

OLD CRANLEIGHAN GOLF SOCIETY

WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR OF OCGS GOLFING!

1 Hon. Secretary

I am very pleased to advise that Tony Whitty has accepted the position of Hon. Sec. of the society, taking-over from Mickey Moore, who has done a great job over the past four years. The committee has agreed that the jobs that previously befell the Hon. Sec. should be more widely distributed amongst the committee and membership, in particular, the management of the Spring and Autumn meetings.

2 The Spring Meeting: 22nd May

I am sorry we had to change the date of the Spring Meeting to 22nd May and that may mean your advising us of a change in your availability. If this is the case, and you haven't already advised Mickey, please could you let Tony Whitty know. His email address is tony@cabotaviation.com His mobile number is 07970 943384. We will be sending out details of the meeting in March.

3 The Gordon Taylor Trophy Match v the School: 15th September

The date for this has been confirmed as 15th September and will take place at St George's Hill GC. Please would you let Tony or Mickey know if you wish to play in this match.

4 Other Fixtures

Members have until the end of February to advise Mickey or Tony of their availability.

5 Knock-out Tournament

Michael Crane has again offered to run the knock-out tournament and will be sending out the draw in February. The holder is Mickey Moore, who beat Ian Darby 2 & 1 in a tight match as reported on the web site by Michael Crane:

"Mickey Moore's birdie on the final hole at Liphook was good enough to secure the 2008 Matchplay Knockout crown. The golf was of an extremely high standard with Ian Darby round in 74 gross and Mickey 75 gross (SSS=70). Ian had three birdies to Mickey's one, but he had to give three shots."

6 Halford Hewitt

We have drawn Eton in the first round of the Halford Hewitt which will take place at Deal on Thursday 2nd April. The match is scheduled to kick-off at 3.35, the last match of the day and may have to carry-on to the Friday. Some of you may remember that we lost on the 20th hole to Eton in the 1968 final. We are determined to have our revenge this year and encourage as many supporters as possible, so please come and join us for a great day's golf and companionship.

7 Communication

Thanks largely to the efforts of Derek Lyons and Mickey Moore, we have all but about 40 members on a master mailing list of email addresses that has been compiled and will be maintained by Tony Whitty. To save time and costs, we will communicate as much as possible by email, so **it is vital that you let Tony know if you initiate an email address or change the address we have for you**. For those without an email address or where a recent communication has bounced, we will write by Royal Mail. Could match managers ensure they let Tony know if they know a change in a member's email address.

8 Web site

Michael Crane has done a good job in bringing the web site up to date. It can be found at www.OCGS.org.uk If there are other things you want to see on the web site, please let Mike or me know. Mike's email address is mcrane@london.com

I wish you a good year's golf and look forward to seeing you at our meetings.

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