



Stoneham won the Bowl and Bridget Moore won the Salver. We had a great entry for the Championship, which was won once again by Kerry Smith, with Louise Caplan having to settle for the runners up place.

The mixed Greensomes, played at Rowlands Castle, is growing in popularity, with entry numbers increasing each year. This year's winners were Rowlands members, mother and son, Jan & Mark Ostrom.

Kerry Smith from Waterlooville won the Autumn Div 1 meeting and Aggregate Gross and Tammy Andrews, Corhampton, the meeting and Aggregate Nett.

Christine Richardson from Rowlands Castle won the Autumn meeting Div 2, with Amanda Rowley from Royal Winchester winning the gross Aggregate and Vaneshrie Moodley, also from Royal Winchester, winning the nett Aggregate.

The foursomes meeting, played at Dummer, was won by Meon pair, Jenny Readman and Nicole Jones, the Centenary Foursomes played at Brokenhurst won by Hayling Islands Barbara Wareham and Liz Styles and the Hull Shield played at Wellow won by the Meon pair, Sally Barter and Myra Ormiston.

IOW Champion this year is Sammi Keen and Rochelle Vaudin from Royal Guernsey is the Channel Islands Champion.

Congratulations to all the winners and players. At every one of our competitions Lady Captains, green staff, catering staff and a host of volunteer starters and helpers work to show their club in its best light and we are very fortunate to have good clubs and great courses willing to host our events during the year.

I have not mentioned the Juniors, Seniors, Veterans or Knockouts as their respective Captains and managers will report on these later.

Now on to the 2<sup>nd</sup> team and Vice-Captain, Jill England, reports:

Our traditional warm up match against Berkshire, this year played at Temple Golf Club, resulted in a narrow 5 / 4 defeat but was a good opportunity to get a number of the squad together in preparation for the season ahead.

The Stovold Trophy matches started with a home match against Sussex at Meon Valley GC in July. A tight affair in which we managed to squeeze out an impressive 5 / 4 win. Our second match was against trophy holders Surrey at West Surrey GC. An exceptionally strong Surrey team proved too strong on the day and despite all our efforts Surrey won 6 ½ to 2 ½. We therefore went to Knole Park to play Kent knowing nothing but a win would keep us in with a chance of winning the Stovold Trophy. A 6 ½ to 2 ½ win kept that dream alive and so off to Hartley Wintney to play our final match against Middlesex. A fantastic 7 ½ to 1 ½ win meant we had won 3 and lost 1 of our 4 matches but unfortunately it wasn't quite enough. Surrey won all 4 of their matches and so retained the trophy they won last year. We did, however, manage runner up spot which was no mean feat and an improvement on the previous season. Congratulations therefore to Surrey but watch out, Hampshire will be after you next year!

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Team was represented by Becky Scott, Elaine Barrow, Sammi Keen, Sarah Deacon, Deirdre Randall, Aileen Simpson, Dawn Hodge, Jane Bennett, Tammy Andrews, Debbie Tapply, Jane Scott, Sue Poulter and Sue Lewis. Thank you to all of them for their support during the season and I look forward to the challenge of bringing the Stovold Trophy back to Hampshire next year.

Thanks Jill for all your hard work captaining the side and good luck in your quest to win the Stovold Trophy next year.

And so, on to the first team:

We had a couple of training sessions at Hockley, run by Gary Stubbington and Chris Kilgannon, with coaching on all aspects of the game and course management. We narrowly lost our practice match against the men of Meon but had good wins in our other 2 practice matches against Oxfordshire and Dorset.

County match week was in Middlesex at Hendon Golf Club and the squad representing Hampshire was Kerry Smith, Louise Caplan, Flora Keites, Aimee Paterson, Beth Shippin, Beth Goater, Danielle Burrell and Chris Quinn.

We got off to a great start against Middlesex on the first day, winning the morning foursomes 2/1 and followed on strongly in the afternoon winning the singles 4½ to 1½.

After Tuesday's rest day we faced Sussex on day 3. The morning foursomes didn't go our way and we lost by 2 matches to 1. It was a big ask to win 4 of the afternoon singles but the girls were up for the challenge and the overall result was a win to Hampshire by 5 matches to 4.

On Thursday we faced Surrey who had played every day and won all their matches so we knew we had to beat them to stand a chance of being overall winner. After the morning foursomes we were 2 / 1 down again so knew what we had to do. The girls gave their all and there were some close matches but we couldn't pull it off again and ending up losing the singles 4/2 and the match by 6 games to 3, meaning that Surrey were once again through to National Finals.

Our final match was against Kent on Friday. We fought hard but had nothing left in the tank and the match went the same as the previous day, losing by 6 games to 3.

Thanks to all those that travelled to Hendon to caddy and support. Next year Sussex are hosts at East Sussex National and we hope that as many of you as possible will be able to come and support.

We have run the junior academies again this year, thanks to pro coaches Kevin Flynn, Malcolm Scott and Chris Geary. The season ended with a 9-hole scramble at Ampfield, enjoyed by all. Hannah will fill you in about the success of the girls in the performance squad but I would like to mention Gemma Burgess and Hannah Helyer who have been selected for England regionals and to Lily Walker and Hannah Dymott who have both been selected as England Golfs New Young Ambassadors. Gemma Burgess and Lily Walker both qualified for the European Junior Open which took place in Spain this week. I would like to thank Marc Dack for all his efforts and support over the last 3 years in his role as Junior Team Manager. Marc is stepping down from this role and is leaving us with a terrific squad that he has built up during his term.

Congratulations to Lee on the Solent who won through 7 rounds of this year's Annodata competition to reach the Grand Final in Spain last weekend. Unfortunately, they lost in the final 3/2 to Shrewsbury but what a fantastic effort to get to the final.

A lot of our time over the last year has been taken up with incorporation and we have kept you informed with our progress as much as possible. In April we presented our plans to the delegates and asked that these be taken back to clubs for discussion and a vote online. Many thanks to all those clubs who voted, over 50% of clubs voted, and where all in favour of us proceeding. Since then we have engaged a company called Hybrid Legal to help us through this transition. The new company, Hampshire Ladies Golf, has been registered with Companies House, and the lawyers have drawn up the business transfer agreement to transfer our assets etc across to the new company at a future date. The working party has made some further amendments to the Articles of Association and amended our Association rules, to be the rules and regulations for the new company, in line with these articles. In order to proceed to the incorporation of HLCGA we will be asking all delegates to formally vote later in this meeting. We hope that this vote will go in our favour, 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.

I have been very fortunate to have an extremely hard-working committee and would like to say 'thank you' for all your hard work and input to make sure all our events have run smoothly. There is a large amount of behind the scenes work in getting these events set up and special thanks go to Ann Younger for all her organisation and to Di Stock and Jackie Keay, out on the buggies all day, helping with rulings and keeping the pace of play moving. Our safeguarding officer, Catherine Hargaden and our Veterans' Captain, Linda Eales are standing down and we shall be welcoming their successors later.

I wish all our members and clubs much success in next season's events and look forward to hearing again of more excellent achievements from our Hampshire players.

Chris thanked Debbie for her report and for her diligence in leading the team towards Incorporation'.

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

Madam President, Past Presidents, Lady Captain and Ladies.

2019 was another competition packed year and, like childbirth, I cannot remember much about it. I have 3 children, one husband and absolutely no memory left now!

An eventful year with new rules being introduced and handicap limits raised. EG moved the handicap top limit in Australian Spoons and Medal Final as did PING. I didn't realise that Ping had changed the name of Gainsborough to Thornock until I read the furore about their ladies wanting to ban junior girls to participate in their competitions last month. Shame on them indeed but PING quickly saw the error in this action and overturned the vote. Good job too otherwise I would be standing here today asking all Hampshire clubs to boycott the PING 4BBB competition. They may wish to revert to Gainsborough too. Bit like my husband's school in Southampton – so notoriously bad was it that it kept having to change its name too.

Talking Australian Spoons too, funnily enough I rather enjoyed this year's competition at Basingstoke in July but only 19 out of the 54 pairs entered were Hampshire clubs. Another low entry field was both the Centenary Foursomes with only 44 pairs out on the lovely Brok track and the Hull Shield with only 36 pairs in it at Wellow. I wonder how we can increase the fields in these good events for 2020?

I had help on the day at Royal Winchester for the first event of the year in early May the Foursomes Championship from Judy Ames who did a magnificent job ably helped by Alma. I landed early that morning from a wonderful holiday far, far away and after a quick turnaround sauntered into the clubhouse and pretended I had been there all day. RW is a great hosting club but a low field of 39 was disappointing but fab gammon!

The month before in April saw Mother & Daughter and Roehampton Gold Challenge Cup on same day 13th April. The former had 3 Hampshire pairs entered – Lyn & Kelly Travers (Alresford), Jane & Becky Scott (Alresford) and Vi Dolton & Di Oram (Basingstoke).

Most of my time in early 2019 was taken arranging the meeting for delegates at Sandford Springs to discuss Incorporation – a fruitful meeting and a good chance for all the delegates to get together and of course wise up on the facts – something you have heard about earlier from Debbie and will later today.

Hockley, as ever, was in magnificent condition for our week there in May during Championship week and good numbers in all the divisions played in good weather with only the Friday being a bit blowy.

Entries picked up in all of the other competitions for the rest of the year with the Veterans and Seniors again proving very popular topping the 90 and 100 mark. Again, I had help from fellow committee members Jill England, Linda Eales and Judy Andrews at Corhampton on D Day in June and Gemma and Rob Duxfield at Stoneham for the Seniors the following month. Goodness are we jinxed going to Stoneham – last year it was the fog and this year was 2 of the worst holdups on that infamous M27 causing most to a grinding halt. Well done for everyone taking part and persisting to struggle through all the chaos.

If your ladies (and men) haven't played yet in the Mixed Greensomes competition, introduced as a joint venture with the men of the Union a few years back, I urge you to do so next year at Stoneham in June when there will be no bad weather and the roads will flow perfectly! This is a great competition and growing in popularity and usually a lot of banter can be heard as couples chide each other. My husband is a Stoneham member and, as yet, is unaware that I intend to enter us both to play in it in 2020!

Autumn Meetings were well supported and especially gladdening to see the rise in ladies playing in the Bronze division one at Romsey with 45 entries and thanks to Julie Cole LC for all her help on the day and in keeping her husband and starter Gary in check. Our County Champion is Kerry Smith and she is also LC at Waterloo and again for the Aut Div 1 there, nothing was too much trouble. It is a shame that 2018's heatwave has caused some fairways to be slow in recovering and maintenance at courses has meant that some outings have not been played in true conditions but all the events have been enjoyable for those taking part and it is especially rewarding for me to see the friendly way everyone conducts themselves at these events. I hope you and all your ladies enjoy them as much as I have organising them

My thanks to all the delegates and captains at all the host venues who go out of their way to be helpful and organise me and their ladies on the day by serving refreshments and holding raffles. Also, to my dear friend Kathryn McLaughlin who processed all the entries this year and to the wonderful Pauline Davies for uploading these entries to IG and creating some of the start and result sheets. Over the course of the past 5 years the 3 jobs I undertake have grown in content and I rely on helpers to sort me out. Also, my thanks to Nicky Harden from Hartley Wintney as, when not course rating with her team, is assisting me with the behind the scenes admin too. Thanks to all 3 of you.

ALL THE 2020 FIXTURES HAVE BEEN ON THE WEBSITE FOR MANY MONTHS NOW AND SOME of 2021.

The new rules introduced on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019 may have helped speed up play with ready golf, 3-minute search time, flagstick left in hole, new dropping procedures etc. As stalwarts of Hampshire Ladies, Di Stock and Jackie Keay are to be thanked for upholding all the rules, sorting out issues on the course and providing referees at all the events and my heartfelt thanks to you both. You have an unenviable role and one which is not going to be made any easier with the introduction of the WHS next November and as our Area Authorities from EG on handicaps and course assessments you are real experts; we are very lucky to have you in Hampshire.

Thank you to all you delegates for continuing to inform your ladies and for doing the sterling work you do in spreading the word 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 2020.

Thanks to you who write to me! It is very good to hear from you and I pass on all your suggestions at committee meetings so you are heard and we respond back.

Finally, a little bit like the future of this country regarding a firm date or decision on anything, I am unable to give you a date for the next AGM. However, unlike those presently so called in charge at Westminster, this County of Hampshire has very clear leadership and knows exactly where it is going in 2020 and beyond, and I urge you all to play more golf and join in Hampshire events.

There were no questions and Chris thanked Ann for her report and for all her hard work over the year.

## **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 2019 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 in the year of just under £8,000, which is slightly less than the original budget of £9,200. The purpose of budgeting for a loss is to utilise the still healthy level of reserves. Next year we will budget for the same level of loss by continuing to spend at the same level in particular in investing in the junior programme and by not increasing the affiliation fee.

Affiliation fees remain fairly constant and now seem to have stabilised following the transition to real time collection. County card income has also remained the same. The HGU members did not agree to a new system of everyone automatically receiving a card with a higher affiliation fee and so, until another alternative is mooted, we will be keeping the old system.

Club and County competitions continue to be well supported. These continue to be budgeted to break even and we are always under continual pressure from the clubs to increase the gratuity offered. At the moment this is maintained at a maximum of £500 and next year there will also be a minimum payment of £300 where entries are low. Entry fees will remain as at £30 per person and Championships at £17.50 as they were only increased last year.

Juniors – The grant obtained from England Golf for the academy programme, was the same as last year but the work involved by the Junior committee in jumping the hoops to obtain this grant have doubled. Grateful thanks to Hannah and the team here. In addition, as always, our 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 spend on the juniors was as budgeted.

First team costs were slightly lower than last year and also lower than budget. It has been agreed that any additional cost for reaching county finals will not come out of the budget but out of reserves. No such cost this year unfortunately. There were no applications for bursaries this year so instead four exceptional travel grants of £100 each were awarded to juniors who had qualified to play in events in the Europe.

Honoraria were again awarded to the Secretary and Treasurer on a discretionary basis which will continue to be reviewed each year.

Finally, back to affiliation fees. There was no increase to be voted on last year, so 2020 fees remain at £5 per head (although the England Golf fee will be increase to £9.50). By keeping it at this level we will continue to utilise the reserves as previously mentioned. However, this is budgeted to be the final year when we can afford to do this and so I am recommending an increase to £6 for 2021. The last increase in the fee was in 2013 when it rose from £4 in 2012 and that was when we had over 1,000 more members.

I hope this explains everything to your satisfaction, but if anyone wants any more information, please ask. There were no questions.

Chris asked for a proposer and seconder to accept these accounts

Proposed by: Jackie Keay (Hartley Wintney) Seconded by: June Glaspell (Hockley)

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

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

It is hard to believe that three years have elapsed since Jane Scott asked me to be Child Welfare/Safeguarding Officer for Hampshire Ladies.

I am pleased and relieved to be able to say that nothing of great seriousness has occurred or been reported to me during those three years.

Safeguarding has become very high profile in all areas of life as a result of the abuse disclosures in Football. England Golf has responded by appointing a whole department issuing and revising safeguarding Policies, and advising Counties and Clubs to have Safeguarding Officers and Policies in place.

I have assisted Clubs when requested and directed them to the EG website and their personnel.

EG appointed me to be the DBS verifier for Hampshire.

I have accompanied the Junior Girls to Junior County Match Week and County Competitions. It has been a real pleasure to see how the girls' golf has improved during those three years.

I wish our new Safeguarding Officer Liz Williams from Alresford GC well in this role from now on.

Chris thanked Catherine for her work in the past 3 years.

## **8. JUNIOR TEAM MANAGER'S REPORT: Hannah Holloway** Read by Ann Younger in Hannah's absence

First of all, I would like to apologise that I'm not able to deliver my report personally this year, but work commitments mean I have to be in London today. Secondly, I would like to say sorry if this report is a little on the long side...forgive me...it's my first one!

I'm delighted to say that it's been another fantastic year for Hampshire's Junior Girls. For those of you who are members of our Junior Facebook page you will have seen the steady stream of wins, handicap cuts and a myriad of other outstanding achievements for club and county that have been posted throughout the year but there are just a few that I would like to highlight. Congratulations to:

- Gemma Burgess and Hannah Hellyer who have been selected for England South Region Squads
- Hannah Dymott and Lily Walker who have been appointed as Young Ambassadors for England Golf against some stiff competition
- Gemma Burgess and Lily Walker who both qualified for the European Junior Open which took place this week in Spain.

There are many more examples of fantastic achievements coming from this group of girls and it's a real pleasure to share their good news stories with you.

In terms of the 2019 season. Once again, we kicked off with our junior academies. We saw a good uptake in these sessions again this year and it was great to see some new faces joining the existing cohort. It wasn't long before our first competition of the season, Spring Meeting, was held at South Winchester Golf Club. Some fantastic scores were recorded that day and some significant handicap cuts for many including our winner Brooke Macarthur.

We had beautiful weather for our Junior Championship at Lee-on-the-Solent Golf Club in July and some excellent golf was played by all the girls. Congratulations to our Gross Champion, Gemma Burgess, our Nett Winner, Hannah Dymott, and to Jennifer Ballay who won the Douglas Cup. This year's Summer Knockout competition was also a roaring success with many competitive matches throughout the summer months. Congratulations go to our 2019 winner, Rosie Rooney and runner up Cara Patient.

August quickly came around and off to Sussex we went for Junior County Match Week. Unfortunately for the girls, the weather wasn't too kind to us and the format for the week had to be altered to 9-hole match play to enable the girls to play each county. All the girls showed true grit and determination, battling for every point. As you will all appreciate, 9-hole match play is exceptionally tough as the holes run out very quickly. It wasn't our year this year, in fact it was home county Sussex who were finally promoted from bridesmaid position where they have been stuck the last few years; but mark my words, there is some exciting potential in this young team and I can't wait to see what they may be able to achieve next year when we make our way to Puttenham Golf Club in Surrey. I'd like to say a special thanks to Debbie, Jill, Catherine and Chris for their help during the week.

Once again, Alresford Golf Club kindly hosted the Alresford Cup, where this year 9 counties competed for the title. The Hampshire team did exceptionally well, coming 2<sup>nd</sup> to winners Middlesex. A huge thank you to all of the ladies from Alresford Golf Club, parents who acted as shepherds, to Di and Jill for refereeing and to Ann for ensuring everything was organised and ran smoothly on the day.

The following weekend we enjoyed another Autumn Meeting, which this year was hosted by Meon Valley Golf Club. The blustery wind and dampness under foot made for some tough playing conditions but, as always, the girls stepped up to the challenge. Congratulations to Lily Walker who had the best nett and scratch scores of the day of 40 and 32 points respectively. 2<sup>nd</sup> nett was won by Abby Dymott with an excellent score of 39 points and in 3<sup>rd</sup> place with a score of 37 points was Lily Stroud from Romsey, who also took home the President's Cup for best score from a newcomer in Autumn Meeting.

As in previous years, our season closed out with another successful Festival Day at Ampfield Golf Club for our academy participants. It was wonderful to see the girls having such a splendid time out on the course. This is always a really lovely event but it wouldn't be possible without those who willingly give up their time to support it including our shepherds, organisers and professionals, my sincerest thanks to you all.

The weather played havoc with our final training session of the year and some last-minute changes had to be made. Thankfully we were able to go to Winchester Academy and use their state-of-the-art driving range facilities. I think it's fair to say that the girls had great fun playing a virtual Texas Scramble at St. Andrews as rain lashed down beyond the covered bays. As is becoming the tradition at this end of season event, we presented a number of trophies to the girls which included:

- Order of merit gross winner – Hannah Dymott
- Order of merit net winner – Stevie Crozier-Hunt
- Most improved player was Amelia Aikenhead with a cut of 18.6 shots

The Kerry Smith award was also presented and this year was awarded to Gemma Burgess for her contribution to Hampshire Junior Golf. Well done Gemma.

As part of this award ceremony we also said a very special thank you to Marc Dack who has been the Performance Group's Team Manager for the last three years and it was my privilege to present him with a gift of thanks from all of us at HLCGA. Marc has done an exceptional job together with our head coach Kevin Flynn, helping our girls to really thrive. He will be sorely missed by the girls but look forward to seeing him cheering us on from outside the ropes.

Looking ahead to 2020, I'm delighted to have an excellent subcommittee that will be helping me with execution of our 2020 programme and we have some exciting things planned for the girls. We will be introducing a projection squad who will have their own schedule of matches and training sessions and I'm thrilled to say that Georgie Mundy will be joining the coaching team to support this initiative.

We have also announced our Junior Captain for 2020. Izzy Lawson, a member at North Hants Golf Club, will be taking on the mantle from outgoing Captain Charlotte Dack. I know Izzy will do an amazing job in this role and wish her every success. For the first time we are also introducing a Vice Captain to act in a supporting role, and I'm pleased to announce that fellow North Hants member, Lily Walker has accepted this role.

Right, I have gone on long enough!!! I will be publishing full details of all our plans and our wonderful new sub-committee on the website in the coming weeks so if you're interested in finding out more, please keep an eye out on the junior pages. It's safe to say that I'm exceptionally excited about the year ahead holds. Watch this space! Finally, a huge thank you to everyone who has helped me this year, I couldn't do this job without you and it is much appreciated.

Chris thanked Ann for reading the report and Hannah, in her absence, commenting that the future of Junior golf in Hampshire is in safe hands.

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

Madam President - Past Presidents - Lady Captain - Past Captains - Delegates - Ladies

During the past year the HLCGA Veterans have played 6 Friendly matches. The first match was played on 20 May at Petersfield Golf Club against a strong Sussex team who had success and won on the day beating our team 5 – 2.

Our 2nd match was on 30 May away at East Berks GC against Berkshire Ladies this time we were successful and won 4 ½ to 2 ½.

Our next match was on 17 June against a Somerset team this was held at the New Forest GC again our Team were successful and we won by 5 – 2.

On 15 July we played our match against Dorset at Skylark GC this resulted in a draw 3 ½ - 3 ½.

We played our fifth match on 6 August against Wiltshire at High Post GC after a very close match we won on the day by 4 – 3.

Our last match was played at Ryde GC on the I.O.W. on 9 September again our Team had a good result and won the match by 3 ½ - 1 ½ So overall there was 1 loss - 1 draw - 4 wins which I think is a good result. I would like to thank Petersfield GC - New Forest GC and Skylark GC who very kindly allowed us to play our HOME matches on their courses. We were made to feel most welcome at the Clubs and the Ladies taking part really enjoyed their time at these venues.

The HLCGA Veterans Championship was held on 6 June D-Day at Corhampton GC. The course was in very good condition and proved challenging with very fast greens which caused the CSS to rise to 75 for the whole day. Even so there were some very good scores recorded especially by the 38 Bronze Ladies taking part with a further 64 playing in the Medal earlier in the day.

In Division 1 (+ - 17) Sue Gale from Weybrook Park had the best Gross score of 82 with Corhampton member Liz Butler recording Best Nett of 75. Weybrook Park managed the double with Jenny Garner being Champion in Division 2 (18 – 20) with her score of 72 and the Best Gross was Gill Staley from North Hants with a score of 91. The Super 70's prize for the medal round went to Lyn Brace of Royal Winchester and in the Stableford the prize went to Betty Deal from Rowlands Castle.

In the Bronze Championship Christine O'Brien from Sandown & Shanklin had a very good score of 37 but this was beaten by Anne McDermott from Royal Winchester with a great score of 40 points which won her the Veterans Salver.

Thanks to everyone who took part on the day and to the organisers Jill England and Judy Andrews who were there from 7.15 a.m. Also, Chris Quinn, Debbie Tapply, Ann Younger and Di Stock who was the on-course referee for the day. A big thank you to Corhampton GC their members and staff who put on a very good day for everyone.

The HLCGA Veterans play friendly matches and the teams are picked from silver and bronze players. The application form to play in these matches will be on the Website in January and it would be very good to have more applying to play in these matches especially from clubs not already represented. I would like to thank all ladies who have played in our matches and those who also have acted as reserves. Also thank you for your co-operation with travel arrangements especially to the I.O.W.

It was a great surprise when I was asked if I would be the HLCGA Veterans Captain - it has certainly been an honour and I hope that I have been successful in representing the Veterans Section during the past 2 years. I would like to thank the Ladies on the Hampshire Committee for the help and friendship that they have shown me.

I will now present the Badge of Office to the next Veterans Captain who is Moya Abbott: she is a member of Barton on Sea GC and I give her my best wishes for her 2 years as Captain and I hope that she will have the support from the Ladies of Hampshire.

Thankyou

Chris thanked Linda for her 2 years in office and wished Moya well for the next two years.

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

2019 has been a successful year for our Seniors. I had a great squad to choose from, 28 different Ladies played in at least 1 match.

We played 3 friendly matches v Surrey, Guernsey and Sussex – we won 1, lost 1 and drew one. They were extremely enjoyable and played in good spirit.

I have arranged an additional friendly fixture v Dorset for 2020 to be played at Blackmoor.

In 2018 Southwood GC kindly donated a Salver for the Winners of the Seniors League and to our delight we won the League and Hampshire is the first County on the newly incorporated salver.

This year we had another excellent season and tied with Berkshire on matches won at 3-1. It all came down to the total individual matches won and we lost by half a match! The Salver was presented to Berkshire and we will endeavour to regain it in 2020.

The Seniors Championship was held at Stoneham GC and despite several major traffic problems 125 ladies competed, 87 in the medal and 38 in the Stableford.

Julie Cole was the Gross and Nett Champion. Jo Youngs was the Bronze Champion.

In June, 11 Hampshire players went to St Enodoc for the English Seniors Strokeplay Championship. 3 played in the Scratch event with Julie Cole and Sarah Deacon making the cut. 8 played in the handicap event with Sue Lewis coming 4<sup>th</sup>. It was a great event on a tough course. Next year's event is at Abbeydale GC in Sheffield.

The year ended with the Intercounty Team Event at Woburn GC. Ten counties send their best four players to compete, with the 3 best aggregate individual gross medal scores in each team determining the winning team.

Christine Quinn, Helen Bailey, Diane Oram and Sarah Deacon represented Hampshire. We tied for second best team score, but placed third on countback behind Oxfordshire and winners Sussex.

Christine Quinn had the 3<sup>rd</sup> best Individual gross score overall.

It was an excellent result.

We have some great fixtures for 2020 which will shortly be on the website. Please let me know your availability if you would like to be considered for the friendly - up to Hcp 12, or the League matches – up to Hcp 7 generally. If you know of any Ladies joining the Senior ranks please inform them of the events.

Chris thanked Gemma on a very successful year for the Seniors.

## 11. **KNOCKOUT COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT: Judy Ames (Royal Winchester) was absent so her report was read by Jill England (Meon Valley)**

The first finals day was the **Knight Cup** on Monday 2 September and saw Wellow Golf Club host pairs from North Hants, Barton on Sea, Weybrook Park and Southampton Ladies. The morning semi-finals were closely fought affairs with both North Hants and Southampton Ladies having to go up the 19<sup>th</sup> to win their matches. In the afternoon final Southampton Ladies started well and were 3 up at the turn. Despite great efforts by North Hants 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 Southampton Ladies the Knight Cup trophy for 2019.

The second finals day was the **Stoneham Cup** at Bramshaw on Monday 23 September with teams from Royal Winchester, Romsey, Hayling and Corhampton competing for the trophy. In the first semi-final Royal Winchester defeated Corhampton and Romsey had a close win over Hayling. This produced a repeat of the 2018 final between Royal Winchester and Romsey. The weather in the afternoon took a turn for the worse and all matches were played in heavy rain. Royal Winchester took a 3-1 lead but Romsey were not to be denied retaining the trophy and fought back to win the final three matches out on the course.

The last finals day was the **North Hants Trophy** on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Strong teams from Hockley, Brokenhurst, Shanklin & Sandown and North Hants competed at Blackmoor. North Hants and Sandown & Shanklin were victorious in their respective semi-final matches to go through to the final in the afternoon. There was more excellent golf in the afternoon where North Hants proved too strong for Shanklin & Sandown and were winners of the 2019 North Hants Trophy.

The North Hants Plate final was won by Romsey who beat Royal Winchester.

Congratulations go to all our 2019 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 very 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. Thanks also go to Di Stock and Jackie Keay who have given up their time organising the referees and also refereeing themselves. Finally, I would like to thank Jill England for all the help she has given me this year teaching me the job and hopefully next year I will not need to ask her so many questions!

Draws for the 2020 competitions were handed out at the October Delegates Meeting and also appear on the website. Good luck to you all in next year's competitions.

Chris thanked Jill for reading the report and Judy Ames, in her absence, for a successful first year with these competitions

## 12. **PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES**

Chris Quinn and Jill England then presented the Inter-Club Knockout Trophies

Knight Cup:	Winners – Southampton Ladies	Runners-up – North Hants
North Hants Trophy:	Winners – North Hants	Runners-up - Shanklin & Sandown
North Hants Plate:	Winners - Romsey	Runners-up – Royal Winchester
Stoneham Cup:	Winners – Romsey	Runners-up – Royal Winchester

**13. VOTE OF THANKS given by Sara Barnes from Romsey**

Sara thanked Judy Ames for organising this year's competitions and stated that Romsey would be attempting 3 in a row in 2020 by going for another victory in the Stoneham Cup. She also thanked all the committee for their efforts and assistance throughout the year.

**14. VOTE ON RESOLUTION TO INCORPORATE – Chris Quinn**

Chris explained that in order to proceed to the incorporation of HLCGA, we are asking delegates to vote on the following resolution: To give the executive committee the power to:

incorporate the Association as a company limited by guarantee, transfer the business and assets of the Association to the new company, dissolve the unincorporated association and carry out any other actions necessary to affect the above

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.

Ann announced she had received 5 such proxies

Proposer for acceptance of this resolution was Jackie Keay and it was seconded by Jill England

A show of cards from all the delegates present was unanimously in favour, so the resolution was approved.

Chris thanked all the delegates and stated that as the resolution had been passed, the assets of HLCGA will now be transferred to the new company HLG.

Chris then thanked everyone present for coming, declared the meeting closed at 3.08 pm and commenced with the first General meeting of Hampshire Ladies Golf Ltd.

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

DATED \_\_\_\_\_