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CAPTAINS BLOG



Dear Members,

It is an honour to serve as Captain of Carluke Golf Club for the 2022 season. I aim to carry on the great work of past captain Bill Dodds and do our club proud. I would like to first of all welcome all the new members to the club and hopefully I will get a chance to meet you all in person at the new member's night on the 4th April.

We had a fantastic opening day and a great start to the golfing season with the sun shining and long may this continue. Andy and his team have worked extremely hard over the winter with course improvements and I am sure you will all agree the course was in great condition for opening day. I would like to welcome back George, our seasonal worker and thank him for all his efforts throughout the winter. Jim and his team have been working extremely hard behind the scenes to get all the various competitions ready for online booking and hope many of you will be taking part. John and the house team are continuously looking to improve the clubhouse and hopefully we will see the end result soon.

Fiona, Baber and the girls continue do our club proud with their great hospitality making everyone feel welcome and here is to another year of great food, functions and fun. Caroline and the bar staff keep us all well hydrated when we need it most and I would like to thank them for all their hard work and efforts with a great bar

selection of drinks to come back to after a hard day golfing.

I can't miss out our Honorary Secretary Gavin, Lynne, our Treasurer and the committee who work tirelessly every day behind the scenes for the smooth day to day running of the golf club so we can all enjoy the benefits.

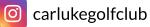
This year the Captains charity is Lanarkshire Cancer Care trust. It is a charity close to my family's heart who help many people voluntarily get to their cancer appointments throughout Lanarkshire and further afield and the money we raise will help them to continue with this good work.

Lastly I would like to thank everyone who sent their best wishes to Fraser and myself for the forthcoming year.

John









COURSE UPDATE

Hello all

Here we all are, another year older, but not any wiser!!

Not been any course news for a while so i'll quickly run through some of the things we have done over the closed season. Not been any major expenditure i.e. new green construction or anything but we have been kept busy with plenty smaller tasks, some more visible than others! Probably the most visible thing we have done is an upgrade to the path at the 11th -

50 metres of rubber matting has been laid down the left hand side of the path, from the start of the bad bend, right down to meet in with the old handrail. A new handrail has also been installed for the entirety of this new section so we now have a handrail down either side of the entire path. The main part of the path has been re-covered with a finer material and we have installed 7 drains across the path and two drains along the inside of the banking to remove water before it has a chance to cause any damage - hopefully!!! (see picture)

Much of the rest of our time was taken up with various small areas of drainage at 1st, 2nd, 7th, and at several points at the edge of paths to gather water and get it into the ground rather than sitting on/in the ground.

We have also made some improvements to the ditch at the 1st, introducing some crossing points and even our own version of the Swilken bridge. Unfortunately for some, we also had to add some red stakes around the ditch so if you are unlucky enough to find your ball has gone into it, you will face a one shot penalty. The ditch at the 9th has also been changed to red stakes, so make sure you are familiar withe the rules regarding red stakes and "penalty areas" and we have removed



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the blue stakes from the plantation of trees in the waste ground between the 3rd and 14th holes.

As I type this we are in the process of getting things organised for Opening day, including cutting fairways and rough, greens tees and surrounds. We have invested in new flags, (pic), flagsticks and cups for the new season so these will look and sound great!! The new aluminum cups that we are using can take a sponsored liner in the inside of them so if this would interest anyone, speak to Fraser, our VC.



Once again I have bored you for long enough so if anybody is still listening, I will wish you good luck and good health for the new season.

Course Work.

Just a wee note that we will, in conjunction with Pro-Turfcare, be scarifying and top dressing all the greens in the first week in April. As usual there will be some disruption to play, (temporary greens) but we will endeavour to keep this to a minimum.

All the best,

Andy and the boys.



OPENING DAY





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MEET YOUR 2022 COMMITTEE



John Cleland *Captain*



Fraser Forrest *Vice-Captain*



Gavin White **Secretary**



Bill Dodds

Past Captain



Lynne Bridges *Treasurer*



Colin Merriweather **Junior Convener**



John Carnochan *House Convener*



Anne Sinclair **Greens Convener**



Jim Robertson

Match Secretary



John McNeil



Malcolm Bowden



Jim Milligan



Dougie Walker



Ross Fleming



Ann Clarkin

SUB-COMMITTEES

Marketing, Planning, Communications & Sponsorship

Fraser Forrest (Convenor), John Cleland, Malcolm Bowden, Bill Dodds, John McNeil, Steven Barr, Marlene Turner (seconded)

Finance & Visitors

Lynne Bridges (Convenor), Bill Dodds, John Cleland, Steven Barr, Stephen Frew (seconded)

House, Bar & Social

Jim Carnochan (Convenor), John McNeil, Jim Milligan, Ross Fleming

Match & Handicap

Jim Robertson (Convenor), Dougie Walker (Open Comps & BRS), John Carnochan, Colin Merriweather, Ann Clarkin, Elizabeth Munro (seconded) , Esther Lillie (seconded), Ann young (seconded), Gordon Dickson (seconded), Ian Gray (seniors Open), Tom Frame (Seniors Open)

Greens

Anne Sinclair (Convenor), John Cleland, Fraser Forrest, Dougie Walker, Jim Milligan

Juniors

Colin Merriweather (Convenor), Ross Fleming, Ann Clarkin, Ian Gray (seconded)

KOCKOUT COMPETITIONS

Members should note that years knockout bookings will go live at 1800hrs on Monday 04/04/2022 until 1800hrs on Saturday 30/04/2022.

To book this

- 1. Open HDID click on 3 line on top right of screen.
- 2. Select knockout option.
- 3. Enter name.

COURSE RULES UPDATE

Could members please note the following conditions of play.

- 1. Drainage ditch on the first hole is classed as a red penalty area. Please proceed under rule 17.
- 2. Out of bounds at the putting green now extends to the car park boundary.
- 3. As covid restrictions have now eased, bunkers are now play as it lies.
- 4. Blue stakes. Please note that blue GUR areas at left of third hole, also to the left of seventh hole and left of ninth hole have been removed and are now in play.
- 5. Could all members please repair pitch marks, replace divots and rake bunkers.
- 6. Finally, please leave the course as you would expect to find it.

Thank-you

FIXTURES / DONWLOADS

As well as printed copies of the members handbook being available from the office, you can also download the handbook and the fixture list from the website.

https://www.carlukegolfclub.com/fixture-list/

This year we have also created google calendars for the Gent's and Ladies fixtures which you can add to the calendar in your smartphone simply by clicking on the + Google Calendar link as shown in the screenshot below. Just click the website link above and then click the +Google Calendar link. You can choose to add Gents, Ladies or both.

Gents Fixtures

