

THE MILLBROOK GOLF CLUB



Millbrook Matters

Dear member

What's happening this week?

Tuesday 5th April - Seniors from 08:00 to 08:45

Wednesday 6th April - Ladies from 09:00 to 09:15

Thursday 7th April - Late Night Kitchen 18:00 to 20:00
Please book a table.....

Friday 8th April - Seniors from 08:00 to 08:45

Friday 8th April - Reddings Wood Golf Society x 16 from
09:00 to 09:30

Saturday 9th April - Bedfordshire County
V's Northants from 8:30 to 09:00 & 13:30 to 14:30

Saturday 9th April - Mixed Friendly - from 10:00 to
10:40

Sunday 10th April - Millennium Trophy - from 07:30 to
10:30

What's been happening?

It feels like spring is trying to make an appearance, which is more than it did last year! The ground temperature is still below the ideal level for growing grass hence the need for mats over the weekend just gone. You will be pleased to learn that we will move back onto the tees this weekend. Provided 'Kate' doesn't turn around and come for us again!!!

- With the golfing season about to kick off, signalled for me, by the playing of the Masters in Augusta our course will start to fill up at weekends so please remember to book a tee time. If you haven't already why not sign up for online booking? Even if you don't utilise it to book at least you can look ahead for the week?

- The greens were hollow tined last week, in previous years this would have resulted in nasty putting surfaces for at least two weeks however thanks to a new technique used by the team the disruption to golf is now minimal, we hope you enjoyed fairly decent greens at the weekend?

- Huge thanks to Donna Steele, Mike Foxon, Peter Lomax and Roger Davies who divoted the whole course last week....

Catering:

As most of you are aware, we have taken the catering in house. Finding the right cook is proving harder than we anticipated but I hope you will agree that Emma, Bob, Nathan and I have maintained a good level of service during this transition.

We want you to eat! Please Please don't think you are causing us trouble by ordering food! Both Emma and I have wanted to make a success of the catering department for over a year now, so please try our new menu.... Those that have tried it have been more than happy!!

Thursday nights are our chance to try new dishes, so again, book a table and come try our steaks or maybe the fishermans Paella.... I promise all dishes are of a high standard!!

Our menu this Thursday is:

Fishermans Paella, 10oz Rib Eye Steak with all the trimmings, Grilled Tuna Steak with seasonal veg and new potatoes, Chicken & Bacon Salad served with asparagus, pine nuts and pesto. For dessert, Home made tiramisu, lemon Cheesecake, fresh fruit & ice cream.

Please book a table, 01525 840252 option 4.

We are also open to suggestion, is there anything you would like to see on the menu?

Kitchen Opening Times throughout April:

Monday 11:00 to 16:00

Tuesday 11:00 to 16:00

Wednesday 10:00 to 16:00 (20:00 when 9 hole medal begins)

Thursday 10:00 to 20:00

Friday 10:00 to 16:00

Saturday 07:30 to 16:00

Sunday 07:30 to 16:00

- Captains Parking Space:

The Captains car parking space is being auctioned off for Charity this year, Adam's chosen charity is Parkinson's UK and this will be the first contribution.

To the successful bidder, the space will be yours until February 28th 2017.

Adam has made a starting bid of £250 for the space to kick things off, please send all bids to me and we will announce the successful bidder in the next Millbrook Matters

Match Reports:

- There have been a number of matches played this week please find the reports below:

Match Report: Millbrook Mens Team Vs Abbey Hill – 4 - 2 Win for the Millbrook

The Men's team played Abbey Hill over the Easter Weekend, at Abbey Hill. With six matches in truly biblical weather we were triumphant.

Firstly can I thank all the team for coming out on Easter Saturday, Paul Masters, Bob Howell, Roy Dearn, Pete Jakins, Chris Liston, Carl Burgess, Shaun White, Danny Lang, Dave McKears, Pete Johnston and Phil Stephenson.

It's always good fun playing against Abbey Hill, and there were some really close matches out there, the win of the day came from Carl and Dave, playing in the worst of the weather to win 2 up, (they are still drying out now I think) Paul Masters led us to a dog licence 7 & 6 win in our match! Pete and Phil had a great win of 4 & 3, and finally Danny and Chris also had a really strong win of 6 & 5. All in all a great start to the season for the team! Our next match is away vs the Bedfordshire on the 30th of April, the sheet will be up on the board shortly.

Ladies Team V's Dunstable Downs

On Saturday the Millbrook Ladies competed in their 3rd round match in this year's Mail on Sunday National Golf Club Classic. The five member team of Stef Duffy, Helen Masters, Donna Steele, Karen Beattie and Sandra Gallacher had a fantastic 5-0 win against Dunstable Downs. Well done ladies and good luck in the 4th round.

Seniors Fensomes Final

The Final of the Senior's Fensomes took place today. This was always going to be a close affair between the pairings, with Peter Hudson and Fred Anstey playing against John Beckett and Les Tucker. All players had shown good form over the last couple of weeks, and this continued with

Peter and Fred quickly going two up, before John and Les pulled them back to all square with a birdie on 4 and a par on 6. Les then sank an 18-foot putt on the 9th to ensure the game remained level at the turn.

It remained nip and tuck, until John and Les went 1-up with a par on 13, quickly followed by a win on the 14th.

The match closed up again when Fred sank an excellent putt from 12ft to win the 15th. All four missed the green on 16, and it looked as though the game would go back to all square when Fred chipped to 18 in, and John's chip stopped 3 ½ feet short. Les sank the nervy putt for the pair to remain 1 up with just 2 to play.

Peter struck a good drive down 17, but it was short of the trees on the right. Fred pulled his tee shot into the trees on the left. John's drive finished centre of the fairway, with a clear view of the flag. Les, now under no pressure, struck a beauty into the wind to leave the pair just a 100 yds from the hole. With Peter unable to go for the flag, and Les pin high after 2, Fred need to put his chip close. It was not to be, John putted to gimme distance, and when Peter failed to hole out, the match was over, 2 & 1.

As anticipated, a closely fought match, played in the best spirit.

Mens Daily Mail Match Away at Woburn

Our daily mail team lost in a close fought match away to Woburn yesterday.... Unlucky guys... Thanks to Pete Mott for his amazing organisation once again, next year I Guess!!

Scratch Team

Our first Scratch team practice will be held on Sunday 10th April from 15:00. All are welcome, we will play 9 holes, numbers attending will decide what format. Our first round matches of the summer scratch are due to be played by the end of April, this meet will gauge who is/is not available to be selected.

More news next week.

Rob