

Seventh Annual Golf Classic

Our annual Golf Classic was held on another gloriously sunny day; it's guaranteed at this stage that if you enter a team into our classic, you will definitely need your sun cream!

21 teams competed and everyone complimented the marvellous course, Grange, nestled at the foot of the Dublin mountains which has stood proudly there for 100 years. We were delighted to join in their centenary celebrations by holding our annual golf outing there.

As everyone came back in and handed up their score cards it was clear the competition was close, so the dinner guests waited in anticipation for the announcement of the winners.

Joe O'Leary's (Centra) team received a special prize in thanks and recognition for participation every year in our classic. Joe was quite happy to distribute the prizes of rucksacks and Nike Golf balls among his team members.

Next up for the awards was Brendan Kenny's team with 80 points; they went home with four Green fees for Ashbourne Golf Club and a case of red wine. Brendan also has never missed one of our outings.

In second place, and another constant for the past seven years, was Sean Hogan and his team with 84 points. They were very happy to be bringing home Callaway holdalls and two dozen ProV golf balls.

And finally, first prize was announced and the victors were Mark Nulty and Mick Holly's team with 84 points and a haul of 4 Digital cameras, kindly sponsored by Canon was theirs.

Lynn Cronin won Ladies' longest drive
Nathan Carroll and

The auction followed next and Rory Guthrie from De Vere Fine Art Auctioneers kept things moving along swiftly with the following items all being snapped up:

- Philips 32" TV, donated by
- Racing bike donated by Veloworld
- Two iPhones
- A home photo shoot donated by RM Photography
- 32" LCD TV donated by
- Signed Sun Visor and photo owned by Darren Clarke
- Signed Sun Visor and photo owned by Grange hero, Paul McGinley,
 - Both of these were donated by International Sports Management.
- Four Green fees for each of the following clubs:
 - The Castle, Rathfarnham
 - Grange, Rathfarnham
 - Hermitage Golf Club, Lucan
 - Mount Juliet Golf & Country Club, Kilkenny

- The most coveted auction lot of the night was the framed collection of three flags taken from each of his Masters' victories, signed by Padraig Harrington and donated by Eve Products.

All of our prizes were sponsored and we also had all of our tee boxes sponsored.

We would like to sincerely thank the following sponsors:

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We would also like to thank the Captain and staff of Grange Golf Club for welcoming us so warmly.

Cystinosis Foundation Ireland would like to thank Conor Hoey and Donal Cronin for once again giving up so much time to organise this day on our behalf.

Amount raised will be available shortly.