



## **Communications Group**

*(On behalf of the Management Committee and Club Members)*

### **December 2021/January 2022 Newsletter**

**Dear Members**

***This is the final Newsletter of 2021, and the first of 2022, so we review the past year, and look ahead at plans for 2022. There's the winter course programme, a summary of the AGM, including the membership of the new Committees, and recent results on the course.***

#### **AGM review**

***There was a healthy attendance of members at the AGM on 25<sup>th</sup> November, and a large number of proxy votes too. As well as a new Chairman, the meeting elected a full committee for the coming year.***

***Retiring Chairman Chris Scholey thanked the employees of the Club and the volunteers in and beyond the committees who had worked hard, in an incredibly difficult pandemic year, to make it a success. In turn, he was thanked for his unstinting efforts behind the scenes to keep the Club afloat and buoyant.***

***The full minutes of the meeting will be available from the office and on the website, but here are some key points.***

- ***Membership of the Club has risen, in spite of the pandemic, through the vigorous marketing programme, and the quality of the golf course itself.***

- *Members' subscriptions will rise by £26 for a full member in 2022, in line with the inflation rate.*
- *Most of the 2021 targets for the course have been met or are under way. The concerns about the difficulties for the Clubhouse, such as catering in pandemic conditions, were also noted.*

## **Committees 2022**

*The details of Committees and the Chairs of the sub-committees are shown below. The Management Committee meets regularly, and separate sub-committees meet when relevant, usually a week or so in advance of the full management meeting, to consider aspects of the Club's work.*

*N.B. If members want to raise any points/issues/queries for these meetings, please contact the chair of the appropriate sub-committee, via the Main Office, at least a week ahead of the date of that meeting.*

*If members have any golf related news items please let Mary Saddington know, via the Office.*

### **Management Committee**

*Mr Stuart Moore (President)*

*Mr Fraser Britton (Chair)*

*Mr Mike Mahony (Treasurer and Men's Captain)*

*Mrs Mary Saddington (Ladies' Captain)*

*Mr Dave Stirling , Mr Alan Meacher, Mrs Lin Tongue, Mrs Anna Avery, Mrs Jacky Walsh, Mr Dean Atherton, Mr Andy Massey, Mr Len Fenton, Mr Steve Hyatt, Mr Dave Halford, Mr Charles Cooke.*

*Mr Craig Morris (Club Professional)*

### **Marketing Committee**

*Mr Dean Atherton (Chair)*

### **Finance Committee**

*Mr Mike Mahony (Chair)*

### **House and Social Committee**

*(Currently a Working Group from the main committee. Please contact the Office if you want to raise any issues)*

### **Men's Golf Committee**

*Mr Dave Stirling (Chair)*

### **Ladies' Golf Committee**

*Mrs Mary Saddington (Chair)*

*Mrs Jacky Walsh (Secretary)*

### **Greens Committee**

*Mr Steve Hyatt (Chair)*

### **Communications Committee**

*Mr Andy Massey (Chair)*

### **Sale of Practice Field Working Group**

*Mr Harry Fitzakerley (Chair), Mr John Moorhouse, Mr Andy Massey, Mrs Mary Saddington*

### **Ladies AGM**

*The Ladies A.G.M. and trophy presentation took place in the clubhouse on 23rd November and was attended by 46 ladies. The business of the meeting was easily run through and Lady Captain for 2022, Mary Saddington and her Vice-Captain, Anna Avery were unanimously voted in. Sue Boyes joins the ladies' committee.*

*Lady Past Captain Helen Dean completes her term on the Ladies' Committee and the Management Committee. She was thanked for her valuable contribution to both committees.*

*After refreshments of mince pies and ginger cake the presentation of trophies took place. Lady Captain, Lin Tongue, presented the trophies and cups and it was pleasing to see the number and spread of ladies receiving awards. The Honours Boards have been updated and all winners are displayed.*

*The afternoon finished with Lady Captain, Lin, and Vice Captain, Mary, exchanging Past Captain's and Captain's badges. Lin was thanked for her work as Captain and was presented with a flower arrangement from the ladies.*

## Results

*Since our last Newsletter, there have been a number of golfing events. Here are some of the results.*

- ***Ladies Autumn Am-Am, 15<sup>th</sup> October.***

*Over 80 players from the surrounding area, and further afield, took part, with the winners coming from Tipton Park. There were many compliments on the quality of the course, and the hospitality and welcome of our Club. We have held three very successful Ladies Am-Ams in 2021 and raised over £2700.*

- ***Notts Lady Past Captains Event.***

*With golfers from golf clubs across the County playing, this was a prestigious event, and particular congratulations go to Angie Dyer who won the Silver League trophy, and Sue Nickless who won the Bronze League.*



- **Club Internal Competitions.**

*In spite of the problems of arranging and playing matches during Covid, which led to the cancellation of most of the competitions in 2020, we did manage to complete most of the finals in 2021. Several Presentation Evenings were held this autumn. Congratulations to all the winners, and many thanks to the President and Captains who made the presentations. Here are some of the 2021 winners.*

### **Men's Competitions**

*Club Champion – Chris Naylor*

*President's Cup – Simon Young*

*Captain's Cup – Stephen Berry*

*Player of the Year – Paul Burgin*

*Notts Scratch Team Player of the Year – David Hough*

*Medal Final – Martin O'Conner*

*Stableford Final – Michael Houghton*

*Retford Cup – Shaun Woodcock*

*Victory Cup – James Pratchett*

*Hospital Cup – Louey Palmer*

*Millenium Cup – Paul Burgin*

*Members Cup – Daniel Lee*

*Past Captains' Cup – Richard Hedgecock*

*Roy Caddick Cup – Paul Burgin*

*Rabbits Cup – Jonny Bowles*

*Ray Johnson Cup – James Robinson*

*Pete Barry Trophy – Michael McGarry*

*Harry Ledger (Under 30) Cup – Daniel Brown*

*Geoff Sharpe (30-50) Cup – Oliver Bainbridge*

*Percy Laws (Over 50) Cup – Ian Ball*

*David Denton Eclectic – Dean Ellis*

*Coronation Cup, and Norman Cave Cup – Dennis Smith and Mark Bradshaw*

*Allen Clarke Cup – Jason Crookes and Steve Hyatt*

*Mick Walker Foursomes – Stuart and Robert Moore*

## **Senior Men's Competitions**

*Seniors Singles – Andy Massey*

*Seniors Doubles – Ray Wood and Nick Sly*

*Senior Championship – John Anderson*

*Senior Player of the Year – Steve Booth*

*Tom Hall Memorial – Paul Waterhouse*

*Doris Cave Trophy – Pete Oxley*

*Alan Hunter Trophy -Terence Bowskill*

## **Ladies' Competitions**

*Bronze Trophy - Jacky Walsh*

*Golden Jubilee Cup – Sue Lacey-Jones*

*Sheila Sharpe Trophy – Marlene Robb*

*Margaret Booth Cup - Lynda Moore*

*Margaret Teasdale Trophy – Joan Birtles*

*Whitaker Cup – Jean Cooper*

*Scratch Vase – Keran Hutchinson*

*Johnson Cup – Mary Saddington*

*Mollie Loseby Cup – Lin Tongue*

*Captain's Prize – Angie Dyer*

*Charity Cup – Ros Waterhouse*

*Kayser Cup - Pam Beardsall*

*Spencer Bowl and Victory Cup – Anne Jordan*

*Silver Jubilee cup – Debbie Rose*

*Millenium Cup – Marjorie Crookes*

*Greensome Cup – Pat Ecclesall and Mary Saddington*

*Hilary Kay-Butler Cup - Lynda Moore and Sue Nickless*

*Coronation Foursomes – Mary Saddington and Ros Waterhouse*

## **Mixed Competitions**

*Harry Fitzakerley Cup – Pat and Ted Eccleshall*

*Rose Bowl – Pat Fox and Stuart Moore*

## ***Elsewhere...***

***The roll-up/fiddles bring so many golfers together and welcome new golfers too. **The Mid-Week Fiddle** recently celebrated it's Christmas event with a 10 hole match and a great lunch, but more importantly was able to present a cheque for £1000 to the Captains' Charities, money raised from regular contributions during the year by golfers.***



***Both Alan Meacher and Lin Tongue, the Captains for the past two years, send a massive thank you to Members for all the support they have given to the Captains' Charities over this time.***

## **Calendar 2022 and Social Events**

***The club website gives details and regular updates, and so too does the Pro's shop. We will also send out specific news items to Members (eg any offers or sales coming up).***

- ***New Year Captains' Drive-In on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022***

***08.45 - Captain/Vice Captain handover***

***09.00 - Full English breakfast available until 10.30am @ £8.00 per head to be pre-booked with the kitchen please.***

***09.45 - Photographs at the stairway and 1st tee.***

***10.00 - Captain's Drive In***

***The new Captains are Mike Mahony and Mary Saddington.***



***Their Vice Captains are Dave Halford and Anna Avery.***

***All are welcome to join this event. We do hope you will come along and support our Captains.***

- ***Quiz Night is on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm***
- ***200 Club Evening, Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January, 7.00 for 7.30pm***

***There is a 2-course meal, for £14, or a 3-course for £18. Please book by signing up on the notice board in the Clubhouse.***

- ***Gents' Seniors Friendly matches 2022***

***Wed 7 Apr Ramsdale A***

***Tue 3rd May Thonock A***

***Mon 16th May Mapperley H***

***Wed 1 June Town Moor A***

***Wed 15 June Doncaster H***

***Mon 18 July Mapperley A***

***Wed 20 April Styrrup H***

***Mon 09th May Wath A***

***Wed 25 May Ramsdale H***

***Wed 22 June Styrrup A***

***Mon 11 July Carholme H***

***Thur 21 July Rufford A***

*Thur 28th July Wath H*

*Thurs 4 Aug Doncaster A*

*Mon 15 Aug Worksop A*

*Wed 24 Aug Carholme A*

*Thurs 1 Sept Worksop H*

*Wed 7 Sept Thonock H*

*Thurs 22 Sept Rufford H*

*Thurs 29 Sept Town Moor H*

*Many thanks to Ian Littlewood, who has made all these arrangements, and who kept the Seniors fixtures running throughout the recent difficult years.*

*If you are interested in playing in these matches, please contact Ian on [ian.retfordseniors@gmail.com](mailto:ian.retfordseniors@gmail.com)*

- ***Captain's Away Event.***

*There are still places available for this event, on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of May, 2022. The course is at Greetham Valley, and the cost is £120 for two rounds of golf, dinner, bed and breakfast. Please contact Craig in the Pro's Shop to book your place.*

## ***On the Course***

### ***Winter programme for the Course***

- ***Bunker improvements are completed and turf laid around bunkers on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>***
- ***Irrigation piping is now installed on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> surrounds.***
- ***The drainage installation on the 18<sup>th</sup> is now complete, and already showing improvements on the fairway and short rough.***
- ***The tracks from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> have been resurfaced, and a new path made of compacted plainings has been laid on the slope beside the 15<sup>th</sup> fairway, to reduce wear and tear on the grassy slope.***

- *The tree pruning/cutting will continue into the new year, notably on the 17<sup>th</sup>.*
- *Alteration and improvement of the tees on the 6<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> are scheduled for the new year.*
- *The annual programme of leaf clearing, micro-tining the greens, disease control on the greens and mowing to encourage growth is well under way and will continue as necessary into the new year.*

### **Other Club matters**

- *Would all golfers please take care to not wear muddy footwear in the Clubhouse, so we can keep the carpets clean? Many thanks.*
- *To ease the pressure on parking spaces at weekends, any golfers will be able to park in the reserved Committee spaces near the Clubhouse, including the Lady Secretary space, but not those with designated roles, such as Club Professional and President.*
- *The next full Management meeting will be on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2022, at 7.00pm.***

***We wish all Members and their families a safe and successful New Year.***

***From***

***Andy Massey, Mary Saddington, Dean Atherton***

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