

WELCOME TO STRANRAER GOLF CLUB

NEW MEMBER INFORMATION PACK



2017

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1. Clubhouse

1.1 Club

Stranraer Golf Club was established in 1905 with a course on the west side of Stranraer. The land was sequestered during the Second World War and the current site not open for play until 1952.

The Club is not for profit unincorporated organization. The Board of Governance is vested in the Management Committee and is made up of a President, Vice President, Captain and Vice-Captain, Ladies Captain and Vice-Captain, Past Captain, Ladies Past Captain and five ordinary members of the Club.

1.2 Office Bearers for 2017

President; Jim Arnott
Vice President: - Neville Wright
Captain: - David Gladstone
Vice-Captain:- Gerald Baillie
Lady Captain: - Mrs. Jackie Hart
Lady Vice-Captain: - Helen Hamilton
Past Captain: - William Sloan
Past Lady Captain: -

Committee Members:

Val Plant, Andy Gibson, Stephen Magee, Douglas Compton

Co-opted members:- Roderick Davidson

Club Secretary: - James Burns
Assistant Secretary: Mrs Robyn Mackay
Match Secretary: - Robert Allison

All office bearers and staff are happy to assist members with their enquiries or information regarding the Club.

Office Hours:

Summer	09:00 to 16:00	Mon- Fri	09:00- 14:00 Sat/Sun
Winter	09:00 – 13:00	Mon- Fri	

1.3 Communication

Please ensure that all your personal details are kept up to date at all times with any alterations and amendments given to the secretariat to maintain accuracy.

Check the website www.stranraergolfclub.net regularly for news and information. News items are posted regularly.

Sign up to Twitter and Facebook for regular updates and information.

1.4 Security

We ask all members to be vigilant when accessing the clubhouse. We currently do not operate a door entry system but may do so in the future if it is decreed necessary.

1.5 Clubhouse Hours

Summer hours

	CLUBHOUSE	BAR	CATERING
Monday	07:00 – 23:00	08:00-23:00	07:30 – 18:00
Tuesday	07:00 – 23:00	08:00-23:00	07:30 – 20:00
Wednesday	07:00 – 23:00	08:00-23:00	07:30 – 20:00
Thursday	07:00 – 23:00	08:00-23:00	07:30 – 20:00
Friday	07:00 – 23:00	08:00-23:00	07:30 – 20:00
Saturday	07:00 – 23:00	08:00-23:00	07:30 – 20:00
Sunday	07:00 – 23:00	08:00-23:00	07:30 – 20:00

Winter Hours

	CLUBHOUSE	BAR	CATERING
Monday	07:30 – 16:00	08:00 – 14:00	08:00 – 14:00
Tuesday	07:30 – 17:00	08:00 – 17:00	08:00 – 17:00
Wednesday	07:30 – 17:00	08:00 – 17:00	08:00 – 17:00
Thursday	07:30 – 17:00	08:00 – 17:00	08:00 – 17:00
Friday	07:30 – 17:00	08:00 – 17:00	08:00 – 17:00
Saturday	07:30 – 19:00	08:00 – 23:00	08:00 – 17:00
Sunday	07:30 – 19:00	08:00 – 23:00	08:00 - 17:00

During the winter season the clubhouse may close 30 minutes after the last car leaves the Car Park. Members are requested to contact the Stewardess for special arrangements outside the core times.

1.6 Dress Code

Clubhouse

Smart casual wear, no football/rugby/motor racing colours. Jeans/denims are permitted in the clubhouse (no holes/tears)

No footwear that can be worn on the golf course i.e. golf shoes are only allowed in designated areas i.e. locker rooms and not the lounge/dining room.

All weather proof garments must be removed in the lounge/dining room. Golf equipment, rucksacks and holdalls are not allowed in the lounge/dining room.

Caps and visors must not be worn in the lounge/dining room.

Course:

Smart casual wear. Golf shoes should be worn.

No collarless shirts, football/rugby/motor racing colour's of football/rugby style shorts

'1.7 Mobile Phones:

Mobile phones should be kept on silent when in the Clubhouse for the respect of other members.

'1.8 Lockers:

The Locker Rooms have recently been upgraded and members may still acquire a new locker for a fee of £160. This covers 6 years rental and upon completion of this term a further rental charge will be applied. Remaining Lockers are available for annual rental and for further information on this contact the secretary.

'1.9 Caddy Shed:

Keys are available for the shed at £5 per annum. There are also boxes but currently these are all let. If you leave your trolley including powered trolleys please note that the club accepts no responsibility for any damage or loss. Please make sure your name is on your trolley and that you hang it up in a responsible manner and don't leave it lying around.

2. GOLF

2.1 Tee Booking System

At this current time we do not operate a members' tee booking system. Members do have protected tee times which are listed on the Club Fixture List should look in clubhouse to see what the tee sheet is like as there are particular periods during the year where we have heavy bookings of visitors, which are a vital part of our income stream.

2.2 Competitions:

Please check the notice boards and website for particulars of competitions for gentlemen, ladies and juniors. www.stranraergolfclub.net

2.3 Handicaps:

In order to compete in a club competition, you must have a valid and up to date handicap. Members transferring in or players who are members of other clubs but wish their "home" club nominated as Stranraer should obtain their latest handicap certificate from their former club and post/hand it to the Club for the attention of the Match Secretary. To obtain a new handicap, or to reinstate a lapsed handicap, three cards must be handed in. These must be clearly marked "FOR HANDICAP". All cards must be marked and signed by a member who has a valid handicap. The cards must be for rounds over a measured course i.e. yellow, white or red (ladies only) tees may be used.

2.4 CDH (Central database of Handicaps)

Stranraer feeds scores into the CDH programme. Members should be aware of their CDH number (obtained from the handicap list in locker room). Please ensure you provide your CDH number when entering competitions "away" from home. This keeps your handicap up to date.

2.5 Greens:

The Head Green Keeper is Andrew Ewing, Assistant Head Green Keeper, Graeme Smith and 1 Green keeper, Liam Harvey.

Any comments on the course or greens should be directed through our Greens Convener, currently Neville Wright.

During the winter we sometimes have specific conditions of play in operation and these will be notified via the club notice board.

'2.6 Care of the Course:

Notices are displayed during inclement weather with regard to the use of Buggies and are the sole discretion of the Head Green keeper or Green keeper on duty if at weekends.

Pitch Marks

Please remember to replace all divots and all pitch marks should be repaired promptly. If you happen to come across some that are not of your making please be courteous and repair them.

'2.7 Local Rules

1. Out of Bounds, Boundaries are as follows: All fences, hedges and lines of white posts round the perimeter of the course.
The shore line of Loch Ryan – this is defined by the line of white posts at the 5th hole and where applicable at the 14th hole. The practice ground bounded by the line of white posts to the right of the 3rd hole and to the left of the 11th and 12th holes. The area between the 9th & 18th which contains the practice green and is bounded by white posts.
2. Water Hazards
All burns and open ditches are water hazards, Rule 26-1 applies. Red posts at the burn on the 2nd & 3rd holes and at the open ditch to the left of the 5th fairway indicate the extent of the Lateral Water Hazard, Rule 26 applies.
Note: timber sides of the burn and bridges and culverts are integral parts of the course and NOT obstructions.
3. PROTECTION OF YOUNG TREES (marked by stakes)
If such a tree interferes with a player's stance or the area of his intended swing, the ball must be lifted, without penalty and dropped in accordance with the procedure prescribed in Rule 24-2b(i) Immovable Obstructions
4. STONES IN BUNKERS
Stones in bunkers are movable obstructions Rule 24-1 applies
5. TRACTOR MARKS
Tractor tyre marks may be treated as "ground under repair" Rule 25 applies
6. ROAD (15th & 16th Holes):
If a ball lies on or within the tracks of the road leading to the shore and which crosses the 15th & 16th Holes, the player may lift and drop, without penalty, behind the road keeping the point between himself and the hole, Rule 24-2 applies
7. SURFACED ROAD ADJACENT TO 9th GREEN
This road is an integral part of the course and NOT an obstruction

8. FIXED HEAD SPRINKLERS

All fixed sprinkler heads are immovable obstructions and relief from interference by them may be obtained under Rule 24-2. In addition, if a ball lies off the putting green but not in a hazard and such an obstruction on or within two club lengths of the ball intervenes on the line of play between the ball and the hole, the player may take relief as follows: The ball shall be lifted and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lay which (a) is not nearer the hole, (b) avoids such intervention and (c) is not in a hazard or on a putting green. The ball may be cleaned when so lifted.

9. PILES OF GRASS CUTTINGS

Piles of grass cuttings are designated as "Ground under Repair". Rule 25 applies.

10. DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES

For all play at Stranraer Golf Club a player may obtain distance information by a device that measures distance only. However, if during a stipulated round a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to gauge other conditions that might affect their play (gradient, wind speed, temperature etc.) the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used.

'3 MEMBERS BENEFITS

Stranraer Golf Club members enjoy various benefits from their membership package.

'3.1 Four Club Agreement Reciprocal Golf: Full Members of Stranraer GC can if pre-arranged avail themselves of complementary golf at Turnhouse GC (Edinburgh), Helensburgh GC and Craigiehill (Perth) Contact numbers available from the secretary.

'3.2 Association of James Braid Golf Courses:

Stranraer is a member of the Association of James Braid Golf Courses, significant as we are the last designed by the illustrious five times Open Champion and course designer James Braid. The advantage of being a member of the Association is that members of clubs can play at all other member clubs at a reduced green fee, subject to tee availability. Courses either have to have been designed, re designed or altered to be able to join. Tee times can be arranged on request. Proof of membership must be shown at time of play. A full list of current courses is available on our website.

'3.3 Functions:

The clubhouse is available for all members and their immediate families for parties, dinners and functions. We also cater for weddings although the strict Licensing Laws require that this is only available to members.

'4 Communication

'4.1 Twitter, Facebook & Stranraer Golf Club App

Follow us on Twitter for course updates and up to date information.

Our Twitter name is [@GolfStranraer](#)

Stranraer Golf Club's Facebook user name is [Stranraer Golf Club](#).

Stranraer Golf Club App: We have enhanced the facilities the club provides by introducing a new free app to help better engage with members, golfers and potential visitors and help promote club activities, Download your free app now from your app store, search '**Stranraer Golf Club**'

'4.2 Website:

Our website address is www.stranraergolfclub.net . This is where you will find all you need to know about our golf club. It includes some historical information from days or yore (with photographs), information on the club, the course, competitions and fixtures. It also has links to other useful sites.

4.3

E-mails

Members will be kept up to date on club matters and news via e-mail. You are encouraged to sign up so that we can engage with you as quickly as possible of new or impending information. It is very important that any changes in contact details are notified to the Club Secretary.

4.5

Telephone Numbers	Office: 01776 870245 Option 1 Clubhouse/Bar: 01776 870245 Option 2
Website Address	www.stranraergolfclub.net
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Facebook	Stranraer Golf Club
Stranraer Golf Club App	Search 'Stranraer Golf Club' in your App store.
List of Office Bearers	<p>President: Jim Arnott Vice President & Green Convener: Neville Wright Captain: David Gladstone Vice-Captain: Gerald Baillie Lady Captain: Mrs. Jacqueline Hart Lady Vice Captain: Helen Hamilton</p> <p>Committee Members Past Captain:- William Sloan Past Lady Captain: House Convener: Andy Gibson Stephen Magee Douglas Compton Junior Convener: Val Plant</p> <p>Co-opted members:- Roderick Davidson</p> <p>Match & Handicap Secretary Robert Allison</p> <p>Secretary James Burns E-mail: stranraergolf@btconnect.com</p> <p>Assistant Secretary Mrs Robyn MacKay stranraergolf@btconnect.com</p> <p>Stewards John & Margaret Ann McCulloch</p>