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Captains' Message



Watching the many Juniors around the practice areas in the last few weeks and months, working with Gavin, Catalina or Geoff or getting in an evening round with their pals, its hard to believe that they will be back at school all too soon and that the summer is coming to its end. Even with subtle signs of autumn appearing, we can't believe our luck in continuing to have such wonderful weather recently.

We want to alert Members to our Charity Day on Saturday 17 September and you will find 'Save the Date' information in this edition. Our chosen charity this year is the Alzheimer Society of Ireland and we look forward to the support of our Members for a cause that places great store by the need to value people 'on the journey of dementia'.

Finally, we wish 'best of luck' to all those who have taken the plunge to join the 'Last Man Standing' funding drive! The fun begins this weekend – it could all end in tears for many of us right at the first hurdle! Its all in the cause of our club!

Captains Pat and Ann.



Mens Captains Prize 2022

To all those who competed for my Captain's Prizes over the past 2 weeks – and those who were not able to do so - I want to say a heartfelt 'thank you' for your great support and good wishes.

Everything a Captain prays for on such an occasion came to pass – fabulous weather, a course in pristine condition, a great array of prizes, a vibrant (and sometimes raucous!) Captain's Dinner and, of course, great competition with worthy winners in Michael Bryan (2nd time winner of the main prize), Sean Kinsella (Intermediates) and Tom Smith (5-Day).

I have so many people to thank for their contributions and will get to do so personally in time, but I must mention in particular Mark & Briege in the office, Dave and the course team, Jamie & Kevin and the bar staff, Tony, James (and helper Tom Horan) & the entire kitchen staff, Gavin and his team and Eamon B (who solves problems for the fun of it!) and, of course, John and his intrepid Competitions team. Small things make a huge difference and I'm especially grateful to those who helped with the 'goody bags', the copious water bottles on Qualifying weekend, the dinner table flower arrangements and Phil O'Neill and his troubadours.



The photos are on our Flickr page (google 'Flickr Delgany Golf Club' and follow the link),.

Enjoy the memories!

Captain Pat

Mens Captains Prize Results 2022

WINNER	Michael Bryan	134 nett
2nd	Kevin Bouwer	134 nett
Best Gross	Barry Doyle	150 gross
3rd	Ronan O'Reagan	136 nett
4th	Dermot Mc Carthy	136 nett
5th	Thomas Bradshaw	136 nett
6th	Sean O'Rourke	137 nett
Best nett qualifier D1	David Menzies	64 nett
Best nett qualifier D2	Padraig Stokes	64 nett
Best nett qualifier D3	Colm Whooley	63 nett
Best Nett Final Day	Don Mc Grane	65 nett
Committee Prize	Conn Loy	142 nett
Veterans Prize	Joseph McMahon	139 nett
Past Captains Prize	Paddy Brock	138 nett
Plate—9 holes	Michael O'Brien	22 points



























































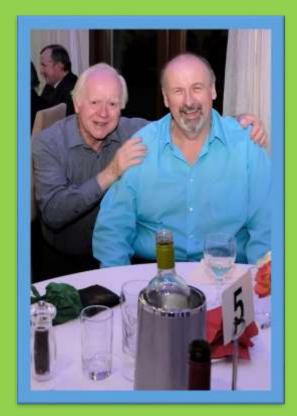




Mens Captains Dinner Photos













































Open Ladies team of 4 Competition

Once again the weather was perfect for golf on Tuesday and from 8.00 a.m. until dusk ladies took to the fairways to compete for the fantastic prizes provided by the sponsor, Mark Wyse.

Throughout the day over 200 women partook in this most popular event in the Ladies golf calendar. Mark has been a sponsor of this event for the last 20 years and his generosity again this year was unbelievable. We even had the facility of having our clubs cleaned before we did battle! The goodie bags, the prize table, the welcoming registration table and all the "add ons" provided throughout the day we so much appreciated by the Ladies. I urge everybody when you see an Under Armour, Bushnell, US Kids Golf or ECCO label in the pro shop please think of Mark and purchase!

We had a huge number of visitors playing in the competition so Catering and Bar were kept busy all day and all our guests were most impressed with the food, the service and the overall friendly atmosphere within the club. We sincerely thank Mark, Trish, Joshua and Hugo for the organisation, effort and generosity bestowed on us in this most successful event.

Congratulations to all the winners.

Captain Ann



Open Ladies team of 4 Competition Photos















Open Ladies team of 4 Competition Photos





















Out and about...

Our thanks to Dermot Browne for his latest set of photographs from around the course...













Delgany Juniors News

Our **Captains' prizes to the juniors** was another great day for the boys and girls with Ross Mulligan winning the boys 18 hole Strokes Competition with a great score of 63 and Robert Cowman a close second with a 64.

Tayla Bouwer won the girls with a superb score of 48pts.

Oisin Waters won the boys 18 hole Stableford Competition with 41pts.

We had 40 boys playing in our **Junior Captain's prize** and in a hotly contested 18 hole Strokes competition Ollie Tuthill edged out Peter Catterson and Ben O'Neill with a terrific score of 64 with both lads coming in with a 65 and Joshua's brother coming in fourth with a 66. Gross prize went to Cathan McCarthy with a score of 74 just holding off William Walshe who had a 75

Tom Scannell won the 18 hole Stableford competition with a marvellous score of 48pts



Our boy's Captains Prize Winner Ross Mulligan





Our Girl's Captains Prize Winner Tayla



Peter Catterson who was a close 2nd

Delgany Juniors - Prize giving photos



'Brothers in Arms' Hugo receiving his prize



Oliie receiving his prize from Josh







3rd place, Alex Montgomery Brennan with Captain





4th place, Nathan Byrne with our Captain Pat

Delgany Juniors - Prize giving photos





Best Gross Cathan McCarthy





18 hole Stableford winner Tom Scannell



Best Gross on the day with a superb 69 Cathan

New Machinery

Members can shortly expect to see some new machinery working on the course - a new sprayer and driving unit are due for delivery next week, replacing 15-year old equipment.

By December, a new fairway mower will arrive, having been ordered last January. Meanwhile, the suppliers, Brodericks have been servicing Delgany's old mower free of charge.

Replacement of this essential equipment is long overdue as the sprayer and mower are long past their normal lifespan of seven years. New machines like these do not come cheap, with a price tag of €72,000 on the fairway mower, while the sprayer and driving unit cost €63,000.

Mark Carwood

Director of Operations,

Delgany Golf Club







New Members Introducing Vincent Breslin

1. Your golfing background? As a kid, my late father thought me the swing basics on a Pitch & Putt course during family holidays in Enniscrone, County Sligo. Years later, I got to play the real thing at Enniscrone Golf Club, a real gem and highly recommended if you ever get the chance! Was previously a member of East Clare. G.C. for a number of years when I lived in Clare.



2. Why Delgany? I was looking to return to golf after a long break. I had played at Delgany in a couple of local school fund-

raisers and found the course to be a fair challenge and everybody at the club to be extremely friendly. It also helps that it's 5 minutes away from my home too.

- 3. Your golfing ambitions? I just want to keep enjoying my golf for as many years as possible. In the meantime, if I knock a few strokes off my handicap and am competitive in club competitions, great.
- 4. Sporting heroes? So many to choose from. I think as a relatively small population, Ireland and Irish athletes have had some incredible successes on the world stage, but I have particular admiration for those that won at Majors, World and Olympic Championships.
- 5. Other sports interests? I love sailing, but alas it's another time consuming sport so I don't get to do it as much as I would like. I also love horseback riding and watching rugby.
- 6. Golfing successes so far? It's been a while, but previously I had a few successes in golf society outings, the most memorable was a win at Mount Juliet.
- 7. Interesting facts? Although I grew up in Dublin, I spent over 20 years living in the mid-west, Limerick and Clare. As a result I am a Munster rugby fan. It's hard not to embrace rugby down there.

New Members Introducing Donal O'Sullivan

- 1. Your golfing background? Sneaking into UCD, Belfield age 15/16 to play Pitch and Putt on their course for staff/students (I was neither!), until chased off by Security Guards who we called "Greeners" because of their uniform. Later (much) had twenty happy years in Charlesland GC.
- 2. Why Delgany? I wanted to join a local, Members' club, particularly one with a reputation for enthusiastic social mingling. I also like hill-walking.



- 3. Your golfing ambitions? To get out of a bunker in one shot. (b) To break 80, again....I did happen before, and not for only 9 holes!
- 4. Sporting heroes? George Best, Sevy, Muhammad Ali
- 5. Other Sports interests? Tennis, it drives me nearly as mad as golf. Football (Soccer). I am a rugby free zone, which makes me unique in the Greystones area.
- 6. Golfing successes so far? Modesty forbids me to mention that I have won two monthly medals since I joined Delgany. (Thanks mainly to the wonderful new handicap system!!!)
- 7. Interesting Facts? I am allergic to capers and penicillin. I was called "Mr Happy" by some "friends" in Charlesland, with a large pinch of sarcasm; I just can't understand why!



New Members Introducing Isabel Baccar Varela

1. Your golfing background? I started playing golf very young. I spent every summer at my granny's house in the hills in the center of Argentina, and it was opposite a golf course. We walked across the road in the evenings, sneaked onto the fairway of the 6th hole, and played 6-7-2-3 -4 and back home! My father cut some old wooden irons to our size. We only played in summer, as life on holidays revolved around the golf club. Then at the age of 13/14 I stopped playing as none of my mates did. Never played again until last year a friend mentioned the Get into Golf programme in Delgany and I thought I would give it a go. Still a lot to improve but I say all the classes my parents sent me to all those years ago, paid, and I could get some of the swing back.



- 2. Why Delgany? I chose it because I got involved in the get into golf programme and really enjoyed it.
- 3. Your golfing ambitions? At the moment, having fun, and improving and being more consistent.
- 4. Sporting heroes? Tevez
- 5. Other sports interests? I play a bit of tennis, and I really enjoy yoga
- 6. Golfing successes so far? Not many yet!

Captains' Charity Day

Saturday 17 September Team Event

We are currently putting together a schedule of activities for this day, as well as golf we envisage that we will have dinner in the evening and entertainment to be confirmed. The monies raised this year will go to ASI – Alzheimer's Society of Ireland. All of us have been touched in some way or other by this heart breaking illness and both Captain Pat and I are delighted to have the opportunity to have this as our selected Charity for 2022. We would like as many people as possible to participate in this day **so please save the day in your diar**y and we will keep you posted with more information in our next issue of the Delgany Dispatch.

And finally....

It seems our 2021Captain Donal Duffy has taken Christy's advice...







Its never too early to take up golf

We look forward to the day when Sadie Hobson (a future Leone Maguire in the making) will formally join Delgany.

Meanwhile under the encouraging eye of her Brother and budding Junior Noah, Sadie is getting in some practice.





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