

WISHAW GOLF CLUB

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March

The time has come for me to say farewell (sad face!). I have enjoyed my time and the Club has really progressed.

Looking forward we're setup for another fantastic year and I thank Richard and Joe for their invaluable help and support. Good luck both, I wish you every success with Wishaw Golf Club (2023) Ltd.

Introduction

First of all I hope you've found these updates interesting!

Along with the V1 App, social media and return of the Quarterly newsletter, the club is getting information out in different ways now.

We also have a more familiar looking club schedule now across the year. Which is important moving forwards. Unfortunately we didn't quite get the new summer league format to work but we will try again next summer.

I've been keen that players have more opportunities to represent the Club in Team play - and your support has made that successful. On the back of this the Club is also launching a new team shirt.

Getting to know more of our members this year has been a highlight and it's also been a real privilege to represent the Club away from Wishaw.

Many **thanks to our owners** for their **guardianship and continued investment**. You only have to look around to see the progression at the Club. Indeed the new season looks set to be another good one, as developments continue.

Diary Dates

01-Mar-2023

Live Music Night (Wed)

07-Mar-2023

The Club's 27th AGM (Tue)

17-Mar-2023

Quiz Night (Fri)

26-Mar-2023

Present & Past Captains Trophies (Sun)

01-Apr-2023

Club Presentations Evening & Handover

(Sat) 7 pm start

2 course meal

Tickets: £16 pp

Book at the Clubhouse bar

On the Course

Not long now before we see the changes start to settle in on the 3rd hole and the completion of the new back tee on the 4th.

Some of you will also have seen the considerable effort made by the greens staff to repair the back of the 10th tee -

The bunkers have been treated to new sand and the right-side bunker on the 9th should benefit from new drainage construction. Those with keen eyes will also have noticed that many of the old metal red stakes have been swapped out for newer versions and that the yardage markers have been repainted and the area around them trimmed. Keeping these clear and keeping the lines for penalty areas and GUR etc. repainted are high on the list for the new season. I should also note that the club is in receipt of a new John Deere greens mower. Richard will be more than happy to describe the model and operation!

Off the Course

The club prepares for the year ahead under the new company. Look out for more on this but you will see that renovation work inside the clubhouse continues, as does work outside the clubhouse to extend the existing patio and re-site the hut.

Live music night, March 1st

The first of these events to return since “lockdown” was a great success.

A good band and a bowl of curry, what's not to like! We also held a Club draw on the night - promoting the golf shop's new partnership with Titleist and Footjoy (congratulations to **Nigel Fincher** and his new friend Scottie Cameron!). Hopefully we can look forward to more social events returning. I know it's something Richard is particularly keen on.

Club AGM, March 7th

Thank you to those who were in attendance. The minutes will be made available to all.

Quiz night, March 17th

These nights remain extremely popular. Thank you to our Chairman, **Paul Baker** for all the work he puts into organising them (I think he secretly loves being master of ceremony!).

Presentations & Handover, April 1st

Don't forget to book tickets for the evening, where we celebrate your achievements and welcome your incoming Captains and Vice Captains.

Committees

You may be aware that the club has a number of sub-committees that feed the main Members Club Committee.

Interested members can participate in some of these - it's an excellent way to find out more about the club and how it runs. Please let us know if you'd like more information on this. Personally I'd like to thank **Billy Simpson** and **Neil Bould** for the time and effort they've put in for the **Greens** and **Handicaps/Competitions** sub-committees (respectively). Great job guys.

Club Teams

It is my pleasure to announce our new Team captains for 2023:

Nathan Barratt, Scratch Team Captain 2023,

Martyn Siviter, West Midlands League Team Captain 2023.

Jason Allen, Club B Team Captain 2023.

Nathan, 'Taffy' and Jason are very popular members within the club and I know how keen they are on their new appointments. I have no doubt that they and their teams will be successful (and of course they will be looking good in their new team shirts!).

Congratulations and good luck gentlemen.

Greenkeepers

It was great to see Simon, Stuart, Dean and Rob again, at another Club AGM. It gave me chance to thank them properly for their work during the lockdown periods and through the last 12 months. Fantastic effort gents.

In Closing

Thank you **Ladies Captain Sue** and **Vice-Captain Darren** for your support over the year. Best wishes to our **incoming captains Darren, Margaret, Rob and Sam**.



And a final **thanks everyone** for your **amazing support** for our Charity.

Happy golfing
