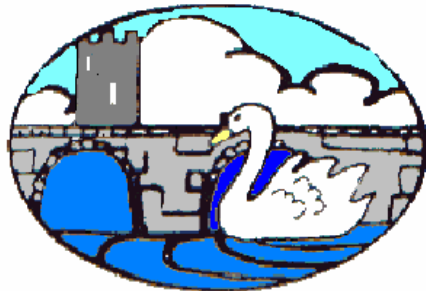


MALLOW GOLF CLUB



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The Munster Fred Daly Champions 2011.

The Mallow team of Kevin Dowling, Paul McCarthy, Kevin O'Keefe, James Sugrue, Eoin Goggin, Liam Attridge, Conor Hannan, Kieran O'Sullivan and Conor Roche, with their two hard working team selectors, Michael O'Boyle and Brian Attridge.

Also Pictured is Gents Captain Mr. John Quill, Ladies Captain Mrs. Pauline Hegarty, Club President Maurice O'Connor, Juvenile Officer Deidre Linehan as well as team sponsor Mr. Steven Shine.



Lady Captain's Prize 2011

Lady Captain, Mrs. Pauline Hegarty presenting her prize to Mrs. Eileen Cotter.



Winner of the Junior scratch cup was Seamus Leahy represented by his sister Deidre Crowley and his daughter Isabelle Leahy, also pictured club captain John Quill.



The winning Jimmy Carroll team which will represent Mallow in the national finals on Sept 5th in Westmanstown GC.

Pictured: Ciaran Tracey, Brian Wall, Michael Madden, Alan Wilson, John Sheehan, Noel McGuckin, Eamon Kelleher, James Cotter (selector) & Tom O Connell.

Congratulations to the Mallow **Jimmy Carroll Cup** team, they have won out their section and will now be one of two clubs representing Munster in the national finals to be held in Newmanstown golf club, Clonsilla on Monday September 5th.

The lads qualified for the area finals by being the best of 13 teams in East Cork on June 21st and then won the area final in Ballykisteen on August 2nd.

The team consists of John Sheehan, Noel McGuckin, Michael Madden, Brian Wall, Alan Wilson, Eamon Kelleher, Tom O'Connell, Ciaran Tracey, Paul Crowley, Michael O'Boyle and David O'Donoghue.

The team is managed by James Cotter.

History Lesson

Jimmy Carroll was an Irish International Golfer and a member of Sutton Golf Club. The Jimmy Carroll Cup All Ireland Seniors Fourball team tournament was launched at Westmanstown Golf Club in 2005 to honour the achievements in golf of Jimmy Carroll who was a native of Co Louth and a former member of An Garda Siochana.

It is an inter club team tournament for gentlemen aged sixty years or over. Each Team consists of four pairs playing fourball better ball stableford golf, the team scores being the scores of the best three cards.

Best of luck to James (Cotter) and his team in the national finals.

Mallow Golfers Crowned Munster Fred Daly Champions 2011

The Fred Daly Championship is a national interclub golf competition for boys under 18. Each Club is represented by a team of 7 who play off scratch. The Fred Daly Trophy competition was started in memory of Ireland's first British Open Champion, Fred Daly, and it has been competed for since 1995.

Fred Daly came from Northern Ireland, won the British Open Championship at Hoylake in 1947 also played in the Ryder Cup four times, 1947, 1949, 1951 and 1953.

Coincidentally Daly won the British Open the year Mallow Golf Club was founded and was the last Northern Irishman to win the Open prior to Darren Clarke last month.

On Friday 15th July the boys Under 18 team from Mallow Golf Club headed off to Nenagh GC to take on a strong Waterford Castle team in their second Fred Daly Munster Semi-final in 3 years.

To get to the Munster Semi-Final the Mallow team had already played some tough matches against Mitchelstown, Doneraile, Skibbereen and Ballybunion. These matches very much helped to build and prepare the team for the Munster Finals.

The Mallow team of Kevin Dowling, Paul McCarthy, Kevin O'Keefe, James Sugrue, Eoin Goggin, Liam Attridge, Conor Hannan, Kieran O'Sullivan and Conor Roche, is led by two hard working Team selectors, Michael O'Boyle and Brian Attridge.

Both teams were matched very well and thus a very tough semi-final was anticipated. The Mallow team handicaps ranged from 4 - 7 while the Waterford Castle handicaps ranged from 4 - 8 so, on paper, there was nothing

between them.

Mallow got off to a solid start in the early stages of the match with some spectacular golf from all the players. Scoring was good and it always looked as if it would go all the way to the finish and sure enough it did with the score tied at 3 - 3 following wins from Paul McCarthy, Eoin Goggin and Liam Attridge. With one match remaining it all came down the last two holes. Fortunately for Mallow the last player was Conor Hannan who was 1 up with 2 holes to play as the crowd started to gather round him.

Conor lost the par 5 17th to a great birdie by his opponent and so stood on the 18th tee all square. Both Conor and his opponent hit the par 4 18th in 2 shots, so again nothing in it. The Waterford Castle player played a putt from long range to stone dead, a great putt given the circumstances. Then all eyes were back on Conor. He stood over a 46 foot putt to win the match and much to the amazement of all watching he sank it! The cheers could be heard all the way back to Mallow. Final score Mallow 4 -Waterford Castle 3. This tremendous team result paved the way for Mallow to play the Munster Final that same day.

The other semi-final was played between Castletroy and Douglas with Castletroy coming out on top and to be Mallow's opponents for the afternoon final. The team grabbed some food and prepared themselves to compete again. Spirits were high and they were all looking forward to another good match. The selectors showed confidence in the team by leaving them unchanged for the final. This time the start was not so good for Mallow. While being well up in a couple of matches it wasn't clear where the 4 wins would come from. This remained the way until well into the back 9 and indeed the closing holes.

Kevin Dowling played great golf to win on the 16th and Eoin Goggin won on the 17th. Now, where was Mallow going to get the remaining two points required to win? Kevin O'Keeffe was 2 down with 3 to play pulled off a great recovery to win on 18th. Kevin played the final 3 holes in 1 under par. Still Mallow needed one more point to clinch the Munster title and this came from James Sugrue, again on the 18th, having been 1 down with 3 to play. The remaining 2 matches were in good shape at this time but were called in as Mallow had achieved the necessary 4 wins. All at Mallow Golf Club would like to

congratulate the team on bringing home such a prestigious trophy yet again. Also, the club would like to thank Stephen Shine of Shine Energy for his generous contribution to the team kit.

The National Finals take place in Ardee Golf Club, Co. Louth on Tuesday 16th of August. We wish the whole team and selectors every success in their quest to bring the National Title to Mallow. It was a super performance and one that will be remembered for a long time by the players and the many spectators that had travelled to support the team.

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Another Juvenile team, North Cork League Team at Kanturk Golf Club, 4th August.

Junior Cup Results

Junior Cup Team played in Fermoy GC on July 2nd

Team:

Eoin Goggin, Ross Buddle, Liam Attridge, David Forde, Gavin Kelly, James Sugrue & Stephen Devereaux

Selectors:

Peter McKenna & John Liston

Result: Round 1 - Mallow 2- Cork GC 3

Good golf provided a very close match, Mallow lost one on the 19th and one on the 18th which provided a very tight finish that unfortunately didn't go in our favour.

Senior Cup Results

Senior Cup Team played in Lee Valley GC on July 9th

Team:

Brian Attridge, Ciaran McKenna, David Conway, Darragh Murray, Ian Spillane, Conor Dowling, Kevin Dowling & Paul McCarthy.

Selectors:

Kevin O'Keeffe & Lar Thompson

Result: Round 1 - Mallow 1½ - Lee Valley 4½

Unfortunately this strong Lee Valley team proved too difficult to beat on their home course. The Mallow team put up a great fight and played well but it wasn't to be their day.

Great performance by both teams, well done to players, selectors and supporters

Bridge Report

Liam O' Driscoll's President's Prize was won by Nora Aherne and Grace Coleman. The prizes were presented at the A.G.M. which was held at the end of May. The following officers were elected:

President -Margaret Hanley

President Elect-Eugene Daly

Vice President-Liam O' Driscoll

Hon. Sec.-Isabella O' Mahony

Hon. Comp. & Handicap Sec. Delores Meade

Hon. Treasurer-Pat Horgan

The meeting agreed to purchase electronic scoring equipment and this is being installed presently.

Thursday afternoon sessions will recommence on the first Thursday in September.

Monday and Wednesday sessions continue throughout the year.

Mallow Ladies Team News

Mallow Ladies Intermediate Team played Lee Valley on Sunday 10th JULY 2011 at Cork Golf Club. Team as follows Breda Mc Donnell, Ann Kelleher, Mary O'Leary, Frankie O'Connell, Nora Lehane. We saw some great golf played, Mallow Ladies were not as lucky on this round and were defeated .Manager Susan Coakley.

Ladies Senior Foursomes played Castletroy at Castletroy on July 16th 2011. Team, Mary Dowling & Catherine Roche, Marie O'Sullivan & Carmel Kearney, Ann Kennelly & Susan Curtin, Reserves Angela Goggin & Nora O Connor. Manager Vera Devlin. Great golf but no joy.

Junior Foursomes Mallow played Douglas at Bandon Golf Club on Sunday 10th July 2011. Mallow Team ,Mary Coakley & Mary Callanan, Ann Kelleher & Kathleen Conway, Claire Hanifin & Eileen Corbett. Team Mentors, Pauline Hegarty & Edel Callanan. Mallow had no success this time round.

Mallow Ladies will have Three Teams in Competition in the next few weeks.

Meile Fourball, Played on 25th July 2011 home and away Mallow and Castletroy. Mallow pairings Marie O Sullivan & Pauline Hegarty, won on eighteen, Susan Curtin & Jenny McCarthy went down nineteenth and were not successful. Castletroy pairings Carmel Kearney & Mary Coakley, Ann Kennelly & Deirdre Linehan. Both pairs went to the eighteen but had no luck. Great games but Mallow Ladies bow out of the competition. **Managers:** Ann Holland and Mary Redmond.

Junior cup to be played at Fermoy Golf Club on Monday 15th August 2011 Handicaps 0 -20. Team; Deirdre Coleman, Pauline Hegarty, Mary O Leary.

Munster Junior Cup, to be played at Adare Manor old course on Monday 15th August 2011 Handicaps 21--30; Shelia Barry, Fiona Fuller, Nora O Donoghue.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all players, caddies, and mentors for their time, effort and dedication to keep the Mallow Ladies Flag Flying.

Pauline Hegarty Lady Captain.

Quote of the Month

"It's much easier to perform well with a smile on your face than a scowl. Fortunately this week I've had a smile on my face much more often".

Darren Clarke, British Open Champion 18th July 2011

Rules Section

SEARCHING FOR AND IDENTIFYING YOUR

BALL: A player must play the same ball from the teeing ground until it's holed out, unless a rule allows substitution. To accomplish this a player must be able to identify his ball when it's in play. It's recommended that a player puts an identification mark on his ball. If a player cannot identify his ball when it's in play, he has deemed to have lost his ball. For instance, two players playing the same ball without any identification marks hit and have their balls come to rest right next to each other. Since they cannot identify which ball belongs to whom, they are both deemed lost. Keep in mind a player or his side have five minutes to search for his ball, if not found within that time it's deemed lost.

PROCEDURE: (i) the player must announce to fellow competitor or opponent his intention to identify his ball.

(ii) He must give his opponent, fellow competitor, or marker the option to observe the lifting and replacement.

(iii) He must mark and lift his ball.

(iv) Clean the ball only to the extent necessary for identification.

NOTE: If the ball is in a hazard, he is not allowed to follow this procedure because there is no penalty for playing a wrong ball from a hazard.

PENALTY: if the above procedure is not followed, the penalty is one-stroke and the ball must be replaced. If he doesn't replace the ball he receives a two-stroke penalty in stroke play, and loss of hole in match play.

SEARCHING FOR BALL: The player may do the following to identify his ball anywhere on the course: bend or touch long grass, bushes, etc. only to the extent to find and identify his ball.

(i) the player may not improve his area of

intended swing, line of play, or lie of his ball.

(ii) A player may take a stroke without necessarily being able to see his ball (exception--in a hazard). In other words, if your ball is under a thick bush blocking your view of the ball, you are not entitled to move your ball so you can see it as you take your stroke (unless you take a penalty and play under the unplayable options).

(iii) A player may probe or rake without penalty to find his ball as well as remove sand or loose impediments in a hazard only to the extent to see part of his ball. If the ball is moved, it must be replaced with the same lie. If excess sand or loose impediments are removed during the search, the ball should be recovered so that only a part of the ball can be seen.

(iv) If a ball is moved while searching in ground under repair, casual water, runway or cast made by burrowing animal, the ball must be replaced without penalty. The player then may proceed with any other applicable options. In other words, if you think your ball is buried in casual water, you can probe with your club to find the ball. If you move your ball in the process, replace the ball and then decide if you want relief under any other option.



Some Champions Past and Present.

Past: Tennis Champ back in 1949. Meta Foley & Franks Furney.



Munster Champions 1949, Franks Furney & Meta Foley Lane.

Present: Intermediate Scratch Cup winner 2011. Tom O'Connell



Yvonne Barry representing DMB & Co and club captain John Quill presenting Tom with his Prize.

Update from the Board of Management

The Board of Management is pleased to take this opportunity to update you briefly on the progress that has been made over the past few months in relation to developing and improving our course. Our course is improving steadily and we are very pleased with how the Course staff together with the Course Committee are implementing the strategic plan to improve the course without incurring significant costs and at the same time adhering to our commitment to making a round of golf both challenging, enjoyable and balanced to suit golfers of all ages and abilities. This plan is based on independent professional advice and is overseen and monitored quarterly.

In particular, over the past number of weeks, there has been a significant amount of work taking place in the height of the growing season to condition the rough. This work commenced last February and a further treatment is planned for September. We appreciate that while this work is being done, and for a short period after, some disruption will be felt especially when playing from rough that is more difficult than normal. However, please be assured this will ease in the near future according as the programme is further implemented – short term pain for long term gain! The Club newsletter has been keeping you updated with regard to the implementation of the 2nd phase of the rough programme and, as mentioned, the 3rd & 4th phase will take place later in Autumn. This will give us the flexibility in the future of having a fairway, semi rough, rough & wispy rough adding colour & definition to the course layout.

The course has never been busier and we endeavour to never close the course for maintenance work on the greens or in the rough so I would ask for patience and your understanding to enable Patrick and his staff to work as quickly and efficiently as possible. They are doing a tremendous job.

For those of you who would like to read a comprehensive and detailed outline of this programme of work on the greens and the rough – please see the notice boards and you will also find a copy of the course improvement plan updated quarterly in the STRI report that is located in the Bar.

The members of the Course Committee – Aidan McDonagh & Denis O Donovan - and David Curtin, Sec. Manager, are more than happy to discuss how the work is progressing and to accept your suggestions and constructive comments directly. You may also raise them through the Gents and/or Ladies Committees.

We look forward to discussing this further with you at the information evening when options and suggestions received from the members as part of the survey will be outlined.

Ann Kennelly