



# Strabane Golf Club

Newsletter – July 2019



## 200 Club Draw:

The first monthly draw in the 200 Club Draw took place on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June, the winner receiving £100 bar credit was Tommy Forbes. The second draw took place on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July and the winner of the £100 bar credit was Liam 'Busty' Doherty.

Can all 200 Club members please ensure they are fully paid before the Grand Draw on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2019

## Captain's Outing:

Mr Declan Doherty's Captain's Outing will take place at Bundoran Golf Club on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Unfortunately Bundoran Golf Club can't provide a substantial meal for our members due to the large numbers going. We would therefore ask everyone if they so wish to make their own meal arrangements for the day. The price of the outing will cover your green fee and prizes and the presentation of prizes will be back in Strabane Golf Club at 9.30pm that night.

## Events & Entertainment:

Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	BP Day (Music by Rosemary Gallagher)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Lady President's Day (Music by Thomas Gillespie)
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> August	Walled City & Strabane ProAm (Music by Niall Gallagher)
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> August	Past Captains & Presidents Day (Music by Thomas Gillespie)
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	70's & 80's Disco Fund Raising Night
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	'200 Club' Grand Draw (Music by Friends)
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Party
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Ladies Presentation Night (Music by Thomas Gillespie)
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> October	Club Dance
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	60 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Party
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Music by Brian Lindsay
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	60 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Party for Noel McGinley
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Music by White Lightning
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> December	Club Dance (Music by Paul McGinley)

## Divots:

Council is very concerned about the huge number of divots appearing on the course. This is particularly noticeable on the Top 5 holes and is putting additional and unnecessary pressure on the green staff to repair them. Whilst we appreciate that members like to play a few holes when possible, we would urge you to play holes in sequence as opposed to continuous play over the same holes. We would earnestly ask you to comply with this request and also replace divots and repair pitch marks.

Footnote: Players are reminded that you are only allowed to play a maximum of 2 balls from tee to green when practising.



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## Slow Play:

Given the recent changes to the Rules of Golf it is still very apparent that the pace of play has not improved as a result, in fact it could be said that it has slowed even more. Can players please adopt the 'Ready Golf' approach which will undoubtedly speed up play. Lastly and more importantly can players please remember that their place on the course is directly behind the fourball in front, which you must keep up with.

## Car Parking:

We are once again asking members to make use of the extra car parking space now available at the 16th hole. Unfortunately a lot of cars are being parked on the footpath opposite the club entrance and this has prompted some of our neighbours to complain to the club. The new car park has been prepared in such a way that it will not damage tyres. It is also much safer than parking close to or behind the green keepers sheds. We would appreciate your understanding and cooperation on this matter.

## Vaping:

Council has decided that vaping will no longer be permitted inside the Clubhouse from Sunday 1st September 2019 onwards. We have received many complaints from members on this matter and have consulted with other golf clubs, which has prompted this decision.

## Smithwicks:

After a 25 year absence Smithwicks will once more be installed in the club. It is hoped to have it up and running within the next 2 weeks.

## Men's Locker Rooms:

As you may know the work on the new locker rooms will hopefully commence at the start of October 2019. Council therefore invites anyone interested in tendering for this work to submit their expression of interest to the club office by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2019. Anyone making a submission should be fully compliant with insurance, tax & vat. Council will then provide the tender documents (including building specifications) to the chosen applicants. These documents will then be returned to the club office by Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2019.

Any member is more than welcome to discuss with any club official or Council member ideas or suggestions for the betterment of the club.