## Cumbria Ladies County Golf Association April 2017 Newsletter



I hope you enjoyed the March newsletter, from feedback I've received so far, members have enjoyed reading about what has been happening in the county. Continuing on from March, April has been a very hectic month. High on my highlight list this month our amazing Easter Bunnies! CC Jo Tinsley

#### Easter Bunnies 'Eggstravaganza'!

The Easter bunny decided to hang around just long enough to supply Graeme Lisle (Professional, Carlisle Golf Club) and Belinda Rigby (County Junior Organiser) with enough chocolate and treats for the annual Easter Bunnies fun day on Thursday 20 April. This day, together with the Halloween fun day, is an opportunity for girls across our county, from all ages, not necessarily a member of a club; to come and have a go at golf. Graeme does an excellent job of making the programme varied, topical and most importantly – FUN! This is my second Bunnies fun day and I have to say I have been in training for the 'egg and spoon race' first place was virtually decided by a photo finish! The skills challenges are again very much geared to make practice fun and Graeme does a fantastic job of giving each junior thoughts and ideas to take away with them to help them progress and keep them motivated to play golf. To finish off the morning session, each group was asked to come up with an Easter 'rap' – CJO Belinda and her team smashed all the opposition out of the water.....worthy of an audition at X-Factor girls!

The morning results were 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Blue Team with CJO Belinda; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Yellow Team with County President Marion; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Red Team with County Captain Jo and 4<sup>th</sup> Place – Green Team with County Junior Captain Emily. After lunch each group went onto the course and played three holes, Texas scramble. County Junior Captain Emily rallied her team who were victorious.









### Cumbria vs Northumberland – 23 April 2017

It was Cumbria's turn to host the annual friendly match against Northumberland which Workington Golf Club very kindly allowed us use of their course and made us most welcome. The weather was kind to us (again) and the course in superb condition. This match is normally an ideal time to practice foursomes, however, with the Northumberland Team travelling further than usual CC Jo and County Captain for Northumberland, Claire Whitfield agreed to play betterball matchplay. Teams were:

- Natasha Slater & Hannah Smith vs Judith Moore & Rachel Gourley
- Sarah Cousins & Nicola Wood vs Alex Robson-Crosby & Nicky Rose
- Rebecca McIntyre & Katie Sibley vs Rosie Belsham & Jessica Baker
- Mel Temple & Abby Roper vs Rebecca Ferguson & Francesca Chilton

Spectators saw some fantastic golf by both teams, holes being halved in birdies on a number of occasions. The final result went the way of host County, Cumbria 3-1 and played in the true spirit of the game. CC Jo and CC Claire both thanked Workington for their kind hospitality and excellent meal afterwards and wished all the players good luck for their respective championships and success at Northern Counties Match Week.







#### NORTHERN COUNTIES MATCH WEEK - MORECAMBE GOLF CLUB 19<sup>th</sup> TO 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2017

Planning and preparation for Northern Counties Match Week are still in full flow. Thank you to all Cumbria ladies and men who have very kindly agreed to trolley pull for us – County Vice Captain, Carole is pleased to report that we have someone on every bag for each day – again thank you. Our friendly matches are now complete and I'm delighted to report we won 3 and narrowly lost 1. As mentioned in my last newsletter, Alyn Cousins from Ulverston GC and squad coach has had the ladies working on their short game and also to practice shots allowing for lots of wind (it is Morecambe!). The team will be announced after the County Championship Final at Kendal Golf Club on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017. Good luck everyone who has entered.

#### 1 Day Team Trophy

Just a reminder to all Lady Captains who have teams in the 1 Day Team Trophy at Appleby Golf Club on Thursday 15 June to return team sheets and menu choices to CC Jo Tinsley by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

Many thanks!

### We'd love to see you.....

At the Mixed Open on Saturday 13 May – Eden Golf Club – entries still being taken – please contact CC Jo Tinsley and also the County Championships at Kendal Golf Club – entries still being taken for the :

- County Championship (Tuesday 30 May)
- Girls Championship (Tuesday 30 May)
- County Bronze Championship (Wednesday 31 May)
- County Team of 3 (Thursday 1 June)

Entry forms available or even just email organisers – full details on website <a href="https://www.cumbria-lcga.co.uk">www.cumbria-lcga.co.uk</a>

#### Great Matches with excellent results

The squads annual practice matches also consist of two friendlies one against Carlisle Scratch Team men and the other Cumbria Senior Men.

The ladies played on a sunny warm day at Carlisle on Sunday 9 April – thanks to Carlisle Golf Club for the use of your course and also the excellent hospitality. We played 9 holes foursomes followed by 9 holes singles. Our pairings were:

Rebecca McIntyre & Katie Sibley (both Carlisle GC)

Sarah Cousins & Hannah Smith (Ulverston & Silloth GCs)

Mel Temple & Abby Roper (both Seascale GC)

Nic Wood & Yolanda Metcalfe (Windermere & Kirkby Lonsdale GCs)

Harriet Barker & Emily Smith (Carus Green & Silloth GCs)

Naomi Brennan & Molly Davies (Seascale & Carlisle GCs)

Foursomes results went the way of the men 9-3 but the team pulled it back on the back 9 singles and won 14-10 with Abby Roper birdied the last to win her match! However the men were overall winners 19-17 but some excellent results in the singles. Thanks to Team Captain Nev Johnstone – good luck with your matches this season.







Our match against the Cumbria Senior Men at Kirkby Lonsdale GC on Bank Holiday Monday 1 May (thanks to Kirkby Lonsdale who made us feel so welcome) was again a sunny day. A special thanks to Janette McWhirter (Appleby GC) who stepped in to make up our numbers only to find that on the day she ended up playing for the men. Janette and Harriet Barker (Carus Green) went out first in singles matchplay and congratulations to Harriet who got an early point for the Ladies. The remaining pairings were:

Caitlin Whitehead & Sarah Cousins Rebecca McIntyre & Mel Temple Katie Sibley & Naomi Brennan Natasha Slater & Abby Roper Nic Wood & Yolanda Metcalfe

Thanks to Lionel Dobson, Team Captain and his team – the ladies thoroughly enjoyed the golf with some superb play. CC Jo and CVC Carole were willing Mel Temple's shot on the par 3 17<sup>th</sup> to go in for a hole in one – so near and yet so far. Then playing partner Rebecca followed Mel by hitting the flag! Overall result 3.5 to the Ladies 2.5 to the men. Good luck Lionel for all your matches this year!





# Dates for your Diary:

13 May - Mixed 4BBB - Eden GC

30 May - Girls Championship - Kendal GC

30 May - County Championship - Kendal GC

31 May - Bronze Championship - Kendal GC

1 June - Team Event - Kendal GC

15 June - 1DTT - Appleby GC

19 – 23 June – Northern Counties Match Week – Morecambe GC

3 July – Cecil Leitch 5 Club Final – Dunnerholme GC

10 July - County 4BBB - Seascale GC

17 July – Summer Meeting – Brampton GC

2 – 3 August – Northern Counties Junior

Jamboree – Carlisle GC

We realise that there are so many events to support – even if you can only enter one – we really do appreciate it!

All entry forms available on County website:

us on Facebook at 'Cumbria County Ladies Golf Association':







Some extra photos from the Easter Bunnies Day!

## Girls Golf Rocks

There has been a fantastic response to the Girls Golf Rocks! Initiative so far. Taster days have taken place at Kendal; Ulverston and Silloth Golf Clubs and the coaching sessions are now in the diary. There is one more girls taster day to come which is at Brampton Golf Club on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2pm to 4pm — contact Phillip Waugh on philipwaugh@gmail.com or telephone 016977 2000 to register your daughter, grand-daughter, niece, great-niece, daughter of friends etc etc etc.





