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Manor of Groves Golf & Country Club

The Manor of Groves Newsletter May 2021

CLUB NEWS



As we exit lockdown, we are seeing a great pickup and interest in golf.

We have over 30 new members who have joined our club and I hope they are made to feel very welcome from everyone. We are still undergoing the renewal process and so far it is looking promising.

Our Gym is now open and has had a fantastic refurb with brand new cardio equipment and free weights. You can add Health Club to your membership for £35 per month. Try it out and see the great improvements.

A reminder that we are running a BBQ in the Manor Gardens every Thursday evenings and Saturday and Sundays 11am – 6pm.

A new golf net is coming soon, apologies whilst this is currently out of order.

Thank you to all of you who have re-joined with us for another year.

Here's to a great season ahead.

James Barker – General Manager

IN THE SHOP



We're glad the Pro-shop is now fully open and fully stocked.

It's been a long time coming but we're here to help you with anything you need from equipment and clothing to custom fitting and coaching.

Lets hope for a great season together.

We're pleased to announce that the Peugeot pairs has been

given the green light to go ahead and we've set a date of the 21st July when all restrictions will hopefully have been lifted. This will enable us to have a shot gun start and a presentation dinner all together again.

This is normally a sold out event so get your entry forms in asap

You can get an application form on this website, click on OPENS

Another 2 dates for the diary are 2 demo days:

Callaway 4th June

Cobra 25th June

This is a chance to be fully custom fit on trackman with each manufacturer's fitting expert.

Bookings will be available nearer the time.

Have a great start to the season.

The Pro-Shop team

CAPTAINS REPORT



We hope you are all well and getting in plenty of golf of late.

It's been great to be back at the Manor on a regular basis, with tee times fully booked most days since the reopening of Golf on March 29th 2021.

It's been great to catch up with all the members, friends and management over the past few weeks.

Golf is certainly a big miss when it's not in our lives.

Just a few topics to touch on this month -

Competitions:

Starting with our first weekend Medal on May 01st 2021, followed by the Spring Cup & Ladies Spring Trophy on the 08th May 2021. The schedule is fully booked for the next few months and you can see the full fixture list on this website, click on DIARY & FIXTURES.

Casual Qualifying Cards:

Please try to enter as many casual qualifying cards as you can each month. This will help you receive an accurate handicap under the WHS and make the game fair for all. You enter a casual round by signing in on the pro shop screen at the start of each round and entering your results into the pro shop screen after your round. Please also put your completed signed scorecard in the box below the screen.

Foxes League:

There have been a few men's matches in the Foxes League, so it's been a good start to the year so far.#

Jubilee Cup:

Ask Brett Trevillion for results.

Scratch League:

The Men's Scratch League gets underway this month (22.05.2021), starting with Aldwickbury Park at Home. Seniors matches begin last week in April, best of luck guys.

Grover's is ticking along nicely with Del & Tina looking after everyone on Thursday afternoon / evenings, as are the BBQ's and drinks on Thursday's, Saturdays, and Sundays. Please support the club as much as you can, it's very important after the year we've all been through.

Remembering Neil Pavett (Pictured above left):

On behalf of the SMOGS, membership and the management we were extremely saddened to hear of the loss of Neil on April 20th 2021. Our deepest condolences go out to Neil's Wife Kirsty, his three daughters and family. Neil will be greatly missed on the Saturday mornings SMOGS swindle, which he was a regular attendee and from club competitions which he loved to participate in. On behalf of everyone at the Club, RIP Neil.

The Course:

As you are all aware the course has gone from being completely soaked over the winter to bone dry in the space of 6 weeks. This isn't friendly for the green staff, so please try to help them by replacing divots and pitch marks. The committee are working closely with the GK's and management to improve the course and facilities month by month. Some rain is much needed to help with further improvements. The 12th & 18th

tees are coming on just fine and will hopefully be open by June / July depending on weather. The growing season is very late this year with low temperatures & no rain. However, all fertiliser & seeding of the tees, fairways, green surroundings & greens has been carried out. Now it's down to weather & the green staff as the growth comes.

Finally:

On behalf of the membership, we would like to wish Joe Gutteridge all the best on becoming Gareth's new Vice-Captain, with David Harvie having to step down due to family reasons. All the best David.
Best of luck Joe.

See you all soon.

Have a fantastic summer of golf.

Gareth and Claudette.