



The Chesterfield Golf Club

e-Bulletin
20th January 2018 - 16th February 2018

Date:	Sat 20th	Sun 21st	Mon 22nd	Tue 23rd	Wed 24th	Thurs 25th	Fri 26th
Event:		Ladies Comp 11.28 - 11.56					
Date:	Sat 27th	Sun 28th	Mon 29th	Tues 30th	Wed 31st	Thurs 1st	Fri 2nd
Event:							
Date:	Sat 3rd	Sun 4th	Mon 5th	Tues 6th	Wed 7th	Thurs 8th	Fri 9th
Event:	Pro's Comp (No booking)		Vets Comp & AGM 9.08 - 10.04	Captain's Last Fling 9.32 - 11.00			
Date:	Sat 10th	Sun 11th	Mon 12th	Tues 13th	Wed 14th	Thurs 15th	Fri 16th
Event:	Captains' Last Dance	Captain's Last Fling 11.00 - 12.28	Ladies AGM				

A Belated Happy New Year to All at Chesterfield Golf Club, may you have Good Health and Good Golf!

Membership Drive

The Club will be undertaking an initiative to recruit new members during the coming year. As part of this, any adult member who introduces a full playing member to the Club will be credited with a £100 reduction on the following full year's subscription or a £50 reduction if the new member joins as an Off-Peak member.

This offer is conditional on the newly introduced member renewing his/her membership at the commencement of the subscription year following their introduction.

We would urge you all to consider taking up this challenge to ensure that we continue to keep our membership in a healthy position.

Dress Down Night - Big Al's Jazz Night

What a night! The clubhouse was full and the atmosphere great. Our Captain Chris was part of the group on this occasion and I would say he did not let Alan down!

Well done to everyone for giving us all a really enjoyable relaxed evening.

Nick has placed a video on our web site for those who were unable to be there on the night so you can get a taste of how good it was. There are also lots of photographs as well, so do log on to our website and have a good look at them.

Captain's Corner

Well not long to go now as Captain as I realise that this will be my penultimate missive! My term in office is nearing its conclusion, I will return to being "persona non-grata" and more importantly, you won't have to put up with my drivel every newsletter!



Over the Christmas period I visited my daughters and Jan in Surrey and Oxfordshire and came back for the New Year's Eve do at the Golf Club. This was a lovely evening with a local band who are great characters and as usual, Neil and his team looked after us splendidly.

There was little golf for me over the period because of my being away and the dreadful weather that resulted in much closure of the course. I managed to play for the first time on Friday 12th for what seemed like (and was) weeks, and followed that up by games on the Saturday and Sunday.

I had the pleasure of playing drums with a

group of talented and elderly musicians led by our own Alan Rimmington on a well-attended Friday evening at the Club on the 12th that has been reported elsewhere in the bulletin and other than attending 5 committee meetings already in January, things have been pretty quiet!

I attended the funeral of our President, Gerald Turner on Monday January 8th at the Crematorium along with many other officials of the club. There was a fantastic turnout of people who Gerald had touched along the way in his life and some wonderful tributes to him and the part he had played in helping so many young people in the world of golf. The gathering at the Golf Club afterwards was a lovely opportunity to meet friends and relatives and reminisce.

As ever, my thanks to all members for their camaraderie and my best wishes.

Regards as ever,
Captain Chris

Trevor Glover

Members may by now be aware that our Secretary/Manager, Trevor Glover, has recently informed the Board of his wish to retire as he approaches his 70th birthday.

The position is now being advertised nationally and the closing date for applications is the 31st January.

We are indebted to Trevor for the manner in which he has approached this issue inasmuch as he has generously agreed that he will only retire once his successor has satisfactorily "settled in".

I am sure that members will applaud this characteristically unselfish and thoughtful decision by Trevor which will give the Board possibly much needed timing flexibility as we seek to appoint his replacement.

The Web Site

Considerable work has been done to our web site by Nick Roberts to make it more user friendly and I would urge you all to check it out.

As some of you are aware, Nick does this for the Club out of the goodness of his heart with no remuneration except our grateful thanks and appreciation.

If any one has anything that they would like put on the Web please contact Liz Day and she will pass it to Nick.

Sponsorship of Tee Boxes

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those members who have renewed their sponsorship and those who have kindly sponsored those tee boxes which have become vacant.

It would be appreciated, if you have not already paid, if you could please drop a cheque into the office.

It is anticipated that all the plates will be updated before the start of the golfing year.

Junior News

Our cadets and juniors enjoyed their second presentation event in the clubhouse before Christmas - the weather prevented the planned outdoor activities but a hastily produced quiz from John Barker sent the children hunting for clues around the clubhouse to develop their understanding of the club's history.



Captain Chris Lightfoot presented awards covering skills, attitude and medal performances with Junior member Jack Barker-Sabido and Challenge Tour member George Woolgar giving insights as to what it takes to progress from Junior through County and on to professional ranks. Proceedings were rounded off by an excellent buffet from Neil.

The cadets and juniors are not resting on their laurels - winter coaching is taking place on Thursday nights with Shane and Andy Carnall at Barlborough Links and Sunday morning with Shane at CGC; on top of that we have a new weekly Cadet Order of Merit competition sponsored by Prosperity running through to the end of March and a similar Order of Merit for Juniors with CONGU handicaps between Chesterfield, Matlock and South Chesterfield over the same timeframe.

The cadet competition takes place on Sunday afternoons from 2.00 p.m. moving out as the daylight stretches out and the CONGU competition sees us sharing hosting duties with the other Clubs - keep an eye on the screen in the foyer as this displays all the Junior events and their timings.

We will soon be recruiting new cadets and juniors for 2018 so if you know of anyone interested in joining please contact Mike Barker at:

mike.barker1958@gmail.com.

Course Report

The recent weather is making life as a greenkeeper very frustrating! Since the beginning of December we have had nearly 150mm of rain and snow forcing us to close the course more than we would like. As everyone should be aware by now we experienced some recent vandalism on the course. Fortunately, the damage was mainly superficial. The worst area was the 14th green and this will take longer to recover due to its location and the severity of the damage.

The two bunkers that we have renovated on 11 and 15 have now been turfed to allow the grass to establish roots before we put sand in. The drain lines next to the bunker on 11 have also been turfed. We shall also be turfing and rubber matting some more path ends and any worn areas around the course. The revamped Par 3 winter tee mats are working well although the bad weather

has highlighted the need to move the 8th so that it isn't sitting under water.

Nick Miles
Course Manager

Captains' Last Dance Saturday 10th February with "The Sons Connection" who play 60's, 70's and a little 80's music.

Please ensure you sign up and give Chris and Liz a good send off.

Social Calendar for 2018/2019

Captains' First Dance 17th March with "Prophecy" a 3-piece band, who play mainly 80's music.

Please do come and support this first function in our new Captains' year.

Casino Night - 5th May
Summer Celebration - Friday 29th June
Gin Tasting - 25th July
Captains' Party - 1st September
Committee Cup Event - 13th October
Annual Dinner Dance - 17th November
Carol Concert - 14th December
Children's Party - 16th December
New Year's Eve - 31st December
Captains' Last Dance - 9th February 2019

Please make a note of these dates in your diary. Further information will be published nearer the event times.

Dress Down Nights

These are continuing throughout the year and dates will be published as far in advance as possible. Occasionally these may have to be changed, but every effort will be made to fulfil the schedule. The first two dates, which are already fixed, are:

Friday 23rd February and
Friday 30th March

The themes for these will be published shortly on our advertising leaflets and on the monitor in the foyer.

Wine Tasting Group

The wine tasting group meet at the Club on the 2nd Wednesday of every month and members are welcome to come along and join this very friendly group.

Included in the evening are 3 white wines, 3 red wines, a port and a three course meal all for a cost of £26. There is also a short talk on each wine, i.e. where it comes from, where you can purchase it and whether it is suitable for laying down or drink now etc.!

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