



FRESHWATER BAY GOLF CLUB

Captain's Newsletter – MAY

The clubhouse re-opens on 17th May



Cheryl and Sandie are waiting for your return.

On Friday 21st May we look forward to welcoming back our regulars and others that fancy doing something different. There will be music and fine food courtesy of Sandie; please phone the clubhouse to make sure that you book your table in advance to avoid disappointment. If the weather is fine, you will be able to dine al fresco for those that prefer it.

CLUB RESULTS

On 24th April Dale Young carded an amazing 41 points to trounce all opposition in the Saturday stableford.

Ever the popular event, Sunday 25th April saw the successful “South African” team of Mark Dyer, Nick Riby and Shaun Clark win with 143 points. The Captain has made a note to try a “blind South African” later in the season.

In the Saturday medal on 1st May John Meredith won with an excellent nett 67 in testing conditions, despite carding an 8.

That same weekend, in the Sunday Medalford Gary Dobson was victorious with a score of 13.

Due to oversight, the April Medal winner Elliott French was not mentioned in despatches following his very commendable nett 68.

The last two mid-week stablefords saw the Captain topping up his bar card yet again with 39 points and Kev Miles scoring 41 points to win division 1.

FORTHCOMING CLUB COMPETITIONS

Saturday 15th May – the Cheverton Cup

Sunday 16th May – Wight Wash Trophy – An All-member pairs event

On Saturday 22nd May – the **Captains’ Cup** – the format for this is teams of 3 to include a lady, senior and man where the best 2 scores on each hole count with the members playing off the red, yellow & white tees respectively. The competition will be followed by a ham or cheese ploughman’s + dessert all for £10.

A list will be placed on the noticeboard, please add your name if you would like to play.

Monday 31st May – the Artur Ford Quaiche – another All-member event

FRISTAB

Weeks 3 and 4 of the FRISTAB saw a brilliant performance by Stephen Newby who had 23 and 25 points in consecutive weeks (the latter after a 2-shot reduction in week 3). The best of luck to Steve with his 4-shot deduction in week 5!

Best of the ladies was Jackie Evitts with consecutive scores of 19 and 22. Ros, the ladies Captain, also had 19 points in week 3.

On Friday 21st May there will be an official sign in sheet and a £1 entry fee which will be taken from your bar card plus the return of the much-awaited winner's voucher and fabulous nearest the pin prizes.

To make my checking of the Fristab cards easier, can I just remind everyone that your card should show your handicap index AND your course handicap depending on whether you use the yellow tees (men) or red tees (ladies) divided by 2.

Captain's Charity – Special Olympics

In case some of you have forgotten, the fines this year are £1 for a lost ball + £1 for any ball going into the pit (whether off the 1st or 18th).

So far, the Captain single-handedly owes the charity £16 since 29th March, and I am sure I will not be the biggest contributor, please do give generously when you are back in the clubhouse.

Pit boss Cheryl confirms that she will be keeping watch from the bar.

Return of Green Fees

FBGC welcomes back green fees on 17th May.

There are now new revised rules in place that visitors must comply with which we hope will improve both their and our enjoyment of their visit to us. Bag-tags will be colour coded, and in the case of larger societies we will use volunteer members as starting marshals (when available).

A short list of the club's main requirements will be placed by the bar so that you are aware of the requirements placed on visitors.

SENIORS

The first seniors league match is away to Cowes on Wednesday 5th May. Then there are two home matches on consecutive days against Shanklin on Monday 24th and Westridge on Tuesday 25th May, can Geoff please have further volunteers for the Westridge game?

The Vets stableford is on this Friday 7th May, don't forget!

LADIES

In the K.W. Stableford on 22nd April Jean Daniels (34 points) triumphed in cold & windy conditions from Sheila Richard & Paula Burke.

However, Sheila Richard prevailed in the EWGA Medal on 29th April with a nett 71 beating Sue Oldershaw to 1st place.

Our Club AGM

Please note that it will be on **Wednesday 23rd June at 7.00pm** rather than the date advertised in the club diary.

Captain's holiday

After barely 1 month in the job, I will be away for a short break from 7th – 19th May after which normal service will be resumed.

Thank you

Finally, a huge thank you to everyone that has helped with the 8.00am leather-jacket patrols on a Tuesday to Saturday.

Can you please continue to volunteer as you are making a big contribution to getting our greens back to normal? Please phone our secretary and let him know which days you can volunteer for.



Ros, the ladies Captain, and Pat Long doing their “tour of duty”

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