



The Delgany Dispatch

April 14th, 2022

Captains Message

Saturday, 9th April will be forever etched in the memories of Captains Pat and Ann. We had the most wonderful, colourful happy day. The sun shone all day and so many people got to experience the buzz of the club throughout the day and evening. We thank those who entered into the spirit of the day by wearing their county jerseys. The “clothes line” of county jerseys on the first tee box contributed to the theme for the day. Our thanks also to all those who contributed to Cyril’s charity bucket, Bray Lakers will benefit this year.

We had a shot gun start at 9.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. with full timesheets for both events. The drive-in happened at 1.30pm when the captains arrived in their county jerseys with flags flying, sitting on the back of a vintage Mercedes. We felt so much support from our members and we thank you for turning out in force.

We had a wonderful dinner and entertainment in the evening again with a full restaurant in the presence of our families and club members. This was a true Delgany event. It would not have been such a success without the help of so many people lead by our vice Captains Betty and Tom. Many thanks to our Competitions Secretaries Ann and John for setting up the competition and preparing the cards in advance to ensure ease of registration and score checking. To all other volunteers, particularly those from the Ladies Committee we thank you. We are grateful to our Delgany “troubadours” lead by Jim Blake who entertained us through the evening. Thank you to Shane our Chef and his team and Jamie, Kevin and the team in the bar for looking after us so well during the day and evening. We hope you enjoy some of the photos that Tony Corcoran and others very kindly took on the day and we really appreciate the efforts of everybody who made this one of the very special days of our captaincies.

Captains Pat & Ann

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Captains Drive in Photo Gallery



Delgany Golf Club 2022



Ladies Captain
Ann Boyle

Mens Captain
Pat Kitterick

Mens Vice Captain
Tom Bergin

Ladies Vice Captain
Betty Sherry









Captains Drive In 2022



Junior Captain 2022 Joshua Wyse



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Lady Captain 2022 Ann Boyle



Mens Captain 2022 Pat Kitterick



2022 'Captains Drive In Scramble' Winning team



2022 Delgany GC President Greg O'Neill



2022 'Captains Drive In Scramble' Runners up



Junior Captain Joshua Wyse







All our photos are online

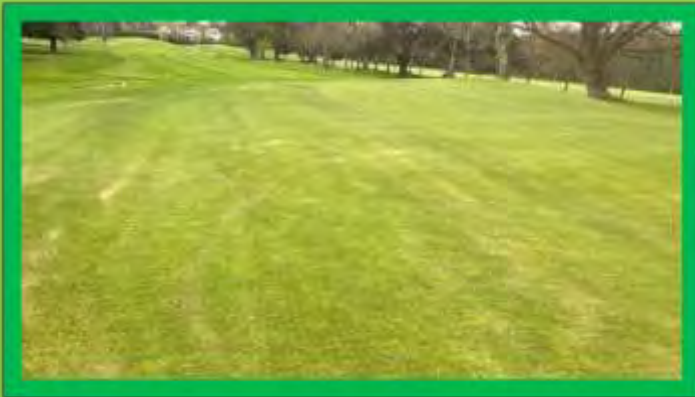
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Course update

We started our hollow coring operation on Sunday afternoon and closed the course to complete the coring exercise on Monday. We appreciate your patience. Hollow coring is a form of aeration, defined as mechanical treatment that sustains or increases the air space within the soil profile. Whilst all areas across a course benefit from aeration, including rough, fairways, tees, collars and approaches, it's on the greens where a golfer's experience is most disrupted in the pursuit of fast, firm, true and smooth surfaces.

Why aerate?

1. Relieve compaction
2. Improve drainage
3. Improve root development
4. Promote healthy and strong grass growth
5. Reduce and prevent the accumulation of thatch and organic matter content



This is the 2nd green after hollow coring (all cores removed and discarded) after the first sanding exercise followed by two brushing exercises. This will be repeated throughout the week. We appreciate our members patience through the necessary maintenance programme.



This is the procore machine we rented to extract the cores. Two fresh sets of tines are used in the pursuit of ensuring a clean extraction of the soil.

8th Hole The sand has gone into the upgraded bunker on the 8th last week.

16th Hole The irrigation programme is now completed on the 16th. We plan to complete the sodding of the last two bunkers early next week.

We are also hoping to get the sand into the bunkers on the 10th next week also.

Ladies Team News

Ladies Interclub Match Play April Update The following are the details of each Ladies team playing interclub matches in April.



Friday 15th April Mary McKenna Trophy v Millicent Golf Club Played over two legs home and away. First Leg away at 10.50am

Manager Bernie Jones

Team	Mary Courtney & Mary Corcoran	Margaret Williams & Mag's Mc Darby
	Barbara Dolan & Ann Kavanagh	Marie Kola & Catherine Bennett
	Bernie Clarke & Susan Lennon	

Saturday 23rd April Junior Cup v Rathfarnham GC 3 matches home 3.20pm. 2 matches away 4.20pm

Manager & Assistant Niamh Rigley & Ann Kavanagh

Team	Home Pauline Burke, Cliona Lyons, Trisha Wyse	Sub Ann Cafferky
	Away Valerie Stokes, Avril Dowley	Sub Margaret Williams

Sunday 24th April Junior Foursomes v Druids Heath 1 match at home 3.30pm. 2 matches away 3.30pm

Manager & Assistant Anna O'Loughlin & Susan Archer

Team	Home	Karen Crowley & Dee McKay Sub Margo Lavelle
	Away	Bernie Jones & Mags McDarby
		Mary Courtney & Carol Brady Sub Mairead Coghlan

Saturday 30th April Minor Cup v Straffan GC 3 matches home 3.30pm. 2 matches away 3.30pm

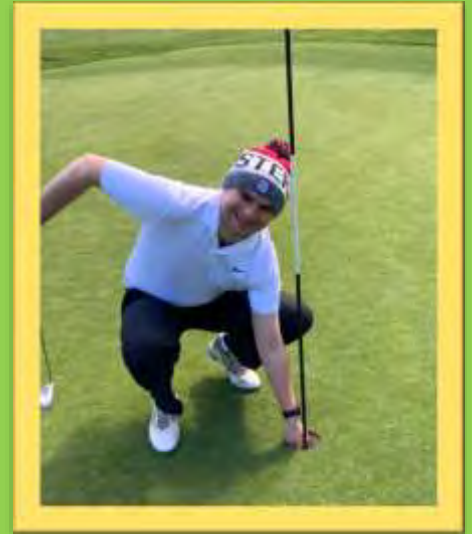
Manager & Assistant Pauline Burke & Tanya Beattie

Team Home	Karen Hodgins Susan Archer Marie Bolger Sub Elaine Fitzpatrick
Away	Catherine Bennett Mary De Chaumont Sub Julie McCartan

Hole in One

Congratulations to Intermediate member **Tiernan Lane** who scored his first Hole in One on Saturday April 2nd at the 16th. Tiernan only took up golf seriously two years ago when he joined Delgany with his pals Rory McMahon, Adam Kelly and Cathal Corcoran. He plays Senior hurling with Cuala GAA club in Dalkey and obviously has good hand to eye co-ordination for the game of golf as his handicap has dropped to 14.

Well done Tiernan, the lads at the bar are cheering you on for another one !!!



New Member Profile... Joe Masterson

1. Golfing background..... I have always enjoyed playing golf for most of my life, especially in the summer with friends. Over the years it became more and more of a regular event and we started picking places to go every weekend and paying green fees but never became a member of a club till now.

2. Why Delgany?I'm living close by in Bray, I had heard good things about Delgany and knew of old friends who were here as juniors and mutual friends who are members that recommended Delgany. I had never even played the course before I joined. I really feel at home here now in such a short space of time and enjoying the community feel of the place and the course.

3. Golfing ambitions..... I think like most golfers I would love to keep improving in the long run. I would love to get to single digits handicap, currently 17. As I had never been a member of a club before this is my first time getting a GUI handicap. I'm also enjoying playing more competitions. I'm dying to get a hole in one!

4. Sporting heroes..... Roy Keane, Shane Lowry, Ronnie O'Sullivan.

5. Other sports interests..... I love most sports, Manchester UTD fan and attended all of the home Six Nations rugby games recently. I also enjoy snooker and darts, Bring back the Delgany snooker table!

6. Golfing successes so far..... A team event called "The Feargal Douglas invitational" which myself and friends would play in a Ryder Cup format, but more officially I won a Stableford competition in Delgany on New Years Eve!



Sponsors Corner

I have a long Delgany family history starting with my mum Carmel joining the Golf Club in the early eighties and she was honoured to become Lady Captain in 1994.

I joined in either 1998 or 1999 followed by Tricia in 2000. after we had both retired from our respectful team sport careers in Hockey and Rugby. We were followed in the door in 2012 by Joshua and Hugo who joined as Juniors.

In the early 2000's, my sister in law Ruth Raymond was the Ladies Competitions Secretary and asked me to sponsor a ladies competition. She hoped I would as I was already sponsoring in the Men's Open Week (courtesy of a call from the youthful Cyril O' Loughlin). We decided on a Ladies team event of four, to be an Open Competition, so we could get as many friends of our members to come and enjoy a day out in Delgany.

The event has grown year on year thanks to the huge support of the Ladies with the timesheet being practically full from the moment it opens. Many of our Lady members now bring a full team of guests to join them on the day. This creates a great atmosphere and also ensures extra income both for the Ladies Club and the Bar and Catering who tend to be busy from dawn until after dark.

I would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to the Ladies Section for their support both on the Annual Open Day, and via the pro-shop during the rest of the year.

We still also look after Cyril and the Men with a June Competition , and could never forget the great Jim Blake and his Friday night six ball mix and match, This is always a fun evening and a great chance again for members to invite guests to play.

As long as we can, we, as a family will try and do our best for the club. We have made great friendships over the years and have had many fun nights in Delgany Golf Club. This is our way of giving something back.

May I wish Gavin our Pro a speedy recovery. We all miss you and look forward to seeing you back in your rightful place very soon. To all our fellow members, I would like to wish everyone a full year of golf and fun and success ahead and if you get the chance to invest in some of our Under Armour along the way..... that would be most appreciated!

Mark Wyse



Mens Competition News

There are two **Invitational Events** on over Easter Weekend...

Easter Sunday (17th) is a 4-Person Scramble and

Easter Monday (18th) is an Invitation Singles

The **Singles Matchplay** has been underway since late March.

Make sure to check the Draw Chart in the Locker Room as the First Round will end on April 24th

Visiting Captains Day is on Friday April 22nd so there is no ALT Competition that day
(for the Saturday Medal)

Sunday April 24th is the **Fourball Matchplay Qualifier** with 32 Pairs to qualify

The **9-hole Singles** returns on Wednesday April 27th

Sunday May 1st is the qualifying date for the **Mens Foursomes Matchplay**.

Please note that the diary reference to "Scotch Foursomes" is incorrect

Mens Competitions Committee

RIP

Our sincere condolences to Delgany GC Communications Sub Committee Chair Sean O'Rourke on the sad passing of his brother Brian, may he rest in peace.

Captain Pat will represent the club at the funeral.

Fundraising updates

UKRAINE / Irish Red Cross Fund

We are delighted to say that the club will be donating €7,500.00 to the Irish Red Cross on behalf of the members of Delgany. This was raised from competition entry money, personal donations and a substantial contribution from the Friday Bridge Club. The total amounted to €6,394 and management agreed that the club would round it up to €7,500.00. We thank everybody for their generosity and look forward to presenting a cheque to an IRC representative when he visits Delgany Golf Club.



Approximately €2,000 was raised in the raffle for which the Hospice is extremely grateful. We thank Rita O'Brien for her commitment to the cause and for organising the Hospice Fourball event every year.

1. Pamela Curry
2. Dervila Fennell
3. Flora Synnott
4. Trish Wyse
5. Nuala Cotton
6. Julie McCartan
7. Trish Kenny
8. Marian Lambe
9. Hanne O'Rourke
10. Anne Talbot
11. Susan O'Loughlin
12. Niamh Rigley
13. Margaret Connolly



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