

Batchworth Park News



May 2009

Dates For Your Diary

Wed 27th May—7.45pm
Champions League Final
Man Utd vs. Barcelona
Live on Sky in the Bar

Sat 30th May—3pm
FA Cup Final
Chelsea vs. Everton
Live on ITV in the Bar

**Carling 4 Pint
Pitcher
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Food Specials
also available**

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WATCH THE
GAMES AT YOUR
CLUB!**

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Message from General Manager Glenn Rayner

The Course

I am delighted with the progress Doug our new Course Manager has made. He has had a dramatic impact on the presentation and quality of the course. I have had many positive comments and it is now a course you can be proud to show off to your friends.

Member Feedback

We now have a simple feedback system in place. It's a great way for you to tell us what you think and for us to understand what we need to improve on. You will need to be registered on the Batchworth Park website www.batchworthparkgolfclub.co.uk to be able to register your feedback. We will also send out regular feedback requests via email. I would like to thank the 80 members who replied and will be sharing their comments and our response on the notice board outside my office. I will update this on a monthly basis so please take the time to let us know how you're feeling. Every month one lucky member will be drawn out to receive a nice gift. This month's winner of

£10 worth of range tokens is **Simon Nellist**, congratulations Simon!

4 Hours Please!

We have a speed of play policy of 4.15 hours, I have to say however that because we are a members club that we should all be aiming for 4 hours for 18 holes.

If you have someone in your group who is slow then you must speed them up. We must all take responsibility for our speed of play.

We are committed to presenting the course in its best possible condition. Often we find pitch marks in the greens and bunkers left un-raked, it would be great if all members could ensure that they leave the course in a condition that they would expect to find it.

Happy Golfing

**Glenn Rayner
General Manager**

New Members Golf Night

The club and captain Richard Murray hosted a New Members Golf Night this month, inviting new members along to meet the staff and established members of the club. 9 holes of team golf was followed by food, drink and team prizes. The winning team included Glenn Rayner, Rob Campbell and Arthur Goodhall with 58 points.



May Course Report

Greens

The greens have been fed twice this last month. The 1st application included moss killer. The greens are being cut every day at the height of 4mm, when the weather permits. The greens were hollow cored twice & top dressed twice to improve the putting surface and fill in any scars left on them from the winter season. These operations went as well as they could have and have helped improve our greens. We have also started on our summer verti-cut/top dressing program that will happen every 2 weeks depending on the weather. All green surrounds were fed in the last 6 weeks, We will continue to feed these areas to encourage growth and improve grass coverage.



Approaches

We have fed these at the same time as the green surrounds and have changed the cutting machine and dropped the height. This will quickly improve them, I will look to increase the time spent on the approaches this year to help improve their condition this season and beyond.

Fairways

The fairways are now being cut twice a week. Divoting took place with the help from our senior members on the 8th of April. I would like to thank them again and would hope in future that it is not just left to these members as more hands make lighter work.

ROLL-UP PLAY



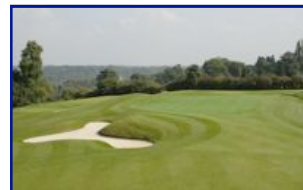
You can now Roll Up & Play from 6.30am until 7.15am,
Tuesday to Friday (9 Holes only) Saturday and Sunday
(18 Holes)

- * BLUE TEES ALLOWED ON ROLL UP WEEKDAYS ONLY
- * YOU MUST BE CLEAR FROM THE 1ST TEE BY 7.15AM
- * PRIORITY IS GIVEN TO GREENKEEPERS AT ALL TIMES
- * NO PLAY IS PERMITTED FROM THE 10TH TEE

If you have any queries regarding the roll up please contact the Pro Shop on 01923 711400.

Tees

Tees are being cut twice a week. We are also divoting tees daily to improve their condition. We have changed the machine cutting them and you will see an improvement this year.

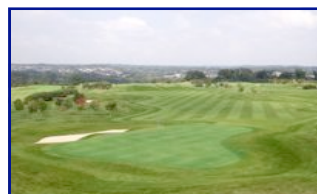


Bunkers

I would like to thank you all once again for your understanding on this matter. It is unfortunate that this carried on so long, we are left with the 16th & 17 of the bunkers on the 17th to finish. These will be completed within the next few weeks.

Rough

We are cutting these very important areas twice a week. We will start topping the long fescue rough and applying the application of herbicide when the weather conditions allow us.



Other areas

The shrubs in the car park have been pruned, the beds have been topped up with bark chips. The bank behind the 11th green will be weeded and tidied once the bluebells have died back. The watering system is now up and running. We have started edging the cart paths and this will be an ongoing matter, the ruts in pathways will be filled and rolled.

Doug McLaren Course Manager



" Dear Lynn & all at Batchworth Park, Thank you so much for making our wedding day so perfect!"

Ian & Esther Blake

" Dear Glenn, Lynn and all the lovely staff, Thank you all for making our day so very special. The meal was excellent, and I know was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you also for the beautiful flower arrangement, a lovely surprise and I am still on a high this morning!"

Ken & Cav Buchanan

We can cater for

Birthday Party
Wedding Anniversary
Private Dinner

Up to 100 people, with prices from only £11.95 per person and with special members rates on room hire it makes sense to hold your function at your club.

Contact Lynn Gething
Food & Beverage Manager on 01923 711400
or email
batchworthpark-fb@crown-golf.co.uk



Congratulations Ben!



Above is our very own Assistant Professional Ben Blank receiving his PGA diploma from Sir Bobby Charlton at the University of Birmingham. 3 years of hard work has finally paid off! (Although he could have smiled for the camera!)

Tuition

Stephen, Jack & Ben are available for 1/2 hour lessons at the following rates:

Stephen - £25 Jack/Ben - £20

Book now at the Pro Shop

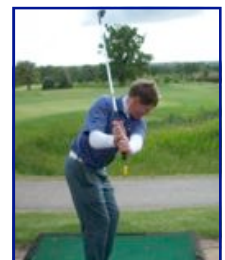
PowerPlay Invitational

The Captain & General Manager PowerPlay Invitational was held on Saturday 16th May and attracted 25 Junior and Adult members to play in a 9 Hole stableford competition. Members had 2 flags to aim for on each green, with double points awarded for net birdies or better when scoring at the PowerPlay flag. Ben Blank also ran a chipping competition from the patio into a paddling pool across the pond behind the 18th green, with proceeds going to the Junior section. The top 3 scores were as follows:

1st Place - Gary Nash 23pts
2nd Place - Paul Driver 22pts
3rd Place - Robbie Johnson / Chris Jones 21pts



2nd Place Paul Driver



Matt Cathcart



Winner Gary Nash receiving his 1st prize of a dozen Srixon Z-Star X Balls

Refer a Friend and Double your Money!

Until 30th June If you refer a friend or friends we will double your levy card gift to **£100!**

This member offer is uncapped i.e. if you refer 4 new members, that's £400 on your levy card and 4 boxes of balls! All you have to do is fill out the details on the reverse of the cards in the bar or at the Pro Shop and hand them into Ross Bargent in the sales office.



Your referral prizes will be rewarded once the membership has been completed.

Subject to Terms & Conditions

MEMBER REFERRAL OFFER



Refer a friend in May & June and receive*

£50 onto your Levy Card and a Box of the New Srixon Z-Star X Golf Balls used by Tour Players Vijay Singh & Henrik Stenson!

See Ross Bargent for further information, call 01923 711400 or email batchworthpark-sales@crown-golf.co.uk

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Crown Golf Assistants PGA Championship

Tuesday 26th May

Come and support Jack teeing off @ 11am!



Last Years Winner Guy Woodman will also be back this year to defend his title, and is teeing it up at the BMW Championship @ Wentworth this week.



Forthcoming Events

Wednesday 27th May - **CHAMPIONS LGE FINAL**

Live on Sky in the Bar - 7.45pm Kick Off

*** 4 PINT CARLING PITCHER ONLY £10! ***

Saturday 30th May - **F.A CUP FINAL**

Live on ITV in the Bar - 3pm Kick Off

*** 4 PINT CARLING PITCHER ONLY £10! ***

Saturday 27th June - **CAPTAINS DAY**

18 Hole Team Stableford Competition, AM & PM Shotgun Start, Lunch & Band - £20 PER TICKET
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Friday 10th July - **COWBOYS & INDIANS GOLF DAY**

18 Hole 4-Ball Matchplay Competition, Indian Buffet and DJ/Disco
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