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CAPTAINS BLOG



Hello Members,

We have had a very busy June with various competitions and events running - congratulations to all trophy winners. Many thanks to Andy and his team, Fiona and the catering team and Caroline and the bar staff who have handled this month very professionally. Our members and visitors have commented on

the exceptional service in the clubhouse and the course continues to receive favorable comments from all who play it.

The JT Brown Silloth was very well supported and as usual was a great success. Well done to Kevin McLaughlan and John McGuinness on winning the JT Brown trophy. The Hayes mixed trophy was won by Alex and Frankie Bannatyne with a great score, well done on winning the trophy. Finally, congratulations to Annyse Ewing for winning the Ladies Championship and all the Ladies winners for the various other trophies - details and photos in the following pages.

We held the Carluke Men's Shed charity scramble for the first time - all went well on the day even with a curve ball rule thrown in. Craig Ronald has also

secured the pro masters tour event on the 14th/15th July he's hoping to have a decent field and we would encourage members to come down a spectate. This event is in the lead up to the seniors open at Gleneagles the following week.

The Gents team have remained in Division 3 of the Lanarkshire League - well done to all who played this year.

Moving onto the month ahead we have the John Wilson Memorial day taking place on the 30th July. This is always well supported then we are onto the Club Championship at the start of August. Let's hope for some warmer weather for those who are staying at home and happy holidays and safe travels to all those who are jetting off abroad.

John Cleland

Club Captain











COURSE UPDATE

Hello again,

I'd like to start this month, by thanking everyone who has approached us or has emailed to say how good they think the course is. This is a great boost for the guys, and myself, to know that what we are doing is being appreciated. If only the weather was a bit nicer to enjoy it!! (although if it was, the course might not be as good if it was too dry!)

Been a busy few weeks competition wise, Congratulations to the Gents team for consolidating their position, after promotion last year. Congratulations also go to Annyse Ewing for winning the Ladies Championship, (at least there's one decent golfer in that house, eh Jim!).

Also over the last few weeks we have had the Silloth, the Carluke Shed charity day, Ladies and Seniors Opens and so on. Well done to all who achieved success in these, or any other tournaments. This month we still have the Masters Pro tournament, and the John Wilson Memorial tournament, which has established itself as one of the biggest days of the year. Then we get into August, and it starts to get busy....!

- Workwise, we have been full on keeping the course as tidy and neat as possible and trying to produce an environment conducive to good golf...but that doesn't seem to be working, for me anyway...
- For anyone who is interested in statistics, we are currently cutting at the following heights
- Greens 4mm, Tees and Surrounds 10mm, Fairways 13mm, Semi rough inch and a half, Heavy rough 3 feet...!
- Greens are cut daily, tees etc twice a week and fairways twice a week.
- To date, we have not yet done the aeration with the "air2g2" machine, but we have solid tined the greens and verti- cut them.
- For a bit of fun this month I have dug out some old photos to highlight changes over the years.
- The first picture is taken from the left of the 18th fairway, looking back up to the 15th medal tee...remember that smell?!
- The second picture is from half way down the hill at the 4th and shows the old green. Notice the 1st green in the background and the distinct lack of trees!!!!! Both of these pictures were taken 20 years ago.
- I'll maybe try and dig out some more photos for the next newsletter, sure I've got one

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somewhere with me with hair...and no its not black and white.

Happy golfing, until next time,

Andy, Sam, Gordon, Dougie and George.





LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to Annyse and all our Ladies winners!



CHAMPIONSHIP CUP

Ladies Champion - Annyse Ewing - 267, Runner-up - Jan Kidd, 269

SUNDAY LADIES CUP (Handicap Silver Division)

Winner - Ann Sinclair, 216, Runner-up - Anna Turner, 218

MAULDSLIE CUP (Scratch Bronze Division)

Winner - Jean Smart, 299, Runner-up - Linzie Kane, 302

FORREST KIRK SHIELD (Handicap Bronze Division)

Winner - Ray Wilson, 223, Runner-up - Linzie Kane, 228

COPPER KETTLE (Handicap 36+)

Winner - Janette Totten, 225, Runner-up - Eleanor Gray, 246

J.T. BROWN SILLOTH INVITATIONAL

Congratulations to John McGuinness and Kevin McLaughlan who won this years Silloth. The event was very well attended and the course was in fantastic condition. The Juniors raised £287 for their funds and the raffle raised an incredible £1,150 for Captain John's charity, Lanarkshire Cancer Care Trust. Many thanks to all participants and especially our sponsors who help make the event such a success.



HOLE IN ONE CORNER!

Oor Baber's talents don't just lie in making the best pakora in Scotland you know!! A few months ago Baber aced the 11th. He also passed his luck on to another of our members, Johnny Chung, who had a hole-in-one while playing with Baber at Carnwath last month. Well done Guys!





REMINDER TO MEMBERS

Please please keep our course in fantastic condition by remembering to:

- 1. repair pitch marks on the greens
- 2. replace divots on the fairway or use the seed provided on the tees
- 3. rake bunkers! Yes, this is a thing again!

Members are also reminded that you MUST book a time through BRS - you cannot just turn up and play.