



HEATON MOOR GOLF CLUB

May Newsletter

The Chairman

All members will have, or shortly will be receiving a form to complete relating to the new Data Protection Regulations. Members who are entitled to vote will also get a form about becoming a member of the new Limited Company. Please complete and return them at the earliest opportunity as the new regulations come into effect on May 25th.

I am pleased to report that despite a fall in subscription income the first quarter accounts are ahead of budget due to tighter controls on expenditure which will continue throughout the year.

The weather in April has once again not been helpful to the ground staff but I think the course is looking tidy considering the rainfall we have had, and the greens last Saturday for the Ken McEwan trophy were in very good condition for the time of year. Many thanks to the volunteers who have helped on the course. It would be appreciated if you have any concerns/suggestions about the course, please speak to me or the Golf Director, not directly to the ground staff.

Enjoy your golf

Lady Captain

Our golfing calendar is looking pretty busy with Medals, Majors and Exchange Days looming.

We had a very enjoyable Lady Captain v Lady Vice Captain comp a few weeks ago, it was played in the best traditions and I'm glad to say my side won!! There was a great buzz in the Clubhouse, we all had lunch together and on this occasion everyone is a winner and receives a token gift from Lady Vice and myself.

We held a very successful Ladies Aintree Day on Friday, 13th April, - 79 ladies attended. It certainly was shake out those elegant outfits and join us for a glass of fizz, afternoon tea and a flutter – a wonderful recipe for a great afternoon of fun.

On 22nd April was our annual Sunday Driver – 27 ladies went to Portal for a weekend of golf. It was a great success and I do not think there was anyone who didn't enjoy it. The hotel and food were excellent and the two golf courses extremely challenging and yes it did rain but not sufficiently to spoil the weekend. As part of the golf package, we were given a Srixon Men's Driver worth £280. The Ladies Section has decided this should be given to the Club to be either auctioned or as a raffle prize during Festival Week.

Rain has been the talking point of my Captaincy so far this year – I wonder why !

Jeanette Butterfield
Lady Captain

Golf Director

Finally Underway

Competitive golf finally got underway despite the ongoing mixed weather during April, the ground team have been exceptionally busy with the grass going into overdrive in recent days.

Hopefully the forecasted dry spell will enable us to get to all parts of the course and help us to keep the cut heights within reason.

I know that the soft conditions have meant that the course has been playing its full yardage and with this in mind and taking into account feedback from members we will be making a reduction to the carry to the fairways on the 12th and 17th holes.

Out on the course

Work on the greens continues with them recently being scarified, aprons and tees have been sanded and fed with liquid fertilizer.

We have a contractor booked to Vertidrain the fairways on the entire course, this is expected to take 3 days during the second week in May.

Cheshire Golf Union have extended the preferred lie period for all clubs in the region to the end of May and obviously we will inform members of any change as and when conditions allow this month.

Volunteer Groups

Once again may I thank all the members who recently gave their time to the volunteers group, special thanks go to Joe Archer and Terry Ashworth, it really does give the ground team a lift to see members getting involved and helping them get the course looking as good as possible.

More volunteer groups will be coming soon look out for an email or check the noticeboard in the main corridor.

Get in touch

You can now also contact the Golf Team via email with regard to Course or M&H matters at:

golf@heatonmoorgolfclub.co.uk

Chris Antoniou
Golf Director

Clubhouse Director

Opening Time

The summer opening time of the Clubhouse for access to the Locker Rooms is 7.00am. This will continue till 30 September.

Car Park Lines

During May we will be getting the Car Park Lines redone along with the Speed Bumps on the drive. This work will also involve the movement of our Disabled Parking Bays closer to the Clubhouse. There will be a reduced number of allocated spaces for officers of the Club with more open to everyone.

We will advise the date of the work when confirmed and ask Members visiting the Club on that date, to follow the instructions of the Contractor, as to available parking slots as they complete the work.

Roof over Gents Toilet

There has been a leak in the above area for some time due to the roof being in poor condition. This work will be carried out on Wednesday 9th May to replace the existing roof and repair the leak. The contractor will have a skip for the waste material and endeavor to ensure members have access to the male locker rooms and toilet whilst they work, but your patience whilst this job is completed would be appreciated.

Reception

Liz Craig and her sub team are close to completing the Reception. One rack for the wall is due for delivery shortly and it and the other items for the walls can then be put up. The carpet and new mat will also be installed shortly. Thanks to Liz and her team for all their efforts.

Golfer Feature Window on the Balcony

The new Golfer Window is expected to be available shortly and will be fitted as soon as we can. Thanks to Alan Worswick for his assistance and his contribution towards the replacement unit which will be in UPVC and much more durable.

Locker Room Spring Clean

As Members will observe, left items tend to build up over time leading to the Changing Rooms becoming untidy. Please note on Monday 14 May we will be boxing up all items and a list of them will be with Simon behind the bar. Any items not claimed from him in the next three months will be donated to charity.

If you have any item not in a locker then please remove it before the 14th.

Locker Room Theft

Sadly we have to report a Member had the battery for his trolley (left in the Male Changing room) taken. Please can we remind everyone that items should not be left in the Locker Room area. If you don't have a locker then please take home after your game.

Bar

We have introduced a new draught Cider to our range for the summer. Kingston Press Berry is now available at £3.70 a pint before Members discount..

Members will have read of the Governments likely decision to ban plastic straws. We have decided that when we run out of existing stock of plastic straws we will be replacing them with a biodegradable one.

Catering

There will be monthly Carvery's during the Summer, dates for your diaries are as follows :

27 May (list now on the notice board)

1 July

19 August

30 September

Get in touch

We now have an email address for you to raise issues or concerns. It is

clubhouse@heatonmoorgolfclub.co.uk

All matters raised will be answered and you can of course still talk directly to Alasdair Ogilvie or any of the Clubhouse Group

Marketing & Membership

TASTER DAY

We were very lucky with the weather and we had 22 attendees. 3 are now introductory members and 12 are doing the coaching sessions. A special thank you to all those members who turned up to help on the Taster Day and made it such good fun for everyone.

DEVELOPMENT DRAW RESULTS

The April Development Association Draw took place on 21st April at the Jersey Boys social event.

The lucky winners were:-

1st Prize:- Freda Keegan - £100

2nd Prize:- Gill Leather - £50

3rd Prize:- Tom Coffey - £25

Congratulations to all the winners!!

Please support the Development Draw. You can download an application Form

at <https://www.heatonmoorgolfclub.co.uk/development-draw-application-form/>

When you have filled it in you can return it either in person or via the sealed box on the bar.

50% of subs are given out in prizes and 50% goes into the Development Fund. The Development fund has paid for the road repairs at the entrance to the Club on Leegate Road this year so the money is well spent!

Thank you to all those who already enter the Development Draw and may you be lucky very soon!!

SPORTS STOCKPORT

We have been successful with our application for a grant from Sport Stockport and will receive £400. This money will fund advertising for the Taster Day, banners and Heatons Festival.

HEATONS FESTIVAL – 4 Heatons Traders Association

We will be having a stall at the Festival on 10th June at Green Lane Sports Club and have secured an area to hold a Tri Golf Activity for Juniors. The Festival is open 11 til 4pm. Unfortunately this does clash with our Festival Week Mixed Open but if there are any Mums/Dads/Grandmas/Grandads out there who can spare a couple of hours to have fun and help with the children we would be very grateful. Just let the Marketing team know by emailing marketing@heatonmoorgolfclub.co.uk This is an opportunity for the club to be involved in a community event so we need to put on a good show and hopefully encourage young people into the sport of golf.

ADVERTISING BOARDS

Many thanks to Pete De Cunha for making two banner advertising boards. These need to be painted before we can put them up. Is anyone willing to spare a couple of hours to paint these for the club? Please email us if you can help.

NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY

Development Day Competition - Saturday, 26th May

The Development Trophy is for full members, and the Development Cup for all 6 day members, 5 day members, Students and Juniors. There will be a raffle and sunshine - hopefully!

BRS APP & HMGC APP

Would anyone like some help putting the BRS app or HMGC app on their mobile phone?

We have availability on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday afternoon to pop to the Club and help you.

If you require help then email marketing@heatonmoorgolfclub.co.uk and specify what day would be suitable for you.

Many thanks for all your support
Anne-Marie, Helen & Liz

The Professional

Special offer on Super Stroke iron grips £5 each fitted !

The new spring/summer stock of ladies JRB clothing is now in stock.

The Dunham Team have drawn Romiley away on 20th May, in this years competition.

Coaching sessions for those new to golf are available to book on GETINTOGOLF.ORG. Places are available, especially on the adult sessions on Thursday evening 6.30 - 7.30, or call in the Pro Shop for more detail.

Social

Thanks to everyone who entered The Masters competition. It seemed to get everyone interested and some wonderful scores, benefiting both Captains charities and our club Development.

The Four Valli's Night was a great success with 104 members and guests in attendance and everyone enjoying the night.

On the 19th May we have the Hayes Sisters, three young girls on their way up, accompanied by a Comedian Venn Tracy who comes well recommended. There is a list up on the corridor notice board, price is £10. Food supplied by Lee in the kitchen is at your discretion at £7 and again there is a list on the notice board.

Our Summer Ball is on the 16th June this year and Greg Richie will be with us again. He is a wonderful singer and entertainer.

Hope to see as many of you as possible on those occasions.

Running Mixed Competition

Our first Running Mixed competition took place on Friday 27th April. Despite a damp day 10 couples took part.

The winners on the day were Sue & Marcus Quiligotti with net 44.75, runners up Jill & John Howarth with net 46.5. Well done to everybody who took part.

Our next competition is scheduled for Friday 1st June. Please book in on BRS. A food list will be made available nearer the date.

Please remember you can take out as many running mixed cards as you like in between our mini comps!

Diane & Kevin

Match + Handicap

There will be a 9 hole mixed singles competition on the 17th May. You can book on BRS tee times between 1600 - 1800, although you can play at any time during the day.

Senior Section

We are still looking for people to join the section ... reminder you only have to be 55 or over to join.

Now that the weather is 'improving' we look forward to as many of you as possible signing up for our comps (home and away) !

For more detail please contact Frank Palmer on 0161 432 8491/07970 288157