



Greenore Golf Club

Newsletter

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Issue 7

Captain's Column:

Gosh time is flying by!

Already October and if I correctly remember the last time I wrote for the newsletter was a few weeks after the Captains Prize !

It's been an eventful few months I must say and my year in office is quickly coming towards a close.

We had an EGM on Aug 31st which was very well attended. The meeting voted against the motion which was asking members to permit the club to borrow a sum of money to upgrade some of the course, the clubhouse and some course machinery.

We had the Fred Perry all-Ireland quarter final in Farnham estate and unfortunately we were defeated by a well prepared Connemara Isles team (they've subsequently lost the all-Ireland final to Nenagh in the last few weeks).

Our past Captains dinner went down a treat with all our past captains and presidents who told stories of old, some not so old, recited a little poetry and some sang to the wonderful accompaniment of the very talented Jerry McCarthy on piano. It was a great night and thanks to everyone there who helped to make it a great success.

Brendan Tumilty

THE BIG NEWS STORIES!

Dates for your diary:

Ladies Presentation: Saturday 29th October

Captains Dinner: Saturday 12th November

Mens AGM: Monday 5th December

Mens Presentation: Sunday 11th December

Golfer of the Year/ Mens Matchplay:

Ladies Golfer of the Year: Kay McCartan

Men's Golfer of the Year: Kevin Rogan

Men's Foursomes Winners: Michael Green & Seamus Pentony

Men's Fourball Winners: Martin Murphy & Caolán Murphy

Practice Area Improvements:

Driving Range: With a busy summer behind us we have decided to ONLY allow members to hit off the new artificial mat when using the driving range. This allows the large hitting area in front of the mat to get a rest and be pristine when the season starts back up again in the middle of March.

More new range balls have been ordered for the driving range however won't be arriving until early 2023.

New Yardage markers have been added to the driving range, the distance is measured from the front of the artificial mat.

Putting Green: The Putting green was hollow tined the same time as the greens on the course so this naturally pushed back the schedule for when the green was going to be opened. On Friday 14th October Oisín opened the putting green with 5 holes on it to see how it reacts.

Junior News:

We are holding the Captain's Prize to the Juniors on **Friday 4th November at 9am**. Afterwards we will be presenting the prizes plus all the Wednesday Summer prizes to the prize winners. We hope to see as many juniors as possible on Friday 4th November as there are still prizes to be won.

Junior Sixes: Well done to the Junior Sixes who played so well in Grange Castle recently. The team consisted of Dylan Carron, Andrew Clarke, Ana Gaztambide, Eleanor Smyth, Mario Liam Gaztambide and Noah McParland.

Well Done to current Junior Captain Matthew Giles who finished in a tie for 2nd in his 3rd tournament representing University of Stirling. Matthew shot a pair of 74's in the opening 2 rounds in horrendous conditions and shot an impressive 71 to finish his tournament. Best of luck in the rest of your tournaments throughout the year.

A word of thanks to all superb volunteers for their wonderful help and supervision over the summer. We couldn't function without them.

Kieran Clarke, Junior Convenor

Pro Shop:

New Autumn/ Winter Pro Shop opening hours: The shop will be open until 5pm now as we enter into the fall season

Golf Bags: Callaway bag SALE. We have a limited amount of Callaway golf bags on SALE. From Cart bags to lightweight carry bags. Come in a variety of colours, Black, Blue, Red & Navy.

Winter Clothing: New Sunderland Autumn & Winter clothing has arrived. We have a wide range of pieces for both men and ladies. Great selection of Waterproofs, Wind-tops, Padded Jackets, Gilets, 1/4 zip top and Hoodies. Call in and see the new range before the winter sets in. (Check out 'Greenore Pro Shop' on Facebook for a collection of stock photos)

New Autumn / Winter collection from Under Armour now in stock. Great collection of Sleeveless Vest, Hoodies, Half Zip tops, Jackets, Infrared winter mitts and headwear. All you need to keep warm and dry this winter.





Operations Manager:

It is coming up to a year since I took on the role as Operations Manager and while I have enjoyed my new role some of my new responsibilities have been quite challenging. We have made a few changes around the club and hopefully in 2023 we can make more improvements.

I would like to welcome all the new members who have joined recently and if anyone needs any assistance with anything around the club I am here to help.

The Captains Dinner takes place on **Saturday the 12th of November**. Tickets are 30 euro and are available at the bar. It is normally a great night. All members are welcome to attend.

The Annual presentation of prizes for the men's competitions will take place on the day of the Turkey Trot on **Sunday the 11th of December**. Notice will be sent out to the prize winners.

We now have more than 20 personal members buggies in our backyard and unfortunately, we do not have room for anymore. I would ask all members to be aware of wet areas on the course over the winter period. We may need to suspend buggy use for periods if we get some severe weather, you will be updated on the ClubNet app, make sure your notifications are on. Don't know how to do this? See page 6, section titled, 'How to turn on notifications for the ClubNet app'.

We hope to start renovations in the Bar and Restaurant area in the middle of November so there may be a short disruption to service in these areas for a brief period. I would ask all members to support the bar and restaurant when possible as they are both an especially important part of our club. Just be aware that both Bar and Restaurant have shorter opening hours, so it is no harm to pre book or check in advance.

I would just like to remind all members (apart from the recent 15-month deal) that the Bar/ Restaurant prepayment which you paid over the last 2/3 years will be retained by the club this year if you have not spent it all by the end of this year. You can see your balance through your app/ members profile/ePurse history. It will be shown as Bar Levy/ Food levy Purse.

You may not be aware, but you can start savings towards next year's subscription through the app also again go to app/members profile/savings and top up to your savings. You can also prepay Subscriptions to the office and bar. Any prepaid subscriptions will be taken off after the new subscription bill is sent out to members.

Death Notices, we will be sending these out via the ClubNet app, as a 'news item', so another reason for you to make sure your Push Notifications are turned on (See page 6) If you haven't downloaded the app yet, please do as it's our main place for communicating with members, if you need help setting this up contact Caolan @ caolan@greenoregolfclub.com

I would like to thank all our Sponsors for their support to the club in 2022. If any member is interested in sponsoring an event in 2023, please let me know and we can do up a package that will suit your business.

Robert Murphy robert@greenoregolfclub.com



Acting Chairperson / Honorary Secretary's Note:

Dear member, following our EGM in August the Management Committee met reviewing the comments and positives that came from a well-attended meeting. The feedback that we took from the night and indeed since the EGM was that we need to do something with the course and clubhouse. Stemming from this we have asked Ken Kearney back to compile a plan that could tackle the bunkers and tree management with a view to get completed over the winter and spring months. Key requirement is to have works done before the golfing season commences. We are awaiting his feedback and response on this.

We also plan to refurbish the bar & restaurant before Christmas hopefully giving it a fresh look which the majority of members agree with.

As we are only 2 months away from Christmas, the golfing season to an end we are preparing for the new year 2023. Any members who would like to get involved in any of the committees or indeed any part of the club please feel free to reach out to any of the existing committee members or indeed me directly - Honsec@greenoregolfclub.com or Chair@greenoregolfclub.com

Course development Update:

On Monday 10th October the fairways were sprayed to help with worms and daisies.

Next week all the greens will be getting a lite dusting of sand. All tees will also be sanded at the same time.

The putting green was opened on Friday 14th October to see how it reacts to usage, there are 5 holes on it.

Work over the winter will be carried out on all whin bushes around the course to clean and tidy them up.

The Men's 5th tee box and the 18th tee will be stripped back and levelled before Christmas in preparation to have it open for the new season.

Work for a new irrigation system on the 2nd and 12th tees will be done over the winter months also.

The boundary hedge around the course has been cut down and inside the fence will be finished shortly.

Richard Brennan





Teams:

After a magnificent and emotional run by our Pennant winning Fred Perry team, the inter club season for Greenore has come to an end. It was a great season with lots of exciting matches and every sort of drama possible. Once again can we thank everyone who gave up their precious time to manage, assist, practice, play and support our teams.

Teams are a great way to meet other members and lots of friendships were made again this year.

Next year we will do it all again. if you are interested in trying out please put your name forward.

Paddy Lawless

Meeting the Men's Committee

Michael Murphy

You all know Michael. He hardly needs any introduction from me but I have to give him a special mention in context of the work he does for men's competitions through this and many previous years. Frankly, he "has it off to a T". Early in the year I went to him to start to prepare a calendar of events for the year.. he had it done! Week after week he, ably supported by Breffni McCabe, sets up the competitions, collates all the cards and scores and publishes all the result. He also manages much of the detail on our website, writes up policies for various events and groupings and plays a big part with our junior committee. He makes the tough decisions, with his competitions committee, around handicap compliance and integrity, new member handicaps and so on. This year he was one of the back office team that migrated us all to our ClubNet system having implemented the WHS last year. He never stops! The man is a Trojan! Thank you Michael.

Caolán Murphy

This was Caolan's first year on men's committee and I was delighted to invite him and to bring into the organising ranks behind the club. The guy is an absolute pleasure to work with and nothing at all is a problem ! Caolan's role extends way beyond men's committee activities and he is involved in the pro shop, in the office (with a principal role as our ClubNet ambassador) and in the bar. Caolan gets particular credit from me around the role I gave him around "internal PRO" - a role that I felt very important in keeping members up to date as much as possible. As editor of the newsletter he has excelled and has presented a very informative document - probably 8 issues during 2022. A great guy.. I hope he remains involved in the years ahead.



Bar Opening Hours:

Monday to Friday: 12.00pm – 8.30pm

Weekend: 11.00am – 10.00pm

These hours are at the discretion of the bar person.

Restaurant Opening Hours:

Tuesday & Thursday: 12.00pm - 5.00/ 5.30pm

Weekend: 10.30am – 6.00/ 7.00pm

These hours are at the discretion of the restaurant staff.

How to turn on notifications for the ClubNet app:

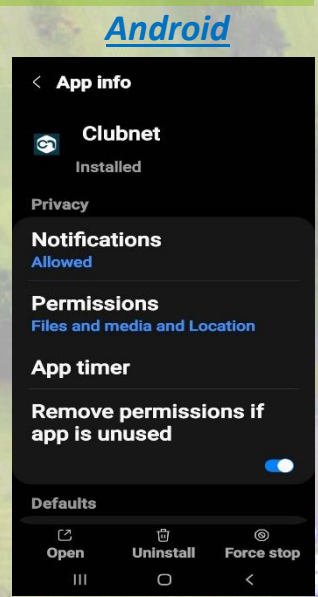
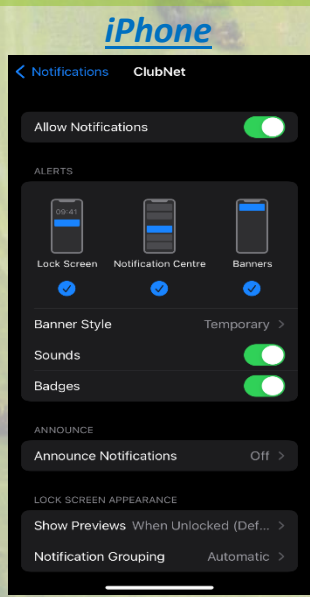
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Go to Settings and tap Notifications. Select the ClubNet app under Notification Style. Under Alerts, choose the alert style that you want.

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Tap More on the bottom navigation bar and select Settings. Tap Turn on notifications. Tap Notifications. Tap Show notifications.



Above is what it should show when notifications are turned on, on both iPhone & Android.



Ladies New & Updates!

**Ladies Presentation of prizes is taking place
this Saturday (Saturday 29th October)**

Lady Captain Column:

The Millennium Cup was hosted in Mannan Castle this year and everyone enjoyed the event. Anne Mc Donnell who pioneered the St. Vincent's Past Pupils Outing attracted a huge response to the Greenore Golf Club outing. Our Lady Vice Captain Siobhan Byrne was the prize winner and will have her name engraved on the Cup. The Hogg Trophy was played in Warrenpoint this year and Ann Connor gave a very interesting speech on the history and brought us back down memory lane. The Cup was won by Warrenpoint Golf Club. Congratulations to Roisin Finn who had a well-deserved win in 2nd place in the Race to July competition on Saturday 1st October. On behalf of the Committee, all club members and myself, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new lady members who have joined us recently and look forward to meeting them in our future competitions.

Ladies Cup/ Trophies Winners:

Hunter Moore Cup: Antoinette Shields

Mansfield Cup: Antoinette Shields

Green Trophy: Rosemary Hanratty

Centenary Trophy: Ann McArdle

McHugh Cup: Aoife McKeivitt

Clarke Cup: Kay McCartan

Roslin Cup: Ines Ulloa Moreno

Past Captains Cup: Kay McCartan

Golfer of the Year: Kay McCartan

Special Competition: Jane Fegan

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