

## Newsletter

February 2012

What a difference a year makes, this time last year we were housebound, up to our knees in frost and snow. Here we are now in 2012 with temperatures close to 12 degrees, thermals already discarded and the grass growing!

As usual we begin our golfing year on **Good Friday**, this year it falls on **6<sup>th</sup> April**. We are returning to **The Heritage G.C.** in Killenard near Portarlington.

In **May** we travel to **Thurles G.C.**, the venue for our very 1<sup>st</sup> National way back in 1992. In **June** many of our members are taking a trip outside the jurisdiction when they travel to **Carnoustie** in Scotland for the **World Tournament**.

For our 2012 National we are returning to **Tullamore G.C.** after a gap of some 13 years. This year our National is on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August**.

Our friends in **Portumna G.C.** are having their now annual open day for lefthanders on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August**.

In **September** we again take our umbrellas to the sunny south-east when we revisit **Gowran Park G.C.** Two previous visits a few years back there were rained off.

We end our golfing year with a visit to **Loughrea G.C.** in Co. Galway on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November**.

This year I have a very special request. Due to the fact that left-handed golfers, like everyone else, get old and weary, the membership of our Association is continually dropping. I would therefore urge you all to try and recruit some new members. It is a simple fact of life that if each present member introduce one other we would double our membership. Otherwise we risk extinction.

So the next time you see a golfer standing at the wrong side of a golf ball you might mention the existence of our Association to him.

As usual I will end on my favourite subject, money. The annual subscription is now due and we must be one of the few organisations that are still charging the same annual subscription as we did twenty years ago.

I would therefore be very much obliged for your **€25** at your convenience. Obviously anyone attending our outing at The Heritage on Good Friday can pay me then.

I hope you have a good golfing year.