

## What's happening this week?

Wednesday 7th September: Ladies from 09:00 to 09:15

Wednesday 7th September: Steve Boaden GS x 16 - 10am to10:30 and 13pm to 1:30pm

Wednesday 7th September: 9 Hole Medal final from 16:30.

Thursday 8th September: 9 & Dine from 18:00 to 21:00

Friday 9th September: Seniors from 08:00 to 08:45

Saturday 10th September: Mens Team V's Pavenham from 11:30 to 12:30

Sunday 11th September: Vice Captains Day-Texas Scramble-shotgun start at 08:30

Sunday 11th September: Mick Waterton GS x 24 from 12:45 to 13:45

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

A bacon roll & coffee is included in your entry fee on Sunday for the vice captains day. Served from 07:30.

#### Thursdays 9 & Dine Menu:

To whet your appetite for Thursday night and hopefully inspire a booking or two....We will be offering specials like: Garlic & Chilli prawns to start, Butchers Bangers and Mash with onion gravy, Chicken Supreme with cauliflower puree or 10oz Rib Eye Steak cooked to your liking. 01525 840252 option 4 to book or events@themillbrook.com

### Date for the diary:

## **The Summer Ball**

- The new date for the summer ball will be Saturday 1st October. Tickets are on sale in the office or from behind the bar, If you have won a major competition during 2016, you have already secured a free ticket to the ball.....

## What's been happening?

#### What a weekend of golf.....

It was testament to the quality of the course that we witnessed two new course records in one weekend. On Friday during the pro-am, professional Phil Abbott achieved a new course record from the white tees of 65, 9 under par. On Saturday from the blue tees during the club championship ( arguably a much tougher challenge than Friday ) Jack Hawksby achieved a new record of 68, 6 under par.

Amazing golf by two very talented golfers, well played both.

## KJW Pro-Am 2016

As mentioned above, we witnessed a new course record of nine under par, 65, achieved by Phil Abbott who unsurprisingly won the professional prize and captained the winning team of Millbrook members Dan Baker, Steve Small and Woburn member Martin Crapper to victory.



My team here at the club excelled themselves, producing a golf course and hospitality above and beyond the expectations of many. You're the best! thank you all....



Days like Friday don't just happen, but thanks to the individuals I'm about to mention it was considerably easier to organise knowing I had their support.

The support received from KJW Drylining, not only for the pro-am but for clubhouse renovations, has made a significant difference to the future of The Millbrook Golf Club and I am eternally grateful for meeting the larger than life Kevin Wright. Thank you Kevin, Darren and Helene.

As you would expect his network of influence expands far and wide, with further generous sponsorship secured through CCF, without whom, Friday just wouldn't have been possible. Thank you Gary.

The members of our club also came out in force, sponsoring holes, making up teams or just helping out, it all helped and made the day even better.

PAPA J's, Gavin Denning, Andy Gill, Andy Teague and Ian Cowie all sponsored holes. Mick Brightman, Roger Davies, Monica Miles-Stanley, David Stanley, Mike Aldridge, Paul Leckie, Mac McIntrye and Tom O'Neil were volunteers of the highest calibre!!



Without swearing, Kevin also managed to encourage EPD, Knauf, Ips Builders and Weber to contribute sponsorship that improved upon the days offering.

The dust has settled, broken glass swept up and apparently the Jewson lads have just left! Which means I can say it's all over for this year and look forward to next ......I hope....... Kev?

# **Club Championship 2016**

The weather was forecast to be wet during the afternoon, but that didn't deter the 60 starters competing for the clubs ultimate prize.

For the second morning running our nocturnal green staff had been at work since 4am in order to present an immaculate golf course, thank you guys, it played great!

The golf certainly matched the course conditions with morning scores that not only set records but left the rest of the field competing for second place!

Jack Hawksby with his amazing 68 gross, Elliott Appleby with a fine gross 74 nett 69 and Josh Mead with a steady nett 73.

Then came the rain... and as usual the realisation of another 18 holes putting body and mind under further stress!! Perhaps that was just me, because it certainly didn't affect young Josh Mead who continued his summer form with a fine nett 70 in the afternoon, blitzing the rest of the field and winning what I'm sure will be the first of many major titles, Nett champion for 2016!! Well played Josh...

With a commanding lead from the morning it was only really Jack who could beat himself in the afternoon, but showing a level of maturity that has perhaps been lacking during the early part of of the season, Jack stormed home with a 77 gross giving him a total of 145, 3 under par for the competition and a comfortable winning margin from last years champion Jack Leek.

Well played Jack Hawksby, Club Champion for 2016.....

# Ladies Club Championship 2016

For the first time that I can remember, the ladies decided their championship over 27 holes. 9 holes in the morning and 18 in the afternoon. The ladies also play for both a nett & gross trophy. Once again, the green keepers were up at 4am to prepare the course as per the previous two days. ( they sleep upside down )

Steff Duffy has won the ladies championship for 3 years in succession and was very much looking to add a 4th... The nett championship however seemed wide open and anyone of the eight players could have taken the crown.

The morning 9 holes did little to separate the nett contenders, Julie Davies held a slender lead

from Sarah Bevan and as expected Steff held her nerve with a solid morning 9 holes to take early command of the gross prize. The afternoon 18 holes certainly made a championship of the event, Steff Duffy achieved her goal of a fourth successive title and keeps her trophy and title as Ladies Club Champion. The nett prize was narrowly won by Julie Davies who played to handicap in the morning and was the only person, apart from Steff, to break nett 80 in the afternoon. Well played Julie, nett club champion!!

Remember you both win a ticket to the summer ball....

- The September new members event is scheduled for Sunday 11th. 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 are combining it with the vice captains day, texas scramble, shot gun start at 08:30, forming teams from those that are attending. Please email or telephone me if you wish to attend.

More news next week

Happy Golfing

Rob

