



# **Chesterfield Golf Club**

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## **Senior Moments**

**Newsletter of Chesterfield Golf Club Seniors' Section.  
The place to post news and air your views.**

**Issue 37 – September 2018**

## Chairman's introduction:

Hi everyone,

What a busy month we have had with three home matches being played. We started with a 5-2 win against Hallows on the 13th. Following this was a 3-5 loss against Sitwell Park, on the 16th.

However our greatest win so far for this year must have been when we played against Hallamshire and secured a 4.5-3.5 victory with all the games being very close and three matches being halved. We don't get many of these against Hallamshire !! Well done everyone. All three games were played in great spirit and in good weather.

Our Captain Martin Bonynghe has his 50th birthday in early September and is celebrating the event in conjunction with the club's Summer Party social which is to take place on the 1st September. This event, as I write, is almost a sell out (5 places left) and promises to be a great family evening.

Some of you will have noticed our new patio furniture which has really enhanced/improved the seating, complete with umbrellas tables and cushions for the chairs, although at times you may have to fetch your cushions from the snug. All of this new patio furniture has been very kindly donated to our club by our Captain and honorary Seniors member Martin.

On the social scene after the Summer Party we have our Dinner Dance on the 17th November. The entertainment for this is the "Ashby Little Big Band". Have a look at these "on line" they are one of the best Glen Miller tribute bands in the country and the night promises to be an excellent evening of entertainment and dance.

This will be followed on the 14th December by our carol concert with the "Ireland Colliery band" who "brought the house down" last year.

If you have not decided what you are doing on New Year's Eve yet, we have a super evening planned. The entertainment is the band with two female singers "Chequers". These are exceptional quality artists who often perform on cruise liners. They performed for us at our Dinner Dance last year and were top quality. This N.Y.E., we also have a spectacular fireworks display which is planned for 12.15am.

So it's Champagne reception, meal with low key entertainment, then dance time. The band will do several spots, and they will play in the new year. Then fireworks followed by dancing through to 1.00am.

Keep your eyes open for the sign-up sheets for these events.

*All the best with your golf, regards Peter Copley, Chairman Seniors Section*

## September birthdays

Happy Birthdays to :- Peter Broomhead / Colin Douch / Brent Plowman / Ken Adams / Alan Bellamy.

## Secretary's Notes

Since our August issue of Senior Moments we have had a committee meeting at which several points were raised and discussed with decisions being made. One of these was the option of members to purchase Team shirts / Sleeveless tops / and Long Sleeve Jumpers from Shane in the Pro shop. We hope eventually that when we play our interclub matches that all our team will be in Seniors Section shirts. More detail is provided by Nick later in this newsletter. Also discussed was our Annual Dinner in January 2019 and plans for the evening were agreed upon.

As you are probably aware the club now has a very vibrant Junior Section, therefore we have made contact with their organisers to see if they would be interested in

reviving the game with the Seniors which used to take place every year. I am pleased to report they were enthusiastic about this so hopefully next year this game should be back in our programme. Your committee decided a £100 donation to the Junior Section should be made from our general fund.

Summer Singles and Doubles knockout matches are nearing the Semi Finals and my thanks to all for keeping to the time frame.

Thursday 20th December Christmas Competition and food.

Friday 18th January Annual Dinner and Prize Presentation

Regards, Secretary: *Les Spencer*

## The Summer Diary – Competitions

Competitions are progressing well.

Doubles semi-finals to be completed by 30<sup>th</sup> September.

Congratulations to John Wall and Keith Menzies who will contest the singles final.

## Seniors Section Finances

The membership this year is the highest since 2012 – due in part to the lowering of the qualifying age, but encouraging all the same.

*Garry*

## 2018 Seniors Fixtures

These are real fun fixtures played in a great spirit.

Please add your name to the list the Alan Moore posts on the noticeboard if you wish to participate. Alan puts the selected team on the board a couple of weeks before the event for you to tick off to confirm. Alan is now emailing the team to those selected so they can confirm with him by email in case they're not at the Club.

	Date	Opposition	Venue/Time
Sept.	Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>	Silver Anniversary Cup	Home 13:00
	Tue 11 <sup>th</sup>	Hallowes	Away 9:00
	Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	Abbeylea	Away 8:30
	Tue 18 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies with Seniors	Home 10:00
Dec	Thu 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Christmas Competition & Food	Home 10:00
Jan	Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Annual Dinner & Prize Presentation	Home 19:00

Please don't forget to sign up for the **Silver Anniversary Cup competition**. If you can't get into the Club – please email Les to let him know you'd like to participate. There will be a draw for teams.

The sign up sheet for **the game with the Ladies** is now on our Notice Board.

This event is organised by the Ladies Section and as you probably recall we organise the Seniors with Ladies game in April. Unfortunately we had a poor response from our members for the April game so had to cancel it.

Your committee would not like to tell the Ladies ( again ) that we cannot get enough players to run the game, so if at all possible please sign up to play.

The format for the game is – teams of 4 comprising 2 ladies, 2 gents. Stableford scoring off full handicaps, one lady and 1 gent to score on each hole.

Draw for teams. Meal to follow. Entry Fee £3 to fund prizes, presented after the post match meal. Let me know if you wish to play but cannot get up to the club to sign up.

*Regards, Les Spencer*

## **Contributions to Senior Moments are welcome By 25<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding issue please**

*Senior Moments is an informal newsletter of the Seniors' Section of the Chesterfield Golf Club. We're happy to continue with Senior Moments but it would be so much nicer if we were to receive contributions from members.*

*Please email your article / joke / news to [nick.roberts@bcs.org](mailto:nick.roberts@bcs.org)*

### **Mischievous Grannies**

Three mischievous old Grandmas were sitting on a bench outside the nursing home when an old Great Grandpa, Billy G, walked by.

One of the old Grandmas yelled out, 'Hey, we bet we can tell exactly how old you are!'

Billy said, 'There is no way you can guess my age!'

One of the Grandmas said, 'Sure we can! Just drop your trousers and underpants and we can tell your exact age.'

Embarrassed, but anxious to prove they couldn't do it, Billy dropped his drawers.

The Grandmas asked him to first turn around a couple of times and then jump up and down several times. Determined to prove them wrong, he did it. Then they all said in unison,

'You're 93 years old!'

Standing with his clothes down around his ankles, Billy asked, 'How in the world did you guess my age?'

Slapping their knees, high fiving and grinning from ear to ear, the three old ladies happily crowed.....

'We were at your birthday party yesterday.'

### **Members' Success**

Congratulations to two of our Seniors – Garry Sims and Paul Bywater, who, together with their wives, came second in Cavendish' Mixed Open in July.

### **Seniors Kit**

For your information shirts and pullovers / slipovers etc. can now be purchased through Shane in the Professional Shop.

The shirts are a short sleeve collared shirt in Ascot Blue with the club badge on the left breast and "Seniors Section" embroidered underneath.

They are manufactured by Glenmuir and are available in either Polyester or Cotton.

All sizes are available and Shane has the varying chest sizes chart.

They are priced at £33.95 and allow two weeks from ordering to receiving them.

Picture below





Shane will also supply pullovers, slippers and certain other items in matching Ascot Blue and with "Seniors Section" embroidered under the Club Badge.

### **CONGU Handicapping**

Are you familiar with the changes which came in on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018? If not, there's a summary and link to explanatory documents on the club's website home page.

### **World Handicap System**

England Golf are working closely with The USGA and The R&A to help introduce the new single World Handicap System for the sport. Together with golf's handicapping authorities they are developing a universal system which will apply all over the world.

You may also like to check out the R&A website for any details around the WHS by using this

link <https://www.randa.org/WorldHandicapSystem>

### **Derbyshire Union**

Hello Nick,

Last Monday I was invited to play with a few COGGS at Shirland Golf Club. Looking at their website I noticed that the visitors fee was £18 whereas for members of the Derbyshire Union the fee was reduced to £10. No-one had a Derbyshire Union Card on them or were aware that they could use one. I couldn't find a card so took along my invoice from Chesterfield Golf Club showing the subscription we all pay. Although not entirely happy that no-one had a DU card, the pro agreed that everyone could pay the £10 rate. Subsequently I obtained a DU card from Shane and understand that cards are available also from the Office.

Anyway, the reason for telling you this is to suggest that you might think it worthwhile if something about the DU scheme be mentioned in Senior Moments?

Best wishes, Colin (Douch)

### **Pharmacy Visit**

I went to my nearby Boots Pharmacy, straight to the back, where the Pharmacists' high counter is located.

I took out my little brown bottle, along with a teaspoon, and set them up on the counter.

The Pharmacist came over, smiled, and asked if he could help me. I said, "Yes! Could you please taste this for me?"

Seeing a senior citizen, the Pharmacist went along.

He took the spoon, put a tiny bit of the liquid on it, put it on his tongue and swilled it around.

Then, with a stomach-churning look on his face, he spat it out on the floor and began coughing.

When he was finally finished, I looked him right in the eye and asked, "Now, does that taste sweet to you?"

The Pharmacist, shaking his head back and forth with a venomous look in his eyes yelled, "Ugh, no!!!"

I said, "Oh, thank God! That's a real relief! My doctor told me to have a Pharmacist test my urine for sugar!"

I am not allowed to go back to that Boots, but I really don't care, because they aren't very friendly there any more!



**Suggestions  
for captions  
to the editor  
please...**



**Do you  
remember  
these  
scenes?**



These are  
of a flooded  
course in  
2004  
(photos  
courtesy of  
Keith  
Mosley –  
taken by  
Alan Miles)

## Why not give your Summer Golf Shoes a mid-season treat?

### Dave Roach

is continuing  
with his  
shoe cleaning  
service –  
Proceeds to the  
Captains'  
Charity  
for  
2018

*From this:*



### Golf Shoe Service

Shoes cleaned and  
polished to the highest  
standard possible.

Unchanged minimum  
charge of £3.00 per pair

All proceeds to our new Captain  
and Lady Captain's Charities.

Contact Dave Roach on:

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*To this:*



Be smart on your  
feet all for a  
worthy cause !



## Seniors' Section 2018 Officers :

Chairman: Peter Copley 557797

Secretary: Les Spencer 550438

Treasurer: Garry Sims

Match. Sec.: Alan Moore 07887 535518

Committee members – Paul Broadhead, Nick Roberts

## Membership:

Open to those Chesterfield Golf Club Members  
who have reached the age of 55.