

# BLACK BUSH LADIES BULLETIN



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Time is just flying and we are nearly halfway through the year. Golf wise, life is getting very busy between our own Club Match Plays, Inter-Club matches, President's Prize, Professional's Prize and of course 'The Big One' ... Lady Captain Angela Malone's Prize ... and that's before you even step outside Black Bush! Fitting in an open or two requires a masters in scheduling (but we seem to manage, don't we!). Congratulations to Kathleen O'Brien, Noleen O'Sullivan and Ann Brennan who were the winners of the 'Pat Burns Memorial' Trophy. This beautiful trophy was donated to the club by Brendan and Angela Scully in memory of Pat, (the first Lady Captain of Black Bush). It was lovely to have Angela and Brendan, along with Pat's husband Aidan, at the Prize giving on Tuesday 12th. A huge Congratulations to Bernie Caffrey on winning the PGA Tankard for a second year in a row. Bernie enjoyed her day at the finals so much she wanted to give it another go. Well done Bernie ...

## Match Play Competitions

Our Match Play competitions are up and running (well the singles is!). Closing dates for next rounds are:  
**Fourball 14th June. Foursomes 21st June and Singles 28th June.**  
Now remember ladies ... you can play anytime before these dates, they are not a target to see how late you can leave it!!!! So Play your matches sooner rather than later and get your name up on the board for the next round. Please check handicaps on the board before you go out to play and don't forget to .... **PAY BEFORE YOU PLAY!!!** Entry fees must be paid before your first match in each competition. Good Luck Everyone

## Australian Spoons

What are the Australian Spoons and do they really exist?... These are the questions that, I'm sure, exercise our brains as we wander around the golf course! Well they do exist and they are played for every year in this National Stableford Greensomes (Scotch Foursomes) competition. The Australian Spoons were presented to the ILGU in 1967 by the Australian Ladies Union to support players representing Ireland at International competitions. The format is Stableford Scotch Foursomes. Our qualifier is on Tuesday 16th June. The District finals are Monday August 17th. The net winners will represent Black Bush in Millicent and the gross winners will play in Craddockstown. The national finals are in Longford on Monday 24th August and the net winners will be presented with the Australian Spoons



A big thank you goes to all our sponsors. Your generous contribution is much appreciated.



26th May: Champagne Beauty  
2nd June: Jimmy Mullaney (President)  
9th June: Shane O'Grady  
16th June: Mena BOWENS, Pat Barry & Ann Flynn  
23rd June: Gay O'Hea, Maureen O'Neill, Pauline O'Meara & Sylvia Collins

## News/Notices/Announcements



### Past Lady Captain... RITA CARBERY



On Saturday 30th May, a get together will be held at 3.30 to dedicate the two Golden Weeping Willows, that have been planted on the island to the left of the bridge on the 18th hole to Rita's memory. All are very welcome.

### PRIZE PRESENTATIONS ...



We would like to encourage all winners to attend prize presentations. If you are unable to attend please try to arrange to have your prize collected or contact a member of the committee. As agreed at the AGM .... **PRIZES WILL ONLY BE HELD FOR 6 WEEKS**

### Website News ...



Have you noticed we now have a section on the website just for the Ladies Section. To keep up to date with all the latest team results/news/events go to the Black Bush home page, select 'Membership' then select 'Ladies Section'

### GET INTO GOLF ...



There was a great response to the launch day on Sunday 10th May, particularly from ladies. The first lesson will be held on Tuesday 2nd June. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help out.

## Julie Foran and ARC Cancer Support

As Julie's treatment for cancer continues, she has decided to turn a negative (losing her hair) into a positive (raising money for ARC through a sponsored head shave). To support Julie's efforts, collection boxes will be placed in the Pro Shop and Clubhouse from Saturday 30th May to Tuesday 2nd June. Donations may also be made at MyCharity.ie Please Give generously to this worthy cause



25th May: Nifty Fifty's Outing to Royal Tara  
1st June: Open 4 Person Team  
2nd June: Presidents Prize  
9th June: Professionals Prize  
16th June: Australian Spoons  
23rd June: Open 4 Lady Champagne Scramble  
23rd June: Prize Presentation in Club House

## Tip of The Month

### ACCELERATE ...

Many golfers hit poor pitch and chip (and bunker) shots because they decelerate as they come into the ball. The usual result is a ball that gets just onto the green and ends up short of the hole. In practice, concentrate on making a slow and controlled backswing and make a crisp movement with the club towards the ball without stopping. By accelerating through the shot your pitches and chips will hit the green and roll out to the hole more often. Slow Back and **ACCELERATE!**

## Rule of The Month

### Lifting, Dropping and Placing the Ball

Prior to lifting a ball that has to be replaced (e.g. when you lift a ball on the putting green to clean it) the position of the ball must be marked. When the ball is being lifted in order to drop or place in another position (e.g. dropping within two club lengths under the unplayable ball Rule,) it is not mandatory to mark its position although it is recommended that you do so. **When dropping, stand erect, hold the ball at shoulder height and arm's length and drop it.**

## Team News

**Good luck to all our Teams ...**

**Junior Cup** V Laytown/Bettystown  
In Howth on Sunday 24th May.  
**Intermediate Cup** V Hollywood Lakes  
In Greenore on Wednesday 27th May  
**Miele** V Sutton  
Home and away on Friday 29th May  
**Senior Foursomes**  
In Delgany on Sunday 7th May

The Ladies competing for the **Boyne Trophy** also had a great win over Mullingar and are now preparing for their next match.

*Come along and support our teams ...  
This is our year ladies!!!!*

Lady Captain's is just around the corner... 7th & 11th July ... Get Practising ...Get the Party Dress out!!