

DELEGATES' MEETING
Held via Zoom
on Monday, 13 September 2021

We've had our first year using Golf Genius software to administer our competitions and we've been pleased with the results. We still need further training on the use of the system as it offers so much more and this should take place in the winter months, but so far so good. You will have seen the emails, timesheets and the results format the system produces, which are excellent and can be very quickly issued.

Next year we're expecting you will be able to enter and pay for all our competitions on Golf Genius so no more form filling and it should be much slicker all round.

If you could encourage friends at your Clubs who have not yet registered to do so, ready for next season's entries.

We have set up a Competitions Sub-Committee to review all aspects of the competitions we offer. These are to be presented and discussed at the Executive Meeting in October and further information will be announced at the AGM.

One thing I can let you know today is that we are to introduce a competition for players with a Handicap Index of 20 and above from early October 2022. The proposed format of the competition will be a 4BBB stableford with prizes in two or perhaps three bands depending on entry numbers.

The first event will be held at an easy to get to central venue in an effort to encourage people who may not have played in any of our events in the past to enter. More details to follow.

We started the year with our most prestigious event, the Championship which was held at Ilkley in May resulting in a very worthy Champion, Nicola Slater.

Thanks have to go to the management and greens staff at the Club who pulled out all the stops to make the event possible due to the most horrendous downpour of rain flooding the bunkers and greens. The decision had to be taken to cancel the Tri-Am, for which we apologise as the support for this event had been brilliant but trust me ladies you wouldn't have wanted to golf in that weather, but this meant the staff could concentrate on protecting the course to find our Champion.

As usual the Spring Meeting was held at the Championship Course and won by the team from Ilkley with 80 points.

The Challenge Bowl in July at Oakdale resulted in Sadie Wilyman of Otley winning the Bowl for a magnificent third time!

The County Foursomes District Finals were exceptionally popular this year and each region had very full fields. This year's County Foursomes winners were from Cottingham Parks with a net 69. As I have to stress every year to you ladies ... if you have to withdraw from this competition after the draw has been issued, please ensure a marker arrives in your place and do not just not turn up.

196 ladies came to Wetherby for the Alison Nicholas AMAM and boy did Golf Genius come into its own that day. Registration was a dream as we had everyone's HI and CH ready, no queues, no asking to check handicap certificates, I think you'll agree it was fab for all of us!

Vice Captain Alison produced fantastic hampers for the raffle prizes which raised over thirteen hundred pounds for the Fund.

The winning team with 87 points made up of players from Willow Valley and Cleckheaton and were the very last team on the timesheet.

Just the Autumn Meeting at Northcliffe to be played for, then our competitions' season will be over and your winter golf will commence.

Carolyn Ackroyd
Competitions Secretary