

Stapleford Clubs Newsletter

February 2008

Dear Member,

In its 20th year as a hotel, from the 3rd February to the 6th March Stapleford Park closes its doors to the Main House to restore the building to some of its former glory.

But what does this mean for you, our members?

With the Pavilion Restaurant and Golf Course remaining open and the Gym, Spa, Crèche and Pool continuing to operate as normal, it means even more exclusivity for our members using the facilities – even if its only for a month! I am sure you will agree, even at our busiest this is not really an issue yet the privilege is still yours. Of course in order for you to enjoy this privilege you must come and visit us, so please join us at this special time for Stapleford Park.

Private House Parties

Please do not forget that before the closure takes place we have one Private House Party taking place and two further parties in March. As always the Private use of the house begins at 14:00 hours on the first day, and ends at 11:00 on the final day.

February: (14:00) 1st February 2008 - End: (11:00) 3rd February 2008

----- 3rd February 2008 to the 6th March MAIN HOUSE CLOSED FOR REFURBISHMENT -----

March: (14:00) 7th March 2008 - End: (11:00) 9th March 2008
(14:00) 10th March 2008 - End: (11:00) 11th March 2008

Calendar of Events

Listed below is our Calendar of Events for February and March. As always please look out on the notice boards or call the Pavilion for further information or to book for these:

- 3rd February - onwards* **Sunday Lunch at the Pavilion** – Come and join us each Sunday starting the 3rd February for Sunday Lunch at the Pavilion (£16.50 for a carvery style three course lunch)
- 9th February* **Chinese New Year** – Tickets at £30 are still available so book now to reserve your place, watch lion dancers and firecrackers before enjoying a Chinese Soup, Mixed Hors D'œuvres, Selection of Main Courses from the buffet followed by a Platter of Fruits.
- 14th February* **Valentine Gala Dinner** - Tickets cost £45. Enjoy a 5-course meal served by our executive Head Chef, Wayne Vickerage and his team. Also includes a glass of Champagne, canapés and tea, coffee and petit fours.
- 22nd February* **Quiz Night!** Come to the pavilion at 20:00 and compete with three friends to win a meal for four at the Golf Pavilion.
- 2nd March* **Mothering Sunday** – Reserve your place at the Pavilion Restaurant to enjoy a beautiful family Sunday Carvery
- 3rd March* **Party at the Spa** – between 18:00 and 20:00, drink champagne and take advantage of some of the offers on products and treatments
- 17th March* **St Patrick's Day** – Try our new wine list, Irish stew, and a good ol' singsong and a knees up with George Simpson from 'Shine'
- 21st March* **Quiz Night!** Come to the Pavilion at 20:00 and compete with three friends to win a meal for four at the Golf Pavilion.

As you may see we have plenty going on so please support your club and come and join us!

Paul Watson



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Golf Club

NEW MACHINERY INVESTMENT 2008

This year sees Stapleford Park undertake major investment in machinery for maintaining the golf course. A number of new machines are being purchased to replace our ageing mowing fleet; these include a new greens triple, a semi rough mower and a rough mower.

We will also see two new tractors in action, one larger than the other giving us a greater flexibility in task selection than the previous tractors. Further new machines include another small utility buggy and trailer plus the replacement of the larger utility vehicle that is used for spraying, topdressing, fertilising, etc.

A new grinder will enable us to sharpen our own cylinder units rather than send them away. This will help us to maintain the quality of cut at a greater and more consistent level than previously possible.

The introduction of a set of vibrating roller attachments will improve the speed of the greens without having to reduce the height of cut. These rollers will fit on a greens triple instead of the cutting units and by passing them over the greens regularly the surface will become both faster and truer.

This is a large investment in new machinery and shows the commitment from Stapleford Park to continue to maintain and improve this excellent facility for the enjoyment of our members and guests.

Matthew Edge
Head Greenkeeper

Lifestyle Club

ACCESS TO THE SWIMMING POOL DURING THE CLOSURE IN FEBRUARY MAY ONLY BE GAINED FROM THE BACK TERRACE ENTRANCE THROUGH THE GARDENS. Access to the gardens can be gained through the small wooden door by the Orangery or from the Golf Pavilion.

The new steps have arrived, be sure to book your place at the new classes taking place each Monday and Saturday at 09:30!

Be sure to look out for our new spin bikes due to arrive this February!

Spa

VALENTINES OFFER – Enjoy a day of relaxation at Stapleford Spa with lunch and a glass of Champagne for you and your partner for only £150. Choose two treatments from a choice of Head & Scalp Massage, a Back, Neck and Shoulder Massage, Mini Facial or Foot Massage and unwind side-by-side in the private haven of our dual treatment room.

THALGO OFFER - Whilst the Main House is closed in February for a little pampering why not enjoy some yourself. We invite you to experience the riches of the marine universe with our Thalgo face and body treatments.

Facials only £40!

Body Treatments and Wraps only £45!

To maximise your Thalgo experience enjoy a complimentary cup of Thalgo tea and receive a 10% discount off all Thalgo products!

To book your treatments please contact the spa on 01572 787 057 or email spa@stapleford.co.uk

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Crèche

The crèche is proving to be a huge success with numbers increasing daily, members and staff are all very happy with the new crèche facility. If you have not been down to take a look please feel free to visit.

With increasing numbers our Saturday morning slot is regularly filling up, the entire operation is currently under review to ensure that all of our members receive the most from the facility. Please feel free to offer your feedback at this time to ensure that it is taken in to account.

The team continue to invest their time in training with one member undergoing the 'Early Years Foundation Schedule' – EYS and our casual team taking 'Getting started in the Nursery'.

For further information or to book your child's place please call 01572 787 022

Pavilion Restaurant

The Pavilion food and service continues to go from strength to strength with Kenny Man and his team in the kitchen and Kate Tomson and her team out front. Please visit the Pavilion during February to try our ever-changing daily specials and **NEW WINE LIST!** Following our members feedback we have introduced this so please come to the Pavilion and give us your comments.

MEMBERS EVENTS: As you can see from the Calendar of Events we are attempting to invest more time in to our Social Events and Evenings. Please support the Club with this to ensure that it continues. Whether you are interested for Chinese New Year or Valentines, becoming a regular at the Quiz Nights or Sunday Lunch, or just popping in for a meal or a drink. We will try to accommodate all tastes and ensure we build on the success of the events held last year.

The more people who come to the events, the better the atmosphere and the more we will invest in ensuring their continued improvement!

MEMBERS MEETING ROOM: Following the implementation of the Members Meeting Room in January we have received great success, please ensure to book early to avoid disappointment. Just to reiterate the room accommodates up to 8 delegates with a room hire charge of only £150 for the day. Please call the Golf Pavilion on 01572 787 044 or Rebecca Bradbury on the Sales Team on 01572 787 072 for further information.

AOB

RENEWALS: With renewals fast approaching on the 31st March, invoices will be sent out this month. Please help us in this process by ensuring that your subscriptions for 2008/9 are settled quickly at this time.