THE MILLBROOK GOLF CLUB



Millbrook Matters

Dear Member

What's happening this week:

Tuesday 18th August - Seniors from 08:00 to 08:40

Wednesday 19th August - Ladies from 09:00 to 09:16

Wednesday 19th August - 9 Hole Medal from 16:45

Friday 21st August - Seniors from 08:00 to 08:40

Saturday 22nd August - Scratch B Team V's Chalgrave from 11:30 to 12:00

Saturday 22nd August - Mens Team V's The Bedford from 12:00 to 13:00

Sunday 23rd August - August Sunday Strokeplay - from 07:30 to 10:30

Points of interest:

Received from a member this week:

<u>How do players proceed when they hit a ball onto other</u>

<u>fairways? Who gets priority in taking their shots - the</u>

<u>group in front or the group behind?</u>

A valid question, especially on holes 2,3 and 15 and also holes 5 and 6.

Order of play should be decided by hole number, those further around the course take priority. This is not a rule of golf but a matter of etiquette and applies to any shot regardless of your position on the course. For instance: those teeing off on the 16th hole should be given priority over those teeing off on hole number 2.

Club Match V's Chiltern Forest

- Our Captain Bill Barnes is looking for players to represent the club this Saturday against The Bedford at Millbrook, Breakfast at 11am teeing off at 12. Please email me if you can play:manager@themillbrook.com

What's been happening?

- The Ladies were in fine form last Sunday, The Calbarrie Challenge being won by the in-form Julie Davies with a fine 43 points. Sandra Gallacher finished in second place with 39 beating Sue Sylvester on count back.
- The Millbrook Bowl, played on Sunday 16th August is the last major before the Club Championship and always a good indication of form prior to 'The Big One' Played from the Blue Tees but in near perfect conditions, Kieran Ashman returned a fine Level Par 74 gross, 66 nett to secure his first major win of the year. Fraser Jameison & Nick Snelling both shooting 74 finished 2nd and 3rd respectively.
- The Eden and Strathtyrum tournament took place at St Andrews last week and as usual The MillbrookGolf Club had a number of entries.

This is a fantastic tournament week, attracting entries from all over the world. Played over the Eden and New courses at St Andrews the week starts with qualifying rounds on Monday and Tuesday, 240 men and 120 ladies all hoping to gain one of the qualifying spots in the match-play rounds from Wednesday onwards.

It has become tradition to play in the Crail Golf Club Open on the Saturday before the Eden tournament, and before I talk about our successes at St Andrews I should mention Tony Stevenson who entered this years Crail open as defending champion and very nearly defended his title.... Winning best Gross score this year in his category, Well played "the crail tamer"

Mark Denman, Tom Skinner, Nathan Day and Jack Hawksby were this years hopefuls in the mens category. Donna Steele in the ladies. They didn't disappoint! Donna Steele, Mark Denman and Tom Skinner just missing out on qualification.

With some links golf under his belt, Tom Skinner proved he was up to the task by winning the extra Stableford competition played on the Thursday around the Jubilee course, well played Tom.

Nathan Day and Jack Hawksby used their links knowledge during the qualifying rounds and produced some immaculate golf. Nathan Day shooting two bogey free rounds 69 & 68 for a four under total (12 under nett) Jack Hawksby shooting 69 & 70 for a two under total (4 under nett) qualifying comfortably for the knockouts in 4th and 8th place respectively.

Having used all their adrenalin up and with Nathan securing the nett trophy during Qualifying, both our lads lost in the first round of the knockouts. I think qualifying was the goal at the start of the week and once this had been achieved their intensity and focus had gone..... What do I Know!

A great week had by all. Pictures overleaf....

More matters next week....

The St Andrews Links Eden Nett Trophy

