

# Muckhart Golf Club: March 2017 Update to Members

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## **Beetle Drive: Raising Funds for MGC Juniors**

Our first social event is fast approaching and takes place on Saturday 25th March.

Tickets are selling well, but there are a few still available for purchase from bar staff for the Beetle Drive, Irish Bingo and Raffle.

It promises to be an evening of fun, fun, fun!



#### **Ladies Section Opening Day: Season 2017**

The Ladies Opening Day Competition will be held on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March**.

The poster for names is up in the Locker Room, names to be on the list by **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**. This is a '9' hole Texas Scramble, meeting at 9.45am, with shotgun start at 10am, followed by a buffet lunch from our new caterers.

Over lunch, Adele from Integro Imaging, will be in the Clubhouse with a rail of clothes for ladies to browse, try on, and to make purchases.

We look forward to seeing many lady members and let's hope the weather is favourable.



#### **Ex Captain, Director and Member George White** ......

recently emigrated to the USA. We are delighted to let you know that George got married to his American sweetheart, Maureen, in Las Vegas, on Saturday 11 March. Here is a photo of the happy couple, looking quite radiant! Congratulations to you both, best wishes from all MGC members, and may you both continue to enjoy good health, happiness and lots of love!



#### 2017 GOLF SEASON OPENING DAY: SATURDAY 1 APRIL

To open the 2017 Competition Season there will be a 9 Hole, 4 person Texas Scramble with a shotgun start on Saturday 1st April 2017 over the Naemoor / Cowden courses.



Teams will, where possible, consist of a Gent, Senior Gent, Lady and Junior. Players with SGL and Club Handicaps are encouraged to participate.

Gents and Juniors with National (SGL) handicaps will play from the yellow tees, Ladies and Juniors with club handicaps will play from the red tees.

Prizes will be awarded to the team with the best score, and the players with the straightest drive and nearest the pin at the nominated holes on each course.

The 9 holes of golf will be followed by a prize giving and light buffet in the lounge.

Please enter by putting your names on the entry sheet at the bar.

Closing date is Thursday 30th March - Entry fee is £5 payable on the day.



**On Saturday 1**st **April**, please register in the lounge of the clubhouse at **9.30am** to pay the entry fee and be given instructions for your game. The order of play will **not** published beforehand.



# Junior Golf Season starts on Thursday 6 April, Time: 4.45pm

If any members have kids or grandchildren who might be interested in joining the Junior Section, then please send an email to <a href="mailto:juniors@muckhartgolf.com">juniors@muckhartgolf.com</a>

Membership starts at £50, which is fantastic value, as the juniors receive weekly coaching, and are encouraged to have fun while learning to play golf and keep fit!

#### **2017 Subscriptions**

Thanks to members who have paid their 2017 subscriptions ..... unfortunately some folks have neither paid their 2017 subscription nor intimated their resignation. Any subscriptions that remain unpaid as at 31 March 2017, then we will assume these members have resigned and their names will be removed from the system.

# **Clackmannanshire Sports Council Awards**

Muckhart Golf Club put forward nominations for various categories. The results were announced at the Clackmannanshire Sports Council Awards evening on Thursday 2 March 2017.



We are delighted to announce that the winner of the **Lifetime Contribution to Sport** category was **Jan King.** Congratulations Jan, a worthy winner!

#### A warm welcome to:

- new Muckhart GC Professional, Brian Leishman and his golf assistant Jayne Brymer.
   Member are encouraged to pop in to the shop to introduce yourself and enjoy browsing / purchasing the new selection of new golf stock.
- New Caterers, Val and Iain Whyte, who currently have a limited menu on offer, with full menu being introduced effective from Saturday 1 April.

## A Reminder: Monday 17th April

- Is the closing date for all Matchplay entries
- LADIES is also the closing date for £25 payment of annual competition fees

## **Footgolf: Update for Members**

The planning for the introduction of Footgolf at Muckhart is progressing well:

- An application for a grant from Clackmannanshire Council and The Scottish Governments Community Matters Fund to cover the purchase of a set of cups/covers was successful.
- The initial design work for the Footgolf
   Courses has been done for both the Arndean
   and Naemoor Courses. Further more accurate measurements are now required before
   scorecards are prepared.
- More than half the hole cups for the Arndean course have been put in place. Please note
  that the Footgolf greens are to be considered GUR and that the Footgolf flags moveable
  objects when playing golf over the three golf courses.
- Following the appointment of our new professional, some of the day to day management procedures for Footgolf have changed.
- Plans are being developed for a 'soft' launch for Footgolf at the start of April and a 'formal' launch in the middle of April. Further details to follow.
- Initial planning is taking place to bring a National Footgolf competition to Muckhart GC in July. This will entail a group of between 20 and 40 of the top Scottish footgolfers visiting Muckhart GC to play over the Naemoor course.

#### **REMINDER: SOCIAL MEDIA - Comments**

Please be thoughtful of the ongoing impact of personal views aired on the Club's Twitter Feed / Facebook page. Users should be mindful of how negative comments will portray the club to existing and potential members and visitors. Protocol should be, that if any member has an issue, for example, regarding the condition of the course, the correct procedure should be to discuss it with, or bring it to the attention of the appropriate Convener or a Club Director, and not to revert directly to social media in the first instance. This protocol covers all topics related to operation of the club. Thanks for your co-operation.

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