
KIRKCUDBRIGHT GOLF CLUB



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Captain's Desk

KBtgolf the excitement is building!! As I write this letter all the EGGS section are having a massage and getting off to be early to bed with a glass of warm milk or something similar. Yes Friday the 1st is their Captains Opening Day. By the time the internet wings this to you the main event, Club Opening Day Sunday the 3rd will have taken place and there is a report further in this newsletter.

We have a number of juniors off to Aberdeen for the Scottish Boys and we wish them well. The event last all next week and you will be able to keep in touch with the results in the Herald and on line.

Playing around? We have negotiated a rate of £12 at Portpatrick (Dunskey) and also at Newton Stewart golf clubs for our members. Just book during the week you wish to play. Similar approaches have been made to a few clubs, but as yet no other responses. If you are playing further afield look at the 1893 list on the club notice board for some great deals. Remember we also sell £10 booklets (profits to South of Scotland Junior Golf). This gives you half price green fees at 23 courses.

Lastly please log on to our web site and do two things. See book a tee time and register, if you have forgotten your user name contact the Office and secondly log on to Trip Adviser. A glowing report helps with visitors.

We are now onto full summer golf. Some reminders > there are draws on Monday and Wednesday at 10 am for Gentlemen and Ladies have two draws on a Tuesday (see their notice board). Sunday the 10th is the Charity RNLI (see club notices).

Lastly, Lastly. Our new steward John has settled in well so let's give him our support. Our third green keeper, Robert Patterson Junior, has joined the staff for the summer, welcome back. To all the volunteers who make our club possible, thank you. Happy swinging.

Maurice.
(Club Captain)

LADIES NEWS

The Past Captains had their Annual lunch on 19th March. 13 captains played 9 holes of golf before being joined by ten other past captains for lunch. The new Steward John Maxwell put on a lovely buffet that was enjoyed by all. On the day after, 20th March we had 24 members at the "Welcome Back". This started at 12.30pm when 9 holes were played followed by afternoon tea. This seemed to be successful and the weather was quite good. Since then we have had dreadful weather. The March Medal being yet another Medal not to be played due to the constant rain.

We are now in to the normal Tuesday competitions. Teeing off at 9.30 am, 12.45pm and 4pm. As well as the 18 hole competitions, we are trying to get people who are interested, if they do not feel like playing 18 holes to put their name forward for the 9 hole competition. This will count towards handicap and have a trophy to aim for.

Our day trip is on Monday 2nd May to Brampton. We have about 22 people going to that. Our first Open competition is on 15th May. A Texas Scramble for a team of 4. Please try and get your teams together. It doesn't have to be all Kirkcudbright Members. Try and encourage other club members to come along. It is all good fun. If you ask others to come to us, maybe they will ask you back to their competitions.

Looking forward to seeing many members taking part on the course and enjoying our good facilities.

Mary Robertson

EGGS NEWS

Our first Eggs match is against Eden Mallards on Thursday 7th April

The Eggs first competition is a mixed greensomes with the ladies on Thursday 14th April

The Gents Toilets are now complete thanks to Ian Senior and his helpers at a cost of £4.000 to the E.G.G.S. and 300 hours of labour, to try and offset the price two of the E.G.G.S. are doing the Lagan Zip Wire Challenge on the Thursday 26th May at 11.30 am.

Ian McConchie past Captain of the E.G.G.S. and Brian Turnbull the Treasurer are going for glory and would like your help, if you would like to sponsor the brave gentlemen we have a sponsor sheet in the gents toilet or you can get in touch with me.

Bill McCartney E.G.G.S. Secretary
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JUNIOR NEWS

Pictured are some of our juniors during their last coaching session before the new season gets underway.



Many thanks to Tongland Family Golf Centre for accommodating us over the wet winter months. Thanks also to David for his hard work and patience. I am looking forward to watching the juniors put all they have learnt into practice on the course and to watching their handicaps tumble ☐

Juniors will now be weekly and all the fixtures can be found on our website.

- Juniors on Thursday's at 4pm.
- Junior/juniors on Saturdays
- 14 & 9 holes at 9am.

- 5 holes at 9.15am.
- 2 holes at 9.30am.

OPENING DAY

Yes, no rain on opening day. A day enjoyed by all 11 Texas Scramble team. All teams scored well and in the end the winning score being 56.1. The triumphant team being Kevin Morrison, Steve Richardson, Lynn Kane and Brian McQuarry. Klrkcudbright golf course in great condition looks forward to a busy "sunny" season.



HANDICAP & COMPETITION NEWS

Our first open competition of the season, The Selkirk Arms Hotel Opening Tournament takes place on Saturday 23rd April. Any help would be appreciated with starter / office duties. If you could give a little time on the day, please speak to Bob Patterson.

Open competitions are now in the folder, as and when they near entry date these will be placed on the gents notice board for a final view before removal.

The annual Gents Friendly Match is scheduled for Portpatrick (Dunskey) on Sunday 24th April, there will be a sheet on the table in the changing room soon. Please add your name if you would like to play and a draw will be made prior for what is always an enjoyable day.

GET INTO GOLF

Any existing members can take advantage of the 6 group sessions for £30 if they buddy along a friend who is new to the game or perhaps a lapsed player (not a current member of the club). Their friend would then qualify for the three rounds and on month free membership.



FANTASY GOLF 2016

Kirkcudbright Golf Club are having a mini league again this year after Willie Watson was successful in 2015!

All you need to do is pick your team via www.bunkered.co.uk before the **The Masters starts on 7th April**. It's free to enter the Bunkered Fantasy League itself and £5 to join our mini league by using the code rn6t4.

£5 entry fee can be left at the office or given to Malcolm Kirkwood.

Why not join the fun!

STAR INTERVIEW

After “knocking on the door” several times before, Tom Hinchliff won the 2015/16 Winter League after a close shoot-out in the final round. Well Done Tom!

We caught up with the Winter League Winner for some quick questions ...

Ok Tom, what's your handicap right now?

9.7

& what's the lowest it has been?

6

What's the best course you have played?

The Ailsa Course Turnberry

What course would you most like to play that you haven't?

Augusta

If you could only play links or parkland for the rest of your life what would you choose? Parkland

Who would you pick to hole a 6-foot putt to win you £100?

Me 😊

Best player you've played with or against?

John Thomson

What has been your best moment in golf?

Winning the Silver Tassie 26 years ago!

Who would be your dream 4-ball?

Rory McIlroy, Jason Day, Sergio Garcia & Me!

What is your favourite club in the bag?

Putter

If you could change one thing about golf what would it be?

Slow Play!!

What's the best piece of advice you've ever been given?

Forget about the last hole and move on.

What's your bogey hole at Kirkcudbright?

The 4th Hole 😊

Do you have any golfing superstitions?

No

Away from golf, what are your other interests?

Football

Thanks Tom, well done on the Winter League and good luck for the 2016 season!

April Coaching Segment with PGA Golf Professional, David Broadfoot

Welcome to the 2016 golf season! It's been a long time coming. The first medal competitions aren't far away and we all want to get off to a good start.

The best way to get ready for competition is plenty of practice, at the range and on the course. We are all a bit rusty at this time of year so you need to put some time in.

This month I am offering a 2 hour on-course lesson for the price of a 1-hour lesson! That's 2 hours for only £30!

2 hours on the course with me is guaranteed to help you lower your scores through course management, short game tips & drills, long game tips, and helping you improve your overall performance.

This is a great offer which will only run throughout April. Don't miss it!

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AND FINALLY ...

Finally, don't forget this is your newsletter. If there's anything particular you'd like to see included let us know. You might have a story or even photos from days gone by we could include. Feel free to pass them on, either to the clubhouse or contact me at malcolmk04@yahoo.co.uk.