

# Stoneleigh Deer Park Golf Club

Warwickshire's Hidden Gem



## Newsletter for Stoneleigh Ladies



Welcome to this first Stoneleigh Ladies newsletter of 2019. This is the Committee's way of keeping in regular communication with the Ladies who are members at Stoneleigh Deer Park Golf Club. Ladies currently have weekly allocated tee times on Tuesdays and Sundays on the main course but can obviously book at other

times, and we hope this newsletter reaches you all.

If you have any comments on, or content for, the newsletter, please contact Alison Chappell (Vice Captain, 2019) at [chappell\\_alison@hotmail.com](mailto:chappell_alison@hotmail.com)

Happy reading!

*The 2019 Committee*

### CAPTAIN'S UPDATE

A warm welcome to Stoneleigh Ladies Section from my committee and myself.

I have been a member of this golf course for many years and enjoy



Linda Johnson,  
Ladies Captain  
2019/20

this beautiful course with its many varied and challenging holes

I'm looking forward to an exciting year ahead, with lots of competitions and social activities. This year, I'm delighted that we'll be raising funds for the **Coventry Macular Society**. Whether you're a Par 3, a 5-day or a 7-day member, I look forward to meeting you over the year.

*Linda*

## Dates for your diary

### MAY

4, 5, 7	Ladies Medal
9	Stags & Ladies Am Am
11 & 12	Captains Day - Yellow Ball
13	League Match vs. Hearsall (home)
18, 19, 21	Ladies Stableford
25, 26, 28	Charles Heeley Competition / Ladies Stableford
31	Fun Par Three competition with Social

### JUNE

1 & 2	Carrick Cup
8, 9, 11	Ladies Ping Competition
14	League Match vs. Edgbaston (home)
15, 16, 18	Ladies Medal
22, 23	Marge Morgan Texas Scramble
25	Ladies Wimbledon Day
28, 29	Ladies Stableford / Palmares & Members Greensomes

## News from the Committee

The first Ladies Committee meeting will be on **Tuesday 7 May 2019**.

We will provide regular updates on matters that are discussed at the committee, but if you have anything that you think the committee should consider, please contact Linda Johnson (Captain, 2019/20) on 07812051447

**The 2019/20 Committee is:**

**Captain:** Linda Johnson

**Past Captain:** Maureen Pearson

**Vice Captain:** Alison Chappell

**Secretary:** Rose Walker

**Treasurer:** Ann Lloyd

**County Delegate/Handicap Secretary:** Alison Chappell

**Par Bar:** Vicky Jamieson

**Fundraising:** Barbara Burton

**Social/Welfare:** Barbara Kenny

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## Competition information

Most of the Ladies competitions can be played either on Saturday, Sunday or Tuesday – dates are shown overleaf or on the Club's website diary pages (top right hand corner of the home page). **Medal and Stableford** competitions cost £3 entry (£2 for Stableford and £1 for 2's, which is getting a birdie on any Par 3 on the main course).

Other competitions are played throughout the season, sometimes with the rest of the Club (Men's, Stags and Ladies) or sometimes just on Ladies Day, which is Tuesday. Costs vary between £3-5.

**Par Bar** – any Ladies with a handicap of 28 or more, competing in a Tossers (Tuesday only), Medal or Stableford Competition who achieve a par on any hole can record the date and hole on the sheet in the changing rooms and prizes are given at the end of the year to those achieving the greatest number.

**Birdie Tree** – any Ladies competing in a Tossers (Tuesday only), Medal or Stableford Competition who achieve a birdie on any hole can record the date and hole on the sheet in the changing rooms and prizes are given at the end of the year to those achieving the greatest number.

**Eclectic** runs from April to September and costs £3 (payable in Pro Shop). Your best score for each hole over the season is recorded from every card you submit (competition or extra day card) and prizes are given for the lowest gross score for 18 holes and the lowest net score. In effect – it's your best round of golf ever!

The **Charles Heeley Competition** is a Stableford Competition that has been run for over 80 years across Warwickshire, Staffordshire and Worcestershire. This year the competition is being organised by Little Aston Golf Club in Streetley. Funds are being raised for Midlands Air Ambulance. Each participating club organises a qualifying Stableford Competition and the best Stableford scores from Category A (0-20 handicap) and Category B (21-36 handicap) are invited to participate in the finals day at Little Aston Golf Club on Monday 2 September to play for the Charles Heeley Challenge Bowl. Entry fees are £2, and any additional donations that are gratefully received will go to the charity. Our qualifying competitions will be held on 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, & 28<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

**League Matches** are played, usually on weekdays, against other clubs. Players play to a handicap of 30 or less. Please contact Linda Johnson if you would like to be considered for the League team.

**Texas Scramble, Greensomes and Foursomes** are fun competition formats. In a Texas Scramble, each player hits a tee shot, the best ball is selected for the next shot and all team members play from this spot. The process continues until the hole is played out. A Greensomes format is for four players playing in 2 pairs. Both golfers in a team tee off, the best drive is chosen and the pair plays alternate shots from there. A foursomes format is for four players playing in 2 pairs. One player from each pair is chosen to tee off each odd numbered hole and the other tees off each even numbered hole. After the tee shot, the pair plays alternate shots from there.





## Congratulations

### Daily Mail Foursomes

The Daily Mail Foursomes is a tournament that is now regarded as the greatest amateur golfing event in the world with more than 190,000 players competing in their club qualifying rounds.

Entry is open to members of golf clubs in England, Scotland and Wales, with each club invited to enter one men's pair and one women's pair in the championships.

This year Stoneleigh Ladies put forward **Shirley Proctor & Ann Whitehouse** to play in the 1<sup>st</sup> round, at Stoneleigh Deer Park Golf Club on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. It was a very close game the whole way around, but we're delighted that Shirley & Ann won their match against Whitefields. The 2<sup>nd</sup> round was held on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April at Stoneleigh against a team from Leamington & County. It was a close game all the way around, but unfortunately our Stoneleigh Ladies lost.

Well done, Ladies for a great effort and getting through the first round!

### Ladies Stableford

#### Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April

The top 3 places were decided on count back:

1<sup>st</sup> Place - **Sandra Curtis** 34 points

2<sup>nd</sup> Place - **Cheryl Turner** 34 points

3<sup>rd</sup> Place - **Ann Lloyd** 34 points

The 2's was won by **Shirley Proctor**

### Ladies Medal

#### Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> & Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

##### Division 1

In 1<sup>st</sup> Place was **Shirley Proctor** with a Nett score of 71

In 2<sup>nd</sup> Place with a Nett Score of 77 was **Debbie Smith**

##### Division 2

In 1<sup>st</sup> Place was **Cheryl Turner** with a Nett Score of 73

In 2<sup>nd</sup> Place with a Nett Score of 85 was **Ann Whitehouse**

**Congratulations to all the winners!**

## A new experience – playing in the League.....

On Monday 15 April, seven ladies from Stoneleigh travelled to Leamington & County Golf Club for the first League match of the season. There were four new players in the team, who were a bit nervous about the different format that league matches are played in because they are played as match play competitions.

**Match play** is a scoring system for golf in which a player earns a point for each hole in which they have 'beaten' their opponents (put simply, got the ball in the hole in less strokes, according to handicaps!).

Unfortunately, we lost the match; but well done to Sandra Curtis who drew against her opponent.

The second league game was on Thursday 24 April at Henley. It was full of drama from the outset! At the last minute Di Grover was ill so couldn't play, huge thanks to Jill Perry who stepped in the night before. On the day Shirley came off at the 8th because she felt unwell. A real shame, as she was 1 hole up (i.e. winning by 1 hole) so she was having a good game. Both Sandra and Linda won, and Mel drew; so the overall result was 4.5 to Henley and 2.5 to us.

Thanks to Shirley Procter, Ann Lloyd, Sandra Curtis, Cheryl Turner, Mel Kefford, Debbie Smith, Alison Chappell, Linda Johnson, Jill Perry and Sue Walker for their efforts. Get well soon Shirley & Di.

The next league match is on 13 May at home against Hearsall. Good luck to the team on that day!

## Par 3 Course

One of the great things about Stoneleigh is the Par 3 course, which allows less experienced golfers to learn how to play, as well as those low handicappers to improve their short game. Many lady golfers appreciate the short time it takes to enjoy a round of 9 holes, which they can fit in more easily than the 4 hour 'slog' round the main course!

This course is ideal for bringing in new players to the game, and with the help of **Rob Hunter**, Stoneleigh's pro, we are encouraging new ladies and juniors to learn. Sunday afternoon group lessons are helping players to improve, and the apprenticeship scheme is an ideal way of trying out golf at an affordable cost to see if golf is for you.

Just ring the Pro Shop for details about lessons and the apprenticeship scheme (02476 639991).

Any Ladies reading this who currently play on the par 3 course but would like to try the main course are welcome to contact any of the committee members if they'd like someone to play with!

**Don't forget** the Par 3 fun competition on Friday 31 May. This is usually a great event to meet new players and play sociable golf with a little bit of competition! For more details, ask in the Pro Shop.

## RULES CORNER



If you haven't already realised, 2019 saw the rules of golf change quite significantly. In each edition of the newsletter, we'll highlight some of the key rules, which you should be aware of. If you haven't done so already, why not download the R&A rules of Golf 2019 App and try their 'rules quizzes' or check out their website at:

[www.randa.org/en/rog/2019/pages/resources-centre](http://www.randa.org/en/rog/2019/pages/resources-centre)

### Dropping a ball

#### New Procedure:

The ball must be dropped straight down from knee height (the height of the player's knee when in a standing position)

If you have any rules queries, please let Alison Chappell know and we can try to answer them in the next edition

Ladies tee times are from **10am on Tuesday and Sunday**. Please come along or sign up in the Ladies Changing Room. Please arrive 10 mins before your allotted tee times, and don't go out before your allocated time. If you need to cancel, please contact **Louise in the office (02476 639991)**.