

Captain Drive in Speech

Good afternoon, everyone, and thank you for joining us for today's Captain's Drive-In. As public speaking is not my strong point, I'll keep this short and sweet.

For those of you who don't know me, my name is MC. My father-in-law, Joe Wass, who was a former club secretary at the Head, introduced me to golf – 30 years later and I'm still trying badly to master the challenges of our great course!

I'm really proud to have been chosen as your Captain for the upcoming year and my Vice-Captain, Andy Holden, are excited for what lies ahead, and we are fully committed to making this a year to remember.

Before I share some of the things we have planned, I'd like to take a moment to extend a big thank you to Rob Waller, last year's Captain, for all his dedication and hard work. I think we will all agree that the club has made great strides under his leadership.

As a small token of our appreciation, I'd like to present him with a little memento to remind him of his successful year... and, of course, something for him to dust off from time to time

Charity Focus for the Year

Our chosen charity for the year will remain St. Wilfrid's and we will be organizing some events throughout the year to support this fantastic cause, and more details will be shared as the year progresses.

In the past, the bunker on the 18th hole has been chosen as the captain's charity hazard. This year, however, I'd like to mix things up a bit. I've decided that failing to hit the 10th green in one shot will result in a £1 contribution. I encourage everyone to support this by keeping an eye on each other and challenging one another to raise as much as possible for this worthy cause.

I know money is tight, but any contribution is greatly appreciated.

Looking Ahead

Andy and I want to build on the foundations laid by Rob and Tracie last year and I'm pleased that Tracie has agreed to stay as Ladies representative for a further year.

We want to work with you the golfers, the committee, pro shop, greenskeepers, and The View to provide you with a great place to play and enjoy your golf.

I believe communication is key so I'll be starting a monthly newsletter that will include general course information, committee updates, competition news, and details about club events. I plan to send this newsletter electronically to each of you, but it will also be available on the club website and on the captain's notice board for easy access.

I've also created a Captain's email address, and I welcome any suggestions you may have on how we can improve the club. This will also be a great way to raise any points you'd like brought up at the committee meetings.

Finally, I'm currently working to arrange my Captains away day I'd love to see as many of you as possible attend, so I'll be putting a form on the notice board to gather numbers. Please take a moment to fill it out if you're interested.

Thank you once again for your support. Hopefully, the rain over the winter months is behind us, and with Spring just around the corner, I'm wishing you all a fantastic year of golf ahead.