

### **NEW MEMBER WELCOME PACK 2020**

Dear Member,

Welcome to Catterick Golf Club, not just a great course but a great club as well.

It is impossible to impart every bit of information about your new club in this document as there are so many aspects of the club and we understand that you will be more interested in some parts than others.

The aim of this package, therefore, is to give you the essentials and to help point you in the right direction to find out more. We want you to feel a part of the club rather than just a user of the golf course and the team at Catterick are always happy to help in any way they can.

Once again, a very warm welcome to your new Golf Club.

The Committee 1 November 2020

## Who's Who!

Catterick is a members' owned club which is run by a committee elected by the members at the AGM each year. Most committee appointments are for two years.

### Club Committee 2019/20

President: Harry Dennison MBE
Chairman: Brian de la Haye OBE

Treasurer: Vicky Iveson
Greens Chair: Mike Haxell
Competitions and Handicaps Chair: Steve May

House Chair: Marion Palmer

Military Member: John Knox

The Club Captain and the Ladies' captain/representative also sit on the committee.

### Captains 2020

Club Captain: David Wright (Feb 2020-Feb 2021)

Ladies Representative: Vicky Iveson (November 2019 – November 2020)

Club Vice Captain: Anthony Barry (Feb 2020 – Feb 2021)

The remainder of the team who operate the club are as follows:

### **Club Staff**

Club Membership Secretary: Mrs Lisa Thompson Tel: 01748 833268 Option 3

Email: secretary@catterickgolfclub.co.uk

Club Financial Secretary: Mrs Shireen Rudge Tel: 01748 833268 Option 3

Email: financesecretary@catterickgolfclub.co.uk

Head Professional: James Wallace (Tim Jenkins Golf Ltd)

Caterers: Penny Bernhardt Tel: 01748 833268 (Ext 2)

Thierry Bernhardt

### **Head Green Keeper**

Graeme Regan

### **Clubhouse Opening Hours**

Summer: Every Day 7:30-10.00pm

Winter: Every Day 7:30-Dusk

Catering Hours: Mon-Sun 10:00-3:00pm unless by prior arrangement.

### **Pro Shop Opening Hours**

Summer: Mon-Sat 8:00-5:30pm

Sundays 7:15-5:30pm

Winter: Mon-Sun 8:00-5.00pm

### **GOLF**

### **Tee Bookings**

We have a formal tee booking system for individual tee bookings, available through our website and on the Club V1 App. Tees are reserved for club matches, club competitions, and visiting parties as required. All the upcoming tee bookings can be viewed in the calendar on the club website and on the App. Alternatively, pop into the professional's shop and book directly or give them a call in working hours.

#### Practice Facilities - Where Champions are Made!!!

The club has excellent practice facilities spread around the site.

- Putting Green Located at the opposite end of the clubhouse from the professional's shop, this area is maintained in exactly the same way as the greens on the course to provide a good place to prepare for your round or hone your skills.
- Front Practice Area Located in front of the clubhouse alongside Leyburn Road this
  area has a contoured green and practice bunker at the far end. Due to the proximity
  of the road members are only allowed to use wedges when practicing on this area and
  it is predominantly used for short game practice.
- Six-bay, covered practice area Located 150 yards from the clubhouse beyond the 17<sup>th</sup> Tee this area measures 230 yards long but due to the steep slope from back to front most golfers will be able to practice comfortably with a Driver.
- Practice Net Located on the front practice area the practice net is a great way to warm up if you do not have the time to get out onto the main practice area before play.
- Secondary Chipping Area- Located in front of the Pro Shop this area has 3 flags in the ground and is for chipping only due to the proximity of the clubhouse and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> holes.

## **Sections of the Golf Club**

#### **Men's Section**

The men's section is the largest section of the club and has a busy schedule of competitions as well as participating in various leagues. The main details are summarised below.

 Sunday Competitions – Most Sundays throughout the season. Various Formats, signup sheets go up in the Pro Shop on the preceding Friday afternoon. Entry usually £1 with the option of paying for the sweep and two-ball. The first Sunday of each month is devoted to the monthly medal.

- Pro Stablefords Usually run on the Sundays where there is no club competition. No sign-up sheet, just make up and play anytime throughout the day.
- Mid-Week Medals Once a month throughout the season on a Tuesday or Wednesday. No sign-up sheet, just make up and play anytime through the day.
- Rex Flood Order of Merit Consists of a player's best medal competition scores throughout the year.
- Winter League Run by the Professional from October to March, 16 events, various formats, weekly and overall prizes.
- Knockouts The club run various knockout competitions each year;
  - Scratch
  - Murray Cup
  - Fourball Betterball
  - Winter Foursomes
  - Winter Fourball Betterball
  - Mixed Foursomes

Teesside Union – Throughout the Summer the Men's team competes in Division 3 of the Teesside Union on a Wednesday afternoon/evening. The maximum handicap for the team is 12 (over 12 handicap can play, but must play off 12) and anyone interested should contact team captain whose details will be updated by the office.

Dales Alliance – Throughout the Spring and Autumn the Club competes in the Dales Alliance on a Saturday Morning. Anyone interested in playing should contact team captain, Bobby Hutt on 07803 568918

#### **Ladies Section**

The ladies' section is a very busy section with lots of competitions and team matches. The main details are as follows;

- Club Competitions on Saturdays and Tuesdays throughout the season
- Knockouts The ladies' knockouts are split into 2 divisions 0-24 Handicaps compete in the Ladybird and 25-36 compete for the Bennion Slade.
- 9-Hole Winter League Run between October and March over the front 9 holes.
- Ladies' Teesside Alliance This team is for ladies with a maximum handicap of 30.
- Yorkshire Ladies' League The Club have both and 'A' and 'B' teams competing in various divisions of the Yorkshire league throughout the season.
- Eclectics The ladies run both a Summer and Winter eclectic competition that can be played anytime during the week.
- Club Matches The ladies' section has a number of Friendly matches against local clubs throughout the year, details can be found on the ladies notice board.

If you would like to play in these, please contact Margaret Ferguson on 01969 650685 or 07971815356. Email: ferguson@prioriy97.plus.com

### **Seniors' Section**

The seniors' section is a very active section of the club and their notice board can be found by the course exit from the locker room. Eligibility to join is any club member aged 55 or above. A small annual subscription of £5 is requested. The main details of the competitive side of the seniors section are as follows;

- Competitions Thursday Morning is the seniors' morning with the tee reserved from 8:00-10:00 and players just making up and playing anytime during this period.
- Knockouts The Seniors run a Singles and Doubles knockout throughout the summer.
- Seniors' Teesside Alliance The club has a team in the Seniors' Teesside Alliance with matches generally played on a Monday or Tuesday. If you are interested in playing then please contact the Team Captain Harry Dennison on 01748 832245
- Club Matches The Seniors play a number of friendly matches against local clubs throughout the summer. If you would like to play then please contact Seniors Organiser Anthony Barry. Email: <a href="mailto:premiato@aol.com">premiato@aol.com</a>

### **Rabbits' Section**

The Rabbits' section is open to male members with a handicap of 16 or higher and the section runs a number of competitions and teams as shown below. The Rabbits' notice board can be found in the Men's locker room on the right-hand side as you enter the locker room from the course.

- Order of Merit The Rabbits' section have a small number of events on Sundays alongside the Men's competitions that make up the Order of Merit.
- Winter League The Rabbits' Winter League runs alongside the main winter league across a selected number of events.
- Knockout- The Rabbits' knockout runs through the summer.
- NERGA League This is played on Saturday Mornings during the season.
- NRYRL League These matches are played on weekend afternoons during the season.

If you are interested in playing in any Rabbits events then please contact the Rabbits' Captain Gareth Taylor on 07790 173253.

### **Inters**

The Inters section is a new section open to male members with a handicap of 8-15. The section competes in a NERGA League, played on a Saturday or Sunday. The Inter section notice board can be found in the Men's locker room next to the Rabbits Section noticeboard.

If you are interested in playing in any Inter Section events, please contact team captain Neil Bulmer 07402 470734.

### **Junior Section**

The Club currently only has a small number of junior and there are junior coaching sessions planned for 2020. Contact your professional, James Wallace, for details.

### **Mixed Golf**

Throughout the summer the Club has various mixed events as follows.

- Bailumb Trophy 5 fun events played during the year over the Bank Holiday Weekends, these are played in various formats with prizes for the overall winners and for each individual event. If you would like to get involved in these events then please contact Sid Robson.
- Foursomes Knockout Played over the summer the sign-up sheets are located in the pro shop.
- Chauvinist Trophy Played towards the end of the season this is a match between the Men's and Ladies' Sections as the title suggests.

### **Competitions**

There are a very wide range of competitions to participate in as follows:

"Board Competitions" competed for annually. Results of past years on the boards on the clubhouse stairway.

Monthly medals and professional's competitions. Run on a Sunday.

Ladies, Seniors and Rabbits competitions. Contact the relevant chairman/organiser for more information.

## **Getting a Handicap Index**

With the adoption of the World Handicapping System (WHS) in November 2020 golfers now have what is called a Handicap Index. If you already have one upon joining the Club, this will be transferred. If you do not have one, you will be allocated one by the Handicap Committee. This will have been generated by the WHS system.

Men – Max Handicap Index 54

**Ladies – Max Handicap Index 54** 

## **More Ways of Getting Information**

#### Website

The Club website can be found at <a href="www.catterickgolfclub.co.uk">www.catterickgolfclub.co.uk</a>. There is a considerable amount of information on this site. The calendar gives an accurate indication of what is going on and the electronic tee booking system can be accessed. Make sure you have your members' log in.

#### **Facebook**

You can also keep abreast of the latest news from the course via our facebook page www.facebook.com/Catterickgolfclub - professional shop and our twitter account @CatterickGC.

### Head Green Keeper's "Whats App" Group

Our head green keeper, Graeme Regan, posts daily course condition updates on his "What's App" group. Contact the office if you want to be on this valuable communication arrangement.

### **Competitions What's App Group**

Run by the Professional's shop, this group is dedicated to exchange of information regarding upcoming competitions and tee times. If you intend to enter competitions (which we sincerely hope you will!) do join.

### **England Golf App (My EG)**

This App gives up-to-date handicap information for yourself.

### **Club V1 and HowDidIDo**

Club V1 is the IT programme which is used to run golf at the club. More than this, it offers the means to see tee bookings and make your own on line. The ClubV1 App makes this very easy and it is linked to the club website. The HowDidIDo App allows you to enter scores for your handicap electronically.

### R&A

The R&A App offers a simple means of looking up all the rules of golf!

### **SAFE GOLF**

Safe Golf is the industry standard accreditation for clubs who have put in place measures to help guarantee the safety of all those who use the club, particularly Juniors and vulnerable adults. The Club Welfare Officer is responsible for this and is currently Neil Bulmer whose contact details can be found at the club.

### The Clubhouse

The clubhouse was rebuilt in 1997 and offers members great facilities. Both the Men's and Ladies' locker rooms have lockers available to rent. If you are interested in hiring a locker then please contact the Club Secretary. Within the locker rooms are a number of notice boards advising on competition results, upcoming events, pro shop offers and other news.

Upstairs, the club has a main lounge and two smaller function rooms. We are very lucky to have superb caterers, Penny and Thierry, who offer great value food. The bar and restaurant are open to the public for lunch and to hire for private functions and the dress code is relaxed to allow smart jeans and t-shirts to be worn. The full dress code can be found on the clubs website. Mobile phones are also allowed so long as they are on "silent".

The House Committee and Penny and Thierry run various social events throughout the year for members and their families and guests. Details of these will be on the various notice boards around the club, on the website and sent out via email newsletters.

# **The Professional's Shop**

Catterick Golf Club are delighted to work in partnership with Tim Jenkins Golf. Our lead professional, James Wallace and his assistant, Richard Mains, can provide all information on lessons, competitions and the club generally.

The Pro's shop is also the place to sign up for the men's competitions, knockouts and various other events at the club as well as having all the latest competition results and news from the club on display. Members of staff are always on hand to offer help and advise on all aspects of the game of golf and on golf club life in general so if you have any issues or questions then there is always someone to turn to.

## **MEMBERS' BENEFITS (PRIVILEGES)**

The table below reflects the benefits which each membership category offers. If anything is not clear, the club secretary or club professional can advise.

Benefit/Privilege	ORDINARY MEMBERS				RESTRICTED MEMBERS					
MEMBERSHIP TYPE→	FULL	5 DAY	PATRON	HONORARY	SOCIAL	POINTS	CORPORATE	DUAL	STUDENT	JUNIOR
Affiliation fees for England Golf and Yorkshire Union included <sup>1</sup>	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	Х	✓	Х	Х	<b>√</b>	✓
Play seven days a week – no limit on golf.	✓	X <sup>2</sup>	✓	✓	Х	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
Voting rights at AGM	✓	✓	✓	✓	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These are fees paid annually to administer the CONGU handicap system, to provide benefits and discounts for members and wide-ranging support to clubs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A 5 day member may play at the weekend on payment of the full green fee.

Eligible for all club "Board" competitions and trophies. 3	<b>✓</b>	Х	✓	<b>✓</b>	Х	Х	Х	X	✓	<b>√</b> 4
2 x courtesy 4ball tickets per year for guests.	<b>√</b>	Х	✓	<b>√</b>	Х	Х	Х	<b>✓</b>	Х	Х
Eligible for monthly medals/ Pro Comps	✓	<b>√</b> 5	✓	✓	Х	✓	Х	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓
Access to on-line booking.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Gain and maintain a handicap.	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	Х	<b>√</b>	✓	Х	✓	✓
Eligible for all Catterick representative teams.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Х	<b>√</b> 6	Х	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
Enjoy reciprocal arrangements with ten other clubs at reduced green-fees.	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	Х	<b>√</b>	Х	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓
Access to greenkeeper's What's App group.7	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	Х	✓	Х	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓
Access to Professional's What's App group.8	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	Х	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓
Discount on bar prices	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Discounted Guests green fees	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	Х	✓	Х	Х	✓	✓
Discount on restaurant prices	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓
Discounted buggy and trolley hire.	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓
Discounted prices on lessons.	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	Х	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓
Free use of practice facilities.	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	Х	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓
10% discount on Catterick Leisure Centre membership (Off peak)	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	Х	<b>√</b>	Х	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓
Discount on selected services provided by Smith & Graham Solicitor's	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	Х	<b>√</b>	Х	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓
Eligible for Yorkshire Card <sup>9</sup>	✓	✓	✓	✓	Х	✓	Х	Х	✓	✓
Eligible for Teesside competitions. <sup>10</sup>	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	Х	<b>√</b>	Х	Х	✓	✓
Bi-annual Dales Alliance courtesy green fee. <sup>11</sup>	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	Х	✓	Х	Х	✓	✓

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Refer to club competitions list on web-site for details of eligibility for competitions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Subject to Competition Rules.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Upon payment of green fee. See competitions folder on web-site for competition eligibility.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Subject to surrender of relevant points for home games.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> This group receive reports on course conditions that may affect play.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> This group receives reports from the Professional regarding competition tee sheets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The Yorkshire card costs £10.00 and allows discounted green fees throughout England. Check <a href="https://www.yugc.co.uk/county-card-scheme">www.yugc.co.uk/county-card-scheme</a> for rules.

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  A number of competitions are open to Catterick members for only a £10.00 en20try fee. A list is on the website.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> This courtesy is available to members not involved in playing in the Dales Alliance on the two days annually when it is hosted by Catterick.

### **Other Membership Benefits**

### Playing at Other Courses and the Yorkshire Golf Card

Membership provides various opportunities to play at other golf courses, many of which have been listed elsewhere. In addition, the Yorkshire County golf card (available from the Office) provides the opportunity to play reduced price golf at clubs throughout England (approximately 1300 clubs are on the scheme). In addition, there are various exchange or courtesy days at other courses and such opportunities will be publicised through the calendar on the Club's website.

Our golf club is affiliated to the Yorkshire Union of Golfers. (http://www.yorkshireunionofgolfco.uk/) and the Teesside Union. This provides additional opportunities for members. Check the web-site or notice boards.

And, finally, our affiliation to England Golf (http://www.englandgolf.org/) offers playing opportunities to very good players.

### A BRIEF HISTORY OF CATTERICK GOLF CLUB

You might be interested to know that your new Golf Club has an unusual history going back to 1930 when the then Commander of the 5th Division and Catterick Area, General Sir Mervyn St. George Kirke, decided to have a golf course constructed for the officers of the Camp. No doubt under some wifely pressure, it was not long before the new 9 hole course was opened up to the officers' ladies and selected civilians employed by the military. This original course was almost completely constructed by army personnel undergoing punishment or fatigues, how long it took them is not recorded.

In 1936 it was decided to construct a new 18 hole course and Arthur Day, the longest serving Professional at Ganton Golf Club (he was also a clubmaker and Ganton's head greenkeeper), was asked to design and develop the new course. Day was an inspired choice for he believed that the best golf courses are those which blend easily and naturally with the surroundings and you will quickly see how successful he was in applying this philosophy to Catterick. You will also discover that the course is a mix of parkland and moorland countryside which is not only varied and beautiful but is also a haven for a variety of trees and much wildlife. As a footnote, if you enjoy golf on the BBC you will know of the commentator Peter Alliss who was a fine professional golfer in his day as was his father, Percy. To mark the opening of the 18 hole course on 30th March 1938, Percy and three fellow professionals (JJ Busson, RG Ballantyre and Henry Crapper) played an exhibition match on the course.

Perhaps surprisingly, the Club did not close during the Second World War. The current 1st hole was in those days the 3rd and it became the site of a PoW camp – the prisoners augmented the greens staff and the hole is still called Stalag in wry memory of its history.

Catterick remained a garrison golf club until 22 September 1995 when the MOD no longer wished to be involved in golf club management and it became a non-profit making private members' club. Lying at the heart of the Garrison it is not surprising that there are numerous retired and serving

military members but there are also at least as many civilian members from all walks of life and it is this rich mix of people which helps to make Catterick the friendly club that it is.

### **HAPPY GOLFING!**