

Newsletter – April/May 09

Our new USGA 9 hole specification golf course opened to Founder Members on 18th April and is expected to be open for “Pay & Play” golfers early May.

(Pictured right is eight year old Jack Gallacher, son of European Tour Pro Stephen hitting the opening drive.)

Our Driving Range consisting of 12 indoor bays, 8 outdoor bays and a grass tee area is ideal for honing your long game for the new season.

The new Short Game area is designed to allow you to practise all of the areas that really affect your score card: pitching, chipping, bunker play and putting. We have designed the area so that you can experience all types of lie and length of grass for shots within 50 yards of the green. Your putting makes all the difference to your score! The Short Game area has 2 new greens for you to practise your putting as well as the ‘Ochils’ family putting green that is fun to play but also provides a real test.



• **Kingsfield Golf Academy**

Our Golf Academy offers a complete coaching service from our team of PGA trained professionals. Whether it is a 1 to 1 session utilising GASP teaching technology or TRACKMAN shot analysis or even individual putting, short game or on course lessons, we can offer a bespoke golf improvement programme for all ages and abilities. Group coaching can also be great fun and we are developing a variety of programmes covering all aspects of the game. We plan to organise sessions at various times of the day and over a number of days per week depending on customer demand.

Please see the Tuition Notice Board, look at the website or ask at Reception for more details.

• **Driving Range** – Spring maintenance has been completed and the range looks great including new mats and ball prices are being held at 2008 rates.

• **‘Ochils’ Putting Green** – The ‘Ochils’ family putting green opened for play on Easter weekend and is already looking fabulous for the new season.

• **Target Golf** – The leagues have been very successful this winter and there have been some great performances by individuals and teams. We plan to offer Target Golf throughout the summer depending on customer demand.

• **Membership** – The 100 Founder memberships were all snapped up within weeks of the offer and the members are now working on the formation of the Kingsfield Golf Society that will organise competitions, etc. We still have some Corporate Memberships available and for more details, please call 01506 671607.

• **Golf Course and Short Game area**

Recently we have made great progress including a major planting operation and a bridge building programme. All we need now is the weather! The opening date is still expected to be soon but we are still waiting for the ideal grass growing conditions. We are determined to open as soon as possible but we need to be careful regarding the long term quality of the course. We appreciate your patience.

• **Golf Tuition** - Our special offer on lessons was a success in January and February and we will consider more offers during the year. We have fantastic facilities for tuition at Kingsfield and are committed to the development of junior and beginners’ golf as well as catering for the more experienced players. At the top level, we welcomed European Tour players Stephen Gallacher, Callum MacAuley and Richie Ramsay as well as top female Tour Professionals Catriona Matthew and Lynn Kenny.

