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Strawberry Hill Golf Club

STRAWBERRY FAYRE

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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS!

Strawberry Hill Golf Club would like to extend a warm welcome to all the new members who have just joined the Club and to those whose applications are still in the pipeline. A new members' evening was held on Friday, 9th October to which all new members were invited and enjoyed a very informal and relaxed evening. New members had the opportunity to get to know each other, to meet the Committee and other members of the Club and hear a bit more about what goes on.

CHANGE OF CLUB STATUS

At the AGM in May plans were outlined to set up a Limited Company to replace the existing structure of a Members Club, underpinned by individual trustees. The company has now been set up, Strawberry Hill Golf Club Limited and our CASC (Charitable) status is being renewed. The next step after that will be to transfer the assets of the Club to the new Company, to enable it to become operational on 1st February, 2010, coinciding with the start of the Club's next financial year.

As part of the process of integrating the existing club with the new company, and maintaining our CASC status, we are reviewing the current constitution (bye-laws) of the Club. The changes we have identified so far will have no impact on the golfing or social activities of the Club. Members will have the opportunity to provide input into this process, with a view to submitting a final revised version to the AGM in May 2010 for approval.

Just a quick reminder that the Directors of the new company are;

Phil Barker Bill Henderson
Jane Kerr Neil Sandford

The Captain (Ron Stephens) and the Treasurer (Laurie Allan) are co-opted on the Board for their respective terms of office.

Under this new structure, the Main Committee, chaired by the Captain, will continue to run the golfing and other day-to-day activities of the Club, and the Board of Directors will manage the affairs of the company, including all the budget and financial control issues.

NEW LADIES' CAPTAIN

At the Ladies' AGM held on 10th November, Mary Reginiano took over from Ingrid Chare as Ladies' Captain. The Club Captain Ron Stephens presented them both



with bouquets of flowers.

A couple of days later Mary had her drive in and excelled herself with an impressive drive from the



new ladies' tees.

CLUB CASUAL EVENINGS

On Friday, September 18th the Club welcomed Dr. Bob and Big John to the Club for an evening of rhythm and blues, and then on Friday, 27th November, we were entertained by the Ginny



Brown Band at an evening of country and blues music.

Both these events proved to be very popular and the format of live music, very informal dress and friendly atmosphere will be continued on certain Friday evenings through 2010.

CAPTAINS AT WINDSOR CASTLE

On Tuesday, 3rd November our Captain, Ron Stephens, and our Ladies' Captain, Ingrid Chare, attended an evening reception at Windsor Castle.



They were invited by the charity 'Fields in Trust' along with representatives from several other golf clubs to meet HRH The Duke of Edinburgh, who spoke to all the guests individually.

Strawberry Hill Golf Club men's section has played for the NPFA Trophy since 1938

and has sent an annual donation to the National Playing Fields Association. The silver hallmarks on the cup suggest it was



made in London in 1937 by Charles Boyden, who had a reputation for making silver articles in the 'art deco' style.

The Captain is hoping that from next year the competition can be thrown open to all sections of membership thereby increasing the donation to the Fields in Trust.

QUIZ NIGHT

The quiz night held on 6th November was well attended and thanks are due to Richard Walsh for his excellent performance as quiz master and his testing and interesting questions.



Our congratulations go to the winners, Richard, Jonathan, Liz and Gryzwal for their outstanding general knowledge.

CHRISTMAS CHEER!



Why not come down for drinks at the Golf Club between 12 noon and 2pm on Christmas Day. Everyone welcome - the more the merrier!!

KATHLEEN WALBANCK TROPHY

The Kathleen Walbanck Trophy (the Gentlemen's Invitation to the Ladies), was held on 27th September.



The competition was won by Donald Kerr and Sandra Prosser with a score of 44 Stableford points. The trophy was presented to them by the Captain, Ron Stephens and the Ladies' Captain, Ingrid Chare .

FIVE/SIX-DAY AGM

The Five/Six-Day Section held their AGM on 21st October. At this AGM the trophies were presented and a new committee was elected. The picture shows the Captain (accompanied by David Blows), presenting the Bill Davies Trophy to Dennis Mitchell.



FA STAMP TROPHY

This men's competition which was held in August was won by Sandy Chalmers with a fantastic score of net 56. The Captain presented Sandy with his record breaking score card.



NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Why not come along and join us for a New Year's Eve party to be held at the Club on 31st December. The evening will include a buffet meal, music, dancing and champagne at midnight. If you would like to come (guests welcome!) please sign the list on the notice board by the bar as soon as possible.



SAME TEES FOR ALL!

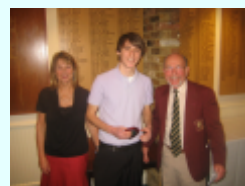
Since 12th November all members have been using the same medal tees. The former ladies' tees and tombstone markers have been removed from the course, leaving only one set of competition tees and one set of friendly tees.

New score cards have been printed and new plates (updated with the correct distances and the new stroke indices for each hole) have been installed on the existing tombstones which have also been repainted.



JUNIOR PRESENTATION EVENING

The juniors held their Presentation Evening on 25th November and this was very well supported by juniors, their families and invited guests (35 in total). The evening started with a sit down meal, followed by the presentation of the prizes by the Captain and the Ladies' Captain and finishing with a fun quiz (compiled and hosted by Neil Sandford). The Top Pup Trophy for the most consistent junior player in 2009 was won by the Junior Captain, Mark Dennis.



An award was also presented by the juniors to Neil Sandford to thank him for all the great work he did with the Junior Section between 2002 and 2009.

The juniors also held a Junior Family Foursomes Competition on 15th November, with 8 family pairs taking part. This was won by Jamie and Lance Quantrill with an excellent score of 38½ Stableford points

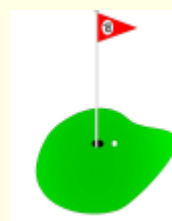


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NEW YEAR'S DAY FUN GOLF



Why not shake off that hangover and come down to the Club around lunchtime on New Year's Day for a fun 9 hole Texas Scramble! If you would like to join in please put your names on the list in the Spikes Bar.

NEWSLETTER

If any of you have any contributions or suggestions for the next newsletter (due out in early March) could you please contact Margaret Bedford (020-8940-5044 or e-mail mkbedford@talktalk.net). If you would like to receive a copy of the newsletter and other Club correspondence by e-mail then please make sure that the Secretary has your e-mail address.



GOLFING REMINDER !!

At this time of year it is more important than ever that all golfers repair their pitch marks on the green, so whenever you reach the green could you please check for pitch marks and (even if they are not your own!) repair them with a proper pitch mark repairer (available in the pro shop).