

MUNDESLEY GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER



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Development Committee Business and Membership

THE CLUB OF CHOICE

During the month of August, we have gained 11 new members taking the total for the year to 48. The profile of Mundesley Golf Club has been raised in a number of ways this year and the excellent presentation of the course, together with the challenge it provides, is a major factor. Visitors are so impressed that a number have already joined. At the time of writing we have 17 prospective members showing keen interest.

We know that the best way of stabilising and growing the club is through the acquisition of new members and then retaining them.

It has become evident that many people visit the driving range and pay green fees without knowing that it is possible to join as a playing member. When people come into the shop we can often convert general enquiries into business either through the sale of merchandise or into membership of the club.

We are looking for volunteers to work in the shop for say, two half days per month. This vital help will release the professional to coach and to enable the honorary secretary, Ron Noble to pursue his management duties. More essentially, it will help us to identify new business opportunities.

At present we do not have the financial capability to spend above our present budget. We are looking at a half day slot, three to four hours maximum. In a four-week period there are 52 such slots excepting Sunday afternoons. We have already received some offers of help.

We recognise the importance of adequately training people who offer to help, and we are working up plans to meet that need. Di Clarke has some good ideas on how a training programme might work.

It would be helpful, if you are prepared to help the club, that you let Ron Noble have details of the times that you would be available.

The Club has raised an additional £33,000 during the year to date and thanks are due to many members who have generously contributed in a wide range of ways to the cause. We can now see that Mundesley **is the club of choice** for an increasing number of North Norfolk golfers.

I wish to thank John Sewell for his generous gift and erection of the sponsors board. We have now attracted sponsorship for twelve holes and the names of those involved will be affixed very soon.

Tony Peacock has agreed to manage the after sales administration and has already set about the task. This support role is vital in order to maintain and grow our relationship with sponsors and others.

This week the Business Development Team have held a brainstorming session in order to develop new ideas for phase 2 of our business plan. Di Clarke and Jenny Smith are seeking ways to get more ladies in North Norfolk playing golf at Mundesley.

If you have any ideas or suggestions to make about business development, then please let us know.

Best wishes

Andrew Keates

Captain's News

It has finally arrived, what we've all been waiting for, rain, and much to our greenkeeper's delight. We all like nice warm weather but I'm sure most of you like me had just about enough of the prolonged hot and sticky weather. Our course has already started to recover and I'm sure that in a couple of weeks or so the course will be back to its magnificent best. Richard and Phil must be congratulated again for keeping the course in excellent condition throughout the prolonged dry spell.

August again has been a busy month with Club competitions including the Mundesley AM-AM and our Myhill team has been in action again. This time in the Myhill Trophy semi-final playing at Bawburgh Golf Club against GY & Caister Golf Club, more on this later.

I'll start with the Club competitions played during August:

Mundesley AM-AM

The weather was good and the sun was shining down on what was going to be a great competition in the annual Mundesley AM-AM. Sixty eight golfers started arriving bright and early for their allotted tee-time, fresh and raring to go. Fast forward six, seven or eight hours and sixty eight tired, thirsty, sore and hungry golfers were to be found in the clubhouse telling all about their missed chances and what-if stories. After twenty seven holes of fierce competitive golf in rather hot conditions they were all entitled to do so. A great day was had by all. It was great to see some new faces this year but also great to see some familiar faces returning yet again and again, long may this continue. It is also great to see Crayford and Abbs returning and displaying their cars around the clubhouse which elevates the day to another level. They have been long standing supporters of this event and other events at our club and we all appreciate their support and hope this will continue for the foreseeable future.

After a good watering and feeding by our wonderful bar staff and Phil and his team, we got down to the results of the competition and the winners were, as follows:

1st Diana Clarke 158 points
David Clarke
Adam Brown
Stephen Hall



2nd Andrew Keates 154 points
Joe Andrzejewski
Tony Bird
Pat Kerrison



3rd Richard Stackwood 151 points
Trevor Baldwin
Chris Cutting
Rod Gainsford



4th Howard Bunn 151 points (ocb)
Maurice Bunn
Rabbie Bunn
S Graver

5th Justyn Clements 150 points
James Lester
Roger Shanahan
Jack Clements

6th Tony Lake 148 points
David Briggs
David Temple
J Harrison

Nearest the pin : hole 1/10 Justyn Clements

Nearest the pin : hole 4/13 Graham Wilton

Nearest the pin : hole 7/16 G Nurse

There was a prize raffle and an auction after the meal with some great prizes to win and to bid for. All in all over **£2000** was raised on the day for club funds and the club would like to thank all who played, bid and won prizes on the day.

George Duncan Putter

1st Justyn Clements 45 points

2nd David Temple 39 points

3rd Ryan Clarke 38 points

There were three weekends of monthly medal and stableford competitions during August and the winners are shown below:

Winner of the first monthly medal was **James Lester with a nett score of 60.**

Winner of the first monthly stableford was **Chris Cutting with 41 points.**

Winner of the second monthly stableford was **Tony Bird with 39 points.**

Winner of the second monthly medal was **Chris Cutting with a nett score of 61.**

Hmmm will **Chris** feature in the last weekend of competitions this month! His handicap has plummeted in the last few weeks. So **Chris**, is it time to put the black/white hooped sweater and mask away for a while?

... and the third and final monthly competition results are:

Winner of the third monthly medal was **Aaron Underwood with a nett score of 63.**

Winner of the third monthly stableford was **Gavin Foulser with 44 points.**

... and hard luck to **Chris** for dipping out on a hat-trick of wins this month.

Myhill Trophy Semi-Final

After three magnificent away victories in the Myhill Trophy, unarguably the most prestigious interclub Norfolk County Golf Union County Knock-out competition, the day of the semi-final was upon us. Our opponents were GY and Caister Golf Club and the match was played at a neutral venue which was Bawburgh Golf Club. Unfortunately, I cannot report a victory as GY and Caister proved just a little too strong for Mundesley this time. Our lads put up a gallant fight against a very very strong GY and Caister team which included a recent past Norfolk County Champion, some of Norfolk's finest amateurs and an ex-Professional who has played in The Open Championship. However, our lads have over the four rounds played magnificently and are a credit to themselves and to Mundesley Golf Club. Next year when the draw is made for this competition, all clubs will be hoping they do not draw Mundesley in any round home or away! In each match in this year's competition there has been a common 'theme' which has come from each of the opposing Team Captains', and that common theme has been the praise extended to the fantastic support Mundesley brings with them to these matches. We have had on average around twenty plus supporters for each match and some of the home teams have had little or no support at all. So, a huge thank you from all the Myhill Team to all the supporters who came along to any of the matches this year, it was very much appreciated and spurred us on no end.



[A few of our Supporters](#)

There were nine players who represented Mundesley this year in the Myhill Trophy, and they were as follows:

Alex Carter and Pete Murphy

David Clarke (Jnr) and Ben Smith

James Lester, Matty Craske and Paul Craske

Ryan Clarke and Josh Withers

For the statisticians amongst you, Mundesleys' record in the Myhill Trophy is shown below:

1962	Winners	beat	GY and Caister
1979	Runners-Up	lost to	Royal Norwich
1984	Winners	beat	Sprowston Park
1986	Winners	beat	Ryston Park
1989	Runners-Up	lost to	Barnham Broom

So, going forward let's try and see if we can replicate the success we had in the eighties! I'm sure we have the talent to do it!

Handicap League matches played during August:

First up was the away match at Sprowston Manor. The result of this match was a 3 -1 win for Sprowston Manor.

The second match was to be the rearranged home match against Sheringham that was abandoned last month due to fog. However, Sheringham could not muster a team so the match did not take place. As there was no rule in the NCGU conditions for such an event, the match has been recorded as a void 0-0 draw. A rule change is on the cards I presume!

The third up was the home match against West Runton (The Links). The result of this match was a 2 - 2 draw.

This was the last of the eight home and away matches this year and the final results table can be found on the NCGU website. Thanks go out to Steve Smith as team Captain and Organiser for these matches this year.

Friendly matches played during August:

There was the second leg of the annual home and away friendly against Barnham Broom. The result of this was a 4–2 away win for Mundesley at Barnham Broom. This made it a 2–0 victory in matches and a 9-3 individual match score win.

We hosted the second leg of the annual home and away match against Eaton. The result of this was a 3–2 home win for Mundesley. This made it a 1–1 draw in matches and a 6–4 individual match score loss.

These matches are good fun and played in a very casual and friendly manner. I would like to see more members put their names down to play. It is a good way of playing Barnham Broom and Eaton for just the cost of a meal, approx £15 in each case.

Some notable competitions and dates coming up during September

The first date **September 8th and 9th** is the **Arnold Roy Cup** which is a medal competition.

The second date **September 15th, 16th and 17th** is the **Seniors 55+ Centenary Trophy** which is a medal competition. For those members not eligible for the Seniors 55+ Centenary Trophy there is a monthly medal on Saturday 15th and a monthly stableford on Sunday 16th.

Well, that's enough ramblings from me again until next month.

Yours in Golf

Jim McQuattie

Club Captain 2018

Lady Captain's News

Congratulations to Janet Self on winning the draw for the Lady Captain's parking space. Janet has opted not to use the parking space which is a little on the small size, so the Lady Captain will make use of the vacancy. The Captain's Charity raised £47 from the draw.

Our ladies Am Am was a very successful day. We were blessed with glorious weather and all the staff had worked hard to ensure our visitors had an enjoyable day, both in the clubhouse and on the course. Smiling faces and plenty of compliments came our way from the 56 players on the day.

Thanks also to the willing members offering help, David Craske with his ready camera, halfway house ladies Sue Craske, Gill Kemp, Janet Brown, Di Clarke, lovely flowers from Shirley Davies and Gill. Also looking after our competition cards, raffle and refreshments, Beryl and Maggie. Our club president Mike Foster gave his usual professional touch to the score board – thank you Mike. The raffle for the Captain’s Charity raised £158.30.

Winners

1 st	Lesley Allen Deidre Cave Sue Allen Dawn Futter	Mundesley GY & Caister GY & Caister GY & Caister	97 points
2 nd	Jackie Daniels Glenda Winn Doreen Rolfe Lorraine Stuart	GY & Caister GY & Caister GY & Caister Mundesley	95 points
3 rd	Mary Gamble Gill Hardy Phon Green Jo Barnard	Bawburgh Bawburgh Bawburgh Bawburgh	95 points
4 th	Judith Mackinnon Maureen McRae Lesley Plummer Mary Lund	Royal Cromer Royal Cromer Royal Cromer Royal Cromer	94 points
5 th	Chris Tew R Battrick S Clayton S Sinks	Sheringham Sheringham Sheringham Sheringham	91 points
6 th	Linda Croucher Bev Andrews Liz Robinson Rita Bleasdale	GY & Caister GY & Caister GY & Caister GY & Caister	91 points

N.T.P.

7 th	Cathy Jefferys	Sheringham
10 th	Mary Cartwright	Royal Norwich

Wednesday Competitions

Championship scratch winner (o.c.b. from Angie Ellis), Beryl Nash 86 gross. Championship Handicap winner Angie Ellis net 69. 2nd Shirley Davies net 69.

Dobbies Cup Medal

1st (o.c.b. from Maggie Moore) Angie Ellis 67.
2nd Maggie Moore 67.
3rd Jean Slater 71.

Biddy Salvors 4 B.B.B.

1 st Ruth Epton and Sue Craske	40 points
2 nd Christine Bridgeman and Janet Brown	37 points
3 rd Lesley Allen and Pauline Holland	36 points

Well done to all the ladies.

League Matches

Caldecott Hall – home match
Mundesley 4 Caldecott Hall 3

King's Lynn – away
Mundesley 1 King's Lynn 6

Best wishes Sue

Senior Captain's News

August is usually considered the last month of the summer and what an outstanding summer it has been. Mundesley Golf Course played exceptionally well during the torrid months of the summer (grateful salaams to the greenkeepers) with many of the visiting clubs green with envy (geddit?) at the condition of our course.

During the month Sprowston Manor visited us for our friendly return match. Their team did try to bulk up on porridge and black pudding beforehand but alas succumbed to the superior fitness and agility of the Mundesley Seniors and lost (poor things). We then played Wensum Valley during the month, both home and away. Usual story regarding results: home win, away, an honourable second.

The stableford played at the beginning of the month was won by a pair of Steves. Cookie on 40 points and Tarry on 39. An exemplary effort from both.

The Seniors versus Veterans was a most enjoyable occasion and was played in a good spirit. The Seniors won (*comme d'habitude*). Maybe we should consider tweaking the formula for next year to make it a bit more evenly matched. The committee will take this under advisement.

Our Seniors Closed Club Competition will take place in early September. This is open to any club member of good standing over the age of 55. For this year we decided to make it a stableford competition to make it more inclusive as medals can be daunting to some senior players (I know, I know, I realise that thank you).

There is a prize fund of £100 and 2 nearest the pins. There is also a prize for those over 75 years of age. Entrants are asked to put a "+" against their name on the sign-up sheet. So far when I last looked there were 24 entrants of which there were 2 +'s, one of them being me. I reckon I have a good chance of winning this, but I am surprised we are only two. Maybe people did not read the notice properly? Naah that could not possibly be true, could it?

News from the 19th Hole

It has been a great summer so far with the bar busy serving those essential cool drinks. With the Am/Am, BBQ and Ladies Open all successful events. We are seeing a lot of new faces upstairs in the bar and we welcome all our new members. Don't forget you can bring your friends and family along as guests to enjoy a drink and a meal.

I would like to thank Cheryl, Mica and Hannah who did a superb job covering for me while I was on holiday. It is so good to return from a vacation and find everything ran smoothly. I am sure you will agree with me it is great to be served professionally and with a smile. Well done team!

Coming up.....



Happy Golfing!
John

Defibrillator – Positioned at Top of the Stairs

It has been brought to our attention that many members are unaware that we have a defibrillator at the top of the stairs. Furthermore, in an emergency it is simple to use with no previous training necessary. Instructions on how to use it are voice prompted when it is opened. Therefore members need not worry about how to operate it.