

Bungay & Waveney Golf Club

February 2018 Newsletter



- Welcome to the Club's monthly newsletter
- We welcome feedback via Andrew or any of the committee members.

Chairperson Report (Ruth Reynard)

It doesn't seem that long since I wrote the last newsletter of 2017 but here we are and things have certainly moved on apace!

Many of you will know by now about the donation of £10,000 towards the refurbishment of the changing rooms, well I am very happy to tell you that we had an additional donation of a further £5,000 towards this initiative. Both members wish to remain anonymous; nonetheless, I am humbled by the generosity of these members and I am sure that you will want me to thank them on your behalf.

The work has begun on the changing rooms and is running to schedule with the expected completion to be mid-March, plus we hope to be able to do something about installing new lockers as originally planned. This does mean that we will be getting rid of the lockers in the trolley shed (as originally planned) and using this space for trolley storage only.

It won't be that long before the golfing season begins in earnest but prior to that there are a few social events that have taken place and that are coming up shortly. The Bangers and Mash and the Burns were both well attended, and very enjoyable they were too with slightly better weather for the New Years Day competition. Many thanks to Andrew for organising the Bangers & Mash and to Steve Rowe for doing the work for the Burns event.

Roger is putting on a Chinese night on February 16th at 7.30pm, this happily coincides with both the Chinese New Year and Valentine's Day, if the previous themed events are anything to go by it will be well done and I hope just as well attended.

Course Conditions (Andrew Collison)

I am pleased to say that we have now taken delivery of a new "Litamiser" machine which picks up twigs and debris from the course. I am sure this will prove very valuable in improving the presentation of the course.

Vertidrainage of the greens has also been completed. Following the success of the mats on the 4th and 7th, a new artificial tee has been ordered for the 15th. This will encourage better grass growth on a very shaded corner of the course, which has heavy traffic and wear associated with all par three tees.

This year my role will shift slightly to provide greater emphasis on membership and retention. I have really enjoyed working with STRI to help improve the presentation of the course, I am now happy to announce Roger Moore will be taking over from February. Please give Roger your full support to enable him to drive forward our most prized asset.

Pro's Tip

Don't forget your legs! Your legs provide a key role in the swing and it is all too easy to forget them and just swing with your arms, this will cause a lack of power and co-ordination. Initiate the downswing by moving your legs towards the target, this will transfer your weight and help hit down on the ball. It will also bring the club more on the inside, which can reduce that slice!

Rules

When lifting your ball for identification purposes, are you allowed to clean it?

Captain's Corner (Helen Squirrel)

I am honoured and delighted to be the Lady Captain for 2018 and pleased that Val Hindle was appointed as my Vice Captain. I would like to make this year happy and enjoyable for all our members and look forward to working with everyone to achieve this.

My drive in was held on a dull but dry day with a large number of ladies watching. I hope I made everyone smile as I dressed up as, what else, a squirrel. The winner who guessed the right length of my drive was Sue Strutt Holmes. Thanks must go to Val Hindle who helped to raise £119 which goes to my charities for the year, All Hallows Hospital, Ditchingham and Anna's Fund at Great Ormond Street Hospital.

The Ladies AGM was well attended. Our past Captain, Jo Moore, thanked all those who had helped over the year. It is not just the Committee but many other willing volunteers who make it possible for us to enjoy our whole golfing experience. Thanks were given to the outgoing Committee members Jo Moore and Ann Kemp for their past huge contributions. Julie Elden and Belinda Rowe were welcomed to the Committee.

Until the last few days we have not been affected unduly by winter weather and our competitions have been well supported.

The Christmas Medal was played on 5th December and as always keenly contested. Congratulations to the Winner, Di Randall.

The Ladies Christmas Lunch was as popular as ever with 80 ladies enjoying an excellent meal followed by local Great British Bake Off celebrity Kate Barnby showing us how to ice a Christmas cake, which she then gave to be raffled for my charities.

During January, to accommodate the variable course conditions, the ladies play various fun competitions and thanks must go to Belinda Rowe for organising these.

We have now completed our Winter League matches, with 1 won, 1 halved and 3 lost. While it is always nice to win the emphasis has been on giving as many ladies as possible the opportunity for winter match play practice and enjoyment of playing on away courses at a low cost

The ladies have, after a number of years in pink, changed the team colours to purple. The high number of orders for the new shirts and jumpers indicates this was a very popular move. Thanks to Belinda Rowe for overseeing this change.

On Sunday January 20th we enjoyed the Burns Event, which was a success despite cold, wet weather. A meal of Scotch Pie, neeps and tatties was enjoyed by all and the wee dram was most welcome to help us thaw out.

Please do try and support the Social events that are being organised for you this year. Some events last year only had the minimum number for viability and we would hope for your support this year to make the social side of our membership as successful as the golfing side.

I am grateful for everyone's co-operation and forbearance during the locker room refurbishment and we look forward to using the improved facilities. I now look forward to spring, to sunny days and successful competitions and I hope to play with as many of you as possible during my year of captaincy.

Captain's Corner (Steve Rowe)

Since starting as Men's Captain we have had five weekend competitions, the winners roll of honour is Alec Slade, December Medal with a net 68, Tony Moore, January Medal net 65, Kevin Talbot, January Stableford 39 points, Richard Hayman, February Stableford 32 points and the Turkey Trott was won by our Chairperson Ruth Reynard with 36 points.

There have also been two Men's midweek stablefords, Jim Barber winning December with 38 points and Ian MacKenzie winning January with an incredible 45 points. These were all well represented competitions, congratulations and well played to the winners.

I recently sent an email out to the Men's section for players in the 10 to 18 handicap range to find possible interest trialling for and playing in the Tolly team this year. This is a prestigious competition, 2018 offers us a golden opportunity to progress with our first 3 matches, should we win, all drawn at home. There has been a good level of interest from players but I'm mentioning it again in case anyone missed it and also importantly, we are still looking for a captain. For this role you don't have to feel competitive enough to play in the Tolly but be keen to get involved in helping a Bungay representative team.

I'd like to take this opportunity to remind members that we run a 100 club with proceeds going towards items for the clubhouse. There are members who were in last year who haven't renewed this year and spaces for new members to join. Please see Roger or one of the bar staff if you wish to be involved.

I attended the Vets Texas Scramble and AGM in January and despite the weather had a very enjoyable day. Many thanks to Stuart Greenwood on behalf of the Men's committee, for his smooth running of the Vets section in his time in office and all the best to Bill Carson as he takes over as the Vets Chairman.

Our golf course is a superb asset and although as golfers, we like to gripe about some aspects of it, in the main we are very lucky with what we have at Bungay. I would like to encourage you as members to take better care of the course. I played recently on a 9.00 a.m. Sunday tee time. Along with one of my playing partners we set out to repair 6 pitch marks each per green, a target we reached easily. On the 18th we gave up counting at 30. Please don't let your clubhouse boast be how quickly you got round but rather that every tee box, fairway, bunker and green was in a better state after you had been there than it was before.

Competition Results

Men: January Medal: Winner :T. Moore. Div.1 T. Moore 74-9-65, 2. S.Hubbard 73-5-68, 3.S. Brown 78-9-69. Div. 2. 1.D.Evans 86-19-67, 2. D.Cronin 89-20-69, 3. O. Read.86-16-70 January Stableford: Winner K. Talbot. Div. 1: K. Talbot 38pts, 2. G. Hardiman 37pts, 3. J. McDonald 36ocb. Div. 2 : 1. B.Mills 34pts, 2. R. Smith 33ocb, 3. D. Cronin 33ocb.

February Stableford: Winner: R. Hayman Div. 1 R. Hayman 32pts, 2. N. Wells 31pts ocb, 3. K. Talbot 31pts ocb. Div.2: 1. P. Grimmer 32pts, 2. G. Clow 30pts. Ocb,3. D. Smith 30.

Ladies: December Stableford (NQ): 1. G. Willis 35pts, 2. Ja. Moore 34pts, 3. A. White 34pts. 9Hole Competition: 1. A. Jones 17pts, 2. P. Delaney 17pts.

January Stableford: Winner. S. Read 33pts. Div.1. 2. Ja. Moore 30pts, 3. B. Rowe 30pts. Div. 2 K. Wolfe 29pts, 2. C. Ambrose 29pts, 3. G. Willis 28pts. Div. 3 1. J. Elden 30pts, 2.J. Skinner 30pts, 3. J. Evans 28pts.

3Ball' Ambrose 'Comp. 1. G. Willis, H. Scott, M. Pacy 61.5, 2. S. Goulter, R. Reynard, C. Holland 62.0, 3. W. Walpole, B. Rowe, L. James 63.5, 4. C. Maycock, J. Cadge, Ja. Moore 64.2, 5. S. Strutt-Holmes, A. Smith, B. Collings 64.46. C. Ambrose, S. Read Jo Moore 65.2.

9 hole winners – P. Douglas, C. Cundey J. Graham 26.5. Guildford Greensomes: 1. C. Maycock & C. Ambrose 65.6, 2. G. Willis & D. Pottinger 66.2, 3. W. Green & Y. Guy 69.8, 4. M. Pearson & J. Elden 70.6, 5. J. Wharton & A. Lewis 70.8, 6. H. Squirrell & H. Mares 71.6, 7. S. Goulter & S. Read 71.6, 8. Ja. Moore & B. Collings 72.8.

Coloured Ball Competition: 1. Ja Moore, P. Goff, L. Lord 66pts, 2. S. Strutt-Holmes, C. Maycock, J. Sherman 63pts, 3. D. Pottinger, A. Neilsen, M. Attlee 63ocb, 4. S. Goulter, H. Squirrell, E. Hoare 60pts, 5. C. Ashe, B. Collings, K. Wolfe 58pts.

9. Holes Coloured Ball. 1. S. Potter, S. Blackham, H. Wilkinson 31pts. 2. J. Graham, C. Cundey, A. Johnson 29pts,

Winter League Match v Diss (A); L. Jeary & Jo Moore lost 3/2, H. Squirrell & C. Ambrose lost 5/4, A. Brett & A. Johnson lost 7/6. 4BBB – 10 holes: 1. J. Campbell & C. Ambrose 23pts, 2. B. Catchpole & B. Ra-Bett 23ptsocb, 3. D. Pottinger & G. Willis 22pts, 4. S. Goulter & H. Mares 21pts, 5. C. Maycock & J. King 21ptsocb 6. L. Hood & A. Howes 21pts,

Mixed: Turkey Trot: 1. Ruth Reynard 36pts, 2. S. Jamieson 35pts, 3. P. Bicker 35pts. Bangers & Mash Texas Scramble: 1. Mr. & Mrs. Squirrell, Mr. & Mrs. A. Collison 2. B. Wilson, P. Revell, R. Smith & D. Smith 57.1, 3. Mr. & Mrs J. Graham, Mr & Mrs P. Aukland 58.4ocb, 4. B. Traves, J. Barber, D. Evans & M. Copsey 58.4

Vets: AGM – Texas Scramble: 1. R. Ashe, T. Richards, P. Seal, P. Hunt 28.5, 2. S. Rowe, . R. Tuffley, R. Thake 28.8, 3. L. Hill, R. Tozer, N. Edwards, E. Beanlands 29.5, 4th Tied: M. Copsey, J. Charlish, T. Bond, N. Fox. 4th = G. Spooner, B. Pardue, P. Christian, B. Delaney 30.4

Rules Answer

No, it must not be cleaned beyond the extent necessary for identification. Page 76 Rule 12.2