

Dear Members

As is traditional at this time of year, we are today launching the Staff Fund.

As you probably know, the rules of the Club prohibit tips being given to the staff during the year. The Fund is the only opportunity to show our appreciation for all the people in the office, behind the bar, in the kitchen and on the course. They receive no bonuses from the Club itself, so in effect the Fund provides one.

It is your opportunity to thank the staff for all they have done to make the time we spend at Tandridge so enjoyable. Without their hard work, friendliness and expertise, the atmosphere at the Club would not be the same.

This year Scott and his team have presented the course in tremendous condition week on week despite difficult weather conditions throughout the summer and was complimented by the editor of Golf Monthly who said the golf course was immaculate and was the best presented inland layout he had seen in years.

Rob and his team have as usual been their cheerful selves contributing to the relaxed atmosphere we all enjoy in the Clubhouse, whilst William, Sarah and the kitchen staff have continued providing a high standard of food and the office ensures the Club runs smoothly.

Obviously contributing to the Fund is purely voluntary, but bearing in mind the very positive response to the Members Survey, we are confident that every member will wish to show their appreciation of the additional efforts made by the staff, as for many this will be a tremendous help financially in these difficult times.

New members in particular may be uncertain as to what is an appropriate amount to contribute to the Fund. Any amount is, of course, extremely welcome, but you may wish to bear in mind there are 22 staff eligible (eight on the course, six in the kitchen, four in the bar and four in the office), and last year the average contribution was around £110 per individual member.

We would urge you to think about this with a generous heart and make payment to the Tandridge Golf Club Staff Fund at Lloyds Bank, Sort Code 30-91-72, Account Number 01285205 or send your cheque to the office.

Many thanks in advance, and please contribute if you are able.

