

## **Paddy's Prattle 21 July 2020**

Last Saturday at the Brandon, the quarter finals of the Watson Cup and Newton Trophy took place, and we had some tight games. Top seeds Lefty and Ken were 3 up with 3 to play against Peter and Grant, then certain parts of their anatomy began to nip, but thanks to Ken's cool demeanour they managed to hold on and take it on the last. Ken was spotted rubbing his shoulders after the game and was heard muttering that he hoped Lefty was going to help out next week. They will take on Steve McCloy and Stephen Lee in the semis, after the boys took out Jeff and Phil. I reckon Steve McCloy is the form golfer at the moment on the course, so that is where my tip sits.

In the other semi we have the Snowball boys Blair and Dan taking on Jordy Bird and Sean Strange. This game promises fireworks, with all 4 of the boys able to give the ball a good nudge. A bit too close to call, but maybe the match play experience of Jordy and Sean will win out.

In the Newton trophy - Pat and Paddy dovetailed seamlessly and handed a spanking down to Tim and the Hopster. They will have a tougher game this week against Terry Molloy and Bruce Ferriman who wore down Mike and Chris for a win. In the other semi Neil Macdonald and Ray Lambert will face off against Matt Tait and Tom Blacklow. Both pairs had very strong wins, Tom and Matts coming on the 21<sup>st</sup> after being given a get out of jail card on the 20<sup>th</sup> by James Mac. These should be two very tight games, but I will go out on a limb and say Knocker and Leaky will take on the 2 Pats in the final.

Last Sunday we had a wonderful 125<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebration at the course. A beautiful plaque was unveiled by Bruce Leighton and Neil Macdonald. A big field then took to the course, bolstered by some great friends from the Mayfield Club, and other ex members. Top players on the day were Lynn Small, Charlie Alexander and Tonee Hurley. Then after the game it was great to see 5 of our life members and a full clubhouse, listening to some well thought out and presented speeches, and a lovely celebratory cake cutting. Many thanks to Mary Lou for the gorgeous cake. Then afterwards we had an all round good old time telling tales and having a giggle, great fun. Here's to 150 years.

Coming up soon we have our Quiz night on the 31<sup>st</sup> so get your teams registered, if you haven't already.

See you around the Club. Good golfing