



Rossendale Golf Club



Newsletter September 2018

The bore hole and more.....

The bore hole continued.....

Members received an email giving further details about the bore hole. Contributions for the borehole now stand at close to £14k, wow that's a big thank you.

The Greens' Committee fully endorses the need for a borehole to ensure our course can be watered safely. Their decision was supported by Council and....

Council will seek 2 more quotes for the work, visit Clitheroe to get a fuller picture of what such a project entails and seek members' views via the survey to go ahead with the project. Then there's planning permission!



Council are also optimistic that a bore hole could provide water for the club house. This and caring for the course with water from the bore hole could bring in substantial savings and possibly pay for itself within 5 years by saving on the water bill, which is currently in the region of £500 per month.

Maintenance Week to move!!

Comments from members this year have been that they've never seen the course looking as good. The fairways are lush and the greens are recovering from the heat of the summer.

From this to



this



It can't have been the start that Jason had hoped for as his first year as Head Greenkeeper, but what a fantastic job he and his team have done this year. The Council have supported the Greens' team to provide the best course possible with the prevailing conditions. So, next year Maintenance Week be earlier. **It will take place from 23rd July to 29th July.** All competitions will be moved to facilitate the change of date and will be shown in the diary and on the website calendar.

The balcony saga

There has been much excitement about the new windows and the possibility of a balcony across the front side of the clubhouse.



At a cost of some £20,000 plus expenses for planning permission it is outside of the current budget. In due course, Juliet balconies will be installed to comply with Health and Safety.

Sponsor a Board Prize?

Council invite any members who have corporate membership or own a business to consider sponsoring some of the men's competitions. If this is something you would like to do, please contact Paul Sanderson of Competitions.

Par 5s to Par 4s????

There has been a great deal of discussion from the men that reaching standard scratch is nearly impossible. One of the views is to shorten the course for men.

This could be done by changing two of the par 5s to par 4s. (This will not affect the distance from red tees)

These changes could make standard scratch more achievable.

Vote your opinion in the survey – stay as they are or change.

Juniors make the grade, surely there must be a budding Justin Rose in our team!!!

Juniors on the way to Nationals

What a phenomenal achievement for the Juniors this year.

Derek Cropper the team manager, very proudly said:

“A fantastic result for the junior team. They beat teams from Carlisle and Bramhall (at Chapel-en-le-Frith) to progress to the National Home Nations’ semi-finals to be held at Davyhulme Park Golf Club, Urmston on **Sunday 14th October**. This is just one step away from the Sky Sports televised nation finals!! The team comprehensively beat the opposition with team members Harry Lord getting the best gross (74) and Thomas Davies a great best net of 69.”

We don’t know what you’re doing Derek, Bev and team but it’s definitely working. Well done!!!



From left to right is: Dom Morton, Thomas Davies, Jack Wedgeworth, Harry Lord, Emily James & Isaac Gregson.

What a team!

MIXED RESULTS

The RGC team narrowly missed the “gold” and came 3rd, on Sunday 2nd September at only 1 point behind the home team winners Wilpshire. Pleasington were runners-up. Aaaw! Is it those putts and the “if onlys”? But well done team, so so close to a win!.

Presidents’ Mixed

An amazing 44 points from Barry Brown and Sarah Cameron pictured below with President and Lady President. Well done guys!



SOCIAL EVENTS

The club is hosting a fashion show on

Tuesday November 6th



A great opportunity to buy clothing and accessories for partners, wives, daughters, grandchildren, sisters and the whole family. Christmas present ideas!!!!

Member forums

Council Plan to hold some member forums later this year to discuss possible changes to club governance. Like most businesses the club needs to look to the future to ensure the club is the **best** it can be; it is *the* course people want to play, one where the staff are fully supported in their endeavours to keep the club the best in Lancashire and that it remains financially viable.

Council would like to hold some forums to ensure members are fully integrated into the decision making and plans for the club. So please give the forums your support by coming along and putting forward your ideas

Dates to be announced soon.