

BLACK BUSH LADIES BULLETIN



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Hi Ladies,

There was definitely a feeling of spring in the air this week, looks like we are leaving the dark days of winter behind us and can begin to look forward to some fabulous summer golf. Everywhere is looking brighter and fresher (even the Pro Shop!), clocks going forward, diaries open in hand planning where we are going to play and who we are going to play with...I Love it! April is a busy month between Inter Club matches, Open competitions over the Easter weekend, our Charity day for Spinal Injuries Ireland on Tuesday April 14th and of course our Pro Am on April 28th. So get those diaries open and start planning (sure you have to have a plan!)

CORRECTION

When we went to press last month we had one type of Golfnet website, but 2 days later they changed it!!!! The details we gave last month on 'how to access Golfnet' are now obsolete. When you log on to Golfnet now you must register with an email address, your swipe card number and activate it with the PIN on your ILGU swipe card. Just a reminder to ladies that haven't collected them there are still a number of the new ILGU swipe cards in the office, these will be needed to swipe into competitions (the old ones won't work anymore), any committee member will be able to get the card from the office for you.

New Arrival / Diaries

Ladies watch out for our new arrival over the next week or so.....don't get too excited though it's only a new label printer linked to our competition software. When you swipe into competitions a label will be printed with relevant details name, date, competition and your handicap. With this on your card all you will need is 2 signatures and you will NEVER be disqualified again (well unless you don't sign in or record a wrong score) **The 2015 Club Diary** is now available to collect from the Bar. Please collect yours next time you are in the Clubhouse.

Great Turn out for Drive In



What a fantastic day we had for the 2015 Captain' Drive In. Captain Ned and Lady Captain Angela arrived in style in a vintage Triumph Herald Convertible, dressed as James Joyce and Nora Barnacle. Boy did they look well. They were joined on the first tee by Juvenile Captain William and Saoirse. We wish the 4 of you a most enjoyable year

Breffni Shield Result

Congratulations to Mary T. Murphy and Mary Finnigan on winning the Breffni Shield in a hotly contested Competition (less than a full shot in it) Congratulations also to Miriam Horan and Olivia Smyth who came second and also get to play in the finals in headfort in May.

Tip of the Month

How Do I? ACCESS COMPETITION RESULTS

- **Club Website:** Results are always displayed on the club website.
- **How Did I Do:** www.howdidido.co.uk is a website linked to our competition software. Most results are uploaded to this site when the competition has closed. You can register with 'How Did I do' easily enough with an email address and once registered you can add in your ILGU number. This links you to all competitions you swipe into (home and away) so when you win you get a lovely email saying 'You came 1st or as is more often the case' you came 29th. It also will have the full results of the competitions, however, these may not accurately reflect prize-winners e.g Alternate days, re-entry Comps. This website also tracks your handicap but as above may not be exact.

Pro-Am ... 28th April

Our 11th pro am will take place on April 28th. It is the only one of it's kind here in Ireland and is a wonderful support to all the assistant pros who come to play in Black Bush. It is a great day and it is just fantastic to watch these pros play, they make it look so easy! As usual we have shotgun starts morning and afternoon, this year for those playing in the morning we have a new initiative - a half hour golf clinic

before lunch so WE can learn how to make it look so easy! There are loads of prizes to be won and there is always a great atmosphere around the club that day, it is a great opportunity to showcase our club to our friends.....I have you convinced now don't I? You just can't miss this fantastic day! Forms are available in the locker room and on the website.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Dympna Conlon who has been selected as a rules official for the 2015 US Womens' Open in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania on July 9th - 12th. This is a first US Open for Dympna and follows some excellent results in her recent R & A rules examinations. Dympna is also officiating at the Ricoh Women's British Open in Turnberry July 30th - August 2nd. We wish Dympna the very best in both competitions and we know she will do herself, Black Bush and Ireland proud. GOOD LUCK DYPNNA!!



A very big thank you to all our sponsors this month. We really appreciate your generous contribution.

7th April: Liz Synnott, Mary Ryan, Joyce Grainger
14th April: Kavanaghs' Pharmacy
21st April: Hair Shop, Dunshaughlin



Team News



Commiserations to our Minor Cup Team who were narrowly beaten by Laytown/Bettystown last Saturday. We won our two matches in Black Bush but unfortunately the windy conditions in Laytown were a big disadvantage to our ladies. The Junior Foursomes will play their first round against Corrstown on Friday 3rd April. 27th April is a big day for our Teams, The Junior Cup, Intermediate Cup and Challenge Cup all play that day. The very best of luck to all those involved and remember ... Your Support at these matches is always very welcome.



14th April, Prizegiving
28th April, Ladies Pro Am
24th April, Friday Social begins

4th May: Open 4 Person Team
5th May: PGA Tankard
12th May: Pat Burns Memorial Trophy

Rule of the Month



Rule 15-3 -WRONG BALL

The penalty for playing a wrong ball is loss of hole in match play and two strokes in stroke play. One of the most demoralising penalties one can incur is that of playing a wrong ball. Why? Because Rule 12-2, Lifting Ball for Identification, gives you the authority to identify your ball anywhere on the course. Thanks to this Rule, you can be absolutely sure you are playing your own ball, thereby avoiding the ignominy of playing a stray ball or someone else's ball in play by mistake. To assist you in identifying your ball, Rule 12-2 recommends that you should put an identification mark on your ball.



We would like to welcome New Members and returning Members to Black Bush. You are most welcome and we wish you many years of happy golf (and socializing!!!)
Janice Millington ... Lynda Duffy ... Mary O'Beachain ... Christina Kiernan ... Dolores Kelly.



THE BLACK BUSH LADIES PRO AM - 28th April, 2015 ... DO YOU HAVE YOUR TEAM ORGANISED YET?