



LILLESBALL HALL GOLF CLUB

December 2024

Season's greetings to all members, family & friends of Lilleshall Hall Golf Club.



Breakfast with Santa



The was a great success with 25 exited youngsters greeting Santa as he arrived on a buggy driven by the chief elf. Santa made sure he chatted to all the children, even the shy ones. He noted all their requests and joined them for a hearty breakfast alongside 36 of their family members. We hope no one was disappointed on Christmas day.

Turkey Trot

Having been postponed due to inclement weather the Turkey Trot finally went ahead over the final weekend of December. 48 people played enjoying the fresh air and many thanks to the volunteer sponsor as the event raised £150 for the Captains' charity Severn Hospice.

Respect In Golf



LHGC is now aligned with the England Golf “Respect in Golf” strategy and believe that there is no place in golf for any form of discrimination in conjunction with the Safe Golf initiative. Having completed the necessary processes and integrated the principles into our systems we can now proudly display the Respect in Golf logo on our website and documentation.

Solar panels initiative

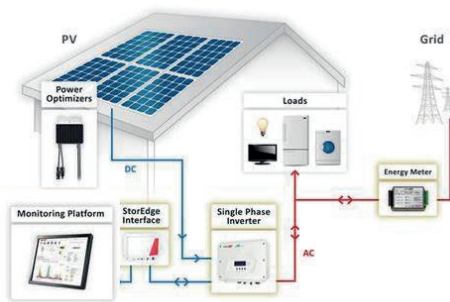


Funded by UK Government

We have explained in recent times how our energy costs have been rising and that they have become a significant burden to the club. So, in parallel with looking for ways to reduce our usage, we have been

evaluating options for reducing our costs.

Towards the end of January, we will be erecting scaffolding prior to installing 60 solar panels on the clubhouse roof. Most of the panels will be hidden from view, with a small number visible from the 1st tee.



We have secured a government grant via the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) of £18,000, which covers 50% of the cost. The remaining 50% will be paid by the club to our supplier over a 3-year period, with the monthly payments broadly equivalent to the anticipated energy savings over that period which means that the project is cost neutral. At the end of the 3-year period, the energy savings, estimated to be in the region of £6,000 per annum, will become a direct benefit to the club.

In addition to the solar panels, the project includes the installation of a more energy efficient way of cooling our cellar, and we are advised that this will provide further financial benefits.

As part of the project, an energy monitor will be installed in the clubhouse that will capture our energy usage and savings, and we hope that this will raise awareness with our staff and members about the importance of energy saving measures to the club.



Finally, we would like to express our thanks to the Marches Energy Agency, who have administered the UKSPF grant on behalf of the government, and in particular to Paul Jackson, a member who has led the project on behalf of the Board.

Driveway Improvements coming this March

After much work ‘behind the scenes’, and close liaison with our colleagues at the National Sports Centre next door and with Sport England, we are delighted to confirm that we now have the funding in place for some long-awaited improvements to our driveway. This is going to be a big project, and not just repairing potholes, bad as they are. The work is scheduled to take place in March, hopefully over a two-week period. Further details on the schedule and access arrangements will follow in the New Year. We will do all we can to and gave



Respecting the roped off areas of the course

Our Code of conduct, which is on the website at this link [LHGC Code of Conduct.pdf](#) refers to the need to always follow established course rules & etiquette. For the avoidance of doubt, this includes observing any roping off restrictions, which are put in place by the greens staff to protect areas of the course, mainly the aprons and approaches to the greens, and mainly in the winter periods. There is an expectation that you do not cross or remove the ropes, unless it is to play your ball, and that you then go round the roped area to the side of the green. Certainly trolleys and buggies should not be taken through the roped areas. Transgressions will result in formal warnings with the likelihood of sanctions being imposed.

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