



Aboyne Golf Club
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3-in-2 AT ABOYNE - IS IT A RECORD?

Aboyne, the oldest golf club on Royal Deeside, has been stunned after an amazing start to the delayed season.

Explaining Nigel Bradburn, President at the club said "since we re-opened the course on 28th May we have had not one or two but three Hole-in-One's at the club in under 2 weeks! That must surely be some form of record?"

Graham Simpson started things off on the 2nd June with his first ever Hole-in-One on the 8th hole. Using a 7-iron his shot was witnessed by playing partner Terry Kettlewell.

Five-handicapper Martyn Paterson notched up his 4th Hole-in-One seen by playing partner Richie Batho. Martyn also aced the short 8th using a 6-iron.

Finally, one of the club's junior prodigy 18-year old Ben Keen who plays off a six-handicap holed out late last week at the tricky 12th using an 8-iron. Playing partner William Keen witnessed the momentous event.

Ben said "I was playing with my Grandpa and that leaves a lot of pressure on my dad Blair who is the only member of the Keen family not to have holed out. It has given me great bragging rights with dad!"

Martyn said "I was thrilled to get my second Hole-in-One at my home track Aboyne. The course is looking in great condition and it was just a pity the bar was not open to celebrate".

Graham, a 15- handicapper said" I am absolutely delighted, at my age and after playing golf, off and on, for nearly 60 years, to get a hole in one! But my Son-in-Law is not speaking to me!"

Nigel said "What an extraordinary 10-days we have had, and I offer my warmest congratulations to all these lucky gentlemen. Unfortunately with the COVID-19 lockdown our clubhouse is currently closed so we can't celebrate with a wee dram; however, the members at Aboyne have long memories and I am sure they will remind the 3 guys of their achievements once the bar is re-open!

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Notes to Editors

Photographs: –

1. Graham Simpson



2. Martyn Paterson



3. Ben Keen



Aboyne Golf Club

Aboyne is the understated jewel in Aberdeenshire's golfing crown.

The oldest club on Royal Deeside, Aboyne is an immaculately maintained, challenging golf course with spectacular views of the surrounding hills & countryside. 6000 yards of impeccable fairways and faultless greens - a golfer's haven. Aboyne embraces every golfer, from beginner to Scottish Internationalist.

The long-established course has won many plaudits as one of the most memorable tests of inland golf in Scotland.

Designed by Archie Simpson and updated by renowned architect Martin Hawtree, such is Aboyne's unique terrain and growing reputation it has been selected in recent years by our governing body to host the Scottish Golf Women's County Finals and the Men's NE Open – the flagship event in the North East District calendar and a world amateur ranking event. We were also honoured to be chosen by the R&A to host the LGU Coronation Foursomes Regional Finals in 2018.