

RENFREW GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER

May-10



Captains Corner.

With the season now progressing I would like to encourage all members to utilise the clubs facilities as much as possible, use of the bar and the clubhouse is increasing year on year and I would be delighted to hear from any member if they had suggestions in how to improve our bar or catering operations.

The clubhouse is also increasingly becoming more and more popular with members for private parties and I would recommend to everyone thinking of holding a private party to confirm this with Andy as soon as possible to ensure that they get their desired date's.

I would like to remind all members to regularly check the notice boards to ensure they are fully up to date with everything that is going on at the club and also allow them to be fully aware of competition entries etc.

I am sure you will all have noticed that we have been carrying out some cosmetic maintenance in the car park and at the entrance, I would like to thank Fraser and his team for their help and assistance with this.

Finally I would like to remind all members that if they have any suggestions to make regarding the club, clubhouse or course please feel free to contact me directly or via Andy.

In the meantime the best of luck in getting those handicaps down!

HAPPY GOLFING!

Colin Pope Captain

Secretaries News

With April now a mere memory the golf season is now fully underway and I am sure we are all hoping that weather improves sufficiently to allow us carefree golf! Please make sure to check our notices to keep up to date with all that's happening. On the subject of visitors we only accept parties when there is no clash with an official club event, visitor income is a major revenue stream for the club and vital to our ongoing investment in the course.

New Members, currently have recruited just under 40 new members to Renfrew and have several more very interested parties, this is a great testimony to the reputation of not only the course, but to the clubhouse facilities. Fraser and his team are managing to maintain and improve the course in many areas. And any improvement in the clubs finances will be re-invested in the course.

There are two club functions in May and I would like to ask as many members as Possible to support these, first on the 15th of May is a "Race Night" this is free admission and will be rounded off with a disco. All profits will go towards the Captains charity fund. On the 22nd of May there is a Curry theme night And disco, this is an "eat as much as you can" Indian buffet followed by a disco tickets are on sale now at only £9.50 per head.

We are also introducing a Sunday Roast to the Menu every week, with 2 courses for £6.95, This will include all the trimmings and will change on a weekly basis.

Andy

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Greens

Over the past month extensive work has been carried out on the greens, deep scarifying and over seeding, they have been slower to pick up this season due to the colder winter, but are now showing signs of improvement they have been lowered to 4mm to speed them up, it is our intention to verti-cut and roll this year on a more regular basis.

Environmental / conservation, Kenny Martin and his team have been busy over the past couple of weeks planting areas at the 1st tee and around the clubhouse, they have several more projects planed for the next couple of months and members will be kept up to date with there progress.

On the staff front Alan Ferguson will be starting his summer contract over the next couple of weeks which will be a great help.

Match & Handicap

April Medal

1st Class David S Hendry
2nd Class Fergus Lang
3rd Class William Russell

Scratch Stuart Pennington

May Medal

1st Class Stephen Rundell
2nd Class John Barr
3rd Class Iain Shirley

Scratch Kenny McIntyre

Mid Week 1

1st Class Joseph Sermanni
2nd Class Frank McKinnell
Scratch David Johnston

May-10 Course Tour



The origin of the name for this hole is that it was part of the Blythswood estate in which the Prince Consort, who accompanied Queen Victoria on her visit, walked to enjoy the beauty of the grounds. At 434 yards off the white tees and a ditch that can come into play on the second shot for shorter hitters, this hole is a stern test.



This hole has the River Clyde and Fisher's Lane as out of bounds all the way down the right side. If you are lucky you may witness some of the river traffic making its way up and down the river or even see the new seaplane service between Glasgow and the Islands. This is one hole on the course where the hole dramatically changes when you move back to the white tees.