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SGU Club e-bulletin

Welcome to the SGU Club e-bulletin

Welcome to the latest edition of the SGU Club e-bulletin, keeping golf club managers, secretaries and their committees up to date with the latest information and support services provided by the Scottish Golf Union.

SGU Committee Update

The latest edition of SGU Committee Update is now available to download and distribute to members of your committee. Featuring relevant and timely topics, this month's Update focuses on providing help to ensure Effective Governance at your club, a look at the recent changes to the Rules of Golf and an in-depth progress report on the Centralised Database of Handicaps (CDH). [SGU Committee Update>>](#)

Scottish Golf Club Seminars – last few dates remaining!

Our popular annual seminars – all FREE of charge - could be coming near you. The SGU team have hit the road in recent weeks and five dates at Glencorse, Ratho Park, Dullatur, Kilmarnock (Barassie) and Castle Douglas remain. This year's focus is on supporting Clubs in key areas like governance, legislation, handicapping and membership marketing. Up to four representatives from your Club can attend, so to book your seat or find out more [click here](#)



Clubs and Golfers Encouraged to Review Insurance

Given the high-profile case which saw a golfer awarded almost £400,000 in damages following an unfortunate course incident, now is the time to be fully aware of health and safety guidelines whilst considering insurance cover. The recent judgement brings into sharp focus the liability for golfers, club committee members and office bearers. Whilst such incidents are rare, accidents can happen. The SGU works with Carrick Neill as our official insurance broker, who provide a range of policies for clubs and golfers. [Find out more>>](#)

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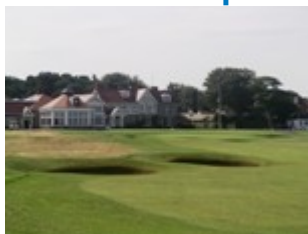
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2011 National Handicap Audit

It's that time year of again! We're currently conducting our annual national audit of all players with a playing handicap of one or better – i.e. exact handicap of 1.4 or below - in accordance with the CONGU Unified Handicapping System. Therefore, we're asking all golf clubs to provide us with a copy of the FULL HANDICAP RECORD for 2011 of each member of your club who comes into that category. [Handicap Audit Instructions>>](#)

Hurry! Take your chance now to play Scotland's Open venues



Tee-times are fast running out for play this winter at some of Scotland's greatest championship courses – Muirfield, Royal Troon and Prestwick. To add to the benefits of being a member at an SGU or SLGA affiliated golf club, we're offering a number of exclusive

offers at the world-renowned venues – but places are now limited. Book a four-ball tee-time at Muirfield, host venue for the 2013 Open, or Royal Troon and Prestwick for just £280. All proceeds go to junior development in Scotland. To book please call the SGU on 01334 466477. [Find out more>>](#)

ClubGolf Goes From Strength to Strength

ClubGolf, Scotland's key legacy for staging the 2014 Ryder Cup, is proving to be one of the most remarkable programmes in Scottish sport. 311 clubs and a growing army of PGA Pros and coaches are delivering the programme – with big-name sponsors also coming on board. How are clubs and facilities across Scotland benefitting? [Find out more>>](#)

Super Strathaven Storm to Captains and Secretaries Glory

The rescheduled Belhaven Best Captains and Secretaries Championship Grand Final was held in glorious sunshine over at Golf House Club, Elie. It proved a memorable day for Strathaven Club Manager Ian Neil and Handicap Convenor Kevin Forsyth, who returned a stunning 10-under par better ball score of 60 to win the 40-team competition by five shots from last year's victors Duddingston. [Find out more>>](#)



Win a Galvin Green Winter Pack!

Now that 'Winter League' season is upon us, it's time to wrap yourself up and get protected from the elements, so the SGU has teamed up with our friends at Golfposer.com, Scotland's most fashionable golf retailer, to give you the chance of winning a fantastic Galvin Green Winter Pack, featuring gloves, beanie hat, base layer top and bottoms. [Click here to enter>>](#)

London 2012 Inspire Programme - do you know an exceptional project needing support?

Scottish Government are working closely with LOCOG to identify exceptional projects and programmes that have been inspired by the Olympic and Paralympics Games and Commonwealth Games coming the UK and Scotland. There are 45 projects in Scotland but we know there are a lot more great projects out there and need your help to reach them before the application deadline closes on 1 December. [Find out more>>](#)

Keep visiting scottishgolf.org for all the latest news, results, offers and information from the Scottish Golf Union.

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