

**MIDLOTHIAN COUNTY LADIES' GOLF ASSOCIATION  
94th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
HELD AT LIBERTON GOLF CLUB  
ON WEDNESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2013**

**PRESENT**

President	Janet Wake
Captain	Sheila Stuart
Secretary	Hilary Anderson
Treasurer	Maureen McLeod
Junior Secretary	Sandra Hennessy
Independent Examiner	Brenda Russell

The Captain welcomed 84 members to the 94<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Midlothian County Ladies Golf Association.

**1. Obituary**

The Captain noted the deaths of the following members during the year:

Thelma Robertson, Prestonfield  
Clemmie Landles, Dalmahoy  
Val Young, Newbattle  
Dorothy Anderson, Broomieknowe

**2. Apologies**

Apologies had been received from the Vice-Captain, Zandra Mathieson and 72 members.

**3. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 7 November 2012**

The minutes had been circulated and adoption was proposed by Maggie McPherson and seconded by Mary Richardson.

**4. Matters Arising**

One matter had arisen over the year.

Unfortunately, Wendy Ross had felt it necessary to stand down as Vice-Captain at the beginning of the year. Zandra Mathieson had been nominated and proposed by the Committee in her place. The Captain asked the Meeting to ratify this proposal and Zandra Mathieson was officially confirmed as Vice Captain.

**5. Captain's Report**

The Captain gave her report as follows:

I cannot quite believe that it is a year since I stood here about to embark upon my first year as your Captain. In that year I have learned a lot but I still have a lot to learn. It has been a great year for Midlothian and although I cannot deny that it has been hard work I have thoroughly enjoyed the experience and the rewards that it brings. I am extremely grateful to those who have supported and guided me through this first year and in particular Janet, Zandra, Hilary and Maureen, the committee, the County team members and selectors and all of you, the members, who have enthusiastically supported the competitions, the juniors and the teams.

It has become clear to me that there are 3 main strands to Midlothian

- there are the juniors, who are maybe the most important because they are our future. The junior section gets bigger and more successful by the year. Huge thanks to Sandra who has acted as Junior Secretary over the past 3 years and who is now standing down for a well-earned rest. More from Sandra later.

- then there are you, the members. Without your support Midlothian would cease to exist. The general membership issues are ably managed by our secretary Hilary. Hilary organises and runs nearly all of our competitions including the meetings, Hole in Hole competitions and Championship and will give her report shortly. I should like to express my thanks to all the clubs who have allowed us to use their courses and clubhouses for our competitions and to all those club members who have assisted Hilary.

- then thirdly, there is the Main Squad and the County team whose activities consume a lot of my time and most of the finances, in other words your subscriptions- and the better they do the more it costs.

### **Championships**

Qualifying for the 'B' championship was held along with the Spring Meeting at Ratho Park Golf Club. Muriel Gilligan (Swanston) was the leading qualifier with an 85. Thank you to Ratho Park Golf Club for hosting this event and thanks to everyone who helped.

The Championship qualifier was held over 36 holes at Newbattle on Tuesday 7th May on a beautiful sunny day. Hannah Scott (Broomieknowe) was leading qualifier with 146 (68 78) and won the Robertson Salver for the best scratch score.

The match play stages were held on Friday 10 May and Saturday 11 May

In the 'B' Championship 1st round:

- Muriel Gilligan (Swanston)) lost to Gilly Glen (Craigmillar Park) 6&5
- Jaci Moriarty (Lochend) beat Alison Mitchell (Ratho Park) 5&3
- Pam Townsend (Murrayfield) beat Pat Meikle (Lochend) 3&1
- Elsa Todd (Prestonfield ) beat Barbara Hamilton (Newbattle) 2&1

In the semi-finals, Jaci beat Gilly 2&1 and Pam beat Elsa 5&3. In the final, Jaci had a very close match with Pam but finally managed to win on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

The main Championship brought some interesting draws and fantastic games. In the first round:

- Hannah Scott (Broomieknowe) beat Olivia Fulton (Craigmillar Park) 6 &4
- Karen Ferguson (Liberton) lost to Claire Hargan (St Regulas) on 21st
- Kate McIntosh (Broomieknowe) beat Sal Shepherd (Craigmillar Park ) 3 &2
- Karen Marshall (Baberton) lost to Louise Fraser (Kingsknowe) 5&4
- Rachael Livingstone (Craigmillar Park) beat Linda Bain (Lochend) 5 &4
- Jane Turner (Craigielaw) beat Mandy McBain (Turnhouse) 3&1
- Wendy Nicholson (Broomieknowe) lost to Emily Dalgetty (Glencorse)2 up
- Kirsten Blackwood (Glencorse) lost to Fiona De Vries (St Rule) 6 &5

In the quarter-finals we had some great matches with Hannah beating Claire 4&2, Kate beating Louise at 19th, Jane beating Rachael 1 up and Emily beating Fiona 3&2.

In the semi-finals, Hannah beat Kate 5 & 3 and Jane beat Emily 3&2. In the final Hannah continued in spectacular form to beat Jane by 4 &3.

Congratulations to all the participants for a great Championship and to Hannah and Jaci on their wins. Finally, thank you to both Janet Wake and Zandra Mathieson who refereed the finals.

### **County Squad**

Last year's winter training programme for the County Squad again included short game coaching with Jane Connachan at Kingsfield. They played games with the junior squad and with matches against Borders and Lanarkshire Counties, Duddingston Men, Turnhouse Men and SUGS. They have all played in a wide variety of National competitions throughout the season.

Jane Turner (Craigielaw) won the Munross Trophy at Montrose, Jane has since turned professional and we wish her every success in the future.

Sal Shepherd (Craigmillar Park) won the Highland Open in Pitlochry having reached the final in the past. Louise Fraser has had an excellent season reaching the quarter finals of the County Championship, the quarter finals of the Scottish Amateur at Longniddry and becoming Midlothian Champion of Champions. Gabrielle Macdonald (Craigielaw) came joint 5th overall in the St Rule trophy at St Andrews and was selected as first reserve for the British Open Amateur Stroke Play Championship at Prestwick. She then represented Scotland in the Home Internationals at Scotsraig in September. Rachael Watton (Mortonhall) now based in Denver, USA represented Scotland at the European Ladies Championship at Fulford and tied for second place at the Scottish Junior Ladies Open Strokeplay Championship at Inverness. She also represented Scotland at Whispering Pines, Texas at the beginning of November. Emily Dalgetty has had an excellent season being selected for the Scottish Under 16 team at Strathmore in April. She was the leading qualifier in the Scottish Girls Matchplay Championship at Ranfurly Castle. She was also selected to represent Scotland in the Girls Home International matches. She has made a major contribution in both our Junior and Main Squads in our successes in the Cuthbertson Cup, the Inter-County matches and the County Finals.

#### **Other Events in which Midlothian Players participated.**

The Scottish Ladies Close Amateur Championship was held at Longniddry from the 15-18 May and Midlothian was well represented. Jane Turner (Craigielaw), Louise Fraser (Kingsknowe), Claire Hargan (Cardross), Kate McIntosh (Broomieknowe), Hannah Scott (Broomieknowe), Linda Bain (Lochend) and Rachael Livingstone (Craigmillar Park) qualified for the main championship and Kirsten Blackwood (Glencorse), and Karen Marshall (Baberton) qualified for the Clark Rosebowl. Congratulations to Louise Fraser who reached the quarter Final stages.

#### **Champion of Champions**

The final was held at the beginning of September at Royal Burgess between Karen Marshall (Baberton) and Louise Fraser representing Comiston Ladies, on a cold and windy day. Both long hitters, they made the 6000 yard course look positively short, but on the day Louise played the better golf and won on the 17th. Thanks to Anne Brownie who refereed the final and to Royal Burgess for their hospitality.

**The East of Scotland Championship** was hosted by Midlothian and was held at Duddingston GC in October. The scratch prize was won by Fiona Hastie from St Regulus. Fife narrowly beat Midlothian to win the County trophy by one stroke. Midlothian girls did well; Emily Dalgetty winning 3rd scratch and Rachael Livingstone and Kate McIntosh winning 1st and 2nd handicap.

**The East Division Inter-County** matches were held at Glenbervie GC and I am delighted to report that we managed to retain the trophy for a 5th year in a row. Midlothian got off to a flying start beating Stirling and Clackmannanshire 8-1 (Foursomes 2-1 and singles 6-0) On day 2 we were up against East Lothian who had beaten our neighbors Fife 8-1 on Day 1. The morning foursomes were won 3-0 and the afternoon singles 6-1 giving us another overall 8-1 win. We therefore entered day 3 clear favourites, well ahead of the field and although we were held to a 4.5-4.5 draw by our arch rivals, Fife, we were the overall winners of the East Division County title.

Midlothian therefore once again represented **East in the County Finals** at Stirling GC, 20 – 22 September. We were drawn against Aberdeenshire on Day 1 and when we were 2-1 up at lunchtime after the foursomes the mood was positive. However after having lost the afternoon singles 2-4 and hence the match we were somewhat deflated. Day 2 saw us up against Renfrewshire and after a fantastic performance by all the team we beat them 5-4. Although Aberdeenshire remained well ahead after Day 2 we knew that the trophy was still in our grasp if we could beat Borders on the last day by at least 8 -1 when, if our wins were convincing enough, we could win on a count back. The morning didn't go entirely to plan leaving us needing to win all 6 singles in the afternoon to stand a chance. The team was up for it and went out to do what had to be done in spectacular fashion. Waiting for the count-back seemed

endless but eventually the winners were announced and we realised we had won by the smallest of margins, having won in one hole less than Aberdeenshire. Midlothian were therefore winners of the Scottish County Finals. Congratulations to all the team all of whom made a major contribution and thanks to Secretary Hilary, Vice Captain, Zandra, President Janet and to all those whose help and support was invaluable. Special thanks to the brilliant caddies whose help is invaluable – and the envy of all the other Counties.

### **5 a sides and Greensomes**

I would like to thank all the Club Reps for organising their 5-aside matches and keeping us informed of all the results. The Division 1 winners were Broomieknowe with Glencorse runners-up. In Division 2, Swanston New were the winners with Murrayfield in second place. Swanston and Murrayfield are therefore promoted to Division 1 and Mortonhall is relegated to Division 2, Lothianburn having withdrawn.

The Greensomes competition continues to prove popular and again there were two leagues of 5 this year. The overall winner of this year's Greensomes is Glencorse with Merchants in second place after a home and away play off. Thank you to Frances Kerr for acting as recorder this year. Next year Harburn have withdrawn from the competition and it has been agreed that Ravelston should be permitted to enter a second team. Therefore there will continue to be two Divisions of 5. However by popular demand instead of a play off between the divisions we have created a 1st and 2nd division based on this year's results and will plan to relegate/promoted 3 teams between divisions each year.

### **Seniors**

The seniors and Vets have again had a very busy year. Marjory Lauder took over as East Vets' Captain with Anne Brownie as her Vice-Captain. Noreen Fenton took over as Scottish Vets Captain in September and is East Selector of the SLGA. Anne Hanson became East Vets Champion beating Karen Ballantyne (Craigmillar Park) in an excellent Final at the Glen. Anne went on to Represent the East at Blairgowrie in the Inter-Divisional Championship matches where she lost in the quarter finals to the eventual overall champion, Alison Bartlett of Highland taking her further than any other opponent losing only at the first extra hole. Congratulations to Fiona Hunter who won a Scottish Senior's Cap and won the Scottish Seniors Matchplay Championship at West Linton. Congratulations are also due to Morag Wardrop of Turnhouse who was runner up in the Silver division medal final. Congratulations also to Fiona de Vries who is the LGU International Selector, and who represented Scotland in the Seniors Home Internationals in Llandudno.

### **SLGA & LGU**

In the 2013 SLGA Ladies Order of Merit Table, Jane Turner finished in 7th place, Hannah Scott 10th, Gabrielle Macdonald 15th and Kate McIntosh in 16th. **Emily Dalgetty came 10th in the 2013 SLGA Girls Order of Merit.**

Emily Dalgetty and Eilidh Crawford continue in the Golf Academy programme and Emma Morrison has been included for the first time.

### **SGU/SLGA Amalgamation.**

The working group is in progress and minutes of meetings are published on both the SGU and SLGA websites.

## **6. Presentation of Accounts**

The Treasurer presented the accounts for the year ended 30th September 2013.

The Income and Expenditure account showed a surplus of £3,695, and even without the generous donation from the Sophie Gifford fund of £2,522 and the Royal London Group of £250 there would still have been a surplus for the year of £923.

Significant savings were made in the expenses for the Squad/Team of £2,657, the net costs of the juniors were reduced by £430, office expenses were down by £420 and at her own request the examiner wished to reduce her fee from £100 to £50.

The net cost of attendance at the Scottish County Finals in 2013 was £1,307, (2012 £ 2,637). The SLGA increased their grant from £ 1,000 to £1,500 this year. In 2012 £312 had been spent on fleeces for the Juniors. These fleeces are owned by Midlothian and loaned out as and when required. The funds have risen to £ 11,288 at 30th September 2013.

As a result it is not recommended that any subscription rise should be implemented for 2013/14. It should be noted that no further depreciation charges will be applicable to the computer which is held by the Secretary.

The Accounts were adopted on behalf of the Membership by Muriel Gilligan and seconded by Carol Brown. The Captain thanked the treasurer for her meticulous keeping of the Accounts and Brenda Russell for continuing as External Examiner.

## **7. Annual Reports:**

### **(a) Secretary's Report**

The Secretary reported the following:

#### **(a) Membership**

The Membership currently stands at 436

This is made up of :	Full	399
	Associate	25
	Student	6
	Honorary	6

There were 51 new members and 17 resignations

#### **(b) Meetings**

Numbers at the meetings were:

Spring Meeting (Re-scheduled) - 58

Summer Meeting – Deer Park - 47

Autumn Meeting – Baberton - 67

Commonwealth Spoon – Liberton – 78 (8 couples qualified for the Play off at Powfoot)

#### **(c) Hole and Hole Competitions**

In the Silver Hole and Hole we had 80 competitors – exactly the same as last year and in the Bronze Hole and Hole we had 30 competitors – 6 down on last year

#### **(d) Tri-am**

The Tri-am was played over Glencorse and 31 teams participated. There were lots of sponsored holes and 5 prize-winning teams.

#### **(e) Winter 4s**

47 couples have entered this year

#### **(f) Competition Results**

##### **Spring Meeting – Ratho**

1st Scratch (Cormack Salver)

Caroline Steedman, (Murrayfield) 82

2nd Scratch

Linda Bain (Lochend) 83

Bronze:

1st Scratch (C M Park Rosebowl)

Nicky Bell (Murrayfield) 98

1st Handicap

Jane Browitt (Glencorse) 101 (28) 73

Silver Division

1st Handicap	Alison Mitchell ( Liberton) 93 (16) 77
2nd Handicap	Barbara Hamilton (Newbattle) 92 (14) 78
Best Overall Net	Muriel Gilligan (Swanston New) 90 (18) 72
2nd Overall Net	Kate Johnston (Baberton) 85 (10) 75

Commonwealth Spoon, Liberton – 7th May

This took place on 7th May at Liberton and 87 couples entered

Results were:

1st Scratch: Diane Moncrieff (Lochend) and Mandy McBain (Turnhouse) 79

1st Handicap: Jean Bryden and Helen Holton (Murrayfield) 82 (20.5) 61.5

2nd Handicap: Anne Boobis and Ann Hunter (Ravelston) 93 (25.5) 67.5

3rd Handicap: Sheena Craigen and Janette McCaig (Merchants) 93 (24) 69 (BIH)

Eight couples qualify for the final at Fortrose & Rosemarkie Golf Course

### Summer Meeting – Deer Park

1st Scratch (Corstorphine Salver):

Karen Marshall (Baberton) 80

2nd Scratch

Wendy Nicholson (Broomieknowe) 81

Bronze

1<sup>st</sup> Scratch (Murphy Trophy)

Anne Beedie (Glencorse) 101

1st handicap

Ann Hunter (Ravelston) 105 (28) 77

Silver

1st handicap

Julie Baird (Glencorse) 91 (17) 76

2nd handicap

Carol Fulton (Mortonhall) 87 (9) 78

Best overall nett (Dumayne Bowl):

Alison McKechanie (Ravelston) 97 (26) 71

2nd best overall nett

Gill Petrie (Kingsknowe) 84 (8) 76

### Autumn Meeting – Baberton

1st scratch (Lady Ford Cup)

Kate McKintosh (Broomieknowe) 68

2nd scratch

Susan Rennie (Turnhouse) 77

Bronze

1st scratch

Fiona Neave (Baberton) 95

1st handicap:

Margaret MacConnachie (Swanston New) 100 (27) 73

Silver

1st handicap:

Gillian Pritchard (Ravelston) 82 (13) 69

2nd handicap:

Kate Brown Baberton 87 (17) 70

Best overall nett (McIntyre Trophy)

Marge Gammie (Baberton) 81 (14) 67

2nd best overall nett:

Katy Gilles (Melville) 91 (20) 71

### (b) Junior Secretary's Report

The Junior Secretary reported that 2012/13 had been a very busy year for the Juniors. Handicaps gained, handicaps lowered and competitions won. There are around 60 girls on or books this year.

Flow chart of how we see the path for Midlothian Junior Golfers.



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## **9 hole competitions - Swanston – Templar Course**

Competitions are for the non-handicap and handicap golfers which are proving to be very successful in keeping the girls focused, interested and most importantly improving.

Results:

1st Handicap: Lisa McPherson (Baberton)

1st Non Handicap: Samantha McGregor ( Broomieknowe)

Eclectic Handicap: Emma Watson (Broomieknowe)

Eclectic Non Handicap: Samantha McGregor (Broomieknowe)

Also at Swanston 2 Adult/Junior competitions were run, one in November the other in August. 22 girls accompanied by Dads, Mums, Grandpas and Grandmas. Lots of good golf was played and all those taking part had lots of fun.

November winners: Emily Rigg and Ian McDonald

August winners: Caitlan and Adrienne Turner

There was a very good turnout for this competition over the past few months and it was super to see the same faces turning up every third Sunday, keen and eager to play. A big thank you to Sharon MacPherson for her continued help and assistance in running the 9 hole competition and helpers Sal Shepherd and members of the committee.

### **Braids coaching**

This again has been very successful with many new girls joining.

All 3 sessions are full totalling 45 girls ages ranging from 6 to 16.

Thank you to Diane Morrison for keeping a calm head with parents and managing all the membership paper work for the Junior Section.

### **Junior Development/Training Squad**

The set-up has changed this year and it now there is a much more coherent progression for the Juniors. Development centres were set up last year under the umbrella of Club Golf to try to bridge the gap between Club Golf and Scottish Academies and the elite golfers.

Kingsfield is our nearest Development centre where the facilities are excellent.

The squad is managed by Karen Marshall and the Coach is David Patrick, The girls divided into 2 groups:

*Low handicappers & Enthusiastic*

Katie Darling, Carys Irvine, Anna Massey, Alexandra Massey, Lauren Metcalfe, Julia Smith and Emma Watson;

*Higher handicappers & Enthusiastic.*

Ailsa Lamond, Megan Linton, Lisa MacPherson, Kayleigh Singer, Caitlin Turner, Heidi Steel (Midlothian member but self-nominated) Claire Forrester (self-nominated)

Sophie Aitchison and Emily Thain opted out but are still in the Junior Squad along with Eilidh, Emily and Emma who are in the Academy system.

There are matches with main squad and matches against other Counties and all are encouraged to take part in MCLGA, SLGA and EoS Girls comps.

### **Outing**

Our annual visit to the Children's course at North Berwick took place on Wednesday 3rd April. The weather was a little chilly but bright and dry. Amazingly there was no rain in sight and 9 girls enjoyed a fun filled day of golf and some good chat and food in the clubhouse afterwards. It was super to see some news faces enjoying the experience of playing on a course for the first time. Well done to all the girls!

Thanks to Sal Shepherd, Hilary Anderson and Diane Morrison and the assortment of Mums, Dads, Grans and Grandpa's for all their help and support. Also big thank you to North Berwick Golf Club for letting us use their club house.

### **Cuthbertson Cup at Dunfermline Golf Club in Fife on Sunday 21st of April.**

Eilidh Crawford (Harburn)

Emily Dalgetty (Glencorse)

Jessica Dalgetty (Glencorse)

Kirsty Burgess (Turnhouse)

Res: Emma Morrison

The wet and dismal weather did nothing to dampen the spirits of our Junior team who played some spectacular golf to win the Cuthbertson Cup on Sunday at Dunfermline Golf Club. Congratulations to our team of Emily and Jessica Dalgetty, Eilidh Crawford and Kirsty Burgess.

In the morning we played Stirling and Clackmannanshire. Jessica secured an early lead and went on to win 8 & 7 over Catherine Goodwin. In the second half the other matches could have gone either way but Emily found her form to achieve a 3 & 2 win against Andrea Walker. Behind, both Eilidh and Kirsty fought hard to secure valuable halves to ensure our team won 3 -1. In the afternoon we were up against holders, East Lothian. Emily led from in front securing an impressive 5 -4 win against Charlotte Munro. Big sister, Jessica fought hard to keep on level terms with Joanne Free and then to edge ahead to win 1 up. Eilidh, despite her youth, displayed a mature and gritty determination against Jennifer Allan to secure a 3&2 win. No-one watching her was in any doubt that she was there to win!

Kirsty fought hard in an up and down match against Beth Donoghue displaying some stunning golf and getting herself out of some tricky situations. She was unfortunate not to maintain her lead of one up at the 18th to end up halving her match. Won the match 31/2 to 1/2

All games were played in a very friendly spirit and everyone enjoyed themselves. Many thanks to all the families, friends and supporters who came to watch, and thank you to Dunfermline Golf Club for their hospitality.

### **Junior Spring Meeting: Liberton G C**

The Junior Spring Meeting was held at Liberton Golf Club in April. The weather was bitterly cold but dry, bright and at times almost sunny. 10 girls took part in the handicap competition and three in the 8 hole non-handicap and putting competition. Well done to the girls for playing some great golf in difficult conditions and thanks to Liberton for their hospitality and presenting the course in great condition albeit on winter tees, despite the recent weather.

Thanks are due to President Janet, Captain Sheila, Vice-Captain Zandra, and Secretary Hilary for their invaluable help. Thanks also to Karen Marshall and Sharon MacPherson for their help and support and to Paul Malone our PGA Professional Development coach for coming to watch the girls in action

Results:

1st scratch: Emily Dalgetty (Glencorse)

2nd scratch: Kirsty Burgess (Turnhouse)

1st handicap: Katie Darling (Ravelston)

2nd handicap: Julia Smith (Murrayfield)

1st non-handicap: Emily Rigg

1st putting: Lucy Morrison

### **Junior Hole & Hole**

Winner: Katie Darling (Ravelston)

Runner up: Julia Smith (Murrayfield)

Thanks to Sal Shepherd for organising the competition.

### **Junior Championship at Newbattle G C**

After much too-ing and fro-ing as heavy showers came and went, it was decided to proceed with the 2013 Junior Championship at Newbattle but over 9 holes. 7 girls braved the gale force winds but thankfully the rain stayed off until all the girls had completed the shortened course. Some amazingly good golf was in evidence - only going to show that our girls can cope with anything!

Results:

Winner: Elidih Crawford (Harburn)  
Runner up: Emma Watson (Broomieknowe)  
Handicap winner: Rachael Steedman (Murrayfield)  
Runner up: Megan Linton (Craigmillar Park)

Thanks to Newbattle Golf Club for courtesy of the course and for making us all feel so welcome.

### **Other Competitions**

SLGA Adult/Junior Foursomes took place at Baberton G C.

Congratulations to the winners:

Caroline and Rachael Steedman (Murrayfield)

Heather and Jim Laing (Glencorse) won 1st Prize in category 1.

Catlin and Colin Turner (Craigmillar) second in category 3.

Ella and Karen Marshall (Baberton) winning category 4, which is for juniors who do not yet have a handicap

Our leading Junior Emily Dalgetty made a spectacular debut in the County Championship qualifying. In the match-play round 1 she won her match against Wendy Nicholson and in the 2nd round she beat Fiona deVries. This win took Emily into the semi-finals where she played Jane Turner; unfortunately her excellent run was to come to an end.

A future champion in waiting, well done Emily!

Emily Dalgetty was selected by the SLGA to represent Scotland in the Girls Home Internationals match's at St Annes Old links in August. Unfortunately Emily could not collect her 1st cap due to family commitments. A great achievement, we all hope Emily will have many other opportunities to represent her country.

She did well in the East of Scotland Championships at Duddingston G C. Emily Dalgetty she won 3rd Scratch She also made her debut in the County team. She played extremely well and helped win valuable points for the team.

Scottish Schools Boys and Girls Under 18 Stroke Play Competition at Fortrose & Rosemarkie G C Eilidh Crawford ( Harburn) came in a very commendable 18th.

### **East of Scotland Girls Spring Meeting at Craighelaw**

1st Handicap Julia Smith (Murrayfield)

1st Scratch Clara Young (North Berwick)

U16 Emma Watson (Broomieknowe)

U18 Kirsty Burgess (Turnhouse)

### **East of Scotland Girls Summer Meeting and Championship at Braehead GC. at Braehead G C**

Our girls put up a valiant fight but all went down in the quarter finals.

Alex Massey won the U14 prize.

### **East of Scotland Autumn Meeting at Craigmillar Park**

After a night of torrential rain leaving a very wet course, congratulations must go to 13 year old Megan Linton (Craigmillar Park) who won the overall handicap prize.

U16 Julia Smith (Murrayfield) winner

U18 Kirsty Burgess (Turnhouse) winner

Thank you to the Club's Vice Captain, Karen Ballantyne and other members for their help on the day and the hard work they put in making sure the course was playable.

### **Stephen Gallacher Foundation Results**

Order of Merit schedule that results in a final called the 'Race to Dunbar'

Events played:

East of Scotland event in Stirling & Clackmannanshire

Haddington

Duddingston

Uphall

Kilspindie

East of Scotland Girls Autumn Meeting at Craigmillar Park

Race to Dunbar: Winner of the handicap prize : Megan Linton (Craigmillar Park)

Many of our U14 girls have taken part in the SGF flag events with many of them having great success.

### **Girls in the NEWS.....**

Anna Massey was invited to Gleneagles to take part in 'Captains Challenge' It was an event to mark 'a year to the Ryder Cup' Anna met both Captains, Paul McGinley and Tom Watson. She said "it was great fun and such an inspiration'

Also in the news was Megan Linton (Craigmillar Park) who won the handicap prize at the Stephen Gallacher Foundation "Race to Dunbar" final.

Congratulations to Megan who has had a fantastic year and her handicap tumbling down!

Thank you to:

Sheila and her committee for their help and support over the past year.

Sharon MacPherson for her tremendous help with the coaching at the Braids and Swanston.

Karen Marshall for her continued support with the Junior Squad.

All the Club Rep's that have helped with the coaching at the Braids.

Diane Morrison for her help with membership admin and parental queries.

Sal Shepherd for helping to organise various competitions throughout the season.

### **8. Proposals**

A proposal had been put forward to change the wording in the Constitution, point 5.9 which currently reads:

"To arrange golf competitions and matches for the Members providing prizes or awards, and to enter teams chosen from the Members by a sub-committee consisting of the Captain, Vice-Captain, County Champion and an appointed Selector, for Inter-County golf matches and competitions."

To read:

"To arrange golf competitions and matches for the Members providing prizes or awards, and to enter teams chosen from the Members by a sub committee consisting of the Captain, the Vice-Captain and an appointed Selector. The County Champion should be invited to join the Committee for the following season if she so wishes. The Captain has the right to seek other advice as she feels appropriate."

After discussion a vote was taken and the proposal was rejected 28 votes to 20.

### **9. Election of Office Bearers**

The Captain reported that the President – Janet Wake – had served her three years in office and was due to stand down. She paid tribute to Janet and said that over her term of office she had proved an invaluable source of information and advice and had helped her enormously in settling into her role as Captain. Tracy Laughland – a past Captain – had been nominated to succeed Janet as President and the Captain asked the meeting to agree the nomination. The meeting confirmed the nomination.

Tracy then spoke and said she was surprised and delighted to be nominated and would do her best to support the Committee and MCLGA over her term of office.

Sandra Hennessy, Junior Secretary had (also) completed three years in post and was standing down. The Captain said that Sandra had done an enormous amount of work over her three year term of office and the Juniors went from strength to strength. She thanked Sandra and said she deserved a well-earned rest. Sharon Macpherson had agreed to become Junior Secretary in her place.

The Office Bearers were then confirmed as:

Tracy Laughland as President for her 1<sup>st</sup> year  
Sheila Stuart as Captain for her 2nd year  
Zandra Mathieson as Vice-Captain for her 2nd year  
Maureen McLeod as Honorary Treasurer for her 9th year  
Hilary Anderson as Honorary Secretary for her 3rd year  
Sharon Macpherson was nominated as Junior Secretary for her 1st year  
Wendy Nicholson as Selector for her 2nd year  
Brenda Russell as Independent Examiner

**10. Any other Business.**

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.