

# Seniors Newsletter January 2023

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2023.

2022 may have ended with wind, rain and course closures, but overall, the year has been quite kind with warmth and sun well into the autumn. Many thanks to Graham our new course manager who has clearly added something extra to our enjoyment.

We are hoping that the weather will be kind to us on 13 February so that the Bottles Competition can finally be played after 4 washouts.

The fixture list for the Seniors Friendly matches is attached. Please note the date for when the sheet goes up on the notice board. We have 30 matches from 27 March to 17 October. We play 15 clubs home and away. If you play in the first game you will be asked to play in the return fixture. The format is 4BBB with 6 pairs in each team. However, the matches against Salisbury and South Wilts have 7 pairs per team. After the match we change into smart casual for a meal. Last year we had over 50 players representing the club which was an increase on the previous year. We hope to have more of you representing the club this year.

Following responses to last year's questionnaire, we intend to add a 9 hole competition alongside an 18 hole competition. Competitors will either start at the beginning or end of those doing the 18 hole competition. It will help with planning if you can let us know whether you would prefer to play at the beginning or end of the 18 hole competition.

We have begun our matches in the Winter League with a win over Weymouth at home. The return match is at Weymouth on 20 February. The sign-up sheet is on the notice board. Unfortunately, the weather prevented us playing the home match against Canford School so that will have to be re-arranged.

The Seniors Dinner Dance has been arranged for 4 March. This will be a 3 course meal followed by a disco. Cost will be £30 each. The meal will start at 7.30pm. Menu is as follows:

## STARTER

Roast Pumpkin and Butternut Soup with Parmesan Croutons

Goat's Cheese Tart with Caramelised Onions, Pesto and Beetroot

Melon & Parma Ham

## MAIN

Baked Cod served with Crushed Peas, Fondant Potato and Tartare Sauce

Roast Chicken Supreme stuffed with Garlic Herb Butter, Fondant Potato and Honey Roasted Vegetables

Wild Mushroom and Courgette Risotto (V)

## DESSERTS

Sticky Toffee Pudding with Butterscotch Sauce and Clotted Ice Cream

Apple Crumble with Caramel Sauce and Spiced Mascarpone

Selection of British Cheeses and Biscuits

There will be a notice in the entrance hall for more details and you will be able to sign up behind the bar and pay at the same time.

Best wishes for 2023 from myself and the Seniors Committee.

Derek Haines

Seniors Captain