



TIVERTON GOLF CLUB

Committee Discussions.

CAPTAIN.

It must be coming to the end of the year as Christmas Draw tickets are on sale. Please also watch out for the posters for the usual Seasonal events. All of these are great evenings so please support as many as you possibly can. It was disappointing that the Speaker dinner was cancelled due to lack of tickets sold.

Whilst I am on the topic of social events, David and Janet Simpson have indicated that they wish to have a break and we are looking for any member who wishes to be involved. Please let us know if you wish to help. At this point, I would like to thank David and Janet for all their hard work, which has been much appreciated by all members.

The Men's Winter League starts this month. Please, please now you have shown your commitment to play, ensure you play ALL your matches.

On the Charity front, I hoped you all noticed the publicity in the Tiverton Gazette for the Babypod and next month I will let you know the total sum raised over the course of the year. Thanks to you all once again.

After the rain of late October, I hope November is kinder to us. Keep **enjoying** your golf.

Competitions.

The winter league is about to start. There were only 42 entries this year and we have divided them into 8 mini-leagues. This means that the eventual knock-out portion will be made up of the top two in each league and there will be no need for the problematic best third place. I'm sure it shouldn't be too onerous to play half your matches by the end of the year and avoid disqualification.

LADIES.

The last two of our trophy competitions have been played for, with Sheila Ball winning the Hamilton Cup and Jo Lloyd-Davies winning the Goodwin Trophy.

Congratulations to Lady Lesley Crossley and Helen Scriven who were runners-up in the Killard Leavey Trophy held at Tavistock.

All the friendly matches have now been played and we finished with a half away to Taunton & Pickeridge.

A coffee morning for new members without handicaps was very successful, with 10 new ladies coming along for coffee and then playing 9 holes of golf with an established member. Ladies, please come along to the Ball-In-The-Bucket fun golf on 7 November & 5 December at 11.15am.

Thank you to everyone who has generously donated to the Captain's Charity this year. It has enabled us to purchase the 'Babypod' and present it to the maternity unit at Tiverton and District Hospital.

GREENS.

Winter is rapidly approaching and poor weather conditions will almost certainly take their toll, with trolley bans and course closures inevitable.

Please don't blame the greens staff. They have difficult decisions to make without being verbally attacked into the bargain.

Anyone being verbally abusive to any member of staff will be reported and will have to explain their actions to the general committee.

A full winter work programme is planned (subject to the weather).

The main projects are:

1. Remedial works to the greens/bunkers around the 5th green and to the right of the 6th green;

2. Building a new white tee to the front and right of the championship tee on the 7th.

3. Building a new practice bunker and green.

4. Continuing the programme of the removal of diseased and dying trees.

5. Installation of a new "all weather" teeing area on the 4th tee.

The all weather tee is designed so that it can be used all year round. It will be important to keep as much mud off it as possible and so a shoe cleaner will be placed nearby. The concept is a trial to see whether this would be an option for other tees in the future and so please let Richard have your comments when you have had an opportunity to use it.

Social Scene.

Just a short reminder of some of the events over the next few months, why not give them your support?

Friday 2nd December
Quiz night with buffet

Saturday 10th December
Xmas draw

Friday 16th December
Disco

Sunday 18th December
Children's party with
Professor Fumble

Saturday 31st December
New years Eve party

Sunday 1st January
Captains drive in

Further details available in the clubhouse or visit the club web site on

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