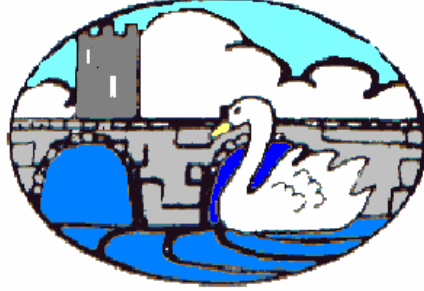


MALLOW GOLF CLUB



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**Congratulations to the winning Duhallow Shield team.**



**Nora O'Connor meets The Lord Mayor Cllr. Terry Shannon**



**The Fred Daly Team at City Hall**



**Jimmy Carroll Team at City Hall**



**Club championship winner Denis Murphy pictured with Sean Conway (competition sponsor) and Captain John Quill**

### **Gents Golf - Teams 2011 wrap up.**

First out in April was the **Pierce Purcell** team led by Bobby Howell and Joe Dowling. The lads got to area final in Mahon winning 3 matches along the way. They beat Lee Valley, Douglas and Cobh before finally being beaten by Blarney. Some really great performances in some horrible weather conditions. A few new stars were born and players from this team went on to do very well in club competitions during the year and I'm sure we'll see them represent the club many more times in the coming years.

The **Barton Shield** team, playing in Fota made it to the third round and was beaten by a very strong Lee Valley outfit. Kevin O'Keeffe and Lar Thompson took on the management of this team along with the Senior Cup. Unfortunately in the first round our Senior Cup team met Lee Valley again, this time in Lee Valley and put up a great fight but found them too tough to beat at home. With the young players in the club this team has plenty of potential going forward and Kevin and Lar used this year to get these new young players involved with the team. This will pay dividends over the coming years. We should hopefully see a few more pennants.

Next out was our **Bruen Shield** team led by Dermot Kelleher and Mervyn Shorten, both new to the selector's process. Following a lot of hard work and practice their team was ready and looked good on the day. They won a tough match in the AM against Douglas but lost out to Fota in the PM in a very close game, last match, last hole.

Our **Junior Cup** team in Fermoy led by Peter McKenna and John Liston also faced tough opposition from Cork GC in the first round but lost matches on 19th & 18th to marginally lose out. The **Mixed Team** played in Douglas GC led by Denis O'Donovan and Nora O'Connor. They beat Youghal in the AM but went on to lose out to Fermoy on the 19th following an extremely close match.

The **Avondhu Team** played the five matches against the other clubs in the region, winning 2 out of the five. The team this year was mainly made up of committee members and helpers as this provided a great opportunity to provide them with a chance to meet their equivalents in the other clubs and exchange views and ideas. The president Maurice O'Connor and the Vice Captain Dave Walsh managed this team.

Our elder golfers represented the club in the **JB Carr** and the **Jimmy Carroll Cup** with their success coming in reaching the National finals of the Jimmy Carroll Cup in Westmanstown GC in September. James Cotter did the hard work in this case and proved to be a tremendous team manager from start to finish.

**(The success of our Juvenile teams will be covered separately).**

All in all approx 80 Gents represented the Club this year in various team competitions, 13 Gents took on the role of selector, I've already met them all during the year but I'd like to thank them again all for their time and involvement, each of them took it as a great honour to represent our club and gave it 110%. I enjoyed every moment watching and feel that they represented Mallow Golf club very well and can be proud of doing so. Thanks and well done to all.

I'd also like to thank all those who supported the teams during the year, caddies, supporters etc, all very welcomed and greatly appreciated.

Hope 2012 will be a great year for Mallow Golf club teams.

**Thanks.  
John Quill  
Captain.**

## **Ladies News**

### **Duhallow Shield.**

This competition is for the clubs in the north Cork area. Mallow, Mitchelstown, Fermoy, Doneraile, Kanturk, Charleville. We have two grades of handicap 23--29. and 30--36. Teams of three pairs and one pair of subs playing foursomes. Mallow began their road to victory by defeating Charleville in the first match. Kanturk were next and again Mallow were successful, thus reaching the final which was hosted by the Mallow Golf Club. Conditions were far from kind, as the Ladies began their quest for victory playing Fermoy in the final we had some good golf despite the rain. Mallow were the winners on this occasion and won the Duhallow Shield which was last won by Mallow Ladies in 1994. Team as follows, Noreen Brennan & Jenny McCarthy, Celia Butler & Geraldine McCarthy, Eileen Corbett & Kathleen Conway. Reserves Mary Callanan & Breda McCarthy. Selectors Edel Callanan & Pauline Hegarty.

**Junior Cup**, Played at Adare Manor Golf Course on the 15th August. Handicaps 21-23. Mallow Team: Shelia Barry, Nora O'Donoghue, Fiona Fuller. The team were placed sixth out of 35.

The Ladies club c/ship is now completed; we had 32 Competitors in this Competition. The final pairing were Jenny McCarthy and Breda O'Dwyer. Jenny was the winner of this closely contested Competition.

**Eileen Murphy Foursomes** played at Cork Golf Club on the 12th Sept. Ann Kelleher & Ella O'Connor competed in this competition and were third overall, with a great score of 38 pts. This was a Munster Competition. The Ladies season in the inter club has drawn to a close. We have a Munster Champion, as well some great performances over the last few months. Well done to all.

**Regards, Pauline Lady Captain.**

**Winner of the Lady Captain Pauline Hegarty's prize was Eileen Cotter.**  
**Winner of the Lady President Carmel Kearney's prize was Mary O'Flynn.**

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### **Autumn 2011 course project**

#### **12<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> Tee Box**

Work will begin on the levelling of the back of 14<sup>th</sup> Tee box shortly. This will not affect play from the tee box as members will continue to play from the front markers.

The 14<sup>th</sup> tee box will be enlarged to give us more tee marker options especially from blue markers. There will be the opportunity also to incorporate the Blue markers on the 12<sup>th</sup> tee box onto the back of the 14<sup>th</sup> also. There will be a rerouting of the walk from the 13<sup>th</sup> green to the 14<sup>th</sup> tee box.

#### **13<sup>th</sup> Green.**

The back right of the 13<sup>th</sup> green will be lifted and levelled to allow more back of green pin positions. This project will be carried out in-house and supervised by the club's agronomist Conor Nolan.

The Course committee ask you for your patience while this work is in progress over the next few weeks. The tee box & green will then be in full play for 2012 golfing campaign.

#### **Rough Management Programme.**

The final scarifying of the rough will commence in a couple of weeks at which point we will have made great progress into managing the quality of the rough as part of the 3 year programme laid down by our Agronomist. The very heavy rough around the course will be cut down this Autumn and taken away. It will then be easier for the course staff to manage this area.

## Rules Section

**THE FLAGSTICK:** There is a lot of misunderstanding about how the flagstick is used.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

The player can have the flagstick removed, attended, or held up before and during his stroke and the player can be anywhere on the course. In other words, a player's ball does not have to be on the green to have the flagstick attended.

**AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE:** before a stroke if the flagstick is attended by anyone with the player's knowledge and without any objection, the player has been deemed to have authorized it. The person deemed to be attending the flagstick does so until the ball comes to rest. This is important as different penalties can occur with unauthorized attendance.

### **THE BALL MAY NOT STRIKE THE FLAGSTICK**

**OR ATTENDANT:** If the player's ball strikes the flagstick when attended, held up, or removed by an authorized person, or strikes the authorized attendant or anything carried by the attendant, or when the ball is played from the putting green strikes the flagstick in the hole (or unattended flagstick) the player loses the hole in Match Play, and receives a Two-Stroke Penalty in Stroke Play.

**UNAUTHORIZED ATTENDANCE:** (don't get in trouble being a nice guy) In MATCH PLAY-- Loss of Hole is the penalty if an opponent or opponent's caddie attends, holds up, or removes the flagstick without the player's authorization or prior knowledge when a stroke is made or the ball in motion.

**STROKE-PLAY:** Two-Strokes is the penalty if a fellow competitor or the fellow competitor's caddie removes, holds up, or attends the flagstick without the player's authorization or prior knowledge while the player is making a stroke or his ball is in motion.

If the player's ball is played from off the putting green and does strike the flagstick, attendant, or anything carried by the attendant the player does not receive a penalty but must play the ball as it lies.

**NOTE--**If the ball was played from the putting green and does strike an unauthorized attendant or anything he is carrying, the stroke must be cancelled and replayed.

**BALL RESTS AGAINST FLAGSTICK:** If the flagstick is in the hole with the ball resting against it, the player or an authorized person can remove or move the flagstick. If the ball falls into the hole in the process the player would be deemed to have holed out with his last shot. If the ball moves rather than falling into the hole when the flagstick is removed or moved, the ball must be placed on the lip of the hole without penalty.

### **Quote:**

"It was like a dream come true. I said on Friday this was how I wanted to end my amateur career and it's worked out fine".

**Paul Cutler, Walker Cup winner .Royal  
Aberdeen 11<sup>th</sup> Sept 2011**

Attached is a course analyses report for the Months of May, June, July and August from the white markers. The holes are listed in order of difficulty. Only 4 holes are playing to their indices. 5 holes are playing harder than their indices and 9 holes playing easier than indices.

The 17th hole threw up 100 more birdies than any other hole. The average score for 18 holes was 90.31, 18.31 over par.

Difficulty	Hole Number	Stroke Index	Eagles & Better			Pars	Times Bogeys	Average		Score	Par	Over Par
			Birdies					Others	Played			
1	13	( 2 )	0	85	1,113	2,110	1,932	5,240	5.26	4	1.26	
2	7	( 1 )	0	82	1,106	2,219	1,833	5,240	5.24	4	1.24	
3	12	( 8 )	1	181	1,385	1,911	1,762	5,240	6.14	5	1.14	
4	8	( 17 )	10	253	1,484	1,836	1,657	5,240	6.12	5	1.12	
5	9	( 5 )	1	108	1,417	2,133	1,581	5,240	5.11	4	1.11	
6	15	( 4 )	2	153	1,540	1,936	1,609	5,240	5.11	4	1.11	
7	5	( 3 )	0	108	1,280	2,301	1,551	5,240	5.10	4	1.10	
8	6	( 13 )	4	208	1,488	1,918	1,622	5,240	6.10	5	1.10	
9	10	( 6 )	0	105	1,454	2,249	1,432	5,240	5.05	4	1.05	
10	18	( 10 )	0	91	1,458	2,356	1,335	5,240	4.05	3	1.05	
11	3	( 11 )	9	261	1,636	1,743	1,591	5,240	6.04	5	1.04	
12	1	( 7 )	1	153	1,681	2,136	1,269	5,240	4.94	4	0.94	
13	4	( 15 )	2	140	1,772	2,206	1,120	5,240	3.92	3	0.92	
14	2	( 9 )	1	133	1,751	2,182	1,173	5,240	3.92	3	0.92	
15	17	( 14 )	40	435	1,770	1,648	1,347	5,240	5.87	5	0.87	
16	11	( 12 )	1	170	1,888	2,185	996	5,240	3.84	3	0.84	
17	14	( 16 )	0	265	2,094	1,883	998	5,240	4.79	4	0.79	
18	16	( 18 )	1	330	2,313	1,646	950	5,240	3.74	3	0.74	
<b>Total</b>			<b>73</b>	<b>3,261</b>	<b>28,630</b>	<b>36,598</b>	<b>25,758</b>	<b>94,320</b>	<b>90.31</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>18.31</b>	

NOTE: N/Rs are treated as Triple Bogeys for Analysis Purposes

Course indices will be reviewed before printing of next batch of scorecards.

### Munster U15 Team.

The Club would like to congratulate James Sugrue on making the Munster Boys U15 team in the recent inter-provincials at Galway golf Club. James played all 3 matches, winning 2 of them.

Congratulations also to James on getting to the final of the Kerry Boys competition in Ballybunion. (photo below of James, his father Mick and officials from Ballybunion GC.)



Mc Donald's Junior Open Winners. Thanks to Mc Donalds for their generous sponsorship.

# Gents Golfer of the Year 2011

## Eoin Goggin

Presentation on 15<sup>th</sup> October at 5pm



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### Final GOY Standings:

	Name	Event 1	Event 2	Event 3	Event 4	Event 5	Event 6	Event 7	Event 8	Total
1st	Eoin Goggin	4	2	3		3		0	1	13
2nd	Daniel Butler	2	4	1	0	0	3		2	12
3rd	John O' Leary	4		0	4	3	0			11
4th	Gavin Kelly			2	0	4	3	1		10
5th	Aidan McDonogh	1		1	2	5	0	0		9
	Conor F O' Sullivan				2		1	6		9
	Tim Duggan	6	0	0	0	0	3	0		9
8th	Kevin O' Flaherty		0	0	2	6		0		8
	Kieran O' Sullivan					5		3		8
	Ross Buddle	4	2	0				2		8
	Stephen Lyons	4	4		0	0	0			8

Full GOY Points Table can be viewed on the Gents Results page on the [www.mallowgolfclub.net](http://www.mallowgolfclub.net) website