



## Club Updates

### April 2021 - Update.

#### Club Lotto Results

Date	Jackpot	Lotto No's	Winner(s)
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	€8,200	4, 13, 25, 27	No Jackpot Winner 2 Match 3's – Family of Bill Dwyer and Niall Prendergast €50 each
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	€8,400	6, 10, 24, 27	No Jackpot Winner No Match 3's. 2 Lucky Dips – Declan Corcoran and Pat Stakelum €50 each
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	€8,600	2, 12, 15, 28	No Jackpot Winner 1 Match 3 – Mairead Irwin €100
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	€8,800	17, 21, 22, 24	No Jackpot Winner No Match 3's. 2 Lucky Dips – Margaret Maher and Peggy Costello €50 each
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	€9,000	2, 8, 13, 26	No Jackpot Winner 2 Match 3's – Sean O'Sullivan and Marian Tuohy €50 each
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	€9,200	11, 14, 21, 23	No Jackpot Winner 4 Match 3's – Billy Maher, John Dwan, Dr. Liam Collins and Nora Ryan €25 each

Lotto Draws take place live on our Facebook page every Wednesday and Sunday at 6.30pm. Tickets can be purchased in the office on Wednesday and Friday from 2pm to 4.30pm. Sincere thanks to everyone for their continued support!

***As a reminder, last year we had an additional incentive draw for free club membership for anyone who signed up for €90 or direct debit.***



Congratulations to **Eamon O'Gorman** who was the winner of our Additional Incentive Draw for all players who signed up for €90 or Standing Order last year. Eamon is the delighted winner of Membership 2021!

## **Juvenile Golf and Meet our Junior Captains**

As we look forward to a better golfing year in 2021, Thurles Golf Club has never had as many junior members. Hopefully we will see them playing golf rather than talking about it this year and once restrictions are lifted it is hoped to allocate some time each week to junior coaching and junior competitions.

Last year's Junior Captain Oisin O'Brien led by example representing the club in adult competitions and getting his handicap down to scratch as well as winning numerous opens around the country. With the surge in numbers this year, we have **joint Junior Captains for 2021** with **Kate Laffan** and **Philip O'Connell** taking up the roles. We wish both of them every success for the year. Both of them have proven ability in other sports and will no doubt inspire our juniors to get involved in golf activities. All juniors are encouraged to try to get an adult handicap as early as possible as this will allow them to play the regular weekly events and therefore increase their opportunities to improve. Once the go ahead is given for the resumption of golf keep an eye on the weekly notes for further information regarding coaching and competitions.



**Name:** Kate Laffan

**Age:**17

**How many years have you been playing golf?** 5 years

**What other sports do you play?** Camogie

**Who is your sporting hero?** Pádraic Maher

**What would you like to do when you finish school?**

I would like to be a biomedical scientist

**What is your favourite subject in school?** Chemistry

**How did you find home-schooling?**

I found homeschooling challenging, the school work wasn't too bad it was fairly normal but it was difficult to keep concentrated when you are just looking at a screen all day. The worst part was not seeing anyone. I missed having lunch with my friends and just having a chat but you had a bit more free time and didn't have to wake up as early.

**Who is your favourite sports team?** Tipperary hurling



**Name:** Philip O'Connell

**Age:**17

**How many years have you been playing golf?** 3 years

**What other sports do you play?**

Gaelic football, hurling and squash

**Who is your sporting hero?**

Noel McGrath

**What would you like to do when you finish school?**

Teacher

**What is your favourite subject in school?**

Construction

**How did you find home-schooling?**

It was "fine"!!!

**Who is your favourite sports team?**

Man Utd and Loughmore Castleiney

**We would like to wish Kate, Philip and all our young members the very best for 2021**



 **“A little refresher on Golf Rules – Part 2”**

Dear Members,

We hope you enjoyed our part 1 of our Golf Rules Quiz (and there were no sneaky checks at the answers !!). Best of Luck with Part 2 and once you have completed the quiz “successfully” there will be no excuses for not being familiar with some Key Rules when we hit the fairways again !  
Again, thanks to Mary Coman O’Neill for putting these together for us!



1. My ball is on the putting green and I accidentally move it when I am looking at the line. What is the situation?

- a) No penalty
- b) 1 stroke penalty
- c) 2 strokes penalty

2. My partner putts on the green and while his ball is moving I move the flagstick which has been removed and lying on the green because I think his ball will hit it . What is the situation? (pre Covid 19)

- a) No penalty
- b) 1 stroke penalty for me
- c) 2 strokes penalty for me

3. There are restrictions on touching sand in the bunker when the ball lies in the bunker. When marking my ball in the bunker I accidentally touch the sand. What is the situation?

- a) No penalty
- b) 1 stroke penalty
- c) 2 strokes penalty

4. For a ball to be deemed to be on the putting green all of the ball must be touching the green.

True

False

5. In summer conditions I mark and lift my ball on the fairway in order to identify it as my ball. I am also entitled to clean the ball.

True

False

6. I have dropped my ball correctly getting relief from casual water. The ball comes to rest outside of the 1 club length relief area but not nearer the hole. I can play the ball from this spot.

True

False

7. My ball is on the fairway and there is a twig close to it but not touching it. In removing the twig I accidentally move the ball but replace it before I hit my shot. What is the situation.

- a) No penalty as it was an accident and I replaced the ball.
- b) 1 stroke penalty
- c) 2 strokes penalty

8. My ball is not in Ground under Repair but I have to stand in the GUR in order to take my shot. Am I entitled to relief from the GUR.

Yes  No

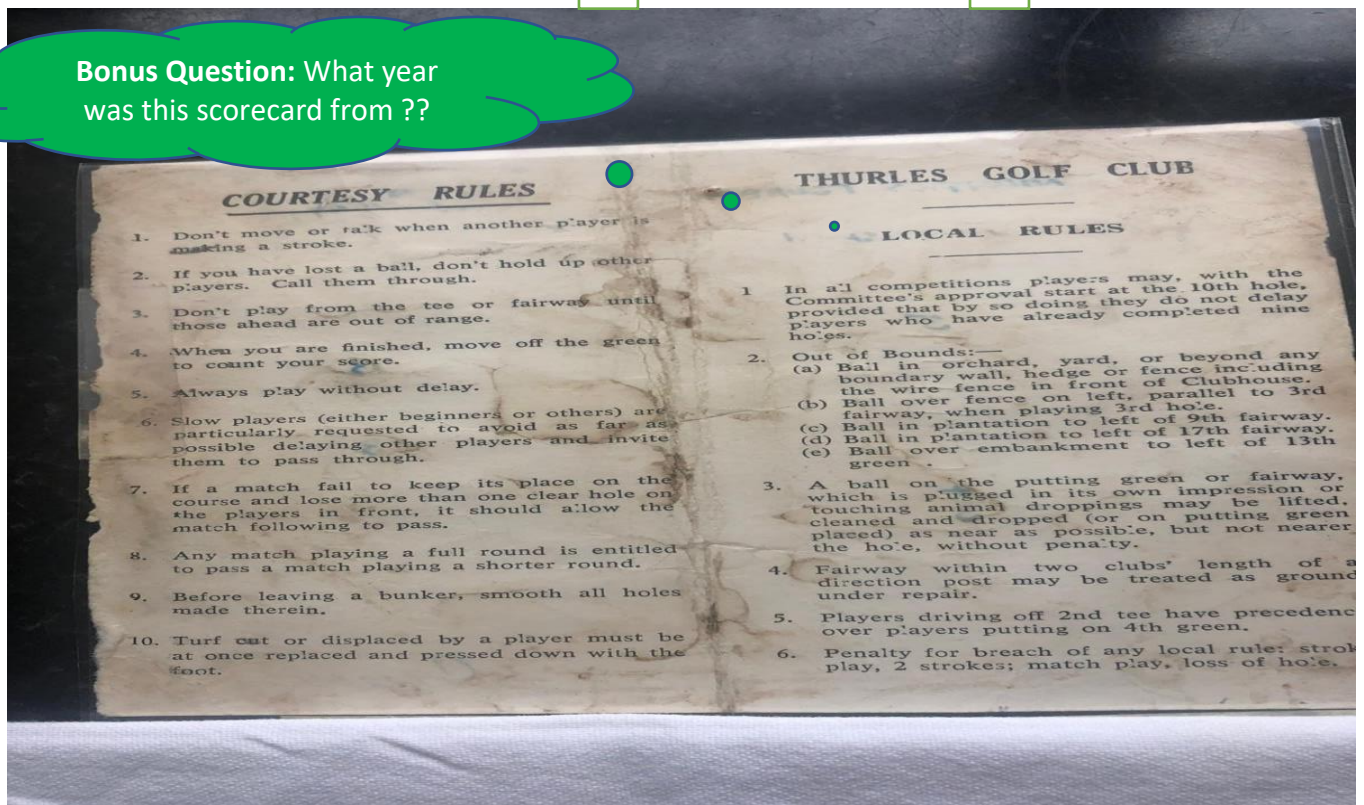
9. My ball is lying 6" off the putting green and I want to putt the ball. There is a pool of water between me and the flag. I can take free relief as I want to putt the ball.

True  False

10. My ball is in the bunker in temporary water. I am entitled to free relief by dropping the ball in the bunker within 1 club length of the nearest point of relief not nearer the hole. I also have the option of dropping outside the bunker, back on the line with a 1 shot penalty.

True  False

**Bonus Question:** What year was this scorecard from ??



**Answers Below**

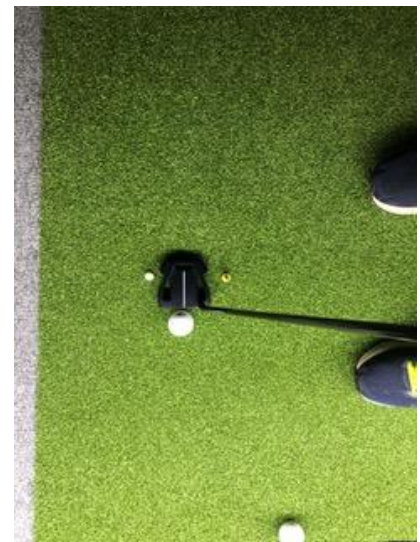




## Practice Your Putting at Home

by Raymond Ryan, PGA Professional  
Queries on our Thurles Golf Club Facebook page

At set up put your ball two inches in front of two tees and just enough room for the putter to pass through. While making a putting stroke if you hit the outside tee which can cause a pull, you may need a putter with the neck nearer the heel. If you hit the inside tee causing a push, you may try a putter with the neck in the centre of the club head.



 **Subscriptions & Thank You!**

Our sincere thanks to all members who have already paid their subscription. We are very much appreciative of your commitment to Thurles Golf Club and recognise the difficult and challenging times that the COVID lockdowns & restrictions have brought to many households. As a reminder, outstanding subscription payments can be made in the following ways:

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- **In the office** – Wednesday and Friday afternoons 2pm to 4.30pm.

 **Quiz Answers ! 🤔!**

1. No penalty. Rule 9.4b
2. No penalty. Rule 11.3
3. No penalty. Rule 12.2
4. False. Rule 13.1
5. False. Rule 14.1c
6. False. Rule 14.3
7. 1 Stroke penalty. Rule 15.1b
8. Yes. Rule 16.1a
9. False. Rule 16.1a
10. True. Rule 16.1c
11. *Bonus Question:* Scorecard was from 1965 !!



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***Your feedback is important!***

***Please let us know if you have communication updates that you would like to share or topics you would like to see.***

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