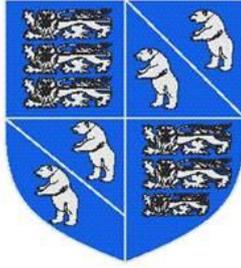


MUNDESLEY GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER



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Development Committee Business and Membership

THE CLUB OF CHOICE

Welcome, Welcome, Welcome

For those of you who don't know me, my name is Jenny Smith and I have been asked to write a few words for this month's newsletter about myself and what I've been up to this year on the Business Development Committee. I joined Mundesley Golf Club with my late husband Derek in May 2011. I vividly remember the warm welcome we received from Ryan Pudney and David Craske as we stepped into the office and it's very pleasing to be able to say that nothing has changed on that front as Mundesley Golf Club is still renowned for its happy atmosphere and more especially in welcoming new members to the club! It is a fact that was picked out by England Golf in the recent survey and in their words our golf club **'have the most satisfied members in the country' with 84% choosing the word 'welcoming'** as the word to describe the club. Quite an amazing coup and something we should be very proud of!

Since Derek's untimely death in April 2017 I have tried to keep myself busy and joining the Business Development Committee has been a lifeline to me. The enthusiasm and optimism is infectious and I was pleased to be able to offer my selling skills into the mix.

Ever one to take up a challenge and armed with the new snazzy brochure and our club's new vision I set off earlier in the year on a mission to see what could be done. Our idea is to partner with businesses in the Mundesley area by asking for £2000 in tee sponsorship for a three year period and in return we give a plethora of advertising benefits to promote their businesses plus vouchers to play golf. An idea I have promoted quite successfully is a *Stay & Play* opportunity with local hostelrys and I was delighted when The Manor Hotel agreed to take on the 7th tee. Steve Williams took over at The Manor Hotel earlier this year and is doing it up gradually and turning its fortunes around. He was so enthusiastic about supporting us I was bowled over. The Manor Hotel are sponsoring the 7th tee and Steve has said that if anyone gets a **Hole in One** during the year on this hole he will treat them to an overnight stay with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast for two at The Manor. If more than one person gets a hole in one then all the names will go into a hat and a lucky person is drawn! Very generous of him would you not agree??? Steve also donated the same prize to the Captain's Charity Day held in the summer this year.

On Friday, May 10th next year the Ladies Section are holding a Charity Fashion Show in conjunction with Jupe, the ladies dress shop in the village, and golf clothing from our Club Shop in aid of The Benjamin Foundation and we have asked The Manor Hotel to host it for us which they are delighted to do. More details on that to follow in the new year. Another success I have had with tee sponsorship is with Castaways Holiday Park & The Clifftop Inn at Bacton. Anna and Richard Hollis are also both highly involved in Mundesley Scout Group as well as running their own business. They have ample comfortable accommodation at the Clifftop Inn plus a clubhouse which would make an ideal venue for visiting society golfers. They are sponsoring the 9th tee. Anna and Richard are the masterminds behind the Mundesley Soapbox Derby and have invited our club to enter. Any takers on that??? I have also negotiated with The Ship to sponsor a new Noticeboard at the first tee. They also have accommodation and are keen on the *Stay & Play* opportunity to partner with us.

With just three more tees to find sponsors for by the end of the year, my latest venture is to approach 10 of the smaller shops and businesses to collaborate together for a tee sponsorship. So far I have had five of the shops agree (the Butchers, Fish & Chip Shop, Post Office & Village Stores, Jupe and Jen-Bar Garage) and I am awaiting confirmation on the other five! You will no doubt have spotted the ads of our sponsors rolling on the TV in the clubhouse lounge who are generously giving their support to us. We are very grateful to them all! This initiative has been a cornerstone in securing financial stability for the future of our club.

As well as businesses taking up tee sponsors we are delighted that some members have also generously given their support. These you can read for yourselves on the Sponsor Board kindly donated by John Sewell outside the entrance. I have taken the 15th in memory of Derek. I know he absolutely loved that hole and was always happy when he drove the green! I was going to name it *Del Boy's Delight* as that was always a nickname for him but saved that for the bench you will see on the patio! Derek loved his golf and wanted to give the club something back in his memory. While he was still alive he was pleased to donate the new replacement flagpole. He also wanted a trophy to be played for in the Men's Division which is now in its second year. It's very nice for me to see his name around the club.

One thing that life has taught me in these last two years is that we should celebrate life, be grateful and take every opportunity to create happy memories with our family and friends. So cheers to Mundesley Golf Club - our club of choice and I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2019.

Captain's News

Well, this is my penultimate entry for the Mundesley Golf Club Newsletter as I stand down at the end of December and hand over to David Clarke, your Club Captain for 2019. But, this is not the last you will hear from me, as I take over the Social Committee again during 2019. More on the social side next month

As I've not got too much to report this month, (it's getting harder and harder, the talk that is!), so I thought I'd tell a joke, one I told a couple of years ago at one of the clubs' Burns' Nights here goes:

A Scotsman was shipwrecked and was finally washed up ashore on a small island. As he regains consciousness on the beach, he sees a beautiful unclad woman standing over him. She asks, "Would you like some food?"

The Scot hoarsely croaks, "Yes, please, I haven't eaten a bite of food for a week and I am very hungry!"

She disappears into the woods and quickly comes back with a basket of food. When he has choked it down, she asks, "Would you like something to drink?"

"Oh, yes! That food has made me very thirsty and I would very much like a drink!"

She goes off into the woods again and returns with a bottle of 75-year-old single-malt Scotch whiskey. The Scotsman is beginning to think that he's in heaven when the unclad woman leans closer and says, "Would you like to play around?"

"Oh, you beautiful woman, don't tell me you've got a golf course here too!"

And following on from last month, it's definitely now the time to dig your wet and winter gear out!

November again has been a busy month with Club competitions and other events. We've had the last trophy event, the Armistice Cup, for the 2018 season which will complete the line-up for the 2018 Presentation Evening early next month. We've also had the second new member's event and the annual Turkey Trot Scramble (see Social section of this newsletter) and the Club's Annual General Meeting (AGM).

I'll start once again with the Club competitions played during November;

The Armistice Cup

1 st	Barry Sewell	60 nett
2 nd	Robert Wilson	63 nett
3 rd	Ian Richie	64 nett

Barry and Robert are both new members to our Club and are both mentioned little later in this results round-up

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

Winner of the first monthly medal was Keith Johnson with a nett score of 68.

Winner of the first monthly stableford was Fred Deitz with 40 points.

Winner of the second monthly stableford was Paul Ellis with 39 points.

Winner of the third monthly stableford was Ryan Clarke with 43 points.

New Members Event

This was a nine hole Texas Scramble event to welcome our new members and to introduce them to other new members and existing members. It was also an event to introduce some of our new members to the Texas Scramble format which is a more friendly way of playing golf and making 'friends' as such. A total of thirty one players took part, the split between new and existing members almost equal. Teams of four went out with two new and 2 existing members. The weather was fine and was nothing like the first new members event held in August which was played in the wettest conditions I have ever played in for a long time, everyone were well and truly soaked through. After the golf we all met up in the clubhouse bar and enjoyed a complimentary drink and some canapes. Donald Stuart, our Chairman then gave a short introduction and presented the prizes to the winning and second place teams. Donald then handed over the floor to Ryan Pudney, our Professional who then gave a short introduction to the new and revised 'Rules of Golf' that are due to be implemented on January 1st 2019. More detailed presentations on the revised rules changes will be held in the New Year. So, moving on to the results of the scramble:

1st place with 26.6 nett: Mike Foster
 Barry Sewell
 William Mailes
 Steve Cook

2nd place with 28.6 nett: John Roebuck
 James Greener
 Andrew Basson
 Derek Rush

As mentioned earlier, Barry Sewell has been in a winning position once again, he will also be mentioned again as he was also in the winning team in the Turkey Trot. Robert Wilson will also be mentioned again as his team were placed in the Turkey Trot. It's good to see our new members taking part in the various competitions and making an impact.

I'll leave it to our readers to determine which team came last.

117th Annual General Meeting (AGM)



Members waiting expectantly for proceedings to start
Can you spot Rupert the Bear (d)??

Our Annual General Meeting has been and gone and was as usual fairly well attended and passed without incident. No sooner had it started then it was my turn to get up and do my bit. Well, I got up and done it and that's me almost finished for this year. I presented David with his Captains' tie and he presented me with my Past Captains' tie (also known as the 'has-beens tie'). All attendees were then treated to a complimentary drink at the interval from our Chairman Donald Stuart.

Afterwards, we all returned to our seats for the 'open forum' which again passed without incident as there were no contentious questions this time around. All in all, a very good AGM. You will all be able to read all about it when the minutes are published in the near future.

The Captain's wife would like you to note that the 154 bottles of wine consumed over the year (as mentioned in the AGM Captain's report) were 187.5 ml and not full bottles. I am afraid your Captain is in serious peril for his life – I haven't decided on which painful method to use as yet!

Some notable competitions and events coming up during December:

First is the **Presentation Evening** on **Friday 7th December**, commencing at **19 30 hrs**. If you have won a Cup or Trophy this year you are encouraged to come along to celebrate your achievement.

Second is the **Club Christmas Dinner** on **Saturday 8th December, 7.00pm for 7.30pm**.

By the time you read this I imagine all tables will be full and no spaces available but it may be worth checking just in case!

And finally, the **Boxing Day Bogey** competition which is played on ... wait for it **Boxing Day** and is for the **Boxing Day Cup**. The winner of this competition will be presented with the cup at next year's Presentation Evening.

And finally, some important information:

Clubhouse opening over Christmas

The clubhouse will be closed as usual on Christmas Day but you can still play golf but there will be no access to the changing rooms!

The clubhouse will be open on Boxing Day until 1400 hrs but there will be no catering available at all during the day!

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

Yours in Golf,

Jim McQuattie

Club Captain 2018

Lady Captain's News

November is the start of our winter eclectic, played over the first 12 holes; a maximum of 12 cards to be submitted and can be played anytime over the winter months.

Halloween Day Stableford

1 st	Bet Howsen	33 points ocb
2 nd	Janet Brown	33 points
3 rd	Ruth Epton	32 points ocb
4 th	Tish Peal	32 points

Armistices Day Cup

This was played over the week, the winners:-

1 st	Ruth Epton	net 69
2 nd	Lorraine Stuart	net 72
3 rd	Angie Ellis	net 74

Monthly Medal 14th

1 st	Lorraine Stuart	net 69 (handicap reduction – 17)
2 nd	Beryl Nash	net 76 ocb
3 rd	Ros Fretwell	net 76

Stableford Winter Shield 2 21st

1 st	Bet Howsen	32 points
2 nd	Lorraine Stuart	31 points
3 rd	Janet Brown	29 points

Congratulations to all the winners.

Our Ladies AGM will take place on the 28th November at 2pm. This is preceded by an informal 9 hole stableford competition.

The incoming Lady Captain, Di Clarke will receive her badge of office ready for the start of her Captain's year with the Drive In on New Year's Day. We wish her a very happy and successful 2019.

A group of ladies enjoyed helping to decorate our Clubhouse Xmas trees. John our steward had brought the decorations down from their storage and made a wonderful job of decorating the Clubhouse bar and dining area, all very much appreciated as not many like to reach in high places. All this activity ensures the clubhouse has a warm festive appearance ready for our popular Xmas events.

Best wishes Sue

Senior Captain's News

We are coming to the end of our golfing year.

The only event held in November was a stableford competition. It was won by Mike Clark with a tremendous round of 43 points. He strode out like a colossus similar to Michael Caine in the battle of Rourke's drift and saw off all comers. We bow to his battling spirit and are happy that his handicap has been cut to 15. This now allows lesser mortals to have a chance?

The runner-up was the indomitable Steve Cook who quietly (?) snuck into second place after count back with the senior, Trevor Tunnicliffe (crikey Trevor keep taking the pills) both with 37 points. Well played to both.

We also in this period re-organising the Section with the election of a new captain and vice-captain, plus various other positions on the committee. Nomination papers for this are on the senior's notice board. Interested parties are encouraged to put their names forward. The AGM will take place on the 4th January for the formal announcements.

There will be a scramble before our annual Christmas Dinner on Thursday 6th December and arrangements are well in hand for this. The more the merrier. There are many prizes to be won and all competitors will go away with something. The main prizes go to the winner and runner up. There will also be 4 "nearest the pin prizes".

It is a tradition that we give a gift to members of staff for all their hard work during the year. We will do this after the medal on Monday December 10th. Would those who are playing in the medal please remain behind for the presentation about 12.00 to 12.30 pm. For others who are not playing it would be very nice if you attended also to show your support.

Short newsletter this month. Must go and get my Christmas decs up.

Straight drives, Terry.

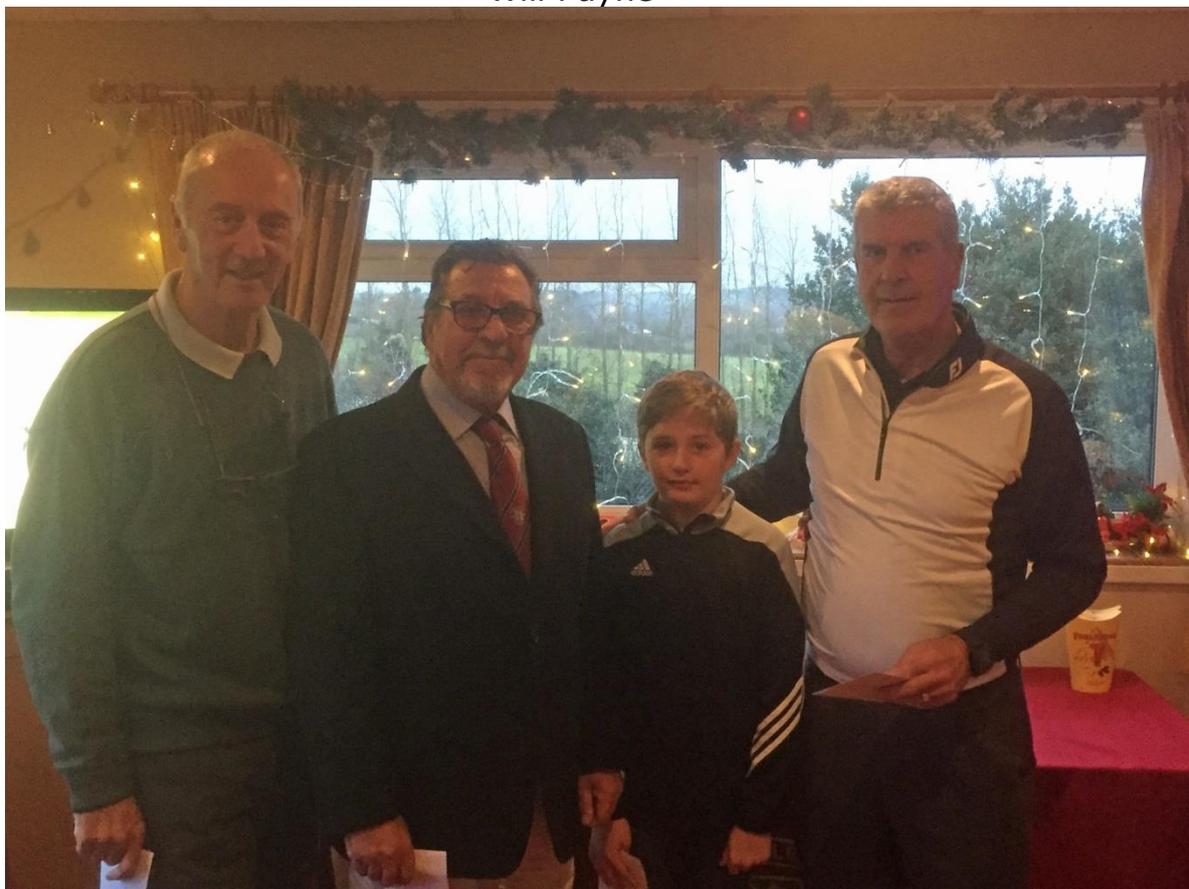
Social News

Turkey Trot

This was the final social event for this year and it was pleasing to see that the entry sheet filled up fairly quickly and was actually slightly oversubscribed this year. The weather was fine but a little cold and all players enjoyed the golf and the meal afterwards. There was also a raffle on the day which raised about £300 for the social fund and a huge thanks goes out to all those members who donated prizes and bought tickets. It was great to have some of our new members taking part and also to feature at the top of the leader board. It was also great to have a couple of our younger juniors' taking part and to have one of them, Will Payne, in the winning team. But, we don't have winners and losers in this event, we have first place and thirteen runners up as everyone gets a prize.

So, on to the results, first three places only:

1st place with 50.7 nett: Tony Bird
 Barry Sewell
 John Whitby
 Will Payne



1st runner-up with 55.5 nett: Donald Stuart
 Maggie Moore
 Richard Knights
 Haydn Salt

2nd runner-up with 57.0 nett: Steve Smith
 Jenny Smith
 Rob Wilson
 Donald Schorn

First Social event in 2019 is the Tartan Scramble and the Captain's Drive In on New Year's Day. Entry Sheet on the Social notice Board at the top of the stairs. Please come and welcome your new Captains in.

The Social Committee would like to thank all members who have taken part in any of the events organised this year and also those who contributed to the events. We look forward to seeing you all supporting the social events next year. Have good Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

News from the 19th Hole

We are well and truly into the festive season in the clubhouse. The decorations are up and we are looking forward to the forthcoming events which include: Club AGM on Friday 30th November, Ladies Bring & Win Wednesday 5th December, Seniors Christmas Scramble Thursday 6th December, Presentation Evening Friday 7th December, Club Christmas Dinner Saturday 8th December and the Ladies Past Captains Lunch Monday 10th December. So there will be plenty of festive cheer and we look forward to member's new and old bringing family and friends up to these events or just lunch and a few pre-Christmas drinks to escape the rush at Christmas.



So from all the bar and catering team we wish you all a Happy Christmas & a Healthy 2019.