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October already and the playing season is coming to an end. The season seems to have flown past and September ended up being the driest month we have had all year!!

While there is still a lot of work to do in the coming months, I would like to thank all members of the committee for their hard work and dedication that has gone into a successful playing season.

Congratulations to all the class winners in our club championship and to Stuart Mackenzie winning the scratch championship. It was an exciting finish right to the 72nd hole with Stuart ending up the deserved winner.

Also, congratulations to John Miller A class, Billy Wright winning the B class and C class winner Bryan Chambers. And finally, well done to Walter Johnstone for winning this years Senior Championship.

Congratulations to all this years match play winners. It was a great day with the weather being kind and like many events this year, it was good to see the clubhouse busy with everyone enjoying post-match food and drinks. Well done everyone!

This year's Sponsor's Day which was held at the start of September and was won by one of our main sponsors, R&W Scott for the second year running. It was a fantastic day resulting in many compliments from our sponsors. Thank-you to the catering team and bar staff for their hard work on the day and to Fraser Forrest for organising the event. Dealing with sponsorship throughout the year and organising this event takes a lot of time and I very much appreciate the effort that Fraser has put in this year.

Finally our fund raising for Clydesdale food bank has been very successful again this season having raised just over £5000 to date and £1000 for the Lanarkshire cancer Charity. We held a very successful Quiz night on the 12th Oct which was run by Honorary President and long standing club Secretary Gavin White which raised a further £695 towards our total this year, many thanks Gavin

There is still a few events to take place which I'm sure will boast our total further. Thank you to all that support the charity throughout the year.

Regards, Ross (Club Captain)

COURSE UPDATE

Hello All,

Let me just start by saying I am not going to mention the weather, except to say we are now nearing the end of the only Season in living memory that we have never had to water greens.

As I write this we have just finished hollow tining the greens. This very disruptive, but essential aeration work helps to keep organic matter down on the greens, and should keep them firmer and drier, as we head into the closed season. We have managed to get by the last couple of years without hollow tining, instead, deep scarifying at the start and end of the season. However, due to the tough year we have had, we decided we would be better to hollow tine this time.

As this operation is quite disruptive, as mentioned, it will obviously take a bit of time for the greens to recover. This recovery begins with filling the holes back up with sand, which is again disruptive to play, but essential. Some favourable weather and brushing, rolling and patience, will all help

As the season ends we will be starting on our Winter Programme, which will consist mainly of repairing, replacing and installing drainage in various areas (shockeroonie!!!) There are no plans to have as much disruption as last year at 1 and 14.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all winners of all categories this year. The course has been playing tough due to being wet most of the time and has certainly played longer than usual!!

Gone are the days of bone hard fairways and the ball running for miles and trying to get a score on a par 70 course, with the SSS reduced to 67!!!....ahh the good old days:)

Perhaps the WHS isn't so bad after all??

Here's hoping for a real old fashioned Winter, with snow and frosts and less than a months rain every week.

Until next time.....

Andy and the boys.

GENTS CHAMPIONSHIP PICTURES











SPONSORS DAY

Sponsors Day this year was another huge success and beautiful weather to go with it! Congratulations to the team from R&W Scott on retaining their title from last year and thank-you to all our sponsors for your continued support throughout the year



CLUBHOUSE UPGRADES

Following receipt of a detailed report from Business Energy Scotland, the committee is working on an energy efficiency project to upgrade various areas within the clubhouse with the ultimate goal of saving money on our energy bills and reducing our carbon footprint. With that in mind, if any members have any expertise in the following areas or would be willing to volunteer their time to assist with any of these projects, please contact Fraser Forrest (fraserforrest@gmail.com)

- * windows and external fire doors
- * solar panels
- * loft insulation
- * cavity wall insulation
- * grant / funding opportunities

PRO SHOP NEWS



Hello again All,

Now that the 2024 season is drawing to a close and we start to head into the winter months at Carluke, we must give thanks to Andy and his team

who have already started preparing the course for the winter. I'm sure all would agree that despite the poor weather conditions the course has been in fantastic condition all season long. Our visitors have equally been as impressed as our members about the condition of the course which is something that as a club we should be very proud of.

Despite this we all know that winter mats preferred lies and winter boots will soon follow, so enjoy the last couple medals of the season. Furthermore, I would like to pass on my congratulations to all members who have won one of our many club competitions this season.

This winter within the pro shop we will be running a sweep. This will run all throughout winter. Entry will be £3 with Magic twos included, this will run on weekends with members able to play on either day or both (Only Best score Counting) All monies won will be shop account credited.

Its been a busy year for us within the pro shop and we are looking forward to a busy winter ahead were preparing a few initiatives for you all so keep your eyes peeled on our exciting members initiative coming to your inbox soon this will be available to all members. This will replace the running of the bonus ball until the start of next season.

We have some of our winter stock arrived from brands like Oscar Jacobsen Adidas and Glenmuir, With more to follow in due course. We have all the winter essentials for your golfing needs in the upcoming months so pop in for a browse and a chat to see for yourself.

Michael, Fraser & Kyle

JOKER COMPETITION!



PLAY NOW IN THE MAULDSLIE LOUNGE!

HOW TO PLAY

- On the envelopes provided next to the board fill in your name, contact number and select a number between 1-53 (Do <u>NOT</u> select a number where the card is face up as this has already been turned over previously).
- Place a £1 coin in the envelope, seal it and post it in the money box next to the board.
- A draw will be made each Tuesday evening to determine that week's winner, they will receive 25% of that week's money collected.
- 4. The weekly winners selected number will be turned over on the board to reveal the playing card, if it is the <u>JOKER</u> then the winner will win the total <u>JOKER JACKPOT!</u>
 - (If the weekly winner is not present, they will be called and informed to collect their prize in person at the club).
- If the playing card revealed is <u>NOT</u> the <u>JOKER</u>, 50% of the weekly money is added to the <u>JOKER JACKPOT</u>.
- The Golf Club will receive a donation of 25% of the weekly money collected each week.
- The <u>JOKER JACKPOT</u> will never be less than £25 and will continue to grow until it is won by revealing the <u>JOKER</u> card.