

Will this winter ever end? Another weekend disrupted because of weather, on Saturday it was frozen greens and Sunday snow delayed play until lunch time, thus limiting the amount of games played, for the 14 teams that did manage to play the scores continue to improve with a 62 being shot on Sunday by Collie Griffin & Jimmy Cassidy, Donal Hanly & Damien Duignan had a 64 and the consistent pair of Pat King & Joe Bruen continued their good form with a 66 to wrap up their 3 rounds on 199, they are 1 of 4 teams who have now completed their 3 rounds Atty Hynes & Paul Keane 227, Albert Hogg & Michael Masterson 222 and Aidan Sheerin & James Connors 214. As weather has caused such disruption the League will be extended by a further two or three weekends. Rounds 1, 2 & 3 next weekend on Saturday only Feb 27th Sunday Feb 28th is Captains Drive In at 2.30.

Group 1 has only 2 matches completed, so a lot of work to be done here. In Group 2 Oliver Curran & John Crowe had a good start but dropped 11 shots on their first round, they are still in the driving seat but need a good performance next time out to be sure of a final spot. One change to this group, Noel McDermott has dropped out through injury and is replaced by Tom Crowe.

Group 3 has only 3 matches played and two of them are from Paul O'Brien & Anthony McHugh, who look safe for a final spot.

Group 4 sees Sean Murray & Keith Murphy leading the way by 4 from Collie Griffin & Jimmy Cassidy, who had an astonishing turn around from their first round match where they shot 80 to the best score so far of 62 in round 2.

Group 5 is only group where 2 teams have completed their 3 rounds, Aidan Sheerin & James Connors on 214 and Albert Hogg & Michael Masterson on 222, a 72 from Pat Conlisk & Andy Connellan in their 3rd round will dislodge Hogg & The Barber.

Group 6 has a long way to go, but Leo Kavanagh & Gordon Kavanagh have 2 rounds completed on 138 and look safe for final.

Group 7 sees the 3rd team of 4 who have completed their 3 rounds with Pat King & Joe Bruen finishing on 199 to see them into the final, hope they haven't left their best golf in qualifying. Frank McGrath & Seamus Sweeney look like they will be joining them, Sean Gilmartin & Stephen Gornall require a miracle and Tom Daly & Mickey Martin just require some golf.

Group 8 like group 6 has a lot to do, but pre tournament favourites Niall Roche & Kieran Oates look safe for final.

Group 9 is nicely poised with only one round for each team to complete and 4 strokes between the top 3 of Donal Hanly & Damien Duignan 134,

Adrian Beirne & Tom Martin 138 and Jim McLoughlin & Martin Talbot also 138, Mick Moran & Phonnice McAndrews look out of it.

Group 10 see Atty Hynes & Paul Keane leaders in the clubhouse on 227 but not safe, George Martyn & John Burke from Knockvicar on 147 with a round to go, Keith Duignan & Michael Rush have one played shooting 71, keep that up and they will be in the final and Mickey Foley & Niall Loftus also with only one played have a lot to do.

Group 11, 12 & 13 between them have only 8 matches completed so the extension to the league will be welcomed.

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