

KIRKGUDBRIGHT GOLF CLUB

Newsletter

Christmas 2022



CAPTAIN'S CORNER

I think I said enough in my report for AGM so will try not to repeat myself.

Just to re-iterate, I have enjoyed my first year as Captain and was delighted to report a small cash positive result from 2022, ignoring the annual depreciation factor on our main assets (clubhouse, machinery, buggies, etc.)

The club has a great bunch of members and many of them have chipped in to assist when asked, whether with the office refurbishment or gents changing room upgrade or the garden, etc. This, to me, is the sign of a strong club.

I wish to pay a special mention to Wilson Lochhead and Dave McLachlan on their recent hard work to replace all the clubhouse external fascias and soffits. This is a fantastic effort and the whole club should say a huge thank you to these two chaps (the new fascias look fantastic).

We have an excellent proposed Committee moving forward into 2023 but could still do with someone stepping forward to offer to be Vice-Captain, someone happy to take on the House Convenor role, and anyone still able to give a little time of their week to join our Office management team volunteers for the 2023 season.

The weather blessed our competition main season but it seems to have rained a lot since Closing Day in early October to try to compensate for our dry Spring/Summer.

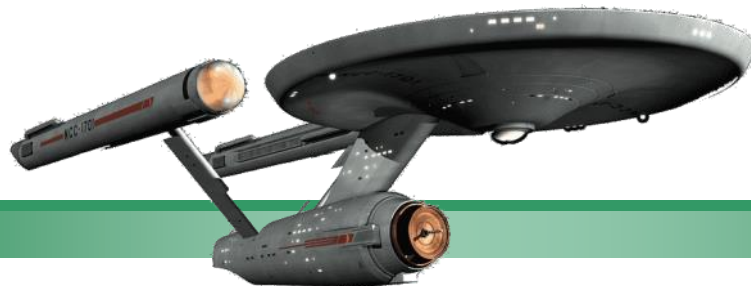
I wish to end up by saying the Greenkeeping team of Jamie, Bradley and Dylan should take a big bow, as the course still being open (and playable) after about 18 inches of rain in the last 6-8 weeks is testament to their dedication. The "temporary greens" are also the best I have seen them in my time as a member (i.e. over the last 9 years).

The Committee will look for further improvements in the clubhouse and on the course in 2023 and beyond. Thank you all for your support in 2022.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and A Good New Year when they come around, and I look forward to seeing you all (and hopefully a few new faces) in 2023.

Colin Kennedy,

Club Captain.



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Volunteers, please

We are always on the lookout for volunteers to help in the Office, particularly as we enter the main season and go to longer hours and (preferably) a 7-days a week service. If you are happy to offer some time and are ok with computers (for the email, tee booking and membership systems we operate), answering the phone and dealing with visitors then please get in touch. Even the odd day to cover other absences would be helpful.

GENTENARY SCORECARD AND CARDHOLDER



About 2 years ago, Donald Shamash loaned me a Kirkcudbright Golf Club commemorative scorecard and scorecard holder, of which I took several photos but then forgot about them. When looking for something to add to this issue of the newsletter, I came across them and thought them ideal. So, here are the photographs. If we get some feedback and more information for the next newsletter from any of you out there, we'll add it to our next edition. If you do have some more information, please email the office@KirkcudbrightGolf.co.uk with the details.



Golf-A-Lotto - Recent Draws

We've had 3 more draws since the last newsletter plus the end-of-scheme draw. Results and winners below:



October	=	Agnes Watson
November	=	
December	=	Jon Gibbs-Smith

All of the above winners will receive £60.

We also held the end-of-scheme draw at the AGM and the winner of the magnificent prize of £3,744 was (cue long, long drum roll.....) David Picken. Many congratulations, David!

And remember, this could be you next time around, but you've got to be in it to win it.

See the next page for more details.

Did you know...?

The original Augusta golf course (home of the U. S. Masters in Georgia, USA) was intended to have a 19th hole, giving losing golfers a chance to win their money back on a quick round of double-or-nothing. However, it was indefinitely deferred because the hole would have ruined the flow of the golf course.



You've got to be in it to win it

Join Golf-A-Lotto and help your golf club. Since Donald Shamash set up Golf-A-Lotto in 2012, more than £20,000 has been paid out in prize money and a similar amount has been raised for the club.

The third cycle of Golf-A-Lotto is just beginning and now's your chance to get into the money! - the big prize in 2022 was a whopping £3744!

From as little as £3.00 a month you can be part of it. Monthly and annual draws with 'the big one' at the end of the 5-year period.

Just contact Colin Marriott on 01557 339 453 or 07912 351 850 or email colinandheather1@btinternet.com to find out more.



Continuous improvement is better than delayed perfection.

Mark Twain



THE LAST WORD (FROM THE EDITOR)



Christmas comes but once a year...

Thanks (again) to our Captain, Colin Kennedy, for his opening piece in this issue.

And thanks yet again to Donald Shamash who also provided me with the Centenary Scorecard and Scorecard Holder to photograph - he may no longer be with us physically, but his legacy lives on and on and on.

Other than the above and the Golf-A-Lotto details, we haven't much more to tell you about in this latest newsletter.

So, if you want a little extra, please send us some material. Photos of the course at any time of the year are always welcome as we can include them in here and show off our scenic and well-kept course to those readers who are not yet (or perhaps lapsed) members. The views from the 2nd and 3rd holes are always well worth a photo and may entice some of them back to this glorious part of the country to play their golf at a club that prides itself on being as friendly and as welcoming as we can.

Even if you've taken a sneaky pic of your playing partner(s) missing a 2-foot putt, please share it with us (we can pixelate their faces to cover up their shame, if required).

If you're playing over the winter, be careful when it's icy or snowy (or even when it's just wet). And get yourself warmed back up with a hot meal from the Thai Kitchen when you get back to clubhouse. They'll be open again in February.

Merry Christmas,

The Editor.



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