# STRAWBERRY HILL GOLF CLUB



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# WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS!!



Strawberry Hill Golf Club would like to extend a warm welcome to all the new members who have just joined the club and to those whose applications are currently in the pipeline.



## **SUMMER BALL**



On Saturday, 29th June, the club held a very successful Summer Ball in a beautifully

decorated Clubhouse. The evening started with drinks and canapes on arrival, followed by a delicious 3 course dinner, an auction and dancing the night away to an excellent DJ. A big thank you to all those that donated (and bought) auction prizes, enabling us to raise £1600 towards the 125 fund.

## WILDLIFE

Strawberry Hill Golf Club has a commitment to the London Borough of Richmond (our landlords) that we try to encourage wildlife and wild plant diversity, and we don't use pesticides and steer clear of invasive techniques to manage the course. We welcome any photos of wildlife taken on the course, such as this tame hedgehog on 5th hole.

On Sunday, 23rd June, the Club held a new members' golf and social event. All those members (men, women and juniors) who have joined in the last year were invited along for a fun 9 hole team competition followed by drinks and snacks. The winners of the Texas Scramble were Teresa Perks, Jimmy Rich, Oison Byrne and Jamie Houlihan, and they were presented with their prizes by the Captain, Peter Young and the Board member looking after members, Lorna Oliver.

## MEMORABLE WIN FOR MEN

Strawberry Hill won a close match at Fulwell 3-2 on Saturday, to give an aggregate score of 6-4 over both the home and away matches. The annual fixtures between the clubs are played

for the Gough/ Lynde Cup, which was presented in 1947 by the



Captains of Fulwell and Strawberry Hill. The picture shows our Captain, Peter Young, receiving the trophy from Jason Rackham. That is only the second time SHGC have won the cup this century.



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## JUNIOR FAMILY TEXAS

On Sunday, 14th May we held a fun 9 hole Texas Scramble for juniors and their families starting at about 3pm.Thirty junior and family members played and a few more came for the barbecue. The Texas Scramble was won by Jimmy, Hettie and Alex and a photo was taken of of all the prize winners.

## TWICKENHAM ROTARY FAIR

On Saturday, 27th May, (Bank Holiday Monday) Strawberry Hill Golf Club manned a stall at this year's Rotary Fair held on Twickenham Green. The fair provided an opportunity to advertise the club, raise awareness of all the good work we do in the local community and hopefully recruit some new members! The fun putting competition for the children proved very popular. We were visited on the day by the Mayor

of Richmond (a keen golfer) and his wife who have agreed to attend one of our events in 2025 (for our 125 year celebrations)





### WOMEN'S CAPTAIN'S CHARITY DAY

On 20th June the Women's Captain held her Charity Day in aid of the Hounslow Community Foodbox (her chosen charity for her year as Captain). The Operations Manager, Sunny, gave us a talk about the valuable work of the Foodbank. We raised £195 on the day and Sunny went away with a full boot load of food and toiletry donations. There is a box in the Women's locker room for donations and all members are welcome to donate. Congratulations to Helen, Annette, Sandra and Mary who won the fun competition.



## **MIX AND MINGLE**

On Friday, 31st May the Women's Section invited all the women and junior girl members to take part in a fun Texas Scramble aimed at integrating female members from all the sections. Twenty nine female members took part (including 9 juniors girls).



Congratulations to the winning team of Andrea, Lucy, Rebekah and Francesca. The photo shows most of the junior girls who took part together with the women's Captain Andrea and Vice Captain Julie who organised the event.

## WELL DONE TO WOMEN'S TEAM

Congratulations to the women of Strawberry Hill who have retained the Batchelor Cup for the third year in a row! Started in 1994 by a Mrs Batchelor who was a member of both Strawberry Hill and Fulwell Golf club, this is an annual match played both at home and away by teams of 8 women from both clubs.



It was a fiercely fought competition match resulting in a draw so the cup stays with Strawberry Hill. Well done to all team members who played in the matches and kept their nerve to the final putt!

#### **BLUE ORCHID JAZZ BAND**

On 14th May Club members and guests were entertained in the Club House by the Blue Orchid Jazz Band, who proved to be very popular providing an excellent variety of music suitable for listening and dancing.



#### **SPECIAL NEEDS COACHING**

During June, we invited children from the Clarendon School (for special needs children) to the Club for some golf coaching. We had nine children who came on three

separate afternoons for lessons in iron play, chipping and putting.



#### FORTHCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

21st July	Geoff Rogers Trophy & Dinner
26th July	Fun 9 hole Stableford & Fish & Chips Supper
11th Aug.	Mixed Invitation Day
12th Aug.	Evening Greensomes & Supper
23rd Aug.	Fun 9 hole Stableford & Supper
26th Aug.	Fun 18 hole Bank Holiday Texas Scramble
1st Sept.	Evening Greensomes Final
13th Sept.	Liz's Quiz Night
20th Sept.	Fun 9 hole Stableford & Supper



## **SOCIAL MEDIA SITES**

To help Strawberry Hill Golf Club to get more people playing at the club and using our facilities we use Social Media to help promote the club.

It would really help us if members followed us on X and liked us on **Facebook.** You can also add nice reviews about the club on our **Facebook** and **Google+** page. **Instagram** is also an excellent engagement platform. Just click on the links below to go to our pages.

- Follow SHGC on X
- Like/Review SHGC on Facebook
- Add your review to SHGC on Google+
- Share photos and videos on Instagram

For those of you who haven't signed up to these sites, follow these links:



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