## RNUC - Golf Society

## Match – Royal Perth Golfing Society – June 27, 2023.

## **Deeside Golf Club**



The Perth Golfing Society was formed by a small number of Perth gentlemen at a meeting on 5th April 1824, in the Salutation Inn, Scotland's oldest hotel. In 1833 King William IV granted the Society his Royal Patronage. This was the first grant of royal patronage to a Golfing Society, notably a year before The Royal and Ancient Golf Club in St Andrews. The Perth Club predates our Aberdeen Club by 30 years!

The British Meteorological Office reported that June 2023 was the hottest June on record. That is a mute consolation to the 24 golfers (two teams of 12) who played at Deeside Golf Club on June 27. The first tee time was high noon in what was gloomylooking weather, with the impending forecast of rain only a couple of hours away. The weather held until halfway through the round when the heavens opened, lasting the remainder of the match.

In a close-run contest, RNUC ran out winners 3 1/2 - 2 1/2 and retained the shield we had won last year at North Insch Golf Course in Perth. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all, despite the weather.



• Alex McKay being presented with the Shield by the Perth Captain, applauded by Graham Templeton at the Deeside clubhouse.

The post-match catering at Deeside was fantastic, as evidenced by the accompanying photo.



 Happy golfers are reflecting on their respective matches, and the sight of a good downpour blesses one happy farmer.

We are already looking forward to next year's contest back in Perth in what will be Perth's club's bicentennial. No doubt this will be a special event and one not to miss.

Our next match is away against the New Club in Edinburgh on July 19 and 20. Only eight places are on the team, and we have selected solid individuals to confront the challenges of the Luffness links, the parklands of Royal Burges and a night out in our capital city.

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