

Dear member

# What's happening this week?

Tuesday 19th July: Seniors from 08:00 to 08:45

Wednesday 20th July: Ladies from 09:00 to 09:15

Wednesday 20th July: 9 Hole Medal back 9 from 16:30

Thursday 21st July: 9 & Dine from 18:00 to 21:00

Friday 22nd July: Seniors from 08:00 to 08:45

Friday 22nd July: Miles-Stanley Family Golf Day from 12:15 to 12:30

Friday 22nd July: Casino Night from 19:30 to 00:00 ( details below )

Saturday 23rd July: Saturday July Stableford from 07:30 to 10:00

Saturday 23rd July: Junior Inter-Club Championship x 50 from 11:00 to 13:00

Saturday 23rd July: Private party x 80 from 19:00 to 00:00 (main bar)

Food will be available following play Wednesday night and 9 & Dine continues on Thursdays...

## Date for the diary:

#### CASINO NIGHT:

We will be hosting a casino night on Friday 22nd July. 20:00 to LATE...There will be roulette and black jack tables available. Tuition included, should you require!

Tickets will be priced at £20 per person which will include nibbles and your gambling chips.

Prizes will be awarded to both the best Male and Female gambler on the night.

Please book your place or at least register your interest this weekend with Emma, Nathan, Bob or I.

Apologies for the late notice of this event, thanks to Andy Avern-Love, we have found a company willing to come out of London for the event!

## THE MILLBROOK PRO-AM (sponsored by KJW)

The Pro Am is filing up nicely, thank you to those that have already entered a team.

As you are probably aware, playing in the pro-am affords you the opportunity of playing with one of the regions top professionals in a best 2 scores from 4 format.

As per our charity day, food throughout the day is included in the entry fee, which for members is £60. Non members pay £75 and should you wish to mix business with pleasure we welcome you to sponsor a hole for £300 which includes entry fees for three players and hole signage.

Email me if you would like to enter or have any questions: manager@themillbrook.com

#### What's been happening?

- The ladies have started playing friendly matches around Bedfordshire in readiness for next years assault on the County Shield. The County shield sees clubs across the county play each other in a league format. Our first friendly was at Beds and County, match report supplied by Sarah Bevan:

#### MATCH REPORT: THE MILLBROOK -v- BEDS & COUNTY (AWAY) THURS 23 JUNE

It was not a promising start to the day as I looked out of the window at 7.15am to torrential rain with no sign of it abating. Confident that the match would be called off, I phoned our opponent's Captain to get confirmation so that I could stand the rest of the team down. 'It's not too bad outside my window' came the reply – and so, to cut a long story short, we turned up at Beds & County, in the rain, at around 10am ready to start at 10.30am. In fairness the

rain had eased considerably by then and the decision was made to play but to reassess the situation after 9 holes. In fact, once the rain stopped, shortly after we set off, it turned into a beautiful day (albeit a bit hot & humid). The format for this friendly was 4BBB Matchplay and with 8 players on each side we went out in 4 groups of 4. Monica and I set off first, playing against the Captain and Vice Captain. We were soon 3 up on our opponents and won our match comfortably (5&4). Bev and Pat had a closer game but won their match (1up). Nikki and Pauline drew their match, which was nip and tuck all the way and our final pairing of Linda and Val won their match (2up) - a resounding victory overall for The Millbrook. After the match we enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea – a real highlight of the day. Our hosts were magnanimous in defeat but in her post match speech their Captain joked about battle lines being drawn in readiness for our not so friendly County Shield match next year!

.....and as we all made our way home the heavens once again opened but we were in much better spirits than the journey over at the beginning of the day!!

- Ray Juffs won the seniors major with 42 points. Ray saves his best golf for the major championships, a solid game and mind...much like Phil Mickleson.... Well played Ray...

(that's £10 you owe me Ray!)

- The Chairmans Challenge, much like the Open championship had a run away winner.... 45 points took the title, a tally reached by next years Captain Paul Masters. I'm not sure Paul pockets as much prize money as Stenson, but Henrick doesn't get a ticket to the Summer Ball, so it all evens out!!

2nd on 43 points was Mick Duffy and 3rd on 42 points was John Ainley. The top five players all received handicap decreases..... Well played all.

- The greens were Micro-Tined and top dressed last week. As communicated.

Apologies if this affected your weekends golf. We micro-tine and top dress during July in order to minimize the recovery period. There is never a good time and work is weather dependent. You cannot apply top dress in wet conditions! As you can hopefully appreciate weather windows have been few and far between this year, so we decided to 'make hay' last week....

You will be pleased to know that the surfaces are now back to a good speed and should be even better than they were before, ready for this weekend. Thanks for your understanding.

- The scratch teams were both in action this week, however only one result was posted!

The A team were in action at Chalgrave Manor and managed a good win 4 points to 1. Well Played all...

The B team were in action at John O Gaunt and assure me a victory was on the cards until consistent rain turned to a downpour meaning the game was abandoned and has to be replayed.

- The July new members event is scheduled for Sunday 31st. If you have joined recently ( or just fancy coming ) you are invited to attend any of these informal gatherings. It's an easy way to meet like minded golfers, ask questions about all things Millbrook or simply get a free Pint! either way, we would love you to attend. We start at 09:30 with a coffee, play 9 holes Texas Scramble at 10:00 and following a brief chat wrap things up at 13:00.

email or telephone me if you wish to attend.

More news next week

**Happy Golfing** 

Rob



