcomed everyone and asked members to stand in remembrance of those who had died during the year:

Army	Maureen Hill, Sari Ash, Ginny West	
Bramshott Hill	Connie Farrow, Jenny Ellis	
Chilworth	Linda Pullen	
Cowes	Margaret Hall	
Barton-on-Sea	Jackie Andrews and from both B-o-S & Highcliffe	Joyce Rennie
Burley	Di Scaife	
Hayling	Rhoda Atherton	
Hockley	Maggie Gerard, Julie Stubbings	
La Moye	Doreen Brammer, Ellen Baudet	
Lee-on-the-Solent	Lydia Crummey, Joy Plowright, Pauline Dickens	
Les Mielles	Madeline Clancy	
Liphook	Bettina Kinnear	
Meon Valley	Angela Taylor, Catherine O'Mahony	
New Forest	Jean Murray	
Royal Guernsey	Betty Mapley, Jean McCathie	
Royal Jersey	Judith Pountney and Mimsie Blampied	
Ryde	Audrey Cornforth	
Shanklin & Sandown	Pat Rowe	
Stoneham	Anthea Wilkinson	
Test Valley	Pat Spencer	
Tylney Park	Barbara Oliver	
Waterlooville	Jo Sloan and Mavis Thompson	
Wellow	Andra Insole	

Jackie then introduced other members of the Committee sitting at the top table:

Kay Walshe	(Hockley)	County Captain
Ann Younger	(Alresford)	Honorary Secretary
Judy Andrews	(Corhampton)	Honorary Treasurer

Jackie reminded the meeting that only Club Delegates could vote on behalf of their Clubs and then invited Ann Younger to convene the meeting.

- 1. APOLOGIES:** Apologies had been received from 29 members and at least 2 clubs.  
**PRESENT:** 32 Delegates and 47 members, 10 additional committee members were present.

### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting, having been circulated to all clubs, were taken as read and approved.

Proposed by: Eilean Cunningham (Army)      Seconded by: Carol Roe (Alresford)

Accepted unanimously on a show of cards and signed by President Jackie Keay.

### 3. MATTERS ARISING:

There were no matters arising

Jackie then asked Kay to give her Captain's report for the year including the Vice Captain's summary.

### 4. CAPTAIN'S REPORT: Kay Walshe (Hockley)

Madam President, Past Presidents, Past Captains, Delegates, ladies

Thank you for coming to this year's AGM and your continued interest in and support of the Hampshire Ladies County Golf Association.

The season began with the Foursomes Championships at Hayling in May. It rained. Eventually rearranged for October we have new winners of this competition won (on countback) by Julie Cole of Romsey and Aimee Paterson of North Hants.

Moving on to Championship Week at Royal Jersey in May, a fantastic week which I know many of our members enjoyed. A bit breezy and a challenging opening hole, a par 5 with the sea to the right and a monstrous out of bounds fortification to the left. The Bronze Championships were played on the Tuesday with Kath Hickson Royal Jersey winning Division 1 and Carol Evans from Gosport and Stokes Bay Division 2. Sue Bults of Royal Jersey, won the Bowl, and Debbie Burrell of Weybrook Park the Salver, while Kerry Smith of Waterlooville won the Championship beating local girl Flora Keites. It was wonderful to see over 100 ladies walking the course watching and admiring the golf being played in the final. As people had stayed on Jersey for the week for many it was a realisation that Championship Week is just that, a week of competitive golf for every level of ability.

The mixed Greensomes played at Bramshaw in June this year are growing in popularity, now in its second year 34 pairs entered. Congratulations to the Romsey couple of Sara Barnes and husband Rod this year's winners.

The Centenary Foursomes were played at a new venue for us, Skylark in August. This was won by Kathryn McLaughlin and Jane Hendry from Alresford.

Kerry Smith Waterlooville won the Autumn Division 1 with best meeting and aggregate gross from championship week. This was played at Stoneham in October in a fog delayed nine-hole competition.

It is obvious that at every one of these competitions, Ladies Captains, green staff, catering staff and a whole host of volunteer starters, ball spotters and helpers work to show their club in its best light and we are fortunate to have good clubs with great courses who are willing to host so many and such a variety of events during the year.

I have not forgotten about Juniors, Seniors, Veterans or Knock Outs as their respective managers, captains and secretary will report on the golf that was played in those sections.

Our second team, ably managed by Debbie Tapply Vice Captain, was a strong squad and after winning our warm up match against Berkshire 9-0, were confident going into the matches playing for the Stovold Trophy

The match against Middlesex was played away at Wyke Green in July. Middlesex had 3 Wyke Green players in their team and this and the heat proved too much for us, the match result was a loss 5 ½ to 3 ½. A much better result for our home against Kent, we fought hard and pulled through to win the match by 6 ½ to 2 ½. Another away match, this time to Sussex, and despite many close matches, the overall result was a loss 5 ½ to 3 ½. We finished strongly in our last match against Surrey, winning 5/4. Congratulations to Surrey who won the Stovold Trophy this year. The second team was represented by Elaine Barrow, Julie Cole, Dawn Hodge, Becky Scott, Jane Scott, Sue Lewis, Gemma Duxfield, Sue Gale, Sarah Deacon and Jane Bennett.

I would like to thank everyone for their support whilst I have been 2<sup>nd</sup> team captain and to all the ladies who have played in the team over the past 2 seasons. We have a great squad, good luck to Jill next year and I'm sure we will lift the Stovold Trophy again soon!

I, on your behalf, thank Debbie for captaining the team for the past two years.

And so, onto the First Team.

A practice match against the men of Meon in March was won and a training day at Hockley was excellent practice as Gary Stubbington the resident professional took all players around the course discussing course management in preparation for County Match Week

After Championship Week on Jersey I named the first four players to join the squad these were Kerry Smith, Flora Keites, Sammi Keen and Danielle Burrell. I further invited Aimee Paterson, Louise Caplen, Beth Goater and I persuaded Chris Quinn and Helen Bailey to play in one foursomes match each. (They won and even admitted to enjoying the experience)

Day 1 Kent a win for us in the morning foursomes was followed up by 3 each in the afternoon singles. So, a good start and a 5-4 win. One point on the board.

Day 2 Sussex Oh dear. 3-0 in the morning to Sussex left us with a quiet lunchtime. Aimee and Raffi managed a win in the afternoon while Kerry won a valuable half. However, Sussex won 6 and a half to 2 and a half.

Day 3 Wednesday was our day off and reflecting society today most went back to work, However Debbie went to hospital and had her appendix removed.

Day 4 Thursday Surrey the eventual winners. A loss and two halved morning matches but only Kerry and Aimee managed singles wins in the afternoon. Match week was not going our way. 6-3 to Surrey.

Day 5 Friday Middlesex. Kerry Smith and Chris Quinn obviously determined not to be out on the course too long won their foursomes 6&4. 2-1 to us at lunch time and 4 singles wins in the afternoon meant we ended the week with a good win.

An overall finish of third place was disappointing on home ground after our overall win last year. It was great to see so many supporters and helpers around the course. To have played Hockley when the complaints were all about how hot it was rather unusual.

The team were a pleasure to be with showing great team spirit, support of one another and terrific good humour. Next year Middlesex are the hosts at Hendon GC.

England Golf has been advising Counties to look at the benefits of being incorporated to avoid liability falling on committee members. As a county association, we are owned by the members (you) and run by mainly elected officers. The main difference in incorporating is that the county will have a separate legal identity and therefore legal protection for the executive and its members. The type of company being considered is known as a company limited by guarantee.

We will keep you updated on progress and if we decide that it would be in the best interests of our organisation to go ahead with incorporation we will share all the information with you. This would include details such as costs, including one off legal fees, ongoing financial costs and the constitution of the Board. Nothing can go ahead without the agreement of the members and any such change will need to be voted on by delegates at a further meeting. Nothing will change for the members; the basic structure of our association will remain the same and all competitions will continue to be run the same.

The Junior Academies have been held again this year with Kevin Flynn, Malcolm Scott and Chris Geary the pros coaching the girls. Jane Shergold has coordinated the programme and some lovely golfers are coming through. When they get a bit older, taller and stronger there will be some good players. The season ended with a 9-hole scramble at Ampfield followed by the obligatory sandwiches and chips. Volunteer shepherds escorted the girls around and everyone had congratulations, praise and a prize.

The girls gave Malcolm a large box of chocolates as a thank you although the little one I asked to hand them over did ask me if she had to give him all of them. Particular thanks must go to Jane Shergold whose original idea this was and whose enthusiasm and organisational skills have seen the programme grow from strength to strength.

Fortunately, Hannah Holloway is changing roles on the executive and will take on the position of Junior Organiser while her role of Press Officer is being divided up between several volunteers.

I am very fortunate to have inherited an extremely hard-working Committee and would like to thank them all for the professional way they have carried out their voluntary roles. I will particularly mention Ann Younger and Judy Andrews as stalwart servants of the Association

It is difficult to single out individuals but I am going to risk offending many by mentioning two.

Firstly, a player Kerry Smith has Hampshire running through her veins. She can't understand any able golfer who chooses to do something else when her county needs her. A lady of few words, Kerry often communicated with me by text making sensible and wise suggestions. I really appreciated her tact never insistent but always thinking and always willing to discuss strategy or tactics, Thank you to Kerry.

Secondly, I have been fortunate that Jackie Keay has been our President during my time as Vice Captain and Captain. She was always there with a calming encouraging word and if asked for it, sound advice. I have appreciated being able to turn to Jackie and I have done so on many an occasion during the last 2 years. Thank you.

Finally thank you ladies for being Hampshire, to the delegates for informing your clubs of what is available for them, for all of you for supporting your teams and for the support and good humour that I have met at all events.

It is now my pleasure to invite Debbie Tapply to come forward to receive the Captains Badge and to take up the position of Captain of the Hampshire Ladies County Golf Association.

Debbie accepted her badge and said a few words. She then introduced her Vice-Captain Jill England from Meon Valley and handed over the Vice Captain's badge to Jill

Louise Caplen of Stoneham and member of the 1<sup>st</sup> team then was asked to present Kay with her enormous leaving gift and made a good speech about Kay and her leadership over the past years.

## 5. HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT: Ann Younger (Alresford)

Madam President, Lady Captain and Ladies.

2018 was a good season for Hampshire golf events. Well apart from the downpour at Hayling, the intense heat for 3 months and the fog at Barton and Stoneham we had perfect playing conditions

### ALL THE 2019 FIXTURES HAVE BEEN ON THE WEBSITE FOR MANY MONTHS NOW AND SOME of 2020.

As a prompt, County Championships are at Hockley in 2019, Liphook in 2020 and we are off abroad again in 2021 to Shanklin & Sandown, partly as a thank you to all the IOW ladies who continue to support events on the mainland in good numbers.

A highlight of 2018 was going to Royal Jersey for this year's event and for all of us who went for either the 5 days or less or longer for some who had an extended holiday, it was a terrific week with an excellent final between Flora and Kerry. My thanks to Juanita Adlington for all her help with encouraging the Jersey ladies to enter and hopefully they and the other CI ladies will now consider coming over in greater numbers for Hockley and beyond. Indeed, well done to Lesley Gales & Lindsey Wherry from Royal Jersey who travelled over for the Centenary Foursomes and young Anabelle Lucas-Villar from Royal Jersey who attended the Junior Autumn meeting last month.

Ann gave Kay Walshe a small memento, which she hopes will be a reminder of County Championship Week 2018 on Jersey.

I will send the 2019 flyer which explains all the events for you to pin on noticeboards for all your ladies to see. Without singing out all the numbers, the entries into competitions for this year compared with previous years all looked good – I haven't in my 4 years, had to resort to balloting ladies out at any event, as I heard happened in years prior. However, this may be necessary for the Seniors' Championship in 2019 if the rumours I am hearing are true?

This is a long day but thought successful this year when we introduced the stableford for Bronze players and had two competitions and presentations. Still had 88 playing in the afternoon session and I am loathed to stop anyone playing, so maybe we should see how the new rules introduced on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019 may speed up play with ready golf, 3-minute search time, flagstick left in hole, new dropping procedures etc help. We may consider also reversing the order of play and have the stableford in the afternoon.

Please remember that Di and Jackie are holding two rule sessions at Dummer and Cams next week – limited places available, so see one or other afterwards and PLEASE REPLY to the email I sent you in October.

Entry forms will appear on the website in January with the 2 club comps of Hull Shield and Centenary appearing later and again on-line. I will speak for Judy too here and say workload seems to be increasing on the admin side or number of events are going up or weeks are shrinking but we are both very fortunate to have Kathryn McLaughlin volunteer to help us in 2019 with entry forms and input to the infamous Intelligentgolf, which takes up an unrealistic amount of our time. More volunteers always welcome to help me so please get in touch with me especially if your club is holding an event in 2019 as I find help from inside an enormous benefit. So, on that note I just want to wrap up the 2018 season with some thanks.

I would like to thank all the Lady Captains and their ladies and the club delegates who helped so graciously and willingly throughout the year at all the events making my day easier, well except at Hayling in May and Stoneham in October!! Pam Mullins at Hayling had no control over the driving rain and wind on Mayday at Hayling and I started to feel guilty about sending all out. My thanks to Angie McMillan for her help then and at the re-run in October. And my apologies to all who got soaked.

Royal Jersey was a delight later in the month for Championship week and my thanks to LC Shelagh Herbert and Denise Campbell one of the referees who assisted Di and Jackie all week.

Veterans' Championship at Barton did not quite go to plan with swirling fog playing havoc with scheduling and play but my thanks to Liz Eady and LC Sandy Jones for their invaluable advice.

We held the second Mixed event with HGU in June at Bramshaw and talking ballots this may well be a case for getting in early next year at Rowlands as up from 14 to 34 pairs and I think 50 may be a limit? We shall see but a hugely popular event and a very relaxed and friendly one too so get asking your partners soonish.

Thanks to the wonderful Kate Ratcliffe and her husband Howard and VC Julia Downton at this event and again in July for the Seniors' at Bramshaw and to Dorothy Shore and the army of Bramshaw ladies out on the course marshalling which was a great help.

We went to Wellow in July too for a visit after a period away for the Foursomes Meeting on a hot day and a fearsome accident on M3 causing some ladies a very tortuous and delayed journey in the morning. Thanks to all for their patience and to Jo and Jan from Blacknest who were willing to drop down the order and wait. Sue Wren, Maggie Morgan and all the Wellow ladies were so helpful and welcoming so we are returning there again in 2019 for the Hull Shield.

This year's Hull was at Waterlooville on another stinking hot day; it's a magnificent course and big, big thanks to Kerry Smith who ran the whole show! She beat me there in the morning, had lined up all the helpers, set tables up, organised the sweep, refreshments, moved my table after registration, complained she wasn't playing and then disappeared into the kitchen and prepared a meal for 90. Well done to Corhampton pair Tammy Andrews ex Botley and Liz Butler. **We could do with more playing in this event next year as has a small field of just 36 clubs. Please report back to your committees or LCs for 2019 make sure**

you nominate 2 players for this our oldest trophy with origins dating back to 1907. I know it's a difficult format to get both your players playing well on the same day in medal but if you don't enter, you'll never be in with a chance and Wellow should be a fair test.

Skylark hosted the Centenary Foursomes their first HLCGA event and was a great success for Alresford pair Jane Hendry and my friend Kathryn McLaughlin (ex Botley) and my thanks to Director of Golf there Angie Jennings and the lovely Simon Bell-Tye ex of Botley green staff. A good field of 44 clubs represented but could have more and I do urge all clubs to hold qualifying event for this event next year so schedule a day in May, June or July as the final is at Brokenhurst Manor GC end of August in 2019.

A good turnout for Autumn Div 2 this year after sparse numbers in previous years with 59 entries. My thanks to LC Jane O'Hara, Vice Lindsay Dolphin and delegate Karen Sprunt for their hard work and assistance. Next year this will become a stableford at Romsey and so will the Bronze Championship at Hockley so maybe an increase in those wishing to play stableford rather than medal?

The Autumn Division 1 meeting at Stoneham was a disappointment with the fog delaying procedures but my thanks to Carol Hopper and Louise Caplen for their help. Really sad as a large field of 96 entered but curtailed to a 9-hole competition.

My thanks go to you all for accepting the changes I make to start sheets and for being so accommodating. To all you delegate for interpreting my now professional looking emails (courtesy of Hannah!) and continuing to inform your ladies and for doing the sterling work you do in spreading the word and keeping Hampshire ladies golf thriving. I am very grateful.

Please all do take back to your club secretaries and general managers my thanks for all their assistance before and on the days of competitions; it is very generous of clubs to let us have these marvellous courses and there is an equally great line up for 2019.

I help run some of the Junior events and this year we had a new Spring meeting at Lee in soggy April but which became Hockley on a beautiful day. My thanks to their lady captain a true star and lovely lady June Glasspell for starting the girls off.

Their Championship and Douglas Cup was at Barton who were hosts again. We will be moving this to just before schools finish in July as just not getting the numbers playing so hope the little darlings are still around and not on holiday.

The big event as far as I am concerned is the annual Alresford Cup where 8 or 9 counties bring teams of 6 girls to play each other. This is a wonderfully devised competition and my thanks to Mary Rook for continuing to make it a great day with all her pink ladies from Alresford shepherding and to Jenny Hutchinson our volunteer organiser. Long may this event run with the help of Malcolm & Jane Scott, Mary Panter and Sue Masser.

The Autumn Meeting is another one that is going to move to earlier in October as holidays taken at half term decimates the field. This year at Cams Isabel Kent and Sally Bradbury were wonderful help.

Next year Hampshire play host to the EG SR Australian Spoons Final at Basingstoke on 4<sup>th</sup> July and I hope as it is on home turf a lot of you will enter a pair from your club. We can take a maximum number of 64 pairs and Kent, Surrey, Sussex and Middlesex will be sending teams. Its Foursomes for handicaps 15 and over; please see the EG website for more information and I shall put similar on the website before the new year.

Other SR competitions are

Medal Final, or Bridgestone Chase Your Dream at GUILDFORD GC SURREY on 29th May

CMW at Hendon GC MIDDLESEX on 24-28th June

(All Age) EG SR Women's & Girls' Championship at Rochester & Cobham GC, KENT on Thursday 25th July

And JCMW in SUSSEX at Haywards Heath 12-15 August

ALRESFORD CUP Alresford GC Sunday 29th September

Thanks to you who write to me! It is very good to hear from you especially since GDPR came into being and everyone is now so paranoid about their privacy, data protection and risk of being hacked/cloned or whatever. All I can say is thank goodness we are part of a larger community in the EU which is understanding to the way we conduct ourselves and we are not subject to any other silly rules/laws forced on us from some remote beaucocratic assembly! Oh, sorry these are notes for a rally I am attending later!

Thanks to my fellow committee members for their help throughout the year and special thanks to the special few especially for their invaluable advice and direction

Finally. Next year's AGM will be held here on Thursday 28th November 2019. I know clashes are inevitable but if you could factor in this date and all the 2019 dates when arranging your own club competitions then you wouldn't miss out on such an entertaining afternoon like this next year

Any questions please ask now but not on Brexit.

There were no questions and Jackie thanked Ann for her report, her tremendous enthusiasm and commented that Ann does a huge amount of work for the County.

## **6. HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT: Judy Andrews**

Madam President, Lady Captain, Ladies

I present the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018 which have been independently reviewed and have been circulated to delegates.

You will see from the income and expenditure account that we made a loss this year, which in itself is no bad thing since our level of reserves has been increasing over the years and should really not be so high for a non-profit making organisation. Ideally reserves should be maintained at a year's worth of expenditure and we are currently at two years.

I will attempt to explain the major differences from both last year and the budget.

Affiliation fees are down from last year by nearly £5,000. This is due to 2017 showing anomalies on the change to real-time collection and 2018 being lower than budget due to late payers. Since these accounts we have already received another £500 with more to come.

County card income is the same as last year but £2,000 down from the budget. You may remember from last year's report that I said HGU are looking at a new system whereby everyone will automatically receive a card. If this is ratified at the HGU AGM next month, the change will be implemented from 2020. The ladies have agreed to this system but will not be putting up the affiliation fee to cover the cost. Therefore, we will lose this additional income until the time comes where we need to increase the affiliation fee.

Club and County competitions continue to be well supported. With the championships being held in Jersey, the entry fees were down by £1,000 and the expenditure up by £3,000, so the overall loss was £2,000 higher than budgeted. Since we only travel to the Channel Islands once every 10 years, this is acceptable. The entry fees for next year will increase to £60 for all Foursomes competitions and £30 for all individual competitions with the exception of championships which will be £17.50.

Juniors – The grants obtained from England Golf for the academy programme, has been reduced by half so income shows as £3,000 lower than last year, however we continue to be committed to this programme, to get more girls into golf. No additional sponsorship was secured this year but our grateful thanks continue to go to those clubs who support the training of the performance squad girls and these clubs are listed in note 4. Overall the expenditure outlaid on the juniors was £3,000 higher than budgeted.

First team costs may look lower than last year, but 2017 included £4,500 costs for reaching County Finals at Felixstowe. There was no such cost this year. The additional costs of £3,000 are for training and clothing. See note 10 for the detail.

One bursary was paid this year amounting to £500.

Honoraria is a new cost this year. We agreed at the executive meeting last November to re-instate this reward to the Secretary and Treasurer on a discretionary basis to be reviewed each year. It was something that was last paid over 12 years ago.

I hope this explains everything to your satisfaction, but if anyone wants any more information, please ask.

Jackie asked for a proposer and seconder to accept these accounts

Proposed by: Connie Huntington (Shanklin & Sandown)      Seconded by: Catherine Hargaden (Rowlands Castle)

Accepted unanimously on a show of cards. Jackie thanked Judy for her professional approach and presenting the Accounts so well.

## **7. JUNIOR TEAM MANAGER'S REPORT: Marc Dack** Read by Hannah Holloway in Marc's absence

Another year passes and another year of learning for me and the Performance Squad!

As you may remember in my report last year, the plan has been for a structure change and tweak to the pathway the girls take in the county scene. County Coach, Kevin Flynn and I have been discussing and planning the structure in depth and last week the ideas and new structure was presented to the Development Squad Players, parents, committee members and guests.

The main changes we propose, is to introduce an Academy Team and Squad which will sit underneath the Performance squad. The Academy team will be made up from selected girls from the 4 Academy centres. Initially it will not be a heavy programme but fully envisage matches and training days taking place throughout next season. The ultimate goal is to produce a consistent funnel of girls and talent into the performance squad.

The performance squad itself will be split into an A and B groups, this will enable Kevin and the coaches to potentially work and accelerate the girls with players of their suited ability.

A frustration of the past couple of years, and a few years before as a parent, was seeing multiple girls leave the junior ranks and not being involved with the county again. With this in mind, it is my intention to introduce an Under 25 team.

Granted, a fair few of the girls go off to University and work full time, but by introducing an Under 25 team we are hoping to keep the groups together in some capacity. I have spoken to quite a few girls that have left the ranks over the last 5 or 6 years, some still playing some not. All have shown an interest in playing together again, rekindling the old friendships and having some fun.

From this, I am hoping it will get the competitive juices flowing again. These girls that have left, in theory, should be filling the ladies 2<sup>nd</sup> team and pushing on to the 1<sup>st</sup> team.

With the correct help and management team, this could be a start of re-engaging some serious talent back into the senior ranks.

The Competition year was a success, we are slowly moving the main Junior County comps to school term weekends. Hopefully allowing more girls to play opposed to being away on family holidays.

With the main junior Championships moved to July, this allowed us to hold the New Spring Cup in April at Hockley. It's great to have another Competition in the diary along with the Autumn Meet.

As I have just mentioned, the County Champs and Douglas Cup were held on a scorching July Sunday at Barton on Sea. The golf matched the conditions and it was a great day.

The Douglas Cup, for girls with 20 and above handicaps, was won by Millie Jonathan from Meon Valley.

Nett Winner was Ellie Mans on her home course, and this Year's County Champion was Charlotte Dack from Meon Valley.

We also reintroduced the order of merit this year, tailored around the 3 main county competitions and 3 Junior Opens.

Junior County Match week was held at Bush Hill, Middlesex.

It was a great week, with a superb bunch of girls. The team was made up of a few seasoned pros and 3 young rookies. The plan was to take these 3 girls for experience but they certainly played their part in bringing home points and performing way beyond expectations. Helped by a great team spirit off the course.

We left Bush Hill with 2 wins and 2 defeats, a huge superb effort by the team. This was cemented with a very creditable 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the Alresford Cup in September.

On to Haywards Heath and Sussex next year with a new team.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following girls who we lose to age for their service to Hampshire Junior Golf.

Amelia Williams – Royal Winchester

Katie Biddlecombe – Romsey

Ciara Stocks – Royal Winchester

Flora Keites – Royal Jersey

And finally, our Captain Beth Goater from Hockley, see you girls next season in the under 25s!

Beth Gave a lovely speech at last week's training day and presentation and like the other girls has been a credit to the County. Part of Beth's speech was to introduce next year's captain, Charlotte Dack, who kindly has accepted the position.

On a personal note I would to thank all the ladies of the committee for their continued support, to Ann Younger for her patience and guidance with her hard work with the competitions, finally to Captain Kay and President Jackie, thank you so much for your help and support over the last 2 seasons.

I am very much looking forward to next season with the exciting changes and working closely with Debbie, Jill, Chris and especially the new CJO.

Jackie thanked Marc for stepping into the breach and for producing 1<sup>st</sup> team players of the future

## **8. VETERANS' CAPTAIN'S REPORT: Linda Eales (Corhampton)**

Madam President, Past Presidents, Lady Captain, Ladies

The HLCGA Veterans have played 5 matches during 2018.

We lost 1 match against Dorset which was played at Knighton Heath GC on a very hot day.

For our annual trip over to the IOW we managed to draw the match which was played at Osborne GC. We won our other 3 matches the first being against Wiltshire at Corhampton GC. The second played at Basingstoke GC. against Berkshire and the third against Sussex at Ham Manor GC. So overall lost 1 drew 1 won 3 which is a reasonably good result. Unfortunately, we had to cancel our match against Somerset the original date that had been agreed the previous year had been changed without my knowledge. I only realised this a week before the match was due to be played – I was offered other dates but they were not suitable. I apologise to our team members who had to cancel their travel arrangements to Minehead at short notice although some ladies did say that they were quite pleased not to have to travel that far for the match.

The HLCGA Veterans' Championship was held this year at Barton-on-Sea GC on Stroller & Needles courses. The day started out being very misty and foggy which meant a delayed start. The Bronze division had 27 Ladies playing in a stableford competition. There were some good scores the best being 36 points from LAUNA KIRK of Sandford Springs GC. The Super Seventy competition was won by SUSAN MUNDY of Rowlands Castle with 33 points. The Division 2 competition was a Medal for handicaps 17-20 there were also 27 Ladies playing in this too. The Gross winner with a score of 91 was ANGELA BARNETT of Brokenhurst Manor. The Division 1 Medal competition for handicaps 0 – 16 had 26 ladies playing. AILSA FRASER from Army GC came in with 79 being the best Gross score. This year's Champion was Jacqueline Griffin of Bramshaw with a score of 71. Congratulations to All 80 Ladies who played and coped with the misty conditions. Many thanks to Barton on Sea GC for letting us hold the Championship there. Next year's event is due to be held at Corhampton GC so hopefully we will have a good number of entries once again

I would like to thank all the Ladies who applied to play in our friendly inter-county matches and I received 63 on-line forms and everyone who was available had a match to play in. There were 21 Hampshire Golf Clubs represented and it would be good to see more Clubs represented. The application form and venues for next year's matches will be on the website before the end of this year.

I would also like to thank Basingstoke GC and Corhampton GC for hosting our 2 home matches this year. Everyone enjoyed playing on the courses and thought the food after the matches was very good too. We have some interesting courses for our matches next year and hope to see some of you then.

Jackie thanked Linda and commented how everyone is getting older and so eligible to play in Linda's team!

## **9. SENIORS' CAPTAIN'S REPORT: Elaine Barrow (Brokenhurst Manor)**

Good Afternoon Ladies. This is my second and final year as Seniors Captain. What a fantastic year we have had!

Our season begins with a friendly against the Guernsey Ladies in April. We welcomed the ladies to Brokenhurst Manor Golf Club on a very wet day. With torrential rain over the previous week, most courses were shut. The greenkeeper Kevan Glass and his team were amazing and squeegeed the greens before we went out. The format was changed to 4BBB and despite the rain everyone enjoyed the game and hospitality of Brokenhurst Manor.

We had two further friendlies. We played Surrey at the Drift Golf Club in June and Sussex at Goodwood Golf Club in August, in glorious sunshine. These matches gave some of the higher handicap ladies an opportunity to play. Overall, we won 2 matches and halved the other match.

I am thrilled that Hampshire has won the Seniors Intercounty League 2018. Representing Hampshire were Chris Quinn, Jenny Deeley, Helen Bailey, Elaine Barrow, Di Oram, Julie Cole, Gemma Duxfield, Dierdre Randall, Ailsa Fraser, Jane Shergold, Sue Poulter, Judie Lewis and Debbie Tapply. A big 'Thank you' to the ladies from Southwood Golf Club who have kindly donated a salver to recognise our success this year.

In April, some of our Hampshire Seniors travelled to France and played at 'Golf de Biarritz le Phare'. Congratulations to Jane Bennett from Lee-on-the-Solent who won the 'Coupe STC'.

Thank you to Bramshaw Golf Club for hosting our Senior Championship this year. Congratulations to Di Oram who is our Senior Champion, Judy McLaughlin who is our Senior Nett Champion and Jackie Clarke who is our Bronze Champion. Personally, I would like to thank all the ladies who stayed behind for the presentation especially as we were all keen to watch England in the semi-finals of the Football World Cup.

Our last event for this year is the Intercounty Seniors where ten counties compete. This year the team travelled to Highgate in Middlesex. Representing Hampshire was Chris Quinn, Elaine Barrow, Julie Cole and Gemma Duxfield. Hampshire finished runners up, by one shot. We were so close!

It has been a great honour and I have thoroughly enjoyed my two years as Hampshire Ladies Senior Captain. I am very pleased that Gemma Duxfield has agreed to be the incoming Captain and I wish her a fantastic Captaincy.



Please remember to remind all ladies who have reached the age of 50 to let Gemma know if they would like to be considered for team selection. All ladies are eligible to play as soon as they celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> birthday. The fixture dates for 2019 are now available on the Hampshire Ladies website.

Jackie congratulated Elaine on a very successful 2 years in the post.

#### **9a. SAFEGUARDING OFFICER'S REPORT: Catherine Hargaden (Rowlands Castle)**

Catherine made everyone aware of new dates issued that morning from David Wheeler (HGU) for forthcoming presentations:

16th December at Eversley Cricket Club, RG27 0NS, 09.00-12.00

17th December at Fareham Academy, PO14 1JJ 18.30-21.30

18th December at Southampton Gym, SO16 9AR, 18.30-21.30

14th January at Southampton Gym, SO16 9AR, 18.30-21.30

15th January at Fareham Academy, PO14 1JJ 18.30-21.30

Cost £37.50pp This workshop will raise your awareness of the tell-tale signs of abuse and give you the tools and confidence you need to deal with any issues sensitively, appropriately and effectively should the need ever arise in your coaching career.

For more information or to book your place email [lifelinecourses@gmail.com](mailto:lifelinecourses@gmail.com) or call 01202 470715

#### **Multi-Sport Time to Listen Workshop (Safeguarding)**

This workshop will build on your safeguarding awareness and answer any questions you have. It gives you the opportunity to discuss any challenges or issues that you may have experienced.

Course date: 06/12/18 at Sparsholt College, Winchester Cost £30.00pp

Book your space by completing the booking form found at [www.energiseme.org/courses/multi-sport-time-to-listen-workshop-safeguarding](http://www.energiseme.org/courses/multi-sport-time-to-listen-workshop-safeguarding)

Catherine encouraged anyone managing, coaching or accompanying juniors to try to attend. These courses are based on the NSPCC one and are not only for the protection of the child but for the protection of adults too.

Catherine went on to say that the updated HLCGA Safeguarding Policy will be on the website in the new year.

#### **10. KNOCKOUT COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT: Jill England (Meon Valley)**

Yet another year has flown by with this season appearing even shorter given the late start we had due to the prolonged bad weather in the Spring. However, following numerous postponements, and queries about acceptable course conditions, the 3 knockout competitions got into full flow in May after which we enjoyed our best summer for a number of years and all matches were completed in good time ahead of the various finals days.

So, to the 3 competitions: -

The first finals day was the **North Hants Trophy** on Monday 3rd September. A glorious sunny day at Brokenhurst Manor Golf Club saw old friendships and rivalries renewed as strong teams from Basingstoke, Hockley, Romsey and Alresford, together with the Plate finalists Army and Stoneham, locked horns for what was to be a great day of scratch golf. Hockley and Romsey were victorious in their respective Trophy semi-final matches so progressed to the afternoon final. There was more great scratch golf in the afternoon where Hockley proved just too strong for Romsey and were crowned 2018 North Hants Trophy winners.

The North Hants Plate final was won by Army who beat Stoneham in a closely fought match.

The **Knight Cup** finals followed shortly after and saw Alresford Golf Club host pairs from Burley, Osborne, Oak Park and South Winchester. The morning semi-finals were closely fought affairs with Burley and South Winchester both winning their matches on the 18<sup>th</sup>. In the afternoon final South Winchester were fast out of the blocks and took early control which they never let slip. Despite great efforts by Burley they were unable to make a comeback and the match finished on the 13<sup>th</sup> with a convincing 6&5 win to give South Winchester the Knight Cup trophy for 2018.

So, to **Stoneham Cup** finals day at Meon Valley Golf Club on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Teams from Hockley, Romsey, Royal Winchester and Army arrived early to be greeted by a light frost, giving the green staff something extra to think about in preparing the course. With the North Hants Trophy already secured Hockley were hoping to add to their trophy cabinet but unfortunately for them they came up against a determined Romsey team who proved too strong on the day. In the other semi-final Army were looking to defend the trophy they had won 12 months ago and it was to be a close, hard fought battle with Royal Winchester. However, it wasn't to be and Royal Winchester progressed to meet Romsey in the final. The final proved to be a very exciting affair with Romsey taking early control followed by a Royal Winchester fightback. With the score standing at 3 – 2 to Romsey the final 2 matches went to extra holes. The light was fading rapidly as match number 6 made their way down the 20<sup>th</sup> before Romsey managed to clinch victory in match 7 where the Romsey player sank a birdie putt on her first extra hole.

Congratulations to all our 2018 finalists and particularly our winners.

Before finishing I have a few thanks. Firstly, to all the clubs who have kindly granted us courtesy of their courses for the various finals' days. As always, we have been made to feel so welcome and the support from the Club Secretaries, Lady Captains together with their members who have helped out ball spotting, starting etc has all been very much appreciated. Thank you also to all the competing clubs for your support and co-operation, especially in the early part of the season with the problems caused by the bad weather. Finally, a big thank you to Di Stock and Jackie Keay who have given up their time organising the referees and also refereeing themselves on each of the days.

Draws for the 2019 competitions were handed out at the October Delegates Meeting and also appear on the website. I wish you all the very best of luck in next year's competitions.

## 11. PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES

Jackie Keay and Jill England then presented the Inter-Club Knockout Trophies

Knight Cup:	Winners – South Winchester	Runners-up – Burley
North Hants Trophy:	Winners – Hockley	Runners-up - Romsey
North Hants Plate:	Winners - Army	Runners-up – Stoneham
Stoneham Cup:	Winners – Romsey	Runners-up – Royal Winchester

## 12. VOTE OF THANKS given by Sara Barnes from Romsey

Madam President, Lady Captain, Ladies,

On behalf of all participating clubs, I thank Jill England for her hard work as Knockout Competition Secretary.

Jill, the committee and your team of volunteers, thank you for giving up your precious time so that we can all enjoy competitive golf right across the County.

The Stoneham Cup has been going for 104 years now .....

Romsey's team has been delighted be involved in the final day 4 times in the last 5 years and to have won the cup on 3 of those occasions ... it took us a long time from 1953, which was when we had our last success! I am thrilled to be standing here again in 2018.

Already, we are looking forward to our matches next year; matches which are played in great spirit, and from which we make great friends.

Thank you once again from all the knockout participants - past, present and future.

## 13. AMENDMENTS TO HLCGA RULES

Jackie explained how the following minor changes are necessary to update the rules:

Rule 8d) amended from:

The Channel Islands Representative shall be elected alternately **from** each Island (Guernsey to include Alderney) by the Channel Islands' Affiliated Clubs.

to: 'shall be elected alternately **by** each Island....'

This one word change will retain the current system whereby the choice of representative is made by alternate islands but will allow the representative to come from either island.

Proposer for acceptance Jackie Keay (Hartley Wintney) and Seconded by Kay Walshe (Hockley) and a show of cards from the Delegates was unanimously in favour

Secondly, an additional rule to include proxy votes

**Votes may be given either in person by the Delegate appointed in accordance with Rule 4e or by proxy. A proxy shall be appointed in writing. The notice appointing the proxy shall be delivered to the Secretary not later than seven days before the date of the Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting, whichever shall be appropriate.**

Our current Rules state that those eligible to vote are Delegates on behalf of their clubs, but does not specify that they have to be present. This proposal will correct this anomaly and allow all clubs to register a vote even if their delegate cannot be present in person at a General Meeting.

Proposer for acceptance of these rule changes Jackie Keay (Hartley Wintney) and Seconder Debbie Tapply (Rowlands Castle) Delegates accepted unanimously

These changes will now be reflected in HLCGA Rules dated Nov 2018

## 14. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Ann Younger announced the election of officers:

Seeking election for the posts of:

**County Junior Organiser – Hannah Holloway (Basingstoke)**

Proposed by: Judy Andrews

Seconded by: Di Stock

**Competition Knock Out Secretary – Judy Ames (Royal Winchester)**

Proposed by: Jill England

Seconded by: Linda Eales

Both were unopposed and unanimously elected

Seeking re-election for a further year:

**Honorary Secretary – Ann Younger (Alresford)**

Proposed by: Debbie Tapply

Seconded by: Hannah Holloway

**Hon Treasurer - Judy Andrews:**

Proposed by: Ann Younger

Seconded by: Catherine Hargaden

There being only one nominee for each post, Ann Younger and Judy Andrews are duly re-elected.

**CI Representative – Juanita Adlington (La Moye)**

The CI Affiliated Clubs have elected Juanita Adlington (from Jersey) as their representative to serve for 3 years.

**IOW Representative – Connie Huntington**

The IOW Affiliated Clubs have elected Connie Huntington (Shanklin & Sandown) as their representative to serve for a further 3 years.

Jackie thanked all volunteers who give their time so generously

She continued saying it has been a privilege and honour to have served as the Association's President and I would like to personally thanks Kay and the committee for all the hard work and time given which has ensured the smooth and efficient running of all events for the benefit of all members. It now gives me great pleasure to introduce the Past Presidents' nomination and your County President for the next 3 years, Chris Quinn from Hockley, and invite her to come up and receive her badge of office!

Chris accepted and presented Jackie with her Past President's Badge

Chris went on to say she was extremely honoured to accept the position and will get to as many events and matches as she can. She has played for Hampshire 1<sup>st</sup> team and Seniors over the past 44 years but sadly never made the Junior team and played for another county 4 years prior to this.

Kay then thanked Jackie on behalf of the County for all her years of service with a brief tribute.

Jackie was Captain in 2004/5 and has a wealth of experience in being an England Golf course assessor. She recently attended international training in course rating in Austria as part of the England Golf team. The team of four came top in their assessment out of 70 teams. Jackie will also be found sitting in a buggy in all weathers refereeing at most of our events and I have seen and learnt that the first thing to do is reach for the rule book even if you do know the rules inside out. Jackie can already explain the new rules coming in in January 2019 and can explain how the new handicap system will work in 2020. However, she wears her expertise lightly and only shares her knowledge when it is needed.

Jackie on behalf of Hampshire Ladies County Golf Association, thank you. Kay then presented Jackie with her leaving gift and Jackie thanked everyone again.

There being no further business Jackie closed the meeting at 3.20pm

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ PRESIDENT

DATED \_\_\_\_\_