St. Melyd Golf Club

NEWSLETTER

JUNE/JULY 2025



Wow, the golf season is now in full flow, club competitions, open days and charity events have showcased our special and unique club.

The end of May saw the Ladies Open Competition which was very well attended. Members of the Men's Senior Section helped to man The Centenary Bar and provide refreshments for all the competitors. The highlight of the day was our very own Lady Captain Lesley Williams achieving a Hole in One on the 17th.



Congratulations Lady Captain on your 1st Hole in One



The following day St. Melyd hosted a charity AMAM golf day. A total of 25 teams took part in the event which was played in glorious weather. Dave Evans headed a committee which helped organise an outstanding day. The monies raised were split between two charities this year, Parkinsons UK and Mr Captain's charity, Alzheimer's Society. A total of £7640 was raised on the day with each charity receiving a cheque for £3820.

Kerry McKie from Parkinsons UK and Andrew Hall from the Alzheimer's Society are presented with their cheques by the organising committee. Many thanks to all the sponsors, participants and prize donations.

After a very busy May, the month of June started off with Lady Captain's Day on Thursday June 5th. The day was won by Susan Thomas and the prizes were presented in the evening at Lady Captain's dinner.



The Captain's Competition for seniors was also held in June and over 30 players took part in the competition. Frank Hammerton was the overall winner. The seniors host their Open Day at St Melyd on Wednesday 20th August.



Captain v Vice Captain took place on a sunny Friday evening in June with 40 players playing in a nine hole competition. It was great to see everyone staying behind after the competition to enjoy drinks on the patio and socialise.





Flintshire Ladies Past Captains was another event held at St Melyd in June and our very own Susan Thomas and Debbie Harper were the top pair on the day. Congratulations!

The ladies' section have also been very busy playing matches home and away. Pictured are the team who won the home match against Hawarden.



The first Saturday in July was Captain's Day and the weather thankfully stayed dry. The course was in excellent condition thanks to all the hard work carried out by Dylan and Conor in the runup to the competition. Over 90 players took part in the 18 hole Stableford competition. Tom Anwyl was the overall winner with a very respectable 42 points. Susan Thomas won The Captain's Prize for Ladies.





A big thank you to all the volunteers and staff who worked so hard to make the day run smoothly. We were also very lucky to have Chris Porteous and his camera to record the day as he accompanied our greenkeeper Dylan and special guest Peter Ellard around the course. Thank you Chris.

















Bar & Catering



5 STAR HYGIENE RATING



We are delighted to report that The Paddock has regained it's 5-star hygiene rating. Congratulations to Debbie, Chris and all the catering staff who have worked very hard over the past few months to achieve the highest rating.

A new menu is now available and has proved popular with members and visitors.

PARTY IN THE PADDOCK

Tickets are now on sale for our annual Party in The Paddock. An exciting line up of music acts will entertain the crowds on Saturday August 2^{nd} at St Melyd.

If you buy your tickets before the 14^{th} July members are £8 per ticket, non-members £12.

After 14th July tickets are £10 for members and £15 for non-members.







Our next Bistro Night will be held on Friday 25th July. Bookings are now being taken as spaces are limited. Please call 01745 886546 to reserve your table.

News from the Board

It was reported that membership continues to increase especially with younger members. The problem of visitors not paying was discussed. It was proposed that more spot checks be carried out on the course especially on weekday evenings and Sundays. A sign is to be displayed on the information board by the 1st tee with a QR code to enable visitors to pay green fees online when the office and bar may be closed.

On course maintenance was also discussed with repair work to the nets on the 4^{th} tee discussed. A sign is also to be displayed on the tee to ask players to "Respect our Neighbours"

The board also agreed to purchase some essential equipment for the kitchen and bar including a new glasswasher and oven.

The upcoming Party in The Paddock was also discussed at length and an action plan drawn up for the setup of the event.



Greens News

Dylan and Conor have been working very hard to get the course ready for the summer. The program of works set out by Dylan and the Green's Committee has resulted in the course looking it's best. New paths have been laid by the 7^{th} and 2^{nd} tees.

The practice putting green was opened temporarily but still needs to mature. Core samples were taken of the practice green and of the main greens and all came back with very positive results.











Dylan & Conor enjoying a well deserved drink after a hard week getting the course ready. A big thank you also to the volunteers who have been planting and tending the flower beds around the clubhouse and patio.