

Hello Ladies and welcome to the first Newsletter of 2021.

At the time of writing, we are still in lockdown, our course is closed and it's anyone's guess when we will be allowed back out there.

Our AGM took place by Zoom on January 12th, the minutes of which can be viewed on the Ladies Section of the website. The Ladies Committee welcomed Jill Baggaley as Lady Vice and Jan Machin who replaces Jacqui Francis who has retired after serving on the committee for 3 years. Also retiring was Jules White, a long-standing member of the committee who has served as Treasurer, Lady Captain and Past Captain. Our thanks go to both ladies. Despite lockdown we continue to hold our monthly committee meetings via Zoom and again, the minutes are posted on the website. From the committee page, you can also locate the updated Safeguarding document which is required to ensure proper procedures are followed if necessary.

Our 2021 Fixtures List, which is also on the website, has taken quite a hit for comps planned for Jan, Feb and possibly March but the Competition Secretary and I will be looking closely at what we can do to minimise the loss of competitions once the course reopens. The main difference this year is that we will now have two separate qualifying competitions in one week each month rather than combining Wednesday and Saturday as one Stableford or Medal. This hopefully will rectify the problem of different weather and pin positions experienced in the previous monthly competitions.



There is a skeleton staff of greenkeepers working on the course during lockdown and, what with all the rain and snow we've had so far this year, they certainly have their work cut out. It goes without saying how appreciative we are for their efforts.

The first competition played this year was the New Year's Day Mixed. 6 mixed pairs took part in the comp. and after expecting a cold and icy day – it was quite pleasant, and hopefully everyone involved enjoyed the day. 1st Place – Liz Milne & Paul Moules with 38 points. 2nd Place – Jacqui Francis & Harry McKeen with 37 points. Nearest the Pin on the 4th was Allan Haynes and Nearest the Pin on the 11th was Trudi Galloway. Well played everyone and thank you to all those who supported this competition.

During the first lockdown, the ladies started up a group Whatsapp where we share jokes, photos and news snippets, and this group continues to grow keeping us all sane. If you are not a current member and wish to join in, please let me know and I'll inform Judi, our group administrator.

Those of you who attended the AGM will already know of my chosen charity for my captaincy year. For those who do not yet know, I will be raising funds for 'Support Dogs'. The charity trains and provides assistance dogs to those suffering from Epilepsy, children with Autism and their family, and those with physical disabilities. They do outstanding life changing work and, like a lot of charities, have lost a large amount of donations through cancelled events in light of the pandemic. To find out more about the work of Support Dogs, please visit our website where I have dedicated a section which includes more information and videos.

I'm often asked where to buy ladies golf clothing and accessories. Of course, our own Pro Shop has a selection of Rohnisch ladieswear and other brands are available through Foremost on the website however, there are numerous specialist website for ladies golf attire. Here are a few you might want to visit especially as they are all now launching their Spring/Summer ranges and discounting last year's Autumn/Winter ranges.

www.missdesignergolf.com

Sign up for the newsletter before placing your first order and you'll get an email with a discount code to use.

www.justgolfonline.co.uk

Stocks men's and ladies golf gear including bags and gloves.

www.golfgarb.co.uk

Free delivery over £30 and free returns.

www.lovegolfclothes.co.uk

Not the cheapest but good brands like DucaDelCosma and Chervo. Sign up for 10% discount code.

www.golfgeardirect.co.uk

Ladies golf clubs, clothing, bags and accessories.

www.ladiesonlinegolf.com

Again, not the cheapest but good selection including Chervo, Ecco, Galvin Green and Golfino.

www.county-golf.co.uk

Possibly the cheapest site and a restricted range but bargains galore.

Happy shopping ladies.

Once the lockdown is lifted, we are hoping to arrange more social events and I look forward to working with Jan Machin, our newly appointed Social Events Co-ordinator, to bring the events to you in the not-too-distant future.

I hope you've enjoyed our first Newsletter of the year. If you have anything you would like to see included or any news you would like to share, please let me know.

Please keep safe and well and here's to a speedy return to golf.

Best Wishes

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