

# Bicentenary 1st Issue

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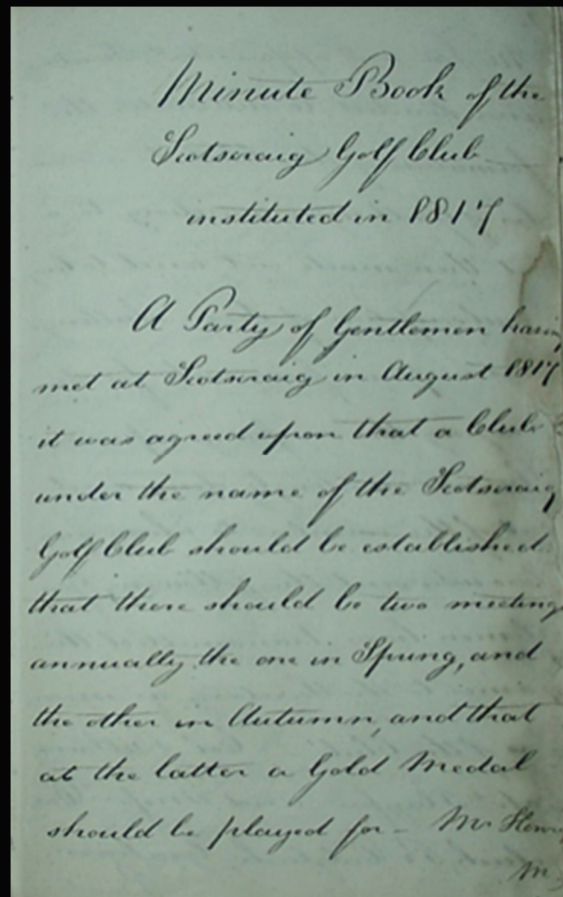
Welcome to the first issue of the Bicentenary E Newsletter. We are looking forward to keeping you regularly updated with all the news and up and coming events at the club. Please enjoy the read and hope to see you all at the club soon.



**History:**

Scotsraig Golf Club was founded in 1817 by some members of the St. Andrews Society of Golfers (later to become the Royal and Ancient Golf Club) who wished to play more golf than the Society's occasional meetings afforded them.

One of these members was William Dalglish of Scotsraig, a section of whose lands was the Garpit, part of which included a racecourse. Within the area of the racecourse, golf was already played over 6 holes, but no record exists to show how long this had been done.



#### THE ORIGINAL MINUTE OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE GOLF CLUB:

A gold medal having been procured, it was appointed to be played for on Tuesday, September 29, 1818". Captain Playfair, later to become Sir Hugh Lyon Playfair, Captain of the Royal and Ancient and Provost of St. Andrews, won the first competition with 105 strokes over three rounds of the links.

William Dalglish was appointed as the first Captain of Scotsraig Golf Club at this meeting.

Long standing member David Christie is leading on the publication of a book describing the History of the Club and if any members have any information that would be of interest please contact the Managing Secretary or members of the Bicentenary Committee. Discussions are underway to hold a members night and further details will follow.

### **2017 Bicentenary Programme**

Preparations to celebrate the Club's bicentenary are well underway. A number of events are at an advanced stage of planning with celebrations commencing with a Gala Dinner/Dance. Planned Events are as follows,

#### **Saturday 1 April**

Gala Dinner/Dance in Apex Hotel Dundee

#### **Saturday 8 April**

Grand Match v Racebrook Country Club, Connecticut.

#### **Friday 5 May**

Charity Golf Day for Parkinson's and Maggie Centres

#### **Thursday 18 May**

Ladies' Grand Match

#### **Tuesday 13 June**

Grand Match v Royal and Ancient Golf Club, St. Andrews

#### **Sunday 2 July**

Fife Golf Association Gents' Stroke-play Championship.

**Saturday 8 July**

Fife Golf Association Gents' Match-play.

**Sunday 9 July**

Fife Golf Association Gents' Match-play.

**July (week of 24th July TBC)**

Scottish Boys' Championship.

**Saturday 19 August**

Grand Match v St. Andrews Thistle Golf Club.

**Thursday 7 September** Gents Seniors' Grand Match.

**Saturday 23 September** Grand Match v 18 Oldest Golf Clubs in United Kingdom.



Further details of these events will be featured in future editions of the Newsletter but first some brief details of the Gala Dinner provided from event convener Alan Kidd. "With the support of Past Captain Gordon Landsburgh and Ladies Captain Sheila Johnson, the organisation of the Gala Dinner is well under way. The event will kick start the celebrations for our Bicentenary year and has already created a fantastic response from the members. We would like to thank those members who have replied to an earlier email indicating their wish to attend, and would encourage others to give some indication whether positive or negative.

The night promises to be one to remember for our members, with a number of events planned throughout the evening. Cost per ticket is £50. Further details on the Gala Dinner will be circulated soon".



### **SCOTSCRAIG IN THE NEWS:**

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