



Tiverton Golf Club Newsletter

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Captain

What a month of lovely weather we've had, blue skies and warm sunshine ... flaming June, and for once I was right!

Firstly, I must mention Captain's Day 19th June 2010. There are many thanks I would like to say to various people and my apologies to anyone I miss:

1: Pete Boax, Dave Milton and Andy Lovell for sponsoring the pig roast and Pete Garnsworthy and his son-in-law for the many hours they spent roasting it. Later in the day, the waitresses for serving and clearing away.

2: "The Teapot Club" for sponsoring the 'chicken chipping' and Lee Scott (Tracks) for his generous donation.

3: People who gave prizes for the raffle etc, and the ladies who spent many hours organising the draw.

4: Jim Mardell for his generous provision of a barrel of beer and many other beverages for thirsty golfers on a hot day at the half-way house break.

5: Mike Hawton for providing prizes for the junior competition

6: Mark Sangster for his help organising a junior competition later in the day.

7: A special thanks to Richard Jessop and Jean Chilcott for all their help before and on the day.

8: Thank you to Pam and Marian for their tireless work behind the bar in the evening.

Lastly I would like to thank you all for supporting me and the club in so many ways. Altogether, more than 200 members and 20 juniors raised £2,500 for my chosen charity, the Devon Air Ambulance Trust.

Next we look forward to the Palairot third round on Sunday July 4th at Royal North Devon and I would be delighted if you could find the time to support our team.

Colin Carey, Captain.

Ladies

This month we look forward to the third round of the Doris Wills-Little when Jo Lloyd-Davies and Carolyn Maynard play two ladies from

Tavistock. Sue Norris and Annette Cardwell won another round of the Daily Mail Foursomes against Enmore but have yet to hear who they play in the fourth round. Good luck to both pairs in their next round.

Last month Abbi Moyes became Devon County Junior Girls' Champion with Jess Bradley a very close second on countback. Well done girls and what a great result for Tiverton. Abbi went on to play in the West of England Amateur Open Ladies' Championship for the Harper Salver at Bath Golf Club and won best nett playing the course to par, seven shots under her handicap in the morning and three under in the afternoon!

What a month June turned out to be for Abbi and well done.

The start sheet and meal list are on the noticeboard for Lady Captain's Day, July 14th. It would be great to see as many ladies as possible playing on the day either in the 18 or 9 hole stableford.

If you are unable to play on the day I hope you will be able to join us for a meal in the evening. Fingers crossed, this idyllic weather continues and we can enjoy a sun and fun-packed day. On Friday July 23rd we have our annual Ladies v Vets match. Please do join in this fun event which will be followed by a meal.

Sue Probetts, Lady Captain

Treasurer

It is not often you hear from your treasurer, but I feel that in light of the change in membership numbers you should know the financial effect this will have on our golf club this year. We have had 99 resignations from full membership offset by 38 new members which has left us with a shortfall against budget of approximately £24k.

We hope that all our other major income streams manage to hold up and that the shortfall will be offset by additional new members throughout the year.

Your committee will be questioning all expenses this year although having set the budget it will be difficult to

make significant cuts without affecting the benefits already enjoyed by our members.

A marketing sub-committee has been set up to look at possible areas of increasing income and over the coming months the General Committee will be looking at contingency plans should the membership in golf clubs continue to fall over the years from 2011. Any changes that you would like your committee to consider should be put in writing to Richard Jessop.

Ed Tansey, Treasurer

Veterans

The weather has been a little extreme for this period. A very wet day for our Veterans' Open Competition on June 8th was followed by a Mediterranean-style climate for the Club Captain's Day and the Veterans' Summer Trophy.

Noel Thomas produced a very good performance in the Open with 39 points.

He was the best Tiverton player and the best aged over 70. It was only one point shy of equalling the best of the day produced by B Jose (16) of Downes Crediton with 40pts. The administration of the competition was carried out by Peter Stuckey and David Hazlewood with the assistance of many veterans and ladies.

A great big thank you for a job well done to them all, especially considering the unfriendly weather conditions.

The Veterans' Summer Trophy was won by Tony Harrowell with a score of 65 (gross 90). Trevor Parker (67) was second with Peter Stuckey (68) third. Not a good month for our team matches, losing the away fixtures at Ilfracombe and Teignmouth while only winning one (Lyme Regis) at home and halving against Stover and Crediton. Coming events this month include the rescheduled match against Honiton on July 9th and our annual match against the ladies on the 23rd.

Gerry Franklin, Veterans' Captain