

# **Tee Time Once Again!!**

The course is scheduled to open again from 29 March. It seems to have a long time since we last played but hopefully, this will be the last of the lock-downs provided that we all stick to the rules.



- there are no results to report but lots of information on the plans for future club competitions and news of other happenings that have occurred during the break.

# FOLKE GOLF CENTRE LATEST

The Centre has declared that the Course will be open from Monday 29 March and will operate in accordance with the Government requirements for the second phase of lock-down easements. Charge up your trolley battery and get ready for the tee off but do make sure to abide by the EnglandGolf guidelines. The club-house and catering facilities will remain closed until June. More information on Page 3.

# FOLKE GOLF CLUB

The commencement of weekend and senior mid-week competitions (except for the Tues and Thurs Roll-ups) will remain in abeyance until further notice. Hardy A and Hardy B league matches have been cancelled for the season and the senior and 3 Counties matches are also expected to be cancelled.

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#### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

The usual club week day and weekend competitions are not being held until further notice except for the Tuesday and Thursday roll-ups, summer knockouts, and any ad-hoc weekend or social matches arranged by members. All team matches with other clubs will remain in abeyance but the Hardy A and B matches have all been cancelled. Further information will be posted when available.



#### **COMPETITION ENTRY**

To enter any of the competitions that are posted, you need to contact the organiser (Terry Cotton for Senior events and Derek Hinks for all other events) as shown above as early as possible prior to the event. You can contact them by phone, WhatsApp, email or via the Entry Request Forms on the Special Events, Senior, and Knockout pages of the new web site. The site also gives information on what to do with your cards after the round. The Senior Roll-ups and Thursday medal tee times will be from 8:30 to 9:30 am.

#### SUMMER KNOCKOUTS:

Entries for the 2021 Club, Senior and Veterans Summer Knockout competitions must be received by before the draw that will take place on **15 April**. First round matches for the three events must be completed before **Wed 19 May**. The pairings are jointly responsible for arranging their match prior to the completion date. Contact Derek Hinks to enter any of the knockout competitions using the method described above or via the Entry Request form on the new dedicated Knockout page on the web site. The form can also be used to report the result so that the charts on the web page can be kept up to date

## WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Here are a few notes on things that have been happening during lock-down:

#### **NEW WEB SITE LAUNCHED**

You may have noticed that the web site has been updated to a new sit that is responsive to the size of the viewing media. This should make it easier to use with mobile devices. Other changes to the site include:

- A 'Sticky' Menu bar that stays at the top of the screen when you scroll down the page.
- New forms for submission of Entry Requests and K/O Results.
- A dedicated Knock-out page covering all three competitions. Have a look at the new site and if you have any comments or suggestions just send them to Geoff via a reply to this Newsletter email.



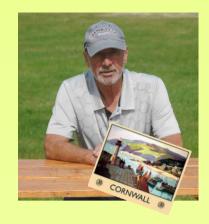


#### **FAREWELL TO KEVIN**

One of our youngest seniors, Kevin Ring, has left us and gone to live in Cornwall. Kevin has been a member of the club for many years and has taken an active part in club activities. We wish him and Alison lots of good luck and happiness in their new home and hope that Kevin will be enjoying birdie hunting on one of the beautiful Cornish courses very soon.

#### THE COMMITTEE

As you can appreciate, we were unable to hold the Annual General Meeting in January as scheduled so the officials for 2021 have not been formally appointed. This means that certain aspects of club administration such the impact of Covid-19 on the membership subscriptions, are yet to be finalised.



However, many of the 2020 committee members have agreed to continue in their role, although there has not much happening given the current lock-down. The sub-committee will continue for the time being but it is hoped that the usual monthly meetings may recommence later in the year as the situation improves. We are still short of volunteers to undertake secretarial activities so anyone willing to lend a hand would be gratefully received.

#### THE CENTRE

#### **COURSE OPENING GUIDELINES**

As a result of the latest Government update the Course will reopen on Monday March 29th. Tee times for up to 4 ball groups must be pre-booked. To pre-book your own tee time call the Centre on 01963 23330 between 9:30 am and 11:00 am on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays. The club house and restaurant will remain closed. The EnglandGolf PlaySafe/Stay Safe guidelines will apply - Social Distancing, Use your own equipment, do not touch anything on the course including flag sticks, wash or sanitize your hands regularly and abide by the rule of six.



Andy, Ernie and Blue have kept busy on the course in preparation for the opening. The greens have been scarified and verti-drained and with regular mowing in great trim ready for March 29.



## AND FINALLY

We hope that you been safe well and sane throughout the lock-down and that you are looking forward to returning to Folke. Spring is here, the course is about to open - what could be better!! We look forward to seeing you very soon.



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