

GENTS NEWSLETTER (Captain's Blog) (May 2019)

The Gents Outing this year was to Bellingham on Saturday 11 May and a small but select band of 14 keen golfers set off early to deepest Northumberland. There was a threat of showers but happily none materialised and we were treated to a hidden gem in the Northumberland National Park.



Stuart Frizzel sends another drive straight down the middle!



Bellingham Clubhouse and 18th green



Motley crew on the 1st Tee

The format was stableford and the Captain came in first with 38 points a score that would not be surpassed by those following. Second placed, one point behind, was Roy Barrie and 3rd was Georg Klein who scored 36 points. Nearest the Hole was won by David Shiel who we hear got thirsty on his way home and polished off his liquid prize (with a little help from his friends). Michael Ovens took the Longest Drive award and John McGowan enjoyed the “Special Prize” but we won’t go into that! The team prize was awarded to Stuart Frizzel, Paul Crookshanks and Georg Klein. I hope they enjoyed the course because they won a four ball back to Bellingham! Many thanks to Roy for transporting the merry men in the bus – at least they were merry by the time they got back in the late evening after visiting a few watering holes. Thank you to Paul for his photographs from the day.

The very next day the Marjoribanks Mixed Open was played in glorious sunshine. Congratulations to Susan and John Donoghue who won with a net 68, Sammy Barrie and Mark Beavon who were only one shot of the pace and in 3rd place came Rose and Brian Thorburn. The scratch prize was won by Roy Barrie and Margaret Allen. It was good to see the clubhouse full of golfers so many thanks to the Marjoribanks family for their continued support for this fixture.

Keep in touch by looking at the Notice Board and don’t forget to let your wider family know about Junior Coaching on Mondays between 4 and 5 pm. Also, for your diary we have a special Family Fun afternoon on Monday 3rd June 2.30-5.00 pm. We are looking for some helpers even for an hour to maybe golf with some adults, serve juice, help police kid’s games etc details from Anne Forrest.

Finally, I would draw your attention to the Captain’s Prize Day – details on the poster in the Clubhouse. Don’t miss out on this full day of golf at your local club.

If you have any issues or you just want a chat, I can be reached on 07768013621.

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