



The Chesterfield Golf Club

e-Bulletin
4th -17th August 2018

Date:	Sat 4th	Sun 5th	Mon 5th	Tue 7th	Wed 8th	Thurs 9th	Fri 10th
Event:	Derbyshire Ladies County Championship Closed until 10.30am, 12.45pm-2.30pm	Derbyshire Ladies County Championship Closed 8.45am-9.30am, 1.30pm-2.30pm	Course work	Course work	Course work	Course work	Course work
Date:	Sat 11th	Sun 12th	Mon 13th	Tues 14th	Wed 15th	Thurs 16th	Fri 17th
Event:	Pro's comp (no booking required)	Junior cadets holes 1-6 3.45pm-4.30pm	Seniors v Hallowes (9.30am-10.30am)	Radcliffe-on-Trent Ladies Exchange (10.30am-11.30am)	Midweek medal (tee closure until 10am)	Seniors v Sitwell Park (9.30am-10.30am)	Friday fun night 5.30pm

Dick Harrison Trophy

Congratulation to our Captain Martin on winning the Dick Harrison Trophy in his year as Captain, it's good to get your name on a board besides just as Captain!

Congratulations to the runner ups Trevor Wills and David Bowler.

Ladies Competition

A belated congratulations to Jan Poulton who won the Rosy Posy competition with 41pts.



Junior News

Lucia Maturi played in a 54 hole competition at Sycuan Lodge, just outside San Diego, the course for her division (girls 9 - 10 yrs), measuring 4,700 yards, par 72.

She shot 92, 87 & 91 - the standard was extremely high, most of the other 10 year olds are home schooled and play 3 day events regularly just like mini pros - the winner shot 69, 71 & 73. There was no CSS but the winner would probably have a handicap of 3!

The opening ceremony was a very grand flag parade of all the nation's taking part held at Torey Pines. Lucia played with girls

from China, Thailand, New York, Colorado, Brazil and California.



Closer to home the Golf Sixes squad maintained their winning record by sharing first place with South Chesterfield at Matlock Golf Club. We move on to South Chesterfield for the next two events.

Benjamin Wharton is playing in the US Kids British championships next week.

Jamie Hunt has just qualified for the Wee Wonders British final at St Andrews next month by coming 2nd in the regional final at Branston.

Mike Barker

Stop Press

Great performances from our guys at the under 16 short course Championships. Jack Barker-Sabido Gross Champion, Lucia Maturi 3rd nett, and Benjamin Wharton non-Congu winner

Insight: How the golf club is managed

Chesterfield Golf Club is incorporated as a limited company with no issued shares. As a result the club is required to manage itself in compliance with and conforming to the appropriate Company Acts. On the face of it the club is operated as a normal business. However, there is a major differ-



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ence, as in common with most other golf clubs, a very large part of the workload is carried out by unpaid volunteers elected by the members.

Full time employees of the club number nine full time and two part time. The full time employees are the secretary/manager, the club professional, the course manager and the catering manager. There are five full time greenkeepers and one part time administration officer and one part time financial officer. The volunteers are made up of eight elected directors plus the Honorary Treasurer, who is also a director. The Honorary Treasurer is elected annually with the other directors elected for up to three years. In addition the Board has six ex officio members who are also directors made up of the President, the Captain, the Vice Captain, the immediate Past Captain and the Ladies' Captain. In attendance at the Board meetings is the Ladies Vice Captain.

Whilst the Board usually meets once a month the directors also make up the membership of the permanent sub committees. These are the Ladies section, Competitions and Handicaps, Green, House and Social, Membership/Marketing and Communications, Health, Safety and Environment, Finance and Forward Planning and Juniors. In addition the Articles of Association allow the Board to co-opt club members on to the sub committees. During the 2017/2018 season the Board had co-opted fifteen members on to the sub committees.

These sub committees, whilst formally meeting once a month, often have to meet much more frequently depending on the issues and activities ongoing in the club. Recent examples would be re-wiring the clubhouse, replacing the irrigation system, installing the solar paneling and negotiating the sale of the land. Workload is further increased when golf club staff members have to be recruited, such as the Club Professional, the Secretary Manager and the Course Manager, all of whom have been appointed recently. Other members volunteer for ad hoc requirements such as divoting parties and twig picking.

Further to those already mentioned there are a number of people who work for the club but are not employees of the club. The professional is an employee but the assistant professional is employed by the professional. Similarly the bar staff, the cleaning staff, the kitchen staff and the waiting staff are all recruited and managed by the franchise caterer, who is himself an employee of the club.

For the effective running of the club both groups, i.e. those on the club payroll and the volunteers, are needed. It should not go unnoticed that if it wasn't for the volunteers who generously give of their time and experience to help manage the club, the payroll would be significantly higher, putting the cost of membership unacceptably higher than it is now. Nothing takes place in this club without groups of individuals working together to make things happen. If the volunteers disappeared there would be no Opens, no club competitions, no social events or handicap maintenance to name but a few of the activities which we quite gladly take for granted.

Attracting a continued flow of volunteers is not always easy. It can, at times, be a thankless task, especially when members vent their frustrations/concerns in a less than friendly or constructive manner. The challenge of keeping subscription costs to an acceptable level gets harder and harder every year. Let's hope the volunteers keep on volunteering.

Socials

Gin Tasting evening



Forty-five members and guests enjoyed a fantastic evening, trying a variety of different gins and mixers. Shaun Bacon did a tremendous job in sourcing the host and providing the drinks. Neil and the catering team provided another excellent meal.

Dress Down Friday French Night

Once again Neil and his team excelled themselves with a superb selection of foods based upon a French theme. The evening was very well supported and it was great to see members and their guests enjoying another great evening at Chesterfield Golf Club

The next dress down night is on Friday 24th August and the theme is a Fish Night; do come along and support this event.

Saturday 1st September is Captains' Social and it is also a big birthday for Club Captain

So come on one and all and make sure he has a night to remember.

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Sunday Lunches

Just a reminder Neil is putting on Sunday lunches until 5pm and will be happy to take bookings so please do come along and bring family and friends. Items on the menu change weekly so there is no chance of you getting bored with it!

Mr Captain: Thank you for momento

To all members who contributed to my Captain's momento, thank you - I have been able to order a beautiful wine decanter engraved as a reminder of my



day.
This is a truly stunning piece of glassware and I am hugely appreciative of all your generous donations.
Regards
Martin

Course Report

It is amazing to see the course change after a change in temperature and some prolonged rain. We recorded 30mm from Friday through to Monday and you can already see some new green shoots appearing. I have also noticed that the area between the 10th and 18th that we cleared over winter has finally got some wild flowers growing. I was beginning to think that the heatwave had affected the seeds so it is great to see some colour there.

Next week is course work week and we are aiming to get everything completed in 3 days starting on the Monday. The work will consist of the following:

- Micro hollow core all greens
- Verti-cut or rotary brush all greens
- Overseed all greens with one pass of Bent grass seed
- Topdress all greens and brush in

During this time can I please ask all members to give green staff priority on the course. If the green is being worked on please pick up your ball and move on to the next hole. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Nick Miles

Course Manager



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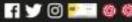
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