



# PPGC NEWS

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### YOUR MONTHLY PPGC NEWSLETTER

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#### Season's Greetings and Thanks



We would like to take the opportunity to wish all our Members a very merry Christmas and a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Also, as the year draws to an end perhaps it's also time to reflect on the support and input PPGC has once again had from 1Life Leisure. A big 'Thank You' then to 1Life. We golfers don't always appreciate that Dave Pugh et al continue to back us whenever possible and without 1Life there may not be a PPGC.

Big thanks also to Chris Bedford and his Greenkeeping staff for their hard work and Elaine O'Donnall and her loyal Team for putting up with us without ever complaining (well not much anyway!).

Well done to everyone who won something this year; whether it was a cup, vase, trophy, plate, medal or just a voucher and long may the great and (usually) friendly competitiveness continue and flourish.

#### In An Emergency

Bernard Wood raised a Health & Safety issue recently, hence: In case of a medical emergency out on the golf course save valuable time by phoning the Leisure Centre direct on

**01905 457189**

where First Aid trained personnel have access to emergency equipment.

Please put the above phone number into your mobile - just in case!

#### Bad Practice - Kick The Habit!

PGA Golf Pro, Mark Woodward, has requested that players refrain from removing balls from the holes using the blade of a putter.



This is an unacceptable and potentially damaging habit. Those who do it - please stop - those that don't do it be vigilant and politely point out that the practice should stop!!

#### You know who you are!!

The following retrieval devices are acceptable :



#### Captain's Message

A few words from Jamie Newton.

#### Bad Practice

A bad habit to stamp out on the greens

#### Rules Quiz



R & A Golf Rules explored with Geoff Nunney - how knowledgeable are you?

#### Presentation Evening Update

Food, wine, silverware and fun. How did it go?

#### Winter Greens

Always a moot subject but a necessary evil

#### Listening To Members

A response to Health and safety issues raised in general discussion

#### Golf Shop Sale

Now on!! Grab a bargain - don't miss out

## Captain's Message

When I took the position of Club Captain little did I know of what was actually entailed; it certainly has been a challenge for me but one that I've thoroughly enjoyed. The hard work and stress were rewarded with great performances by our teams in both the Handicap League, where we had our best ever season, and the Wyvern Cup which we won.



*Jamie proudly holding aloft the prestigious Wyvern Cup*

I am extremely proud of the players and equally proud of the way PPGC is progressing. Yes, there have been a few trials and tribulations along the way but hopefully everything has been to everyone's satisfaction.

We have had a few new Members join the Club already this year but we still need to spread the word that our Club is a worthy and rewarding Club to be associated with.

My thanks then to everyone involved in the running of this great Club and to all Members who together make this the (golfing) place to be.



*The 12<sup>th</sup> In Autumn - Nice!!*

Now let's keep on pushing for bigger and better things as we move into a new year of competitions and challenges. Thank you all - you make me so proud to represent you.

Jamie

## This Month's Competitions



### WEDNESDAYS

03<sup>rd</sup> Turkey Trot (shotgun start)  
10<sup>th</sup> Bonus Stableford  
17<sup>th</sup> Texas Scramble

### SATURDAYS

06<sup>th</sup> Winter League Rd3  
13<sup>th</sup> Charity Par Comp (shotgun start)  
20<sup>th</sup> Medal  
27<sup>th</sup> Stableford

To enter a competition after the closing date or to cancel your entry call the club mobile on

**07925 276 097**



## 2014 Presentation Evening

I think it's true to say the evening went off pretty well and we have Collis Fisher to thank for his hard work; arranging the venue and meal etc, the entertainment, the preparation work required to get all the 'silverware' ready and 'on site' and much more.

A reasonable turn-out, most bringing along 'other halves', tucked-in and imbibed and made merry (some more than others - **Steve!!**). No animals or children were hurt at this event and most merry-makers made it home without incident (as far as we know!).



## Winter Greens

Now that the winter greens have been marked out ready for use please avoid walking on them, treat them as GUR and take appropriate relief; look after them now and they'll be all the better if or when they have to come into play.

Please respect our greens (temporary and main) and tees during the winter months and understand the need to preserve course condition for next season.

## Golf Sale Now On

With Christmas just a few days away, why not take timely advantage of Mark Woodward's Golf Sale in the Golf Shop. -

## Rules Corner

Geoff Nunney asks :

Question 1.

In a stroke play competition A,B and C were drawn by the committee to play together starting at 09.00 am.

A & B were present at the appointed time. C arrives at 09.04 am, after A & B had teed off, but just in time to play in the correct order. What is the ruling?

- a) No penalty is incurred
- b) C is disqualified
- c) C incurs a penalty of 2 strokes.

Question 2.

A player's ball is unplayable behind a tree and so he drops the ball, under penalty of one stroke, two club lengths not nearer the hole. The ball rolls back into the same unplayable lie as it originally lay. What is the ruling?

- a) The player can re-drop without penalty
- b) The player must play the ball as it lies
- c) The player may play the ball as it lies or take another penalty drop for an unplayable lie.

Answers in Issue 3