

MUNDESLEY GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER



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Development Committee Business and Membership

THE CLUB OF CHOICE

Since I last wrote in this column the number of new members for the year has risen to beyond 60. This success is due to our beautifully presented course, the friendly welcome, word of mouth and exciting, imaginative product development. We have recognised that we will only increase our membership if we deliver a range of products that meet the needs of interested golfers and others. As we prepare for 2019 we expect a number of full members to convert to 5-day status. This is healthy for it caters for the needs of existing members whilst attracting others who are only interested in a 5-day package.

We have welcomed many visitors during the summer and the word is getting around about our holiday product range. There are an increasing number of people who own holiday accommodation in the area taking advantage of weekly and periodic membership packages.

It is pleasing to report that the Manor Hotel has sponsored a tee and we are indebted to Jenny Smith for her skill in securing this business. We hope that the increasing number of holiday operators who are backing Mundesley Golf Club will enjoy their association with us and make business gains as a result. We are very much about giving good value and completing business that will stand the test of time and be mutually beneficial.

You will note that the in-house television is continually showing details of the companies that have supported us. Very soon their names and logos will be displayed on the new board which is located on the wall outside the clubhouse.

Last month I mentioned that we were looking for volunteers to work in the shop for say, two half days per month. It is pleasing to report that a number of members have come forward and we are working up a plan for a new initiative to commence in the New Year. If you would like to help in this valuable work please speak to Ron Noble who will provide you with further details.

In an attempt to further extend our reach, we have placed an advertisement for Mundesley Golf Club in the match-day programme for the whole season at North Walsham Rugby Football Club. We wish North Walsham RFC every success for the coming season.

We have already participated in an encouraging "get into golf" scheme with North Norfolk District Council and we are now embarking on a second as autumn approaches. This initiative provides us with the opportunity to attract more people to the club whilst being funded by NNDC. The Local Authority are also interested in talking to us about other ways in which we can work together and help more older people take regular exercise and improve their fitness.

We have now launched Phase 2 of our Business Development Plan and our aims include increasing the number of playing members with additional emphasis placed on attracting ladies, providing a higher standard of after sales service and general administration, building productive relationships with local businesses, seeking further tee sponsorship, getting into social media and listening to what the market demands.

As always, if you have any ideas or suggestions to make about business development then please let us know. We are always keen to try new things.

Best wishes
Andrew Keates

Captain's News

Summer's almost gone and that means the golfing season for our various Cups and Trophies is also coming to an end until next spring. We've had a few new names to be added to the various Cups and Trophies this year, so let's hope for a few more new names to be added next year. On the subject of new names, I hope you all have noticed our new members on the course and in the clubhouse that the club has attracted this year and have made them most welcome. All this new membership is down to the sterling work of the Business Development and Membership Committee led by Andrew Keates and his super motivated team. Without their drive and enthusiasm the club would be in a very different place today.

As said earlier, summer's almost gone and it will soon be time to dig out the winter gear but let's hope it's not for a few weeks or so yet. So, enjoy the rest of the good weather, play lots of golf, play the 'nineteenth' hole many times to keep John happy and dig out that winter gear (tentatively).

September again has been a busy month with Club competitions. We've also had teams go out and compete in the Norfolk Centenary Teams Cup and the 9 Hole Alliance Challenge Cup, more on these later

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

Arnold Roy Cup

1 st	Ryan Clarke	65 nett
2 nd	Gordon Gallacher	67 nett ocb
3 rd	Steve Smith	67 nett

Seniors 55+ Centenary Trophy

1 st	Graham Turner	64 nett
2 nd	Barry Sewell	65 nett
3 rd	Paul Ellis	66 nett

Barry is one of our new members having recently joined the club within the last month.

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

Winner of the first monthly stableford was:

Justin Lee (aka 'Jammy Sod') with 40 points

Winner of the first monthly medal was:

Ian Gray with a nett score of 58

Well done to Ian, results like this do not come along all that often

Winner of the second monthly medal was:

Josh Withers with a nett score of 60

Winner of the second monthly stableford was:

Malcolm Rogers with 42 points

Winner of the third monthly stableford was:

Aaron Underwood with 43 points

Winner of the third monthly medal was:

Any Francis with a nett score of 62

And finally

Winner of the fourth monthly medal was:

Pat Kerrison with a nett score of 61

Winner of the fourth monthly stableford was:

Andy Francis with 41 points

Andy just missed out on a hat trick of wins – just like Chris Cutting last month.

And now some news regarding our team playing around the County this month:

Norfolk Centenary Club's Cup



This is a competition between Norfolk's golf clubs that are over one hundred years old and have had their centenary. It was originated and is organised by Fakenham Golf Club each year. It's a team competition consisting of five players from each club which Mundesley select from the result of the Mundesley Club

Championship scratch results, top five places offered first. Our lads tried their best on a very difficult golf course and on a very testing day as well, all their scores were in the low to mid-eighties nett but not quite good enough to secure a win this year

9 Hole Alliance Challenge Cup

This is a competition between all of Norfolk's nine hole golf clubs which was originated a few years ago and this year was hosted by Feltwell Golf Club, last years' winners. It's a team competition consisting of eight players from each club, two of each Mens, Ladies, Senior and Junior sections. Players are selected from the winners of certain club competitions and usually the club captains. This year the team consisted of Sue Symmons, Angie Ellis, Paul Craske, Andy Bayfield, Bob Peaker, Finley Burnett-Kiernan, Thomas Howard and myself. The team competition is for the 9 Hole Alliance Challenge Cup and the team with the aggregate of all eight stableford scores wins. Mundesley's total was 230 points which was good enough for second place behind the overall winners who were Mattishall Golf Club with 234 points. Sue won the prize for the best Ladies score on the day and I myself won the prize for the best

FELTWELL GOLF CLUB					
COMPETITION		FORMAT	DATE		
9 HOLE ALLIANCE CHALLENGE CUP		Combined Stableford	30.09.18		
HOLE	PLAYERS	SCORES	HOLE	PLAYERS	SCORES
1	LESTER COOPER	FW 26	4	GERIAN LINDSEY	FW 29
1	BERT EMERY	FW 22	4	ANDY BAYFIELD	FW 31
1	ANGIE ELLIS	HW 27	4	SUSAN FLETCHER	FW 28
1	MARIE FARRELEY	HW 32	4	COLLE TARRANT	SW 32
2	TAFF MARTIN NICHOLS	HW 25	4	TED FLEBY	FW 30
2	NEIL MATTHEWS	FW 30	4	DAVID WOODDALE	HW 35
2	DANIEL MATTISHALL	FW 25	4	CHRISTINE JOY	HW 16
2	EMILY BENDON	FW 37	4	SAM DIXON	FW 27
3	PETER HUCKER	FW 16	4	MARTIN GOULD	FW 27
3	GERIAN BAKER	FW 17	4	MEL PARKER	HW 22
3	SUE FLEMING	SW 26	4	CHRISTINE ELLIS	HW 26
3	AIDAN EMERY	FW 23	4	FINLEY BURNETT-KIERNAN	HW 28
4	JIM McQUATTIE	HW 33	4	PETER BRIGHTWELL	HW 26
4	GEM GREEN	FW 32	4	PAUL CRASKE	HW 32
4	MARIA FOX	HW 26	4	SAMM DUFFIE	HW 25
4	JENNIFER BROWN	HW 35	4	JOE SARGENT	SW 32
5	BOB PEAKER	HW 18	4	MIKE BROWN	FW 32
5	ANDREW SARGENT	SW 26	4	NIGEL ELMAK	HW 27
5	BARBARA GWYNETH	FW 30	4	TERESA HILLS	SW 27
5	LIAM KERRIN	HW 38	4	KYLE ELFLETT	FW 23
5	KEVIN JOY	HW 32	4	NIGEL PERRY	HW 29
6	RANDY LEWIS	FW 11	4	DEAN TARRANT	SW 30
6	ANITA JESSOP	FW 25	4	LOUISE HANMANT	FW 30
6	ALEX MATTHEWS	FW 28	4	TOM HOWARD	HW 23
6	FRANK FLEMING	SW 28	4	MIKE EMERSON	SW 19
6	NIGEL WAGG	FW 26	4	HEIDI OSWALD	HW 29
6	SUE SYMMONS	HW 32	4	VICKEY CUMMINGHAM	FW 31
6	RUDY REVE	FW 35	4	CHARLIE WOODWARD	HW 30

Seniors score on the day. So overall, a good day out for Mundesley Golf Club. Next years' competition will be hosted by Mattishall Golf Club. I tried to get a team photo but as things turned out it proved just a bit difficult to get all together as it was quite a busy day, however I managed to get a photo of the scoreboard.

Some notable competitions and dates coming up during October

The first date **October 6th and 7th** is the **Mundesley Inshore Life Boat Medal**. All proceeds from this goes towards supporting the Mundesley Inshore Life Boat (MILB). This was previously in aid of the RNLI but it was decided to support a more local charity in the future.

The second date **October 25th** when we play our annual match against Norwich City FC 'Old Boys'. The sign-up sheet should be going up in the men's changing room very soon, first come first served, only twelve aside.

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

Yours in Golf

Jim McQuattie

Club Captain 2018

Lady Captain's News

Sadly we have lost one of our valued lady members this month, Gill Nightingale, a past Captain always ready to support the club's many social events. Our thoughts are with husband David and family.

Competitions so far in September:

Fowler Salvors (3 rounds medal)

Beryl Nash	71,72,73.	216
Jenny Smith	71,73,75.	219
Maggie Moore	72,70,78	220

Holt ATC (Greensomes)

Beryl Nash/Ros Fretwell	38
Maggie Moore/Brenda Collins	35

Stableford 12th

Janet Brown	32
Maggie Moore	31
Bet Howsen	30

Mary Delves Trophy

Brenda Collins	34
Tish Peal.	34
Angie Ellis	31

Ladies Friendly

Gt Y & C home - lost, played in heavy rain reduced to 9 holes.

Fakenham away, unfortunately lost to a strong home side, nevertheless enjoyed by the girls.

Well done to all the winners and everyone supporting the games.

Best wishes Sue

Senior Captain's News

September produced the Seniors Closed Championship (Stableford), away matches against Costessey Park and Royal Cromer, plus the Norfolk Nines Competition at RAF Marham Golf Club and the Hodds Salver at West Runton, The Links.

The Seniors Closed was well represented by 30 players which effectively meant that all the tees were full. The competition was won by Barry Campbell with 44 points, second was Steve Cook on 40 points. Well done to both. The major prize for over 75 years was won by that perennial stalwart Trevor Tunnicliffe. (Bless).

Costessey and Cromer followed the usual trend where we achieved silver medals in both. It was a beautiful sunny day at Cromer, however the wind was a major factor, probably the worst wind conditions this year which might have pushed us a little off course....possibly!.

The Norfolk Nines was won by RAF Marham (again). However the course came in for some criticism. It was very flat (I wonder why?) and the playing surface rather like the main street in Kabul (No, I have not been there). Greens were beige. Problem was the summer weather and the lack of watering facilities.

It is hoped that, in future, instead of the winner hosting the competition the next year, a rota system can be set up. We will be contacting other 9 hole clubs to see if this idea is acceptable.

Hodds salver first round was won by The Links, played under Myhill scoring. The day was very well organised and we passed our thanks on to their Captain.

Next year the Seniors Section will be taking over the fixture with Barnham Broom as a senior's event on a home and away basis in July and August. We look forward to renewing our association with them.

There is a *cri de coeur* gone out for volunteers to help in the club shop on a rota basis as and when anybody has some free time. Interested parties please speak to Ron Noble in the office.

Finally I am pleased to announce that Mike Clark has agreed to be Seniors Captain next year and Mike has nominated John Sewell as his vice-captain. Many thanks to them both. I am sure they will make a great team and carry the Seniors onwards and upwards to bigger and better things.

Straight drives, Terry.

Social News

What is a Scramble Competition?

A golf scramble is a format for a golf tournament. Two or more players form a team, with the rules emphasising fun without the pressure of players keeping individual scores. Each player hits a tee shot on each hole, but everyone plays from the spot of the best shot, subject to certain criteria. Rules for playing in a scramble are informal, with tournament organisers modifying basic rules as they wish.

For example, organisers may require a group to select each player's tee shot at least twice. The scramble format is not covered under the official Rules of Golf.

Instruct each member of your scramble team to tee off from your starting hole. In a scramble tournament, your team's opening hole could be any hole on an 18-hole course, depending on the assignment by tournament organisers. Players can tee off with the golf club of their choosing -- not necessarily a driver.

Choose the best tee shot through a general consensus of your scramble team. The group can decide the best tee shot based on any criteria they choose. Usually the best shot is the longest drive that lands in the fairway. Or your team may choose a long tee shot that landed off the fairway in the rough if you have a decent lie.

Mark the spot of the best tee shot with a golf tee or ball marker. Direct other players to pick up their balls and hit from within one club length of the marked spot. At MGC we place the ball on the fairway and drop in the rough.

Continue selecting the best shot until one player hits the ball in the hole. The team score is total of the best shots.

News from the 19th Hole

This year is flying by, with only a few more Tuesday evening socials to go and the last one will be held on 23rd October when it will be the famous Sausage and Mash night.

There will be a Tuesday afternoon informal winter Social (weather permitting) for those of you who just want to roll up at 1pm and play (starting Tuesday 30th September).

Bar sales have been good this last financial year so a big thank you to all of you who support your club and we encourage members old and new to keep using the bar and catering, don't forget you can bring friends and family as your guests to use the facilities.



We are continuing to see a lot of new members upstairs in the bar and we welcome you. If you have any queries regarding the use of your members discount card please don't hesitate to ask John your Club Steward or any of our friendly bar/catering staff.

Date for your diary Friday 5th Oct Quiz Night entry forms available from the bar.



"You always tell me it's only a game."

