

## October/November 2025 NEWSLETTER



We hope that you have enjoyed the recent months of golf here at Casterton. We have enjoyed some fine warm weather as well as the occasional very rainy day. Well done to all those that have braved the rainy conditions. We have been glad to welcome a few new members over the last couple of months. The new members are making good use of the par 3 course as well as the main course. The par 3 course is a great way to hone your short and mid range skills.

TROLLEYS IN WINTER - If there is a frost we do not permit the use of golf trolleys. Either play once the frost has lifted or use a carry bag (carry bags can be borrowed).



## Presentation Evening Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2025



All club members are welcome to come to this years presentation evening on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 7pm. This years event will be held in the suitably spruced up club house. Tickets are £35 per person including canapes/drink on arrival, a 2 course meal and coffee provided by a guest caterer. This will be a great event to celebrate the season together and to recognise those who have done particularly well this year. There will be a sign up sheet behind the till in the clubhouse so just speak to a member of the clubhouse staff to get your name down. Prize winners are expected to attend.



## New prices from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2025

From the first of November membership prices will be changing. Please see below for details. If you are a full member paying monthly please amend your direct debit to £45 from 1<sup>st</sup> November

Trial Membership 2 months (one off trial)  E160  Included: Main Course Membership Par 3 Course Membership Discounted Driving Range, Trolley and Buggy hire. Option to upgrade to a full membership after 2 months for £325 (for next 10 months) or move to pay monthly member with no set up fee.  Full Member  E485  Main course Membership Par 3 Course Membership 10% Discount saving on up to 10 Guests per year. 10% Discount in the Cafe 10% Discount in the Club for £38. (payable to the club).  Full Member Pay Monthly  E90 initial set up fee + £45 per month  Academy Member (New members only 1st year)  As full member (see above)  Pay Monthly  Academy Member (New members only 1st year)  Main Course Membership Par 3 Course Membership Par 3 Course Membership 10 Group golf sessions with PGA Pro. Discounted Driving Range, Trolley and Buggy hire. 10% discount in the shop (items over £10) or cafe. Not eligible to join Club.  Member age U16 Member age U17  Member age U19  E220  Main course Membership Par 3 Course Membership 10% Discount in the Shop (Items over £10) or cafe. Not eligible to join Club.  Member age U21  E220  Main course Membership Par 3 Course Membership Option to join the Club for £38. (payable to the club).  Member U25  E300  Same as U21 Member Pay Outright  Pay Outright Par 3 Course Discounted Driving Range, Trolley and Buggy hire. Pay Outright Par 3 Course Discounted Driving Range, Trolley and Buggy hire. Pay Outright Par 3 Course Discounted Driving Range, Trolley and Buggy hire. Pay Outright Par 3 Course Discounted Driving Range, Trolley and Buggy hire. Pay Outright	Category	Price		Payment
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#### **Golf Characters**

A new feature in our newsletter which I hope will become a regular feature. Much of golf is the people you meet along the way. You may have seen Roy around the clubhouse here at Casterton. I asked him if he would be willing to do an interview for the newletter and he kindly wrote the below for me and spent a good hour talking about his time in golf. If you yourself would like to feature in the newslett or know someone with an interesting golf journey please let me know. Tom



Roy with the wooden handled putter he used in the open and his medal for participating in the open.

I was born 12/6/1938 West Manchester, a short iron from a golf course. After caddying for 5 years at Swinton Park golf club from 10 years old to 15 years old I joined as a junior member for £2, 5 shillings. Children under 15 were not allowed to join. My friend George Parton joined with me. He later won the northern professionals championship and was professional at Chester golf club for 45 years. Our first handicaps were in single figures because we played on the fields near the golf course for 5 years before becoming members. I was an amateur until 25 years old playing for Lancashire and doing well in several events around Manchester.

I went to Ashton on Mersey as a professional in 1964 at 25 years old, where I did 15 hours a week green keeping and the rest in the shop, teaching and repairing clubs. After 7 years there I went to Elsmere golf club in Manchester and then 4 years later to Oswestry golf club Shropshire for 6 years. Ian Woosnam was an amateur there and soon turned professional winning the masters and playing in the Ryder cup. I finished being a full pro with 11 years working at Heysham. I then became a teaching pro at Kirkby Lonsdale and then Casterton. I have been very grateful to John and Elizabeth, also Peter and Ruth for allowing me 30 years at Casterton where I have many friends.

On the playing side I managed to win or finish 1<sup>st</sup> equal in 12 professional tournaments and 2<sup>nd</sup> in another 6. Highlights were winning northern qualifying for the club professionals championship and qualifying for the open championship in 1969. I won 2 big tournaments in Manchester, the Bredbury Hall tournament and the Presidents Trophy, plus the Manchester and district foursomes championships 3 times. I played with Ryder cup players Dave Thomas, Lionel Platts, John Garner, Peter Butler and Ian Woosnam. They made you realise that you had a long way to go to become a top class player.

Eight lads turned professional from Swinton Park golf club where I started off. Caddying was the perfect introduction to golf. I have met some great people including many football stars. At Ashton on Mersey, 4 of the Man united first team were members and Manchester city used to play on Thursdays at the club.

To conclude Peter and the ground staff are doing a great job with the course. I once saw a sign that I like that said "it is easier to replace the turf than to re-turf the place". Good luck to Gareth (the pro), good man, good teacher! Roy

Motocaddy SE Electric Trolley
Ultra 2025 now available in the club shop

RRP £549
Our Price £535
Members Price £481.50
Accessories available



Cafe Offer!!!

15<sup>th</sup> October - 31<sup>st</sup> October

Members offer

Americano Coffee + Slice of cake/tray
bake Only £5.40 when you mention the
newsletter







## Recent Results

### KNOCK-OUTS

The knock-out matches have now concluded, with Angela Holliday and Gaynor Ward winning the ladies doubles, beating Ann Neil and Jean Cope in the final. Another win for Gaynor Ward in the ladies singles beating Christine McGrath in the final.

In the mixed doubles final Linda Carter and Lucas Maxwell were victorious over Gillian Dobson and John King.

In the mens doubles final Ryan Kendal and William Peill defeated James Lamb and Chris Hippisley.

The mens singles was won by Jack Halhead defeating Chris Hippisley in a close match going all the way to the 18<sup>th</sup> hole.

#### **Founders Day (men)**

- 1. Neil Adams 34 points
- 2. Erik Worsley 33 points
- 3. Stuart Hemingway 32 points

#### **Founders Day (ladies)**

- 1. Mary Quinn 34 points
- 2. Janets Edwards 30 points
- 3. Chris McGrath 30 points

#### Colin Deakin Trophy and Summer Medal 6/9/25

#### Div 1 mens

- 1. Jack Halhead 67
- 2. David Dixon 71
- 3. Robert Gill -72

#### Ladies

- 1. Cheryl Udall -76
- 2. Linda Carter -82
- 3. Ann Neil 84

#### Colin Deakin Trophy - Erik Worsley (78 gross)

#### Div 2 mens

- 1. John Parkinson 70
- 2. Richard Eccles 72
- 3. Robert Brown 72

## **Putting League 2025**

Congratulations to Erik Worsley on winning the 2025 putting league with 5 incredible scores of 12, 14, 14, 16 and 16. Thank you to all those who participated, raising £150 for cancer research.



# COMPETITIONS COMING UP IN October/November

Champions Trophy - Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October
Winter League Stableford - Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October
Winter League Stable ford - Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October
Ladies Winter Waltz Open - Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October
Winter League Stableford - Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November
Winter League Stableford - Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November

#### **Green keeper news**

We have now hollow cored and top dressed all the greens, ready for winter. This is essential preparation to ensure good drainage, airation and to reduce compaction. This will help to make sure the greens are in good condition going into the autumn/winter months.

#### Thursday and Saturday Roll Up's

The roll ups are very popular at the moment. These sessions are open to all members just sign up in a space marked ladies or men to take part. To avoid missing out on a place please sign up for these as early as possible. You must sign up on BRS by 12pm the day before. Everyone is welcome. For more details ask in the clubhouse.

CLUBHOUSE OPENING HOURS from 1<sup>st</sup> October-25<sup>th</sup> October 8:30am-4:30pm

Hot food served from 8:30 to 2.45pm.