

# HEATON MOOR GOLF CLUB

## November Newsletter

### Men's Captain

The summer season has been memorable, we have hosted many outside societies, as well as the Manchester and District Captains Day. The Centenary Trophy (between Fairfield, Marple, Withington and ourselves), the Mike Lord Day, C P Day, all drawing praise for the course and hospitality in the clubhouse.

Congratulations to all the winners during the season, it was especially nice to welcome Judith Proctor and Danny to the presentation of the Proctor Trophy, John was a special talent and will be missed by all who knew him.

A great deal of thought has gone into the planning of the course for the winter, and as we look forward to the Winter League and the fun competitions for the ladies and gents, please comply with the instructions on the course to ensure it is kept in the best possible condition. As the 10th green will be closed and lots of bunkers (and hedge !!) out of play, I will have the stream across 6 and 7 as my charity "catch" for the winter. The 10th bunker raised nearly £200 for Francis House, anybody with a conscience can still put money in the box !!

We have had a tremendous response from our visits into local primary schools. About 40 children have been here over the last 3 week-ends and will be on the practice area 10/11th and 17/18th November. If you see them and their parents, please welcome them and make them welcome, it is very important.

Tremendous thanks to Anne-Marie for setting it all up, to Mark Roberts for his enthusiasm, and Dave Cullen the coaching professional for his expertise.

There are plenty of socials and events during November and December, please join in and support the organisers, and I look forward to seeing you at some of them.

ROY COOKE  
Mens Captain

### Clubhouse

#### Functions

Room Hire bookings for October continued to be positive. November is also looking strong

#### Front Steps

The railings on the front steps have now been installed along with new railings on the entrance to the Male Locker Rooms. Our thanks to Brian Cole for his support.

#### Date for your Diary

Friday November 30th is the first of our new initiatives which we are billing as "Final Friday". This sees Live Music in the Clubhouse on the last Friday night of each month and features Pete MacLaine and the

Clan as our first band. This event is FREE to Members and their friends. Please put it in your diary and come down from 8pm with your friends and enjoy what is sure to be a great night.

On January 25 our second event will feature the Dave Lynane Jazz Quartet.

Watch out for other bands and dates in 2019 coming soon

Live Football at the Club

With both City and United being drawn on the same side of the Champions League draw this means both will play their Group games on the same night. The Club is able to show both games on TV simultaneously. Why not watch the upcoming games at the Clubs whichever side of Manchester you follow.

Bar

Sales were very strong in October helped by the large number of functions.

Bar Staff

We are still looking to recruit additional staff for our Bar Team. If you know anyone who is looking for some extra work then please ask them to contact Simon Wetton our Steward.

Gin of the Month

The next addition to our Gin range is now available. Following requests from Members we are adding a flavoured Gin to our range. It is Whitley Neill's Rhubarb and Ginger Gin. This Gin is served with Raspberries and Rosemary.

For those who love their Ginger why not try it with Ginger Beer rather than Tonic. This will increase the flavour even further!

We hope you enjoy it

Draught Beer Changes

Over Halloween we added Hobgoblin Gold to our seasonal offering but once we are past Bonfire Night we will revert to Wainwrights as our Draught Beer. The Estrella Damn has been well received particularly at Functions.

Catering

November sees Lee complete his first year at HMGC and we are working with him over a new contract on which there will be more details of some exciting new changes in the next Newsletter.

Get in touch

Any concerns or questions regarding Clubhouse areas should be directed to our dedicated email: [Clubhouse@heatonmoorgolfclub.co.uk](mailto:Clubhouse@heatonmoorgolfclub.co.uk)

## Golf Director

Winter play

The new winter tees that have been installed will be completed this week, the decision making process of when we play on winter tees, winter greens and fairway mats will be made solely by the Head Greenkeeper.

Although ground conditions are considerably better than recent years may we please remind members that the use of winter wheels on electric trolleys is now in place. We would like to thank all those members who have taken the necessary steps regarding this and look forward to your full support on this matter.

#### Penalty Areas 2019

The golf team are working through the impact the 2019 golf rules will have on HMGC. The significant changes will relate to how the course is set up with regard to the new "penalty areas" that will have then superseded "water hazards" .

We have set a target date for the end of March 2019 for the designated penalty areas to be complete. We will be publishing our proposals shortly and members wishing to further discuss these proposals will be welcome as ever to contact the golf team via email at [golf@heatonmoorgolfclub.co.uk](mailto:golf@heatonmoorgolfclub.co.uk)

HMGC Golf Team

## Membership + Marketing

This year the Seniors and the Ladies Section will have their Opens outside Festival Week. For that reason, we have decided to rename Festival Week to Heaton Moor Golf Club Golf Festival. These are the dates we have so far: -

Thursday, 30th May 2019 – Seniors Open (£25 a pair)  
55 years & over, 4BBB Stableford, H'cap Certs Req'd Max 24

Date to be confirmed – Ladies Open (£36 per Team)  
3 Ball Team Stableford, Best 2 scores to count, Max H'cap 36

Sunday, 9th June 2019 – Mixed Team Open Stableford (£50 per team)  
Two men & two women, best man & best woman's score to count  
H'cap Max Men 24, Women 36. H'cap certs req'd

Monday, 10th June 2019 – 9 Hole Open Stableford (£10)  
Individual, full handicap, open to all men, ladies and juniors. H'cap certs req'd

Wednesday, 12th June 2019 – Men's Open (£15)  
Singles Stableford, Full handicap, H'cap Certs required

Friday, 14th June 2019 – AMAM (£100 per team after noon, £80 per team in the morning)  
Stroke play 9/10ths, h'cap certs req'd. Max men 24, max women 36. Teams of men or women with separate prizes for men and women.

All the money raised from the events on the 9th, 10th, 12th & 14th June will, as usual, go to the Development Fund so we will be doing our best to get all the tee times booked out. This year the Development Fund has paid for road repairs at the entrance, repairs to the toilet roof, refurbishment of the foyer and the new clubhouse steps.

We have considered some feedback re the cost of these events and will now include 2's in the entry fee. The AMAM entrance fee has been reduced to £100 a team (from £125) with morning slots at £80 per team.

The Seniors & the Ladies run their own opens but make generous donations to the clubhouse which has contributed to the installation of the new Wi-Fi system this year.

As usual Jed and the team will be working flat out to ensure the course is immaculate, so we can show case our course to visitors. There will be a gift for each visitor to the course so do try and bring someone along with you for a great day out.

The Opens are available to book now on BRS so if you prefer a particular time slot now would be a good time to book in to ensure you get it.

Everything you do as a member to support these fundraising Opens helps raise money to maintain the course and clubhouse.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT

#### DEVELOPMENT DRAW

1st Prize £100 Ball No 46 Paul Hesford

2nd Prize £50 Ball No 130 Charlotte Antoniou

3rd Prize £25 Ball No 35 Maggie Judkins

Congratulations to you all! If you would like to join the Development Draw you can pick up an application form in the corridor on the Marketing noticeboard.

Anne-Marie, Helen & Liz

## Club Secretary

If you are a 7 day, 6 day, 5 day or Intermediate member, and wish to take advantage of Go-Cardless monthly payments for membership from 1st January 2019, please contact Margaret Hardman or myself NO LATER THAN 6th December.

There will be limited office cover week commencing Monday 12th November, whilst Margaret is on leave.

Pro's Christmas Sale .... Saturday 1st December 9am onwards in the clubhouse.

## SOCIAL

We have a very busy couple of months ahead.

Firstly, next Saturday 10th November we have the Annual Dinner Dance, with BILLY MOON entertaining and your Vice-Captain giving a toast to the ladies !! There are a few places left. Names and meal choices on the notice board.

On Friday 7th December, the Gents Turkey Supper has Ron Atkinson as guest speaker, Austin Knight comedian and John Gwynne as M. C. Tables are filling quickly, again put names individually or as a full table, on the board. Please hand CASH into the office or behind the bar by 26th November when it will be advertised outside if necessary.

Information about the Christmas Party on Saturday 22nd December with very popular vocalist Sean Perkins, and New Years Eve with Absolute D. J.s will be published shortly.

The next Quiz Night is on Friday 23rd November.

A very special Francis House fund raising evening with ELVIS in the building is on Saturday 19th January.

Finally the next Quiz Night is on Friday 23rd November.

Geoff Youd  
Social Chairman

## Running Mixed

The running mixed season came to a close towards the end of September, with some great scores having been shot throughout the season. Thanks to everyone who participated.

Top of the table winning both prizes for the best 4 Net scores and the best 4 Gross scores were John and Carole Wheeler, well played!

The Coronation Cup Final then took place on Sunday 7th October. The weather was kind to us and we hope everybody enjoyed their game.

Congratulations to the winners on the day Mike and Yvonne Roberts with a fabulous score of net 63! Well played to the runners up Danny Doohan and Monica McLaughlin (last year's winners).

Also well played John and Carole Wheeler who took the best gross prize.

Hope to see you all again next year!

Kevin & Diane Wilson