



August 2021 Newsletter

Hi ladies,

I do hope you are all safe and well and enjoying being able to do a few more of the things we love. Whether that's playing golf, eating out, holidaying, or just spending time with our loved ones, I am sure we are all happy for the extended freedom and let's keep our fingers crossed that it all continues in the right direction.

It's been a strange start to my year with the Bridge Drive having to be moved to November – you will receive the application form soon – the Spring Meeting, eventually being moved to August! after the Summer Meeting and lots of thinking about whether we should go ahead with the Cotswold Away Break! However, when I think of what others have had to contend with I think I am lucky and I thank you all for your support.

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*I am so pleased we continued with the Away Break to the Cotswolds Hotel & Spa in June. The weather could not have been better and I think everyone was just so excited to be doing something normal that we didn't really mind what our golf was like! The hotel looked after us very well and our function room had a private patio where we were able to enjoy a pre-dinner get together. Thank you to all who attended making it a fun few days. There were lots of prizes but the winners of the Captains Trophy were Di Tass, Georgina Elliott and Ann Warner. The Presidents Day winners were Sue Roberts, Linda Battye and Gerry Grant*



In many ways it was very fitting that the first Meeting was at Knebworth as it was a wonderful way to celebrate the life of our Captain for 2020, Val Stickley, who sadly passed away during her year in office, without being able to see any of her plans come to fruition. It was a very happy day, attended by 72 ladies. The sun shone, the balls flew and there were smiles and laughter. The ladies were very generous in buying raffle tickets in aid of Marie Curie and a beautiful quilt, hand made and donated by Therese Perks, was bought in a silent auction by Di Tass. We were able to raise over £450 on the day. We received a huge amount of help and support from the staff at Knebworth, and a delicious meal of Chicken wrapped in Prosciutto stuffed with Boursin, followed by "Chef's" Cheesecake was enjoyed at the end of the round. Although how we managed it after a bacon roll before the start and an excellent halfway house I have no idea. Both the prize and raffle tables looked magnificent with an array of beautiful plants and flowers kindly organised and arranged by the very talented Georgie Savage a dear friend of Val, from Knebworth. The format for the day was teams of 3, 2 to score, all 3 on par 3s. The winners were Barbara Watkins, Liz Walker and Marilyn Campbell from East Herts who won the Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee 2002 Salver with 87



The postponed Spring Meeting finally took place at WGC GC. It was attended by 56 ladies, who were hosted by the ladies from WGC, under the watchful eye of Marlene Duke, who did a wonderful job in welcoming us to their lovely course. Everywhere in the clubhouse looked beautiful with blue and yellow flowers, and the Chef did a fabulous job with the buffet and trio of desserts including a blue and yellow macaron. Once again the ladies were very generous, raising a total of £350 for Marie Curie and Therese Perks put her creative skills to work and donated another quilt. Sylvia McGarry's green fingers provided a number of flower laden troughs and planters for the raffle.

The format was teams of four, 3 to score, and the winners of the Brookman Bowl with an amazing 112 points were Sue Roberts, Carole Goldie, Adele Price and Emma Duckworth from Knebworth.



*Our Matches have been going well and have been really fun this year. I hope to report more on this in the next newsletter.*

*Finally, I would just like to say a special thank you to all the Committee who work so hard on behalf of the Society. You are all simply wonderful!!!*