



# Welton Manor Golf Centre

## Summer newsletter

It has been so lovely to see all our members enjoying the golf course after the terrible year we have all experienced. The greens are superb, we have had over 150 new members and the club is bustling with competitions and societies as well as social golf!

### On the course

Our greenkeepers do an excellent job of improving and maintaining the greens all year round, therefore a special thanks goes to Kev, Dave and Mark. This work is orchestrated by the club owner, Dave, and as I am sure you will agree, the greens are in top condition. We are constantly receiving positive comments regarding the condition of the course from both members and non-members alike, making all the hard work worthwhile!

The fairways have recovered exceptionally well after the crow damage and are currently on par with the condition of the greens. There is an ongoing maintenance schedule being conducted continuously on the greens, as you will have noticed these just keep getting better and better. Some maintenance work on the bunkers will be commencing in the upcoming days to improve these. Also, we have some further course improvements planned throughout the Winter months.





## The practice range

The range has received a whole new look. After consulting with our golf pro, Gary Leslie, Dave decided to invest some money into revamping the range, and we now have distance markers and pods installed to make the range a lot more fun and challenging. This improvement has proved popular with all our members and visitors - it's great to see so many people down there enjoying the facilities! We have recently introduced a new set of rules for the driving range to make it a safer and more enjoyable environment, you can find these in the golf reception, on Facebook and down on the range. We are very lucky to have our very own golf professional who offers lessons both on the driving range and out on the course – Gary Leslie. Having been at Welton Manor since 1999, Gary is a very skilled coach who has taught the very beginner all the way up to league players. Gary offers video coaching technology and GC2 launch monitor data which offers a closer insight into your tailormade training. He is contactable on 07986 930854 or via email on [GaryLesliepga@gmail.com](mailto:GaryLesliepga@gmail.com).

Watch this space for further improvements on the practice range.





## Main club competitions



Our main club host an array of competitions from roll ups to set tee times both in the week and on weekends. Club competitions are a great way to integrate yourself into the club and our members always have a fantastic time with a well organised day. A massive thank you goes out to Adam Colbourne who did an excellent job this past year as competition secretary, and more recently, Jacqui Brinicombe and Roland Overvoorde for stepping in and ensuring the smooth running of competitions. We have a summer knockouts league ongoing and have now reached our semi-finals and finals stage for both the individual and the doubles competition. Congratulations to all of those who have competed in the knockouts league.

- Keil Cheung and Jim Crayston are due to play Sam Mitha and Elizabeth Clarke in the doubles semi-finals.
- Gary Lisseman and Brian Bakewell beat Ian Lynn and Gareth Evans into the finals
- Simon Swanston faces Keith Briggs in the singles semi-finals
- Paul Fragle and Gary Lisseman are against each other in the individual semi-finals

We held a successful main club Captain's day competition hosted by Mick Kelly. A fantastic day enjoyed by all those who participated. A special thank you goes to Mick Kelly and his wife, Sarah, for the fabulous prizes and refreshments at the halfway house available for all competitors. The results are as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> = Graham Scott  
2<sup>nd</sup> = Mike Bray  
3<sup>rd</sup> = Simon Swanston  
4<sup>th</sup> = Eddie Fairs  
5<sup>th</sup> = Neil Campbell

Nearest the pin:

Mike Bray on the 2<sup>nd</sup> hole  
Steve Leece on the 16<sup>th</sup> hole  
Al Lowen on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole

The winner of the straightest drive was Jim Crayston, and the lowest score goes to Andrew Skinner.





# Seniors

A team of four past Senior Captains; Terry Count, Dennis Loome, Alan Pretty and Keith Wood proudly represented Welton Manor Golf Club at the Lincolnshire Seniors Past Captains competition held at Kenwick Park Golf Club on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June. 115 seniors, whom are all past captains from 25 different clubs, attended the event. With 106 points in total, Welton Manor won the competition by 2 points to Torksey golf club! This is something the seniors have been close to winning a few times, and finally achieved a very well-deserved win! Congratulations to all involved.

Last Wednesday we held our very successful seniors Captain's Day competition enjoyed by over 45 senior members. The results are as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> = Le<sup>v</sup> Ramsey with a net of 60
- 2<sup>nd</sup> = Pete Guest with a net of 62
- 3<sup>rd</sup> = Franco Gugliotta with a net of 63
- 4<sup>th</sup> = Pete Swaby with a net of 65, CB 43
- 5<sup>th</sup> = Len Winch with a net of 65, CB 44

- 2's winners = Gary Gilberthorpe on hole 14
- Roy Smith on hole 16
- Len Franklin on hole 18



*Senior Captain Erol Palsey*

Nearest the pin in 2 on the 17<sup>th</sup> hole: Len Winch with 88"  
Nearest the pin on the 18<sup>th</sup>: Len Franklin with 21 ¾"

A massive thank you to our senior Captain, Erol Palsey for a very well organised day. We appreciate your kind words toward the staff after the event. Our Senior section is a very lovely and welcoming group who meet every Wednesday for competitions. They also organise to play amongst themselves and have their very own, well organised website

<https://www.seniorsgolfwelton.org.uk>





## Ladies

Our ladies section is a lovely, welcoming and friendly group growing stronger and stronger by the week. They play together on a Wednesday, organised by the fantastic acting lady captain Jacqui Brinicombe. They have recently been having group golf lessons down on the range with Gary Leslie and have competitions amongst themselves, as well as competitions of ladies and their partners. If any ladies are interested in joining this proactive and welcoming group, please either contact the club or speak to Jacqui on 07851 120552 or Jacqui-b.t21@btinternet.com



*Ladies section enjoying a group lesson with golf pro, Gary Leslie. (Top 2 photos)*

*Ladies and their partners competition (bottom photo)*





## Men's league

Our men's league who are competing in the North handicap division league 1 are currently in the lead! They have had an outstanding season, congratulations to all of you led by Captain Mick Kelly! Good luck in the remainder of your competitions. Let's hope for a repeat of 2017!



## Buggies

You may have noticed we have invested in a new, electric buggy that has proved incredibly popular with our members, whom we decided to reserve this buggy for.



## Nicholsons trophy

The prestigious Nicholsons trophy is an open competition being held on Saturday September 4<sup>th</sup>. The event is a shotgun start and is sponsored by Nicholson's accountants with some fantastic prizes and food promised for all those involved. The Nicholsons trophy is a competition that has been running for over 20 years and is ran as a shotgun start. All competitors will start at 8am on a different hole. For example, if you start on hole 7, you will finish on hole 8.

Please get in touch with our acting competition secretary, Jacqui Brinicombe if you would like to participate!





## Committee for the 2021/2022 season

With the difficult season we have all experienced throughout 2020/2021, we are looking for new committee members to join us behind the scenes here at Welton Manor. For the 2021/2022 season, we have:

- Adam Colbourne as your Captain
- Keith Adams as your acting Chairman
- Jacqui Brinicombe as your acting lady captain and acting competition secretary
- All positions (apart from Captain) are acting until the AGM, date to be confirmed.*

We are still looking for:

- Treasurer
- Handicap secretary
- Secretary
- General committee members



2021 Captain (left) Mick Kelly and Vice Captain (right) Adam Colbourne

## The Falconer bar and restaurant

Work in the Falconer bar is virtually completed – the place has been repainted, had new windows installed and new curtains to match the décor. I am sure many of you have been following the Euros 2020, and it has been so rewarding seeing the familiar faces of our members enjoying the tournament on our brand new tv! We have served hundreds of pints during the games, especially when the Carlsberg Pilsners and Tetley Smooth has been £2.50 during England matches! Despite an unfortunate lose in the finals, England did an incredible job and the atmosphere here has been electric, we have thoroughly enjoyed watching the games in the Falconer bar with many of our beloved members and customers!



We are currently taking bookings for functions and cannot wait to welcome people back for parties and weddings.





## Camping and fishing

Here at Welton Manor we also have a beautiful fishing lake full of Coarse Fish such Carp, Rudd, Bream, Tench, Pike etc. You can purchase a fishing ticket either in the golf reception or down at the fishing lake. A peaceful, calming and tranquil alternative to golf! The fishing lake warden, Steve, is contactable on 07763 884050.



Prices are as follows per person:  
£6 day ticket – maximum of 2 rods  
£5 day ticket for Junior and OAP – maximum of 2 rods  
£2 per extra rod



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The camp site is set on a peaceful site between the golf course and horse yard, right next to the golf course. A quiet site with 8 electrical hook up pitches, with extra pitches not requiring electric, it is the perfect place to chill out with friends and family.



Prices are as follows:  
Tent with electrical hook up: £9  
Tent without electrical hook up: £7  
Caravan/motorhome with electrical hook up: £15  
Caravan/Motorhome without electrical hook up: £12



## Charities

A huge thank you to everyone who has donated to the charity events going on lately linked to Welton Manor. Club Captain Mick Kelly has done a fabulous job fundraising for his Captain's charity Siblings Reunited throughout the year.

Assistant manager Paige is currently fundraising for her 10 mile Tough Mudder in August in aid of Macmillan Cancer support and Mind mental health charity.

Golfing member, Leigh Williams is participating in 4 rounds of golf on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July here at Welton Manor for Prostate Cancer.

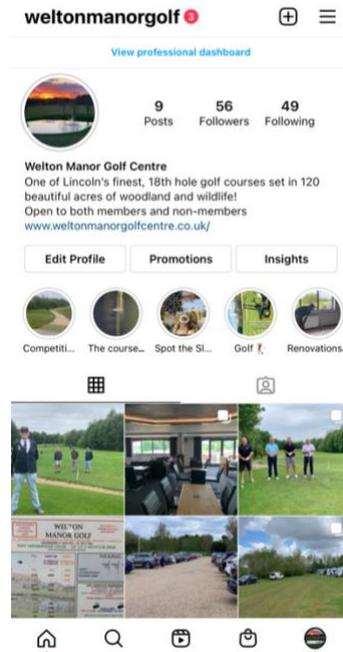
All of these charities are incredibly important and a great cause, if you would like to donate to any of them please speak to the staff in the golf reception!





# Social media

Our social media has also seen a recent revamp, with our Facebook page having so many positive comments and recommendations from members and non-members alike, competitions have been more frequent, and we even have an Instagram page! Search for @WeltonManorGolf and give us a follow! Our website is constantly being updated, use the link <https://www.weltonmanorgolfcentre.co.uk/> to access it.



We are constantly receiving fabulous comments and reviews on Facebook which is greatly appreciated by us all at Welton Manor!

# Merchandise

In our pro shop we have recently incorporated our own Welton Manor merchandise. We have:

- Boot bags - £12
- Caps - £14
- Adidas wind top - £25
- Gamegear polo tops - £30
- Glennair polo tops - £25
- PGA White polo tops - £15
- Ladies polo tops - £15
- Pitch markers - £3
- Ball markers - £1.50
- Pitch and ball marker together - £4





# Reviews

 **Adam James** ★ recommends **Welton Manor Golf Centre & Falconer Restaurant.**  
24 June at 15:13 · 🌐

First time I have been since lockdown and the course is in great condition! Greens are the best I've seen them! Will definitely be coming back.

 **Nick Briscoe** ★ recommends **Welton Manor Golf Centre & Falconer Restaurant.**  
24 June at 15:18 · 🌐

Great course been a while since I've been here but the greens are on form and the keepers done well. Course is a great play. definitely coming back.

 **Adam Leeder** ★ recommends **Welton Manor Golf Centre & Falconer Restaurant.**  
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Just played this morning and had a thoroughly enjoyable morning!

I've been coming 20 years and the course is easily playing the best I've seen. The greens are in great condition, running true and as fast as I can remember!

The TLC the course has had in the last 18 months is paying off 🍌

 **Jamie Curt** ★ recommends **Welton Manor Golf Centre & Falconer Restaurant.**  
6 June · 🌐

Cracking course, plenty of challenges and a lovely post round pint as well, staff are A1

 **Sam Perrin** ★ recommends **Welton Manor Golf Centre & Falconer Restaurant.**  
22 May · 🌐

Completed my first 18 here today. Course was looking great. Lovely bar for a nice refreshing beer afterwards!  
**Stylish interior · Outdoor dining · Cosy atmosphere**

 **Jaime Green** ★ recommends **Welton Manor Golf Centre & Falconer Restaurant.**  
9 June · 🌐

Guys wanted to say how great I've found the place since joining in March ready for us to play again after Covid. We left Blankney golf club due to the way the members are treated and the booking of tee times with friends was nearly impossible. Since moving across we've been welcomed more than I could have imagined and with all the facilities and the course is such a good place we all agree as a group it was the best decision we've made. Some was members at BGC for 15 years+ and are over the moon with how we've been treated. Just wanted to thank you publicly and appreciate the work on course and off course, the bar area especially, I think most of us would agree the social side is a big part of playing golf and it's been great.

 **David Overton** ★ recommends **Welton Manor Golf Centre & Falconer Restaurant.**  
22 May · 🌐

Lots of recent improvement on the course, greens looking good. Club has recently been renovated inside and they have improved the range. Good value range balls.

 **Gareth Tallentire** ★ recommends **Welton Manor Golf Centre & Falconer Restaurant.**  
25 June at 17:03 · 🌐

Course playing well and the staff are great 😊



This is what our golf professional, Gary Leslie, has to say about Welton Manor:

*“The greens are running even better than last week, smooth and taking the break, no one should moan about the course. The rough is up as expected this time of year, fairways are well cut – I loved it out there!”*

Finally, a big thank you to all of our members who have already renewed for the 2021/2022 season, and a huge welcome to our new members (over 150!) since lockdown. A thank you also goes to our committee, both the main club and the seniors, for all your hard work and help behind the scenes to ensure the smooth running of Welton Manor for all our members to enjoy. We have had some members volunteering on the course which has been a huge help and hasn't gone unnoticed, such as Mark Cox clearing the trees on the fairways, Mick Kelly for painting posts etc, Les Ramsey and Roger Brown for litter picking every week throughout lockdown, and so many more members who volunteered their time– we can't thank you enough! Finally, a huge thank you goes to the staff at Welton Manor. The greenkeepers, Kev, Dave and Mark do an excellent job out on the course, the management team; Lucy, Hayley, and Paige, as well as Freya, and finally, the owner of Welton Manor: David Ottewell.

We would love to see more of our members, old and new, partaking in competitions, the committee and getting more involved within the club. Here's to a great 2021/2022 season!



