



What's happening this week?

Saturday 8th April: The Masters (mixed major) from 10:00 to 10:45

Saturday 8th April: Mood Swings GS x 16 from 13:00 to 13:40

Sunday 9th April: The Millennium Trophy from 07:30 to 10:30

Sunday 9th April: The Coronation Foursomes (ladies) from 10:40 to 11:00

Sunday 9th April: Capital Fireplaces from 13:00 to 13:20

Tuesday 11th April: Seniors from 08:00 to 08:45

Wednesday 12th April: Alternate day Coronation Foursomes from 09:00 to 09:20

Thursday 13th April: Vauxhall Golf Day x 21 from 13:00

Friday 14th April: Keech Charity Day x 120 from 08:30 to 13:00

Saturday 15th April: Over 21 handicap and seeded stableford from 10:04 to 10:30

Sunday 16th April: Scratch team get together 10:04 to 10:30

Monday 17th April: Easter Monday Scramble SHOTGUN start at 08:30.

REMINDER:

Every morning, our green staff endeavour to get ahead of golfers in order to prepare the course (greens especially) for ALL golfers. If you play early, please allow them time to prepare the course.

Dates for the diary:

Steak Night:

Steak night is back again on Friday 28th April....

Please contact us to reserve your place...

events@themillbrook.com / 01525 840252 or reply to this email.

Meat Raffle:

Get your tickets early!!!! for the Easter Monday Meat raffle.....

9 Hole Medal

The 9 hole grand prix starts on Wednesday the 20th April at 16:30 from the 1st tee.

Play is permitted from 16:30 not before and in order to encourage faster playing times and more golfers to enter, play will be in three balls only and from the yellow tees (men) Red (ladies)

In line with the rules of golf, all players must return a scorecard marked by a playing partner. (not 3 scores on one card) Full rules will be posted on the board prior to week 1.

Food will be served following play with last orders at 20:30.

Subscription Renewals

Thank you to all those members that have re-newed for next season, it really does help us plan for next year...

Subscriptions are now past due for the 2017/18 season, If you are yet to renew please contact me prior to using the clubs facilities.

Captains Charity Day 2017

Message from our captain Paul Masters:

Dear Members

Thank you so much to those of you who joined me for my Captains drive in, due to your involvement it was a very special day, I would like to call on your assistance and generosity again as I am beginning to arrange Charity Day on Saturday 8th July and require donations for auction lots and raffle prizes, if anyone would like to sponsor a hole that would be very welcome as well.

In case you were not aware my chosen charity is "Chums" based in Ampthill, they work with children and young adults who have suffered bereavement and loss, also helping them to deal with trauma in their lives.

Please contact me directly as soon as possible so I can get this aspect of the day organised.

You can contact me on Mob: 07796 711073 or email: pmasters24@gmail.com

Summer Ball 2017

The Summer Ball is booked for the Saturday 30th September, different entertainment this year which promises to get a few of you on your feet and dancing....



The Millbrook
Members Golf Club

Dominic Kaye's
It's a Swing Thing
Hits of the Rat Pack & Swing era
FOLLOWED BY CLASSIC PARTY SONGS

Ticket price: £45
Includes champagne reception
and 3 course dinner

The End of Summer Ball
Saturday 30th September

What's been happening?

Club Match Report:

Our first club match on 25th March against Abbey Hill golf club built on our previous interclub success where we had resoundingly won the first leg.

I was optimistic about the match with Abbey Hill and all the games were very tightly contested; with poor greens and challenging fairways we came away with a draw which was no mean feat considering we were not our home turf.

I would like to thank all those members who played in both the Interclub and the Abbey Hill match for their support and I look forward to the upcoming matches for the rest of the year.

We welcomed some new faces to the team which was very encouraging, and as always it was good to see our mainstay players.

The next match is at Overstone Park in Northampton for the Interclub Trophy on Saturday 29th April, following that will be a club match at home against The Bedfordshire on Saturday 13th May, sign up sheets will go on the Mens board shortly, if you have played before or would like to join in for the first time please feel free to put your names down

Regards
Paul Masters
Captain.

April Saturday Stableford Result:

CSS: 72 Par: 74

Division 1 Result

1st Mr. Bob Howell 43c
2nd Mr David McKears 43c
3rd Mr Will Glenister 42c

Division 2 Result

1st Mr Chris Thornhill 41pts
2nd Mr Chris Liston 41c
3rd Mr Dom Klyen 41c

Ladies Alternate Day April Stableford (Sunday/Wednesday)

CSS: 75 Par: 73

1st Miss Nicki Reynolds 33pts

2nd Miss Linda Humphries 31pts
3rd Mrs Sarah Bevan 30pts

Summer Knockout Championships

The summer knockout competitions have been posted on the shop notice board.

Please follow the instructions for entry:

1. Enter your name on the knockout competition sheet
2. On an envelope (provided) write your name, mobile number, email address the competition you wish to enter and the amount of money inside the envelope.
3. Give this envelope to the professional shop or place in the box opposite the shop.

Please familiarise yourself with the rules of entry, posted alongside the entry sheets.

Course:

Tees:

I'm sure you would all agree it's great to be back on the tees. We will be managing the tees differently from past years. In order to utilise certain areas and allow worn patches to repair, we will be moving the markers more regularly and limiting the areas being used. This will promote growth and protect sections that wear easily. Golfers are not permitted to move tee markers or the white hoops placed near them.

Divot Bags:

Could all members and our regular guests check inside your golf bags, car boots and garages for divot bags. The success of the bags is amazing but we are sadly missing about 100 bags.

(I found two in my office, one in my golf bag and one in my car!) PLEASE check....

Practicing on the course

There is further evidence of practice taking place on the course, multiple divots are being taken from fairways and green approaches. Use the practice facilities available.

We have various committee members who are now on the look out for offenders, if reported to me, you will be warned and then suspended from the club.

Green aeration and top dressing

The recent hollow tinning, verti draining and top dressing went well. The greens are well on the road to full recovery in preparation for the busy season ahead.

Both Duncan and I have overheard some golfers misconceptions surrounding the top dressing on the greens and thought it helpful to clarify:

The sand on the surface (when applied correctly, which we have) will level the putting surface and actually increase the pace of the green. The fertiliser within the sand is what sticks to your ball and is quite gritty, this will slow the roll of the ball down.

A good example of this would be the wet greens (holes 6,7,10,11,17) which have not been hollow tined but have been deep verti drained and back filled with pure kiln dried sand. You will notice that on average these heavily sanded greens are the same pace if not quicker than the others. The reason being, pure sand V's sand mixed with fertiliser.

On behalf of the club and especially the green staff, we would like to thank the following people for their incredible efforts last Monday helping push sand around the verti drained greens. Stuart Beer, Mike Aldridge, Alan Reinke, Chris Carr, John Beckett, Gary Minton, Bruce Henninger and Keith Sampson. Duncan, Chris, John and Rob M would not have been able to complete this labour intensive job in one day, your help ensured the course was fully playable the next day, keeping disruption to a minimum. Thank you very very much.

Referral Scheme:



Introduce New Members to The Millbrook and you could be playing your golf for FREE!!

The Millbrook has launched an Exciting New Member Referral Programme

If you introduce a guest to The Millbrook as a new 7-Day Member, your golf could be half price. Introduce two and your golf could be free. Introduce 4 and you could have 2 years free golf! There is no limit!! Better still: If the guests renew their Membership for a second year, we'll give you a further 25% of that Membership Subscription off your future subscription

