

# BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

CENTENARY YEAR  
1923 - 2023



Celebrating **100 years** of supporting  
Women and Girls Golf in Buckinghamshire

## Competitions Secretary's Report 2022-23

Herewith my report on all our Competitions held throughout 2022-2023:

### The Winter Scratch League

The winning Clubs were:

Premier Division – Woburn GC  
Division 1 – Burnham Beeches GC

### Summer League

The winning Clubs were:

#### Silver Division

Premier Division – Woburn GC  
2<sup>nd</sup> Division – Gerrards Cross GC – B Team  
3<sup>rd</sup> Division – The Lambourne GC

#### Bronze Division

1<sup>st</sup> Division – Buckingham GC  
2<sup>nd</sup> Division – Chartridge Park GC  
3<sup>rd</sup> Division – Harleyford GC  
4<sup>th</sup> Division – Flackwell Heath GC

BCLGA will be represented by our Summer League winners, Woburn GC at the English Women's Champion Club Competition to be played at Hessle GC, Yorkshire on 31 August & 1 September 2024.

### Coronation Medals

The Silver Coronation Medal will be awarded to Demi Maxey (Abbey Hill GC) – score +3.6  
The Bronze Coronation Medal will be awarded to Sarah Simpson (Wexham Park GC) – score -20.6

## **The 2023 Spring Meeting - Incorporating the County Championship, Intermediate Championship, Handicap County Championship and 18-hole Handicap Competition**

The Buckinghamshire County Ladies Golf Association Championships in our Centenary Year, renamed the Spring Meeting, incorporated the County Championship, Intermediate Championship and introduced, from this year, the Handicap County Championship and 18-hole Competition, held over three days at Flackwell Heath GC. The 36-hole qualifying rounds and the 18-hole Competition were held on Wednesday, 10th May with the top 8 Scratch players and Net players moving forward to matchplay on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th May.

On the 10th May, the ladies tee'd off in handicap order with the 18-hole ladies following the first 18 of the 36-hole players. The first scorecard returned was Ella Butteriss' with a new course record of 69 surpassing that held by Kelly Knight which was set the last time the County Championship was played at Flackwell Heath GC.

The Inaugural 18-hole Competition was won by Jackie Taylor (Wexham Park GC). Ella Butteriss (Beaconsfield GC) won the best 36-hole gross score with 139 and Amelie Jones (Harewood Downs GC) (Course Handicap 9) came in with an outstanding net score of 138. In her second 18 holes shooting 6 under her handicap with a net 65. Our Intermediate Champion was Megan Dennis (Woburn GC) with a 36-hole gross score of 140.

With our Scratch Finalists Ella Butteriss (Beaconsfield GC) and Megan Dennis (Woburn GC) both playing off plus 3, we were in for a treat. The match went to the 19th and never had more than a shot between the outstanding young ladies. Between the two, there were 13 birdies, with 3 holes halved with birdies.

Ella won the match on the 19th with yet another birdie. If they had had a scorecard in their hands it would have been another Course record.

Our Inaugural Handicap Championship Final was played between Claudia Weston (Gerrards Cross GC) and Shannon Holt (Flackwell Heath GC) with Claudia giving 5 shots. The match was keenly followed by County President Lynda Hilton who presented the Lynda Hilton Centenary Trophy, for the first time, to the winner. Shannon Holt won on the 19<sup>th</sup> hole to win the inaugural Handicap Matchplay Championship.

Many thanks to Flackwell Golf Club for their generous and meticulous hosting throughout the Competition. Over the 3 days, the Course was presented in exceptional condition considering the prevailing weather conditions over the week. Our thanks therefore go to all Flackwell Heath GC staff and Members for their unstinting support.

### **Par 3 Competition**

The Par 3 Competition was played for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year at Wycombe Heights GC on 22 May 2023. Our number of entrants had increased from 12 in our first year to 26. Our gross winner was Gilly Stimpson (Burnham Beeches). Our Handicap Winners were: Division 1 – Margaret Devlin (Wycombe

Heights GC), Division 2 – Sue Harwood (Hazlemere GC), Division 3 – Michele Gasper (Wycombe Heights GC). Results and photographs from the day are on the County website.

## **Midlands South Regional Final – Australian Spoons**

This year BCLGA had the responsibility of organizing the Midlands South Regional Final of the Australian Spoons. The Competition was played at Buckingham GC on 27 July 2023. We had entries from 32 Clubs. The winning pair were Brenda Bryne & Beverley Sawyer (Gerrards Cross GC).

## **The President's Summer Meeting**

The President's Summer Meeting was held at Oakland Park GC on 28 July 2023. We had 18 teams play in a 3-ball Alliance. Our winning group were Tracey Pennel, Maggie Todhunter and Yasmin Sarin from The Lambourne GC. Results and photographs from the day will be available on our new website.

## **Centenary Trophy Competition**

The Centenary Trophy Competition was held at Woburn GC on 9 August 2023 as a celebration of BCLGA's Centenary. We had 64 pairs from 22 Clubs enter the Competition. The winning pair were Katie Reid & Claudia Weston (Gerrards Cross GC). Results and photographs will be available on our new website. It was decided that this Competition would become a new annual Competition.

## **Summer Charity Eclectic**

The Summer Charity Eclectic Trophy was won by Burnham Beeches GC with a score difference of 108.2 followed in 2<sup>nd</sup> place by Beaconsfield GC with a score difference of 94.4. This year was again disappointing with only 9 Clubs entering (and one Club making a donation) resulting in £727 towards the Captain's Charity, Dogs for Good.

## **Cygnets Trophy**

The Summer Cygnets Trophy this year raised £933 for the County's Juniors Girls. This year the trophy was won by Gerrards Cross with an adjusted score of 236.4 with Harleyford a close second with an adjusted score of 231.4.

## **Bucks Challenge Shield and Inter Club Foursomes**

The **Bucks Challenge Shield** Final was held at Burnham Beeches GC on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October. It will be played between Chartridge Park GC and Chiltern Forest GC. In a very tight match Chartridge Park GC won 4-3 with the deciding match having to go down the 19<sup>th</sup>.

The 2023 **Inter Club Foursomes** was played on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at Ellesborough GC. The winning Club were Ellesborough GC (Cathy Armstrong & Janet Pusey, Alex Camp & June Winter) with 139 points. The runners-up were Harleyford GC (Esther Morley & Amy Watters, Liz Clegg & Suse Muir-Browne) with 146 points. The winning pair were from Chiltern Forest GC (Gillian Warner & Marketa Oherova) with 70 points.

A big thank you goes to Rosemary de Lacy (Burnham Beeches GC) for acting as the Co-ordinator for the Bucks Shield and Inter Club Foursomes.

## **Knockouts**

### **Winter Greensomes**

The Winter Greensomes Final was played at Harewood Downs GC on 12 April between Pam Tierney & Claire Geenen (The Lambourne GC) and Jeanette Psyllides & Tracey Fowler (Gerrards Cross GC). Pam & Claire were the winners on a day when the weather threw everything at them.

### **The Champion of Champions**

The Champion of Champions Final was played at Burnham Beeches GC on 26 August between Amelia Curtis (The Lambourne GC) and Annabel Pitts (Woburn GC). Congratulations to Amelia who won on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Rose Bowl**

The Rose Bowl KO Final was played at Beaconsfield GC on 11 October between Kathy McKinlay-Aris (Burnham Beeches GC) and Libby Koivio (Buckingham GC). Libby won the day and our Congratulations go to her as the 2023 Rose Bowl Champion.

### **Summer Greensomes**

The Greensomes Final was played at Beaconsfield GC on 11 October between Bernie Howe & Mo Dawson (Buckingham GC) and Sarah Hocking & Pat Elwell (Harleyford GC). Congratulations to Bernie & Mo who won 1 up.

### **Challenge Cup**

The Challenge Cup KO Final will be played at Harewood Downs on 18 October. The finalists are Bernie Howe (Buckingham GC) and Shannon Holt (Flackwell Heath GC).

A big thank you goes to Heather Pentney (Harewood Downs GC) for, once again, acting as the Co-ordinator for the Knockout Competitions. Heather will be retiring from this role once BCLGA changes over to using Intelligent Golf (IG) for our Competitions and Website. Ruth Lambert (Beaconsfield) will then be taking over the role.

Results for the Championships, Leagues and Knock-out Competitions can be found on the County Website.



**My thanks go to all the Club Members who entered our Competitions and to the Clubs themselves who so generously hosted our BCLGA Competitions throughout the year.**

**Jackie Maher**

**BCLGA Competitions Secretary**

10 October 2023