

WALKER CUP CABINET

Caolan Rafferty's wonderful achievement in being selected on the 2019 Walker Cup team has been formally recognised with the installation of a special tribute cabinet in the Clubhouse. The cabinet was designed and built by David Ward, son of Brian; the electrical work was carried out by Ciaran Traynor and the cabinet was most generously sponsored by Martin McDonnell of One Finance. The cabinet was jointly unveiled by our President and Caolan on Sunday night with Caolan's family also in attendance. As a fitting follow-on top golf writer Brian Keogh penned an article in the latest edition of the Irish Independent's Tee to Green supplement which can be viewed at <https://www.independent.ie/sport/golf/tee-to-green/caolan-raffertys-walker-cup-recognised-41888612.html>



SUCCESS AT ST ANDREWS

Eoin Murphy recorded an amazing victory in the Boyd Quaich invitational tournament in St Andrews last week. The Boyd Quaich is a 72-hole stroke-play event, hosted by the University of St Andrews, with the first and last rounds played over the Old Course. Eoin birdied the last to clinch victory on countback and continues his recent good form which saw him finished sixth in the Lytham Trophy, sixth in the North of Ireland and reach the third round of the South where he was beaten by the eventual winner, Hugh Foley. Hopefully his performances this season will see him being selected in the Leinster Men's team for the upcoming inter provincial series. Eoin's victory was also featured in this week's Irish Independent Tee to Green supplement. <https://www.independent.ie/sport/golf/tee-to-green/murphy-experiences-thrill-of-old-course-win-41888583.html>



TEAM GOLF

We have a huge weekend of Team Golf commencing this Friday with our Provincial Towns team pitted against Kilkenny in the quarter final which tees off at 4.30pm. This is followed on Saturday by the regional final of the Barton Shield against Castleknock GC which is being played in Dundalk and commences at 2.30pm. Finally, on Sunday at 3.30pm our Junior Cup team take on Malahide GC in the regional semi-final. We would encourage everybody to support our teams in their push for pennants and, if supporting, everyone is asked to wear their club colours.

CLUB CLASSIC

We held our Club Classic last Friday with our two Vice Captains at the helm of the steering committee. They received great help from the office and everyone involved deserves great credit for their efforts.

Club Classic winners, photographed with our Vice Captains Briega Renaghan and Noel Reid, are the winning team of Clara Egan, Tiarnan Cunningham, Fionn Cunningham and Lee Egan and the runners-up Padraig Fallon, Conor Martin, Padraig Hassett and Bobby McCarthy.



We would like to thank all our members and sponsors who contributed to the success of the day where a **total of €10,340.00** was raised.

As outlined previously, the monies raised will go into projects that are part of the agreed enhancements of facilities and course which will ultimately improve our members' experience at the club. Two of these such projects is the installation of an all-weather practice tee on the driving range and the installation of a new and more efficient range ball dispenser.

LIAM MERNAGH'S PRESIDENTS PRIZE

Congratulations to Simon Ryan (winner) and Gavin McDonnell (runner-up) on their performances in Liam Mernagh's President's Prize last weekend. We would also like to thank President Liam Mernagh for hosting a very enjoyable event.



Overall Winer Simon Ryan

Runner up Gavin McDonnell

SMITH WINS IRISH SENIOR CLOSE

Congratulations to Deirdre Smith who went one better than last year when she won the Women's Senior Close Championship at Thurles last month. She beat Laura Webb of Royal Portrush 4&3 in the final. Deirdre is pictured below with Lady Captain Alison Quigley on her return to the club. A report on her great achievement can be viewed at <https://www.dundalkgolfclub.ie/2022/07/smith-wins-womens-senior-close-championship/>



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Friday, August 5 at 4.30pm - Our **Provincial Towns Team** play Kilkenny in the Quarter Final of the tournament with 4 singles matches at home and 3 away.
- Saturday, August 6 at 2.30pm - Our **Barton Shield Team** play Castleknock in the Area Final with the two foursomes matches all being played in Dundalk. If we win this match, we will secure a Leinster North Winning Pennant and progress to the All-Ireland finals in September.
- Sunday, August 7 at 3.30pm - Our **Junior Cup Team** play Malahide in the Leinster North Semi-Final with 3 singles matches at home and 2 away.
- Tuesday, August 23 - Our **Junior Boys Foursomes Team** play in the All-Ireland finals in Ballina Golf Club Co Mayo.

LADY CAPTAIN'S CHARITY EVENT

Lady Captain Alison's Charity Team Competition was held in aid of the Irish Kidney Association and Anam Cara and raised in excess of €7,000 for these worthy causes. Lady Captain Alison would like to extend her sincere gratitude to the members of Dundalk Golf Club for their wonderful support of this event and to the generosity of the sponsors, KMR Accountants.

HOUSE & FACILITIES

- Works to the gents' showers has been completed and the finished look is very impressive. We would like to thank contractors Deluxe Bathrooms and Ward Contracting for completing this necessary project.
- The continued annoyance continues on the 5th hole. As there is a certain risk factor here, we would request that members do not engage with these youths. The Gardai have been contacted on several occasions and they have received camera footage for identification purposes.
- We would again like to remind our members of the excellent facilities here at the club for you, our members, along with your families and friends to enjoy. So please do encourage your wider social "families" to come up and enjoy our great bar and restaurant facilities.
- Our next planned projects for the clubhouse will be the painting of the exterior and the upgrading of the Facia and Soffit.

TOURNAMENT

Our ladies and gents club competitions being held this weekend give members the opportunity to support the 3T's charity by entering their competition. The 3T's competition is run alongside the normal competition and it is optional to enter. Entry fee is €10.

The ladies and gents' winners of the club 3T's competition will join our Captains in the 3T's four-person team event, which will be held in October, in either Portmarnock or the K Club.

3Ts is a registered charity founded in 2003 to raise awareness of the issue of suicide through research, education & support. 2022 is the 20th year of the tournament.

3T's receive no statutory funding but rely on fundraising efforts to fund their work campaigning for increased mental health & suicide prevention resources & services. Visit their website www.3ts.ie for useful further information, resources and for donations.



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CLUB LOTTO

There was no winner of last week's Club Lotto which was for a jackpot of €5000.00.



We thank you for your support and hope that you will spread the word among family, friends and colleagues by getting them to download the App and take part. To enter the Lotto please go to www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/dundalkgc

COURSE

The installation of the new Synthetic Turf area on the practice ground is progressing well and is due for completion over the coming weeks.

The new ball dispenser has been ordered. You will be glad to know there will be a new card system installed which will be less problematic as the current card system.

The course staff are busy preparing the course for the busy weekend ahead with interclub regional semi-finals and finals and the forthcoming Captain's Weekend.

CONCLUSION

We hope you have found this update useful. Any comments or suggestions can be emailed to communications@dundalkgolfclub.ie

Please stay safe and well,

**Communications and Marketing Committee,
Dundalk Golf Club.**