



BEAUCHIEF GOLF CLUB

FEBRUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

NEW COURSE SIGNAGE

Those members who have played in the last week will probably have noticed bright new perspex tee signs. There are still an odd few to be fitted, especially where new posts are also needed. These signs do show new distance measurements following an official course re-measure during last year and also a few changes in hole indexes.

PLEASE NOTE HOLE INDEXES ON CURRENT SCORECARDS ARE STILL TO BE USED

It is planned to re-print new scorecards with the new distances and indexes and the target date for these to be introduced is 1st April. We will give official notice nearer the time.

LOCAL RULES

In line with changes introduced last year with the Rules of Golf and new terminologies, we have republished our new Local Rules. These are available to view on notices in the clubhouse locker rooms and may be viewed and/or downloaded from our website under The Course / Local Rules. These differ from those currently printed on the scorecards in use but

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JOINT CAPTAINS' CHARITY - ST LUKE'S HOSPICE

Both Captains are supporting St Luke's this year as was previously announced. All donations from the bunkers on the 5th hole and the "swear box" will go towards this local charity. A new way of "paying" for your misdemeanors is the **Captains' Charity Season Ticket** and these can be purchased for £10 each. These are proving most popular and can be purchased from both Tim Richardson and Sue Murby.

MEMBERS' GOLF INSURANCE

As was announced at the AGM in December, the committee have decided to discontinue our current member's insurance

with Golf Guard. It will be replaced by an insurance provided by England Golf, as a benefit to the affiliation fee you pay them (through your annual subscription with Beauchief GC). This cover will be provided by Bluefin Sport and underwritten by Allianz. **Please note that the existing policy will operate up to 31st March 2020 and then be superceded.** Our website page under The Club / Insurance will be updated shortly but contact Martin Mould if you have any questions. One notable change is that cover for a Hole-in-One will no longer be provided.

WEBSITE REGISTRATION, CONTACT DETAILS & PRIVACY SETTINGS

Have you registered yet to use our website to its fullest? If you haven't yet done so you will not be able to view the member only sections. A large proportion of members have already done so but there are still plenty who haven't!! The process is simple to complete and full instructions are shown on our home page. Go to www.beauchiefgolfclub.co.uk

If you have already registered, did you also check your Contact Details and Privacy Settings? If you haven't please do so. You can select what details are visible to other members but a mobile phone number would at least be a minimum recommendation. We don't publish any contact details any more in the clubhouse so this is important, especially if you enter knockout competitions.

CLUBHOUSE CATERING

With the support of both Tom Booth and Dawn, Catering Liaison Meetings have been re-instated with the objective to benefit members' experience when ordering food and drink, both in quality and service levels, whilst also maximising sales and revenue for SIV.

Some frank discussions have already taken place and there is undoubtedly a will on both sides to address the issues. This is a two way street and the faults certainly don't all fall one way. It is clear that some of our members are less than polite when dealing with some of the catering staff and this is unhelpful when we are trying to build some bridges for the benefit of us all.

In future, if you have any complaints, ideas or feedback, we would like that to be routed back to a central point so matters can be raised and discussed in a proper manner at future meetings. Please email through the club using email@beauchiefgolfclub.co.uk and these will be passed onto Simon Temperton as our committee representative. We would hope to respond to any such emails in due course.

WEEKEND TEE TIMES

As many of you are aware, Saturday and Sunday mornings are very popular times to play, particularly before 9.30am and this puts great pressure on bookings, especially through the winter

months with later first tee times. It is therefore most important that all members cancel any times that they have booked, but subsequently do not require, by Thursday before the weekend at the latest. Then, any members wishing to play at the weekend who didn't manage to book previously, can check on the Friday so see if any tee times have become available. Currently, the course can be relatively quiet during these peak times, despite a full booking sheet!! As members, I am sure we can utilise these times better with a little more communication and effort, for the benefit of all. Please be considerate to your fellow members.

WORLD HANDICAP SYSTEM (WHS)

This is just a quick note to advise members that the WHS will take over from CONGU on 2nd November 2020. We will shortly be adding a new section on our website about this and probably hold some seminars on this very important change, which will affect us all! Future Newsletters will give additional information in the lead up to November. This is a radical alteration to the way our handicap system currently works so please take the time to learn about it.

BEAUCHIEF GC LOGO SHIRTS

Many members have already purchased them for this season. These Adidas shirts are lightweight and of good quality - ideal for the summer. If you missed out on the first order, please call in at the Pro Shop and give them your details for the next order.

MEN'S TOP DOGS COMPETITION

This is the very popular Betterball Matchplay challenge for pairs to play against the Men's Captain, Tim Richardson, and his partner. Those pairs who win their challenge will qualify for the end of season Betterball Strokeplay Final. The sign-up sheet for this competition will be posted on the notice board in the men's locker room on Saturday 15th of February. If you would like to play in this competition make sure you add your names to the sheet ASAP, as there are limited places available.

MEN'S VICE CAPTAIN'S AWAY TRIP

Sunday 24th & Monday 25th of May 2020 – At Breadsall Priory.

There are still a small number of places available. If you are interested please contact Chris Herold on 07916 165992.

FEBRUARY COMPETITIONS

MEN

Monthly Medals: Saturday 8th, Thursday 20th, Sunday 23rd

Winter Stablefords: Sunday 16th, Saturday 29th

Seniors Stableford: Thursday 27th

See website Members Area / Forthcoming Competitions for more details.

LADIES

Club 15 Stablefords: Saturdays 8th, 15th, 22nd

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4 Club Challenge Stableford: Saturday 29th