



## LEAMINGTON & COUNTY GOLF CLUB

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### Managers Mutterings

Dear Member

It looks like the hot weather is back with us so just a brief reminder to make sure you take on board enough fluids when you're out on the golf course. The guidelines for hydration are "little and often" don't wait until you're thirsty.

The club entertained the Warwickshire Veteran Ladies Golf Association in their match against Leicestershire this week. Both teams were very complimentary about the club as a whole so a big well done to all those involved in making the day a success.

A quick reminder to all male members, the Pairs Open is just a month away on Saturday "The Glorious" 12th August and there are still a few spaces. You can enter online via the web site and I'm pretty sure if you ask nicely the Pro Staff team will process your entry in the shop.

At the recent MOC meeting a small increase in bar prices was approved. As an example the new discounted price for a pint of Carling will be £3.08 which is still an absolute bargain. The new prices will take effect from Monday 17th July.

Its Captains Draw Night tonight where the jackpot will be £800 but you know the rules you must be in the room to win it. The usual supporting games will take place with the now legendary "Ian Salmon's - Play Your Cards Right" and the ever more popular "Take the Money or Open the Box" with the lovely Lesley Bennison. The fun starts around 7.15pm don't be late!.

The Charity Quiz Night is scheduled for Wednesday 26th July, the entry sheet is on the main club notice board. Don't be shy sign up I hear you can buy the answers, my kind of quiz!!

It looks a strong field for the Charity Shield on Sunday so if you're playing have a great round.

Kind regards

Bryan Frazer  
Club Manager

## Captain's Capers



Played with the Saturday 7 O'clockers again last weekend!

Several years ago when first moving to the area and joining the Club, I frankly knew none of the members here at Leamington & County, but was invited to a new members 9 hole evening round. There I met Anthony, who mentioned he played with a group who tee off each Saturday morning at 7.00 a.m. and I would be very welcome to join.

This group organised by 'fellow insomniacs' Clive & Dave, roll up at about 6.45 a.m. to put a ball in the hat, play with whomever they are drawn with, enjoy 18 holes of Stableford golf, enjoy a cupper amongst friends back at the Clubhouse and go home minus a quid for the 'winner takes all' prize.

Quite frankly these guys are nuts! Why would you do it! Go out in all weathers come rain or shine! Get up out of a warm bed in the winter in the dark and all this just to get punished for being a golf nut. Clearly insomniacs or maniacs or both!

There are many such groups at Leamington & County G.C. however, that you can join with to engage in this madness and if you would like to know more about them, just pop your head around the Managers office door to ask.

Oh and by the way, there is also our Clubnite 9 hole Stableford Comp run most Thursday evenings throughout the summer months to enjoy!

Best regards  
Club Captain

## Strawberry Tea

The 9 hole strawberry tea event held last Sunday raised £100.00 for the charity and I thank all those who played and the visitors who joined in to enjoy the lovely summer strawberries, scones and tea. Perfect for an English summer afternoon.

Julie Ford  
Ladies Captain

## Greens Matters



Following on from last weeks comments about winter mats. We have moved the sample of the proposed matting to the winter tee on the 10th for members opinions. In situ the new mats will have a concrete surround then sit on a base of type 1 hardcore and compacted sand. As most members comments have so far been positive, it's probably easier if you let me know if you think there is an issue.

I have been questioned this week about the timing of watering the greens as the member asking the question got wet when the sprinklers came on at 8pm. It takes around 8-9 hours to water the golf course each sprinkler comes on for a period of 6 minutes and they come on in pairs with an average of 4 sprinklers per green. The process needs to be finished in time for the greens to drain such that the team can cut them the following morning hence why it comes on at 8pm.

## Charity Team Golf Classic

The corporate day was postponed earlier in the year and has now been re-organised for Friday 22nd September and we're going to try something a little different. Re named the Captains Charity Team Golf Classic the day will start with full English breakfast, followed by a trick shot show that has to be seen to be believed, 1.00pm draw for starting holes and maybe a quick auction of the 1st and 10th tees, a 1.30 shotgun start 18 holes of team golf with 2 scores to count and 3 on par 3's which will be followed by a prize giving and auction of 4 ball vouchers. We already have 2 vouchers for any QHotel venue, 2 vouchers for Enville GC plus vouchers for Robin Hood GC, Copt Heath GC, Sandwell Park GC, Nuneaton GC, Walmley GC, Handsworth GC and at least one of the recent Open Qualifying courses.

The entry fee per team, which can be men, ladies or mixed, is £250 with a 1st prize of £600 down to £200 for 5th place plus 4 £50 prizes for nearest the pins. We are limited to 25 teams so book early to avoid disappointment.

For more details please call the office.

## Competition News



July is a busy month!

This Saturday is the annual 'Charity Mixed Pairs'. This is a Stableford better ball event and your pairs can be mixed, men/men or ladies/ladies. There are no tee reservations, simply sign up in the Pro-shop and enjoy the event.

Sunday is the Charity Shield and next weekend is Captain's Day with the Presidents Vase following after that.

Entry to all these events is open on HDID.

## Results Round Up

My apologies to all the winner that this got missed out of last weeks updates.

**CENTENARY SALVER:** When you play off 8 and shoot 6 under you probably expect to win, that is unless someone off 8 shoots 8 under and that's exactly what Garry Rafferty did in winning the Centenary Salver. Gary playing off 8 returned a fantastic 44 points to pip Garry Wright also off 8 who returned 42 points with Richard Langston in 3rd with 41 points. There were 17 players who returned scores better than handicap out of the 121 who played. In the ladies section it was officers to the front with the Ladies Captain Julie Ford (27) winning with 34 points, the Club President Chris Lees (21) second with 32 points and past captain Dianna Phillips (18) with 31 points 3rd.

Last weekend's Pro Stableford was won by Jon Isaacs with 39 points. Jon returned his score on Saturday. The Ladies EG Medal was won by Gill Thorpe (11) who returned a nett 71.

In the Greys Nags Alan Righton Bowl competition the field was lead home by Bill Watts (13) with a fantastic 43 points, he was 5 clear of B Team Captain Andy Burlace (14) with Peter Hancock (17) a couple of points further back.

The Thursday Nite 9 Holes was won this week by Alan Hall (14) with 20pts, 2nd Neil Garner (7) 18pts and 3rd Dennis Keogh (9) 17pts.

Congratulations to all the winners.

## What's On this Week



Fri 7th: Captain's Draw Night - 7.00pm-9.30pm

Sun 9th: Charity Shield (Mixed) - Course closed until 2.30pm

Mon 10th: Greens Topdress

Tues 11th: Ladies Lyons & Morris Stableford, Draw - 8.30am-12.30pm

Tues 11th: Grey Nags v Maxstoke Park (A) - 8.45am

Tues 11th: B Team v Fulford Heath (H) - 2.30 - 3.30pm - change to the diary

Thurs 13th: Society Booking - 11.00am-12.00pm

Thurs 13th: Club Nite 9 Hole 3.30 to 7.30 entry window

Fri 14th: Society Booking - 11.00am-12.00pm

Fri 14th: Nine & Dine Mixed 4.30pm-5.30pm