



Serlby Park Golf Club

"The most important shot in golf is the next one"
- Hogan B.

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The Club

Happy New Year to you and your families I think we can all agree that 2018 was a very testing one. With several changes occurring throughout the year within the club, we must now go forward into 2019 embracing this change and reap the rewards that the change will undoubtedly bring to our club.

On behalf of all our members, I would like to welcome our new bar manager, Claire Hawkins, to the club. Claire joined us in November and I'm sure we can all agree we're looking forward to seeing her friendly face behind the bar for many years to come.



We will unfortunately lose some members at the end of 2018 but hopefully we will also recruit some new members in 2019 to the club, I'm sure as you always do make new members feel welcome to Serlby Park Golf Club.

As a club we will always face challenges, no club is any different. I'd like to emphasise just how much I personally, and the committee members, will always try to improve the golf club to put it in the

best position that it can be, as I feel this is the least that our loyal members deserve.

A club not only grows, but also survives, solely through its members, and because of that, I'm happy to announce that the club is offering a new promotion. If a current member introduces a new member, then the current member will receive £50's worth of bar vouchers to spend at the club.

Moving into 2019, as social media is such a massive part of our everyday lives, we will be looking into regularly utilising Facebook and Twitter to firstly promote our club in general, but also to promote the events that are happening here, whether that be with members, other clubs, or visitors. If you are on Facebook/Twitter, please find us and give the club a Like/Follow.

I hope that 2019 is a prosperous year for all!

Thank you all for your support to Serlby Park Golf Club

Thanks,

Stuart Sugden

Chairman

The Course

As we are all aware the course was not up to the standard it should be for the 2nd half of 2018. We are now putting a lot of time and effort into rectifying this and believe come spring our hard work in doing this will have the course back up to the standard it should be. The main cause in the poor conditions of the greens during this period was



the sprinkler system had not been maintained sufficiently and has needed a lot of repairs. These repairs have now been carried out.

We are half way through winter and still carrying out tasks from the winter program. You will hopefully have noticed that a lot of work has gone into clearing areas around trees hopefully speeding up play by reducing time spent looking for balls and hopefully holes are now more aesthetic.

I hear members venting their frustration with the course, which I accept there are improvements that can be made but I would like members to also take some responsibility for their own course. As it is currently winter the conditions we experience are ones that produce more pitchmarks and divots than any other time in the year. I would ask that members please repair pitchmarks on greens, replace divots in the fairways and rough, and use the soil in boxes at the sides of tees to fill in divots created on tees.

I would also ask that trolleys are kept away from around the greens and players adhere to signs and the ropes directing you away from the greens. Some would call this laziness by not adhering to this but lets just call it being efficient. Being efficient in this case will have negative effects on the course which come spring and summer im sure I will hear about so please can you look after the course this winter to reap the benefits in the spring/summer.

Thanks

Glyn Davies

Greens Chairman

Social

The House Committee would like to thank everyone for their support throughout 2018. The year was a bit hit and miss. We had a successful party in the park but towards the end of the year we had to cancel a couple of events and a couple of events were not well supported.

Thanks to all members and friends who attended the Xmas carols on 16th December. A good time was had by all with entertainment again from Harworth Brass band.

Children's party 8th December- 12 children attended along with accompanying adults. Father Xmas was played by Nicky Landells. The house committee will be looking for a volunteer for Father Xmas next year. Nicky's grandson, Rocco, said to "Father Xmas", "you look like my grandad". Obviously, Nicky can no longer do it. The party was a success and the children enjoyed the entertainment.

Thank you to everyone who had a go on the Xmas raffle, we raised £186 for the club.

Hopefully 2019 will be a better year for our social events. We have a new bar manager, Claire who we will be liaising with to try and produce more appealing events to members and their family and friends. Our aim is for you all to enjoy the events while supporting the club at the same time.

If anybody has any ideas of functions/events that we could put on then please let Nicky Landells, the House Chairman or Stuart Sugden know. The house committee are here to make the events as enjoyable as possible for you all.

Future Social Events

The next event that will be happening is a race night on Saturday 19th January. This event is now full, thanks for your support to the club and it should be an enjoyable night for all.

Keep an eye out for details of the next social event at the club which will be 'Valentines Night' on Saturday 16th February. Details to be posted around the clubhouse.

As most will be aware we have had a new coffee machine since October. All money taken goes directly to the golf club

Winter Bar Opening Times (October to March) these hours will be evaluated as the year unfolds

Closed Mondays



Tue, Wed, Thur, and Fri 11 - 4pm

Sat Sun 11 – 5pm

Summer Bar Opening Times (April to September)

Closed Mondays

Tue Wed Thur Fri 11-6pm

Sat Sun 11-7pm

Thanks

The House Committee

Gents

Thanks to all members that took part in the competitions throughout 2018. Last year saw the introduction of the men's Saturday Summer League and the Sunday Medal Championship which has a similar format to the race to Dubai on the Men's European Tour and the Fed Ex Cup on the Men's PGA Tour. Both of these will continue to be part of the men's competitions going forward.

2019 will see the introduction of a new competition called the Serlby 6's. This will be a betterball matchplay competition played over 2 days. The 1st day will be groups where matches against other pairs are played over 6 holes. The 2nd day will be knockout against other pairs again over 6 holes. Each day should see every pair play a total of 18 holes (3x6 holes). More details for the Serlby 6s will be released nearer the time of the competition.

2018 saw Serlby enter a team into the national Tasker's competition. This competition raises money for Junior Golf in our area. Details for the competition can be found on the following website. <https://interclub.org.uk/>. This is open for anybody to enter a team, if you are wanting to enter a team please advise the competition secretary.

Competition Winners in December

Sunday Medal No.3 - Martyn Gee with a nett 62

Thursday Medal - Dave Trotter with a nett 68.

Yellow Tee Stableford – John Hovell with 39 points

Captains Texas Scramble – Andy Pugsley, Geoff Cooke, Andy Rowley, and Ian Edwards

3 Man Shotgun – Jimmy Wren, John Clarke, and Nicky Landells

Winter League No.7 Betterball – David Speedie and Ryan Croasdale with 42 points.

Winter League No.8 Betterball – James Rickard and John Clarke with 42 points.

The winter League now moves into the knockout stage in January with the below pairs qualifying in the below positions.

1st – Andy Oates and Tim Sheppard

2nd – David Speedie and Ryan Croasdale

3rd – Martyn Gee and Andy Rowley

4th – Phil Bennett and J Bennett

5th – Ian Edwards and Chris Finley

6th – Steve Fretwell and John Shields

7th – Ron Ashcroft and Stuart Ashcroft

8th – Makenzie Tomlinson and Graham Nugent

Congratulations to the 8 pairs in the Winter League that have qualified through to the knockout stages. A Reminder that quarter final matches need to be played by the end of January.

Thank you to all participants in the Captains Comps during the last month. Its good to see members playing even when the weather is not the best and supporting the club in the clubhouse.

Future Competitions



Rum and Coffee – Sunday 6th January
Sunday Medal No.4 - Sunday 13th January
Capt's Competition - Sunday 20th January
Tigers V Rabbits – Saturday 26th January
Whiskey Galore – Sunday 3rd February
Sunday Medal No.5 – Sunday 10th February
Capt's Champagne Breakfast – Sunday 24th February

As a committee we want as many people as possible to take part in competitions and to enjoy these competitions so if anybody has any suggestions to improve the competitions we have such as alterations to existing competitions or additional competitions then pass them onto Mick Hynes, the Comps Secretary or a member of the comps committee

Thanks

The Comps Committee

Ladies

The ladies section would like to welcome Claire, the new bar manager.

Ladies Xmas lunch last month was provided by Jaysters from Bawtry and was enjoyed by all.

Competitions in December

December Medal was won by Pam Rogerson with net 76

Turkey Trot was won by Bev Taylor with 33 points.

Congratulations to both Pam and Bev

Future Competitions

Saturday Medal – Sat 5th January

Tuesday Medal – Tue 8th January
Roll Up Comp – Tue 15th January
Roll Up Comp – Tue 22nd January
Roll Up Comp – Tue 29th January

Seniors

The Seniors Section would like to welcome Claire, the new bar manager to the club.

Results

Thursday 6th December 2018. Shotgun Texas Scramble followed by Christmas Lunch. The winners were Joe Fretwell, Tom Strong, John Clarke, and David White

The golf was followed by a most enjoyable 2 course Christmas lunch. In addition to the 36 golfers, 11 non-golfers joined us for lunch (unfortunately Joe Thomas was unwell and not able to attend; get better soon Joe). I have to say a very big thank you to everyone who attended and made the day such a great success. Everyone seems to thoroughly enjoy the Texas Scramble format and the meal, prize giving and raffle seemed to be a big success. Many thanks in particular to Ron and Shirley Ashcroft who helped me on Wednesday setting up the tables etc. for the lunch and to Greg Wood and his catering staff and Claire Hawkins behind the bar who ensured the after golf part of the day went incredibly well. Thank you also to everyone who donated one of the numerous raffle prizes and bought raffle tickets (the raffle managed to raise £160 for the Seniors Section funds) and to Ralph Davenport for running the raffle.

Thursday 13th December 2018 YT Stableford
Won by John Hovell with 39 points

Thursday 27th December 2018. Thursday Medal
Won by Dave Trotter with a net 68

Upcoming



Thursday 10th January 2019. YT Stableford £3.00 per player. Results count towards the Seniors' 2019 Eclectic Competition.

Thursday 17th January 2019. 9 Hole Stroke Play Competition (or 18 hole Non-Competition). 8.15 a.m. start. £1.50 per player. The 9 hole, stroke play competition based on full handicap will be over the front nine holes. A player may play 9 or any number of holes over 9 but the front nine will be those that count for the competition. A draw for partners will be made in the clubhouse at 8.15 a.m. on the day. **Please ensure you have arrived by 8.15 a.m. if you wish to play in the competition.** For anyone playing only the 9 hole competition (or maybe a few over the 9), it is suggested that you tee off after those playing 18 holes (make your own draw arrangements) so that all players can gather in the club house at a similar time for the presentation of prizes.

Thursday 24th January 2019. Individual Stableford Competition. 8.00 a.m. start. £1.50 per player. Individual stableford competition using full club handicap. A draw for partners will be made in the clubhouse at 8.15 a.m. on the day. Please ensure you have arrived by 8.15 a.m. if you wish to play in the competition.

Thursday 31st January 2019. Thursday Medal £3.00 per player. Results count towards the Seniors' 2019 Top Dog & Eclectic Competitions.

Tuesday Afternoons from about 12.15 p.m. Several seniors gather to play 9, 10, 12 or 15 holes after the Ladies have finished their rounds. Any other seniors wishing to join this informal gathering are welcome.

Juniors

We currently have 9 juniors at the club. We will always welcome junior members to the club. Junior Membership is £55 for the year.

November 2018 Serlby Park Golf Club welcomed 60 school children from Redland School in Worksop with whom we are working with to develop a close

relationship as well as introducing golf into the Redlands School.

Junior sessions are to take place with a Golf professional Beth at Serlby Park Golf Club on Saturday mornings Starting 12th of January 2019 between 10 am, all ages and playing levels welcome.

Other News

The golf club are actively seeking new sponsors for our new tee boards which contain the hole info, e.g hole number, par, Stroke Index etc. There are also other sponsorship opportunities, if you are interested in sponsoring the golf club or know of someone/a company that might be please get in touch with the Chairman, Stuart Sugden.