



Dear Member,

The Entry Forms for our meetings – 2021 Fixture List – County Match details – Application forms for the Annual Dinner are now available on the **WEBSITE/members tab** and can be downloaded by clicking the link below which will take you to the members page then please scroll down to 'file downloads'

[Click Here](#)

The Membership Directory will be forwarded to you on a separate email in line with our DATA PROTECTION POLICY so it does not appear on our website.

AGM details and our Annual Accounts will be emailed in March.

Please check the details within the directory to ensure your details are correct. If you wish to play in any of the Members Meetings please download the entry forms and return them to me by post.

There are two ways one can pay, either by cheque or Internet Banking. **If using Internet Banking please use your membership number and surname as the REFERENCE.** Your membership number can be found in the first column of the Membership Directory, which will be sent to you attached to another email. **(Bank details are: NatWest – Sort Code: 51-81-07 – Account No: 83122117. Account Name: The Society of Kent Golf Captains)**

Should you still wish to pay by cheque it will **NOT** be necessary to send separate cheques for each meeting. You can either send one cheque for all your entries OR one cheque dated February 28th for entry's up to the 31st July 2021 and one post-dated cheque (1st August 2021) for entry's after the 31st July 2021.

Internet payments can also be made on the same arrangements as cheque payments. Payment one dated **28th February** for entry's up to the 31st July 2021 and payment two dated **1st August 2021** for entry's after the 31st July 2021.





Secretary's Report:

Sadly 2020 will be remembered for all the wrong reasons with the devastation caused by Covid-19 and the restrictions imposed upon us all in our fight to rid this terrible disease. Although it is still with us, there is some light at the end of the tunnel with vaccines being made available in the weeks and months ahead which hopefully will allow us to resume some sort of normality during 2021.

Looking back on the past year we have endeavoured to keep everyone up to-date with our monthly Newsletters, copies of which can still be viewed on our website, but to summarise the past year everything we had planned had to be cancelled so I have very little to report to you.

On the subject of our Newsletters, I must thank **Terry Ralph** for all his hard work assisting me in producing the Newsletters in such a professional way and keeping the website up to-date.

The situation we had to deal with in 2020 was unprecedented and did cause us some concern especially with the change over of President and Captain. We did cover this matter in our May Newsletter. It was decided to be fair to one and all to ask all those in office in 2019 to continue in their position until May 2021 once it was apparent that our meetings and events could not be guaranteed to take place in 2020. If I may on behalf of us all, thank **Mike Lintonbon (President)**, **Roger Cruttenden (Captain)**, **Peter Skipper (Vice-Captain)** to agreeing to this plan and continue supporting the Society for an additional year in their elected position.

As you would have read within the Newsletters I had to sadly report that Ian Dunlop, Ernie Maidment and Harry Sargent all Past Captains of the Society passed away during 2020 but in November we received more sad news that Ken Taylor a Past Captain fell victim to the coronavirus and passed away. Four well respected Past Captains who did much for our Society during their years in office who will be sadly missed but not forgotten.

Although we have not had events to organise **Mike Stephens** our Treasurer and myself have still been quite busy ensuring all refunds were made. Mike has done an excellent time-consuming job making sure all monies were returned to one and all and each meeting balanced to a zero figure.

With no trophies awarded and no reports to give you on the year gone by, we can do no more than look forward.

So to 2021

Our full programme
for the year ahead can

be found on the website as mentioned above.

Our first event will be this year's Annual Dinner to be held on the **9th April at the Weald of Kent Hotel & Golf Course near Headcorn**. Our guest speaker will be Bob Webb. The maximum number we can



Weald of Kent Hotel & Golf

accommodate for this dinner is 180. This of course will, depend on where we are with the virus and any restrictions still in place.

So, with this in mind we will take provisional reservations for the dinner in the normal way **BUT WILL NOT** ask for payment until the end of February by which time we should know if we can hold our Annual Dinner.

Reservations for hotel bookings cannot be made until early February by which time we will know if the Annual Dinner can go ahead. If all is well we will send an email once we know what the situation is with details on how to book rooms with a booking code which you will need to reserve a room.



Stoke by Nayland Hotel & Golf

Because a decision has already been made about an Overseas Tour not taking place for 2021. We have as mentioned within the October Newsletter arranged for our **Captain Roger Cruttenden** to host a 3-night short break trip to **Stoke by Nayland**

Hotel and Golf Complex in Essex on the 20th to 23rd April. We have secured on a provisional basis 10 additional rooms should any member wish to join us. If you would like more details, please **CLICK THE LINK BELOW:** Where you will also find costings and an application form which would need to be returned to me together with a deposit of £50.00. I have been advised that

£30 of the deposit is **NON-REFUNDABLE** unless the hotel is forced to closed due to Government restrictions:

The provisional rooms can only be held until the end of January.

[Click Here](#)

I would just like to say a few words about our County Matches. These matches are great fun to play in and are very similar to your own club FRIENDLY matches and open to all regardless of handicap. We are always looking for support for these matches. So, if you would like to play in any of this year's matches please contact the Match Managers. Details can be found on the County Match Attachment on the website by clicking the Link at the top of the page.



May I suggest when you have time, a visit to our website at www.kentgolfcaptains.org where you will find news, results, clothing page, application forms for all our events, application forms for membership, plus much, much, more.

During the forthcoming season I will be working along side our Assistant Secretary **Peter Morris** with the view of handing over the secretary duties to him at our AGM in 2022. Please introduce yourself to Peter when the opportunity arises because I know he would like to meet as many of you as possible.

May I close by wishing you all good health, good golf and may all your wishes come true for 2021. I look forward to meeting up with many of you during our forthcoming season coronavirus free!!!

David Honnor
Secretary

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