



## Captain's Blog - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019

After a quiet-ish spell the golf season is now upon us.

The Captain's Challenge was deferred until 1<sup>st</sup> September, in response to many members' requests so the first "big" day was the:

### Captain's Fun Day - Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May

In my slightly biased opinion it was a great success and raised **£1850** for my Charity: *The Lily Foundation*.

A special mention goes to the winning team in the day's golf competition. Jay, Veeru, Kiran and Bipin Patel who donated all their "winnings" from the day to swell the amount raised, a very generous gesture.

A big thank you is due to all of the Club's staff who put so much time, effort and energy into both the preparations and the day itself.

Members willingly volunteered to make the day a success too and I am hugely grateful to all of you who supported the day.

The new caterers only started on 1<sup>st</sup> May and have made a great start. They have received well-deserved compliments direct from members and via me for the excellent food and speedy, friendly service highlighted by the Hog Roast on the Fun Day.

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May the Ladies' Spring Meeting was held and there were a healthy number of players including some fairly new members who have already integrated very well into the Club. **Shannan Keen** was the winner of Div 1, and **Viv Snelus** was the winner of Div 2. The golf was followed by a meal and drinks. From the noise reaching the Players' Bar they definitely had a good time which extended well into the evening.

### **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June** - The Captain's Summer Ball is taking place

In place of the Annual Dinner & Dance which traditionally took place in early November, I thought that a similar event in the Summer was worth a try. Hopefully a brighter evening and better weather (no guarantee of course), may provide a nice relaxing atmosphere and, fingers crossed, smokers and non smokers will be able to take a break in the fresh air outside.

Black tie or Lounge Suits is the dress code for men; the ladies need no advice from me on what to wear of course.

I hope to see many of you there. The entertainment, menu, cost and sign up sheet will be circulated and posted on the Notice Board in the next couple of days and I anticipate that many who lost confidence in the previous caterers will give Alex and his team the chance to impress, so please book early.

That's it for now.

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Chairman