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What a wonderful month of June it has been for **Delgany Golf Club**, the course and clubhouse have been buzzing with so many activities - interclub matches, our own club matches, the Corporate Day, Captain Betty's Prize to Ladies, Open Week, President Ruth's Prize to Men, and Captain Tom's Prize to Ladies. We have been blessed with mostly excellent weather for all these events and the course is in tiptop condition. We have been delighted to receive so many compliments and endorsements of the Club and its facilities not only from members but also from the many visitors who have participated in the club events and would like to share a quote from one of our member's guests on the Corporate Day:

'What a beautiful course and in fantastic condition. The Club has an amazing upbeat and positive atmosphere we marvelled at the high standard catering and facilities.'

Compliments like that are not easily won and we commend all the staff and volunteers who are working together to make the DGC experience the best it can be. Thank you all for your contribution.

The proof of the pudding is in the eating as they say and the very high level of participation in the Corporate Day, our two Captains' Prizes and our President's Prize is evidence of how much you the members, your guests and our visitors are enjoying the Club. Congratulations to the Noonan Construction team who won the Corporate Day Rumble with 98 points, to Dorothy Gaynor, a very popular winner of Captain Betty's Prize, with a two-day nett score of 136 (71 and 65), to John Barry who won President Ruth's Prize with a nett 61 and to President Ruth herself on winning Captain Tom's Prize to Ladies with 71 (38+33) points.

Our Open Week attracted large entries and a strong cohort of visiting players.

Many thanks to those who sponsored the competitions – Mark Wyse for the Mens' Fourball on Wed 21st, Irene Goodbody, Marie Monahan and Betty Sherry for the Ladies Scramble on Thurs 22nd and D/Res Properties for the weekend events, a Singles on Sat 24th and a Scramble on Sun 25th.

We are particularly delighted to see some great successes for our interclub match teams over the last number of weeks.

We are immensely proud of our **Juniors** who put in a brilliant performance in the U18 Interclub contest, beating 16 other clubs to win the **South Leinster Pennant** on 30th June. They march on to the All Ireland Final in Limerick later in the summer. Well done to the team and to their Manager, Michael Behan.

Big congratulations to the **Cullen Cup** team and Managers for a very solid win against Newbridge on 10th June, they now face Druid's Glen in the next round on 16th July (we believe the team squad are queuing up to get on the Druid's Glen list!), A great result also for the **Barton Shield** team who beat Arklow on 11th June and beat Milltown in Delgany on 2nd July to qualify for the quarter final against Carton House on 15th July. Unfortunately, we were knocked out of the **Barton Cup** in a very closely fought match against Coollattin which went right to the wire.

Our **Ladies Challenge Cup** team beat Old Conna on 11th June and Greystones on 1st July to qualify for the South Leinster semi-final against Carrickmines scheduled for 13th July. Our **Ladies Senior Foursomes** team beat Killiney on 22 June and take on Edmondstown on 20th July

Well played and thank you to all – players, subs, caddies, managers - who participated in and supported these team events.

Our **Captains' Charity Day**, which is kindly sponsored by **Zurich**, will take place on Saturday 15th July, the timesheet is now open for members and guests. Our selected charity is the Dublin Neurological Institute which is attached to the Mater Hospital and provides research and treatment on neurological disorders such as MS and Parkinson's disease (www.neurologicalinstitute.ie). We also have President Ruth's Prizegiving event on Friday 28th July which is taking the form of a fun Mix and Match 6-person Team Shotgun start followed by casual dining and entertainment.

Tom and Betty





The recent survey sent to all adult members has been a resounding success with nearly 400 respondents.

To use the feedback gained we plan to close off the survey on Sunday night next.

If you have yet to complete, let your voice be heard by completing this short questionnaire that should take 6 minutes to finish.

It's also anonymous, if you wish.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VVRL6LZ



CORPORATE DAY 2023



On Friday 16th June we hosted our first Corporate Day since 2008. It was a roaring success, with funds being raised for the Cub and a local charity. We exceeded our target for the day making in excess of \leq 12,000 and a further \leq 2,000 for Wicklow Rapid Response. We are grateful to our Sponsorship & Events Committee, chaired by Fergus Cardiff, for their work in ensuring the success of the day.

Of course, a Corporate Day would never get off the ground without the support of our members. Thanks to all of you who entered a team or a part team, sponsored a tee box,

bought a raffle ticket, made a donation, contributed a prize, or helped in any way. In particular, we acknowledge the kind contribution from KPMG, our main sponsor for day. Also the we must acknowledge the generosity of our after dinner speaker, Brent Pope, who freely entertained us. Brent regaled us with many stories covering his rugby career, sports punditry career, and his work with his various charities. A class act for sure!





We are grateful to the many members and guests that played in the event who contacted us with their positive comments on our course, our bar and catering and the wonderful atmosphere throughout the day.



CORPORATE DAY GALLERY











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Ladies News



Captain Betty's Prize to Ladies 18/20 June

I had a truly unforgettable experience over the two days of my Captains Prize to Ladies, the goodwill and generosity of all the lady members has been just overwhelming and the competition itself was so exciting with a very closely fought finish. I am just delighted that **Dorothy Gaynor** has won my prize – a very deserving and very popular winner. Well done Dorothy on a super score of 136 nett (71+65).



Gross prize winner **Cliona Lyons** was a double prize winner taking the Gross prize with a score of 162 (80+82) and also winning the longest drive. Congratulations to all prize winners who are listed below.



It was a very closely fought contest with runner up **Ann Cafferky** scoring 135 nett (71+66).







I had a superb two days, starting on Sunday 18th with a delicious breakfast with Club officers and Vice Captains; meeting the 68 ladies who played in Day 1 and brought so many cards, gifts and good wishes and ending the day with a fun evening and dinner with my hard-working committee.

Day 2 Tuesday 20th was hectic - from 8 am ladies (124 in total) arrived with even more gifts and cards, braved the very changeable weather, and participated with such great cheer, even smiling after getting drenched in the rain. I was delighted to see it wasn't a damper on strong scoring for the day.

During the afternoon, while the players were braving the heavy showers, my sisters and a few friends came to lunch and were so impressed with the Club and the catering. This was followed by afternoon tea with our long-standing lady members who for various reasons are no longer able to play golf. This is a great tradition of the Captains' Prize Day as it allows our highly treasured ladies to come and catch up with their old friends.

The evening dinner and prize-giving were very special – the glamour was fantastic and we had a phenomenal attendance of 117 ladies. Well done and thank you to Simon and the catering team on producing a truly delicious dinner and to Jamie, Kevin, Kasia, Leanne and Leah for excellent service.









My Ladies Committee were just fantastic, I know the hard work that goes into organising these events, thank you all for putting together a truly wonderful two days. Special thanks to all those who baked cakes and manned the welcome table. I'd like to extend particular thanks to Liz Cuddihy for organising the ice cream bike and the goody bags.

Elaine McGrath did a great job in arranging the betting competition, which raised €200. As nobody had backed Dorothy, our winner, the funds will be donated to my selected charity, **Feach**, which helps children with limited or no vision (<u>www.feach.ie</u>).

Special thanks are also due to a number of people who helped make the event such a success:

- To Marian Lambe and Agnes Young for their beautiful floral arrangements.
- To the Competitions team, led by Hon Competitions Secretary Ann Cafferky and very ably supported by Cheryl Ball, Pauline Burke and Helen Doolin, for your hard work in analysing the results and determining the winners.
- To our General Manager Patrick, to Briege, Lisa and Catriona in the office and Eamonn for their continual dedication, support and backup.
- To the Course team for a truly exceptional course condition on both days.
- To Gavin and Geoff in the Pro Shop for their always courteous assistance to the ladies.
- And last but by no means least to my wonderful fellow Captain, Tom, for his encouragement and friendship.

Happy golfing all. *Betty*





Captain Betty's Prize to Ladies 2023 - Results					
Winner of Captain's Prize	Dorothy Gaynor 26	71 & 65 136			
Runner Up	Ann Cafferky 14	71 & 66 137			
Gross	Cliona Lyons 10	80 & 82 162			
3 rd Prize	Mary de Chaumont 27	67 & 73 140			
4 th Prize	Mags McDarby 20	67 & 75 142			
5 th Prize	Deirdre Mackay 23	74 & 69 143 c/b			
Winner Captain's Prize to 5 Days	Joan Harding 35	75 Nett c/b			
Runner Up	Annette Dunne 34	75 Nett			
3 rd Prize	Denise Byrne 40	76 Nett c/b			
Class 1 Winner	Emer Jennings 18	71 & 72 143			
Class 1 Runner Up	Avril Dowley 10	70 & 74 144			
Class 2 Winner	Norah Mullins 25	72 & 73 145			
Class 2 Runner Up	Deborah Barry 22	72 & 76 148			
Class 3 Winner	Margaret Donnelly 31	68 & 82 150			
Class 3 Runner Up	Helen Mitchell 32	76 & 76 152			
Day 1 Nett Winner	Anne Farrell 21	68 Nett			
Day 2 Nett Winner	Helen Doolin 17	71 Nett			
Past Captain's Winner Day 2	Ann Boyle 7 Front 9	19 pts			
Committee Prize Day 2	Patricia Wyse 10	74 Nett			
9 Hole Winner	Sally Lynch 22	24 pts			
9 Hole Runner Up	Lucy Mulcahy 29	22 pts			
Longest Drive	Cliona Lyons	Very Very Long			
Nearest the Pin	Teresa Thompson	14ft 4in			





Kenneth Hodgins Interiors Open 2 Ball Rumble 27th June

Tuesday 27th June's Two Ball Rumble was generously sponsored by Thelma and Neville Hodgins. It's always a very popular day with beautiful prizes from the Kenneth Hodgins store in Stillorgan Business Park and 140 ladies competed on the day. Interestingly of the 5 top prize winners, four had guests, benefiting from their two extra shots!!



First prize of two beautiful table lamps was won by Ann Boyle along with her guest, Mags Greenan of Courtown GC with a score of 52 points; runner up on 47 points was Norah Mullins with her guest, Marie Upton of Slievenamon GC.







Captain Tom's Prize to Ladies 2nd & 4th July

There was tremendous support for the two days of Captain Tom's Prize to the ladies with 80 ladies playing on Day 1 and 130 on Day 2. The 2 day competition was very

exciting with President Ruth establishing a narrow lead on Day 1 just one point ahead of a closely following field but, showing true grit, she maintained her lead on day 2 to take First prize with a total score 71 (38+33).

Ruth was delighted to win Captain Tom's fabulous first prize of Prada sunglasses.



Ann Cafferky took the Runner Up prize just two points behind with a score of 69 (33+36), with Barbara Dolan third on 68 (31+37).









Gross prize went to Teresa Thompson with 48 gross points (20+28).



Five Day winner was Louise Kennedy with a score of 43 points. Well done to all who won on the day, the full list of winners is given below.

Captain Tom's dinner was very well supported and Chef Simon and his team produced a delicious meal. The Prize table looked splendid with a wonderful display of Jo Malone gift sets surrounding the overall and five day first prizes of beautiful designer sunglasses.

Huge thanks to Tom for giving the ladies club a great two days and for a very entertaining after dinner speech. Many thanks also to the bar and catering team for dinner and excellent service, to Marian Lambe and Agnes Young for the stunning flower arrangements, to the Competitions team (Ann Cafferky, Cheryl Ball, Pauline Burke) for their hard work on the cards and to Irene Goodbody and Marie Monahan for their arrangement of the prize table.









Captain Tom's Prize to Ladies 2023 - Results					
Winner	President Ruth Jenki	inson 17	38 & 33	71	
Runner Up	Ann Cafferky	13	33 & 36	69	
Gross	Teresa Thompson	7	20 & 28	48 gross pts	
3 rd	Barbara Dolan	22	31 & 37	68	
Class 1 Winner	Bernadette Harmon	18	37 & 31	68 c/b	
Class 1 Runner Up	Elaine McGrath	20	37 & 31	68	
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Class 2 Winner	Grainne Moran	22	35 & 31	66	
Class 2 Runner Up	Debbie Barry	22	32 & 33	65	
Class 3/4 Winner	Judy Brennan	29	34 & 32	66	
Class 3/4 Runner Up	Cait Conlon	31	32 & 33	65	
Best Nett Day 1	Annmarie O'Grady	28	37		
Best Nett Day 2	Emer Jennings	17	38		
			40 //		
5 Day Winner	Louise Kennedy	48	43 c/b		
5 Day Runner Up	Denise Byrne	39	43 c/b		
9 Hole Winner	Collette Doyle	24	20 pts		
9 Hole Runner Up	Agnes Young	22	19 pts		



JUNIOR NEWS



Our Junior golfers had a terrific win in the Boys' under 18 Interclub last week in Elm Park beating 16 clubs to win the South Leinster Pennant.



Our team of Charlie Fox, Evan Lenehan, Robert Cowman, Ross Mulligan and Jack Daly will now go on to play in the All Ireland finals in Castletroy GC in late August.

A top class display by all the lads who incidentally will all be eligible to play under 18 next year.



MEN'S TEAMS NEWS



There have been some epic inter club battles in June - we can be incredibly proud of the commitment and organisation of our management groups and the Delgany fighting spirit shown by the players representing us. All of our matches have been incredibly close, with no more than one game in the difference between us and all of our opponents.

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to support the teams so far, a special mention to Willie Kennedy who has been at so many matches both home and away it was suggested that he had been cloned.

The latest results for the Men's Club are as follows:

1st of June -Super Seniors

Delgany V Woodbrook, Delgany Win

Management: Paddy Brock and Cyril O'Loughlin Team: Tom Jenkinson, Kenny Johnston, Dick Cotter, Vincent Leonard, Donal Meehan, Stuart Webster, Ailbe Brennan, Ted Dolan, Joe McMahon, Jimmy Kinsella.

10th of June - Cullen Cup (Mixed)

Delgany V Newbridge, Delgany Win

Management: Anne Boyle and Pat Kitterick Team: Dermot Browne, Debbie Barry, Piaras Morris, Niamh Rigley, Donal Meehan, Ann Prior, Ian Cuddihy. Rachelle Nelson, Geoff Dolly, Karen Crowley.

11th of June - Barton Shield

Delgany V Arklow, Delgany Win

Management: Don Berkery and Donal Meehan Team: Alex Coffey, Kevin Nolan, Liam May, William Walshe.

11th of June - Powerscourt Cup

Delgany V Woodenbridge, Delgany walkover

Management: Greg O'Neill and Seamus Byrne Team: Michael Bryan, Ferghil Henderson, Ian McMahon, Jimmy Kinsella, Oh Peng Lim, Declan Egan, Geoff Dolly, Ambrose Mullins, Gerald McGrath, Maurice Kelly. 12th of June - Super Seniors

Delgany V Blainroe, Delgany Loss

Management: Paddy Brock and Cyril O'Loughlin Team: Frank Gill, Ted Williams, Mike A O'Brien, Ted Dolan, Dick Cotter, Donal Meehan, Eamon Brandon, Jimmy Kinsella, Kenny Johnston, Tom Jenkinson.

18th of June - The Fred Perry Trophy

Delgany V Wooden Bridge, Delgany Loss

Management: Philip Wiehe, Donal Lennon, Vincent Leonard Team: Mike O'Brien, Frank Burke, Tom Bergin, Paul Ryan, Peter O'Toole, Ray O'Toole, Kenny Johnston, Tom Jenkinson, Martin O'Sullivan, Noel McMahon.

18th of June - The Barton Cup

Delgany V Coollattin, Delgany Loss

Management: Jason Bradshaw, Paul Hautz, Basil Mulligan, Donal Meehan Team: Aidan Lacy, Danny O'Hara, Fergus McDonald, Jim O'Riordan, Liam May, Ian Barret, Simon Rees, Ewan Mulligan, Ian Cuddihy, Ben Grogan.

2nd of July - **Barton Shield**

Delgany V Milltown, Delgany Win

Management: Don Berkery and Donal Meehan Team: Kevin Nolan, Liam May, Cathan McCarthy, William Walshe.

(Tadhg Dolly, Team Liaison)



LADIES' TEAMS NEWS



We have two ladies' teams and, as mentioned above, the mixed Cullen Cup team, still standing!

Our **Senior Foursomes** played Killiney GC on Thursday the 22nd June. These are our lowest handicap ladies. We had two matches away and one at home. Teresa Thompson and Valerie Stokes had a great win away on the 14th hole. Cliona Lyons and Avril Dowley had a very tight match at home and unfortunately lost on 17th. And so, it came down to Anna O'Loughlin and Patricia Wyse, the girls were one down on 15 but got a great half on 16 and turned the match 17 by winning it to go down 18 level. A win on 18 in Killiney secured the match overall for Delgany. Congratulations to the team and managers Dee Mackay & Sue Archer.

We are now through to the next round against Edmondstown at 4pm on the 20th July. Tee times in both venues are 4pm and all support would be greatly appreciated. The team will be as follows:

Home: Cliona Lyons & Avril Dowley; Sub: Ruth Jenkinson

Away: Teresa Thompson & Valerie Stokes; Anna O'Loughlin & Ann Cafferky; Sub Bernie Jones

Our **Challenge Cup** team had a stunning win on Saturday the 1st July v the holders Greystones. Managed by Ann Nulty & Bernie Jones we had 2 matches at home and 3 away.

At home we had a super win for Annmarie O'Grady with caddy Mags McDarby and after a tight battle a loss for Jackie Sharpe with caddy Breda Murtagh.

Away, Blanaid Farrell with Bernie Clarke alongside her came from 3 down after 9 to win on the 17th.

Maura Dennehy with caddy Mary Brennan fought to keep the match going as long as she could after a tricky start and it made a big dent in

Greystones hopes seeing the play continue.



It then all came down to Caroline Tobin with Mary de Chaumont on her bag. 5 down after 8, she turned the match upside down and got the win on the 17th to get us across the line and secure a stunning victory. Greystones were gutted!

So now we are in The Leinster South semi-final v Carrickmines GC. This match will be on Thursday the 13th July at 3.20pm; team as follows:

Home: Ann Marie O'Grady, Blanaid Farrell, Caroline Tobin; Sub Cait Conlon

Away: Maura Dennehy, Maura Lernihan, Sub Mary Staveley.

(Anna O'Loughlin – Team Liaison)







We are looking forward to our Captains' Charity Day on Saturday, 15th July.

- The format is: Invitation 4 Person Team Rumble best 2 scores to count, extra 2 shots for ladies.
- There will be Nearest the Pin (Ladies & Men) & Longest Drive (Ladies & Men)
- An extensive all day menu will be available in the Bar



We look forward to your support on the day....



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY



The timesheet for our Delgany & Wicklow Scratch Cups are open. There are still places available if you would like to play.....

