

2022



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NEWSLETTER



CHARITY EVENT IS A GREAT SUCCESS

A charity fundraising competition has raised £2,350 to support the Ukraine Crisis.

Huge congratulations to Club members Angela Morris and Callum Lomas (pictured right) who organised a wonderful fundraiser for the Ukraine Appeal in April.

With fantastic support from members and guests who turned out and took part in the 4BBB competition, helped sell raffle tickets or gave money / prizes and to local businesses and individuals who donated prizes. The event was a great success.

Most of the competitors and helpers wore the colours azure blue and yellow, representing the flag of Ukraine. Thank you to all who took part and well done to all the winners.



Junior Captain Annabel Collis Drives into Office



Leading the way

Junior Captain Annabel Collis, a scratch golfer and fabulous ambassador for all juniors, held her drive-in in April. Thirty-eight juniors played in the competition and a great day was had by all, with thanks also to Annabel's family.

The results were a family affair:

Division 1. George Ledsham won with 41 points beating his brother Harry who had 36 points.

Keeping it in the family:

Division 2. Juliet Collis won with 40 points beating George Edwin on 38 points.

Another family affair:

Division 3. Wil Connah won with 47 points, beating brother Daniel who also had a great score of 44 points.

In the 9-hole competition from the Red Tees and using the Ping scoring system, Joseph Ledsham won with 44 points, beating Austin Collis who had 43 points.

9 holes Blue Tees:

Joint winners Rowan Turner & Noah Reynolds with 46 points.

Well done to everyone who took part and best wishes for the rest of the year Annabel.

Annabel has also been busy elsewhere. We are very proud of her representing Wales at the International Quadrangle matches against Scotland, Ireland and the Netherlands at Pyle and Kenfig GC last month and finishing 7th overall in a fantastic showing recently at the Welsh Women's Open Strokeplay Championship at Southerndown.

In other news: Annabel has been approached by UK-wide Women & Golf Magazine to offer a regular Junior Captain's blog so keep an eye on the magazine and online over the coming months.

It's going to be a busy year!



Ping Junior Tour

Kicks off the season at Mold



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The Ping Welsh Junior Tour is back and kick-started the year with 68 young golfers taking part in the first event of the season here at Mold.

Quite a few juniors and their families travelled from South and West Wales, while there was a strong showing from North Wales clubs, with the winners' honours being

shared equally between North and South. It was a busy and successful day and it was great to see so many Mold juniors taking part. Congratulations to George Ledsham who came second in the U14s with 44 points after a count back and Juliet Collis who won the Best Girls' score with 40 points.

The Ping Welsh Junior Tour sees boys and girls competing at U8, U10, U12 and U14 levels.

"It was great to see so many young golfers from all around Wales learning to compete and have fun in the first PING Junior Tour event of the season," said Wales Golf's event organiser Daniel Fullager.



"Naturally there was a strong contingent from North Wales clubs, but it was also good to see so many travelling to take part in what is a series of national events held around Wales.

"The standard was high with plenty of good scores, which augurs well for the next event to be held in Caernarfon."

Further events will be at Lakeside Garthmyl, Garnant Park, Bultth Wells and Aberdare, building up to the final at Tredegar Park at the end of the summer.



NEW MEMBERS

New Members

If you are a member who has joined us recently, converted from New2Golf or have been with us a bit longer and would like to find out more about what the Club has to offer, you are cordially invited to our next informal 'Meet & Greet'. It will be in the clubhouse on Tuesday 19th July at 7pm.

We hold these get-togethers every three months to ensure all new members have the opportunity to come along and find out more about the Club and to ask any questions about anything at all. It is also a great chance to get to know other members and new members and to get some games fixed up. You can just come along on the night or if you would like to know more please call the Manager on 01352 741513 ext 2 or email info@moldgolfclub.co.uk

Next
Meet & Greet
Tuesday 19th July
7:00pm



Staff News

Welcome Bethan!

Many of you will have already met Bethan Griffiths, our new member of staff in Reception / Pro Shop. Bethan has only been with us a short time but is already making a big impression. "I've had the warmest of welcomes from members and staff at Mold Golf Club. I look forward to getting to know you all over the next couple of months".

It is great to have you with us Bethan. We hope you enjoy the job and wish you every success.

Another new face to welcome is Ewan Hill who is working with us behind the bar over the coming months.

AROUND THE GREENS

With thanks to the Mock Alliance

As always, work is busy out on the course as our hard-working greenkeepers continue to deliver a course in excellent condition.

The practice tee on the long game practice area by the covered bays has been re-levelled and turfed and is now ready for play. The final work to finish off the covered bays is due anytime. Given rising costs from the application process for funding from Sport Wales to completion of the bays, we have had a shortfall so some additional funding is being sourced via sponsorship to pay to finish off the trimmings. As soon as the bays are open, all members will be notified.

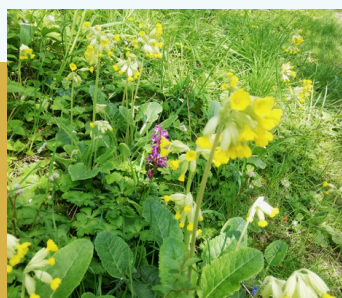


All greens have been verti-drained and micro-solid tined twice with a 20 ton application of sand.

The tees have had a balanced NPK feed plus an application of iron. The cut has also been reduced in height.

Tree work to the right hand side of the 5th hole has been completed and has made a big difference.

New baffle nets (pictured above) on the Practice Net were installed thanks to funding from the Mock Alliance (MA) and new flagsticks have also been donated by the MA to finish off the flags purchased previously. This is very much appreciated and the Greens Chairman, Colin, greens staff and committee would like to sincerely thank Roger Howes and all who play in the MA for these very generous contributions.



The suitability of fitting white OOB posts flush with the 5th wall has become an issue, mainly because of the state of the wall. It was decided that signs will be placed in four or more locations along the wall. The wording will read...This wall defines the boundary of the golf course. If you are on, in or over the wall then you are out of bounds.

New signs for the 6th tee, 7th ladies tee and putting green have been agreed. The 6th sign positioned as you approach will read...‘No buggies beyond this point. For access to the 6th green, please follow the path to the right.’ A sign simply saying ladies 7th tee, will be placed at the bottom of the path leading back up the path.

A new sign on the putting green will read ‘This is a putting green; no chipping is allowed. Please respect this rule and help maintain the condition of the green for all to enjoy.’

The Greens Committee had been made aware of comments that the rough on the 18th was too short, thus allowing the ball to roll down into the trees. It was explained that the time of year meant that grass growth was minimal but is improving with time.

Can you help?

Would any members be willing to volunteer to help keep the car park and 1st tee area clean?

Please let the Manager know if you are interested.



Work on remaining tree thinning and filling the gaps in the 7th/15th wall will be completed in 2022.

Colin and the greens team are facing an ongoing battle with crows damaging the greens as they look for leatherjackets. Colin is trying to tackle this with varying approaches but it is a frustration to see the damage they do and the work needed to repair it.

Club House Developments

Maintenance work continues

Ongoing maintenance work continues as and when required. Following a visit and recommendation from an independent interior design specialist, and a visit to Conwy GC by the Captain, Manager and House Chair, we will be standardising the decoration throughout the clubhouse over the course of this year, starting with the entrance corridor and foyer in early June.

The colour scheme being adopted will be a light and dark grey combination on the walls. The fire door in the snug is no longer required and the door will shortly be replaced, starting the transformation of the snug into a comfortable coffee lounge now that the pool table has gone. The entrance door to the gents' changing room will be finished at the same time and decoration to the steps and lower entrance to the gents' toilets will follow on.

With regard to major projects, improvement of the ladies'

locker room, shower and toilet area will be the next major investment by the Club, as and when funding is available.

It is hoped to have a contract prepared over the next couple of months with a view to going out to tender in the Autumn. New furniture for the snug is presently on hold pending a review of the impact of a very significant rise in the Club's energy costs on the Club's finances. It is hoped to undertake a review

of our energy usage over the summer with a view to longer term investment in alternative energy provision to improve our green footprint.

Dave Faulkner, House Chair



We will be decorating the bar area and patio in recognition of Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee for the extended Bank Holiday
June 2nd – 5th.

A team AM AM competition with BBQ will be held on Thursday 2nd open to all members. More information will be circulated on email. You are invited to wear red, white and blue or the Jubilee purple if you'd like to really get into the spirit!

COMPETITION NEWS



Competitions started in earnest in mid-March and have been in full flow since. Following a series of delays, the men's Winter League Final eventually took place on 23rd April with Colin Crowther and Nathan Howatson beating Jonathan Layfield and Carl Unwin on the 18th hole. Thanks go to Rishi Sharma for refereeing the match.

Early comps were challenging due to the wet ground conditions, but a long dry spell has helped and been especially timely given that preferred lies were removed on 1st May. The Summer Knockouts are also underway now.

The men's and ladies' Competition Committees considered and reported back on issues raised by members following last year's Member Survey and the full response can be found on the Members' Section of our website.

Several suggestions/requests have been agreed and put into practice, as witnessed for example by the resumption of the social mixed 'fish and chip' runs, initially on a Saturday and now once a month on Fridays; the first two proving popular and well supported. The next one is on May 20th. It is also intended to run more 9-hole competitions. The first of these was the recent R & A 9-hole qualifier on 30th April, with the potential chance of going to St Andrews to play on the course prior to the Open there in July. Lady Vice-Captain, Elly Frankland and husband Les both had good knocks to top the team scores for Mold GC with 41 points. They will now go to the All-Wales Final at Garnant Park Golf Club on 18th June.

On the subject of qualifiers, following his win in the gents' PGA Qualifier in March, Lee Parry will be accompanying our

COMPETITION NEWS



Professional, Craig Tudor, to the Regional Final of the 2022 St James's Place National Pro-Am Championship at Clitheroe in September.

Another 'member request' was for more competitions off different tee sets as part of the same comp. The gents will be trialling this in the Midweek Medal on Thursday, 26th May, with players having the choice of playing off the yellow tees (as specified in the fixture book) or the red tees. If successful, similar comps will be held.

A new event this year is the inaugural 'Golden Oldie' Trophy being held on Thursday, 19th May. This is a comp 'sponsored' by Roy and Pat Fisher and is especially for those members who are 75 and over. There are plenty of spaces left at the moment.

The Captain's away day (the Welsh Wanderers) is also this month on Sunday the 22nd at Denbigh Golf Club. Please book online and once you have done so, please select your choice of meal from the options that are displayed on a sheet behind the bar. We can probably accommodate 80 players based on the tee times we have been allowed to reserve.

Finally, commiserations to Lyndon Lockett and Paul Smith who, following a very good win in the first round, were knocked out of the Daily Mail Foursomes by a very strong Padeswood and Buckley pair in the second round.

LADIES COMPETITIONS

The Ladies' golfing season has got off to a great start, with many more ladies playing in the competitions than we have seen in the past. It is good to see so many less experienced players and new members joining in, and achieving some amazing scores!!

In the Wales Golf Challenge Bowls Competition, Felicity Hughes won the Silver Division and Annie Hughes the Bronze. They will both go on to represent MGC at the Wales Area Finals at Abergele on 16th June, 2022. The 2021 Medal Winner, Elaine Fisher and Runner-up, Suzanne Davies, will also represent Mold in the Wales Golf Medal Area Final, at Abergele on the same day. We wish them all the best of luck, and hope they enjoy the day.

The Knockout competitions are now in full swing. Congratulations to the Mold Ladies Annodata Team, who won their 1st round match against Eaton Golf Club, and also to the Laird Team who won their first match of the season against Old Padeswood. Good luck to all teams in future rounds.

Congratulations also to Rosie Gayle and Anita Palfreyman on winning the Australian Spoons Competition. They will now represent Mold in the Wales Final of the Australian Spoons at Llanishen Golf Club on the 15th September.

*Merv Davies / Sue Rishworth
(Competitions), Dewi Ingman / Sue Tyson
(Handicaps).*

SHORT COURSE UPDATE



The short course is bedded in nicely now and we plan to open it in half term at the end of May / beginning of June. We are in talks with Wales Golf and the Welsh Government who wish to attend an official opening as we will be the first course in Wales to complete and open a Curtis Cup Legacy Short Course. More details to follow as soon as we have an opening date. With thanks to our Head Pro Craig and Head Greenkeeper Colin for designing and developing the course.

COURSE SAFETY REMINDER

Please always shout fore if your ball is flying anywhere near another player or group of players and always ensure the group ahead are out of range before playing. As always if your ball leaves the boundary of the course or causes any damage within the boundary, please always report incidents to the Manager. It is important that we are aware of and keep a record of them. Thank you.

Seniors News



Now that the summer golf season has started, the Seniors are enjoying a busy and varied schedule both home and away. One of the `majors', The Camrose Trophy (4BBB) has been held and proved a closely fought contest with Tony Lee and J Mike Jones scooping the prize with 45 points on the back three from Ray Dootson and John Danes who pipped Martyn Scholes and Dave Faulkner on the back 6. The Centenary Trophy (Individual Stableford) held in May is another highlight Seniors look forward to. The Ken Rudd Trophy will be competed for at the Exchange Day with Oswestry this month. The team so far are having a modest season, they have played six



Phill Lloyd - Seniors Chairman and new member "buddy"

matches, winning three, drawing one and losing two. The latest versus Chester was a 6-2 win for Mold. The Seniors will also be playing in The Union of Flintshire Seniors 4BBB at St Melyd Golf Club.

Thank you very much to Seniors Chairman Phill Lloyd who has been acting as a `buddy' for new members and has been taking members on the course to mark a card for handicap or generally familiarise with the course and the Club.

If you would like to join the Seniors or would like a `buddy' to help get you playing or get a handicap, please contact the Club office and we can put you in touch:

info@moldgolfclub.co.uk
01352 741513 ext.2.

Pictured left are MGC seniors *Lenny Keig, Chris Davies, Martyn Scholes and Peter Kime*



Captains' Charity News

Our Captains Garry Davies and Suzanne Cheatle have been busy raising money for their chosen charities North East Wales Search & Rescue (NEWSAR) and the Neuro Therapy Centre in Saltney.

Mr Captain (and his wife Sheila) made up a lovely hamper for Easter including a fabulous knitted golfer, which was won by Tommy Fairbrother (pictured right). A total of £259 was raised so thank you to everyone who bought tickets.



Thank you also to everyone who came along to the shopping and wellness evening in support of the Captains' charities. There were lots of lovely stalls and approximately £450 was raised. Well done to Lady Captain for organising it and thank you to the stall holders and the willing helpers on the night.

QUIZ NIGHTS

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GOLF ACADEMY

It's been another really busy start to the season for the golf academy. Our new2golf, back2golf and junior academy initiatives are up and running with record numbers. We have now opened a reserve list for more new2golf groups to start in the summer, so please spread the word and tell anyone interested to get in touch if they would like to give golf a try.

Our new, upgraded indoor Trackman studio is proving a big hit with members and visitors alike with some great feedback coming in. Combine this with our existing practice facilities and the soon to open long game shelter, we will be spoilt for choice.

Our Assistant Professional Steven Wilson is continuing to build a good student base and we really appreciate your support in helping us establish two PGA coaches here at Mold Golf Club. Let's hope we can continue to build on this for the long term.



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Proshop

We currently have a clearance clothing rack and shoes available at up to 50% off as we make way for more 2022 products.

The Proshop is well stocked with new products arriving each week at internet prices. We also offer a price match guarantee so our prices cannot be beaten.

We offer an in-house custom fit service so if you are considering new clubs please get in touch for a free Trackman fitting.

As always please let us know if there is anything you require that we don't currently have in-store as we have access to all of the world's leading golf brands through our retail partner, Foregolf Chester.

Craig Tudor
PGA Head Professional



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