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Weather warm and sunny - that's more like it

THE weather, having dominated the **Steve excels in** golf reports recently with at first snow and then rain, has finally relented.

The past week or so we have been treated to warm sunshine and record-breaking temperatures – just what the doctor ordered!

Liddiard finally underway

On Wednesday April Liddiard finally got under way after two weeks were lost to the aforementioned weather.

The Liddiard is a men's nine-hole stableford that is played as an individual competition Wednesday. A score of 19 points or more earns entry to the final played in August.

Daniel Bowsher won on Wednesday with a splendid 22 points and other qualifiers were Darren Galbraith and Alan Capps with 20 points and Matt Thomas with 19.

Sandy and Mary through to R3

Our lady captain, Sandy Miller, and Mary Harwood played a pairing from Donnington Valley at home on Thursday in the second round of the Daily Mail Foursomes and won 4 and 2.

Congratulations to them and we await news as to who they play in the next round.

Seniors

Steve Haylor won the seniors April medal on Friday with a fine gross 83, net 68. Bob Fagg was second with net 73 and Brian Bailey finished third with

Gale and Jimmy take Gamhall

Gale McAuley and

Jimmy Green won the Gamhall Trophy with 40 points. They were points clear of Brackenbury and Tony Coventry who beat Shelagh and **Barry** Lancaster on count-back to take second place.

M4 update

TTNB owes an apology to readers for our somewhat blinkered report on the Finals Day of the M4 Senior Winter League.

Having discussed at some length the fact that West Berks beat South Bucks to finish third we failed to mention that Badgemore Park beat Oak Park in the final to take the title. Congratulations to them.

But at least it's nice to know that we lost in the semi to the eventual



Gale, one half of Gamhall winners. with Sandy

Oh dear, there we go again - just like Australian TV coverage of the Commonwealth Games.

Seniors go down at Ogbourne

Having won in the M4 play-off on Monday, Dave Gentleman took a seniors team to Ogbourne Downs on the following day for a friendly match and we lost 4-2.

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Although the result is as yet unratified, early indications are that Chris Ward and Johnny Corbridge won the Clama Trophy on Sunday with 39 points beating Carl McCartney and Chris Moore on count-back. Mark Kendal and Graham Coe were one shot behind in third place.

Who's who for club teams

West Berks' teams are now setting out on their year's events in earnest. Here is a reminder of the teams and captains.

Men Seniors Ladies Scratch team: Mark Kendal M4 Winter League: Dave Gentleman All matches: Sandy Miller Sevens: Tim Howes Friendly matches: Dave Gentleman Mixed

Hillman: Stuart Harrison Vets Aileen Summers and Jane Wilmore

Friendly matches: Kevin Wilkins Martin Neville

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Quiz Night is a great success

Sian Soanes and Tina Mulford of the ladies social committee organised a quiz night on Thursday evening at the club. Ten teams of six were put through their paces by quizmaster Jan Williams and the evening was a resounding success.

All competitors enjoyed a delicious meal of steak pie and chips provided by Foxes Catering, (Karen, Nick and Sandra) while the indefatigable Johnny Corbridge manned the bar.

The team of Ola Adams, Bob and Jacky Fagg, Alison and Ian Lochhead and Bob Williams took first place while Shelagh and Barry Lancaster, Lyn and Tony Pell and Deb and Alan Weddell were runners-up.

The organisers expressed their thanks to Bournebridge for allowing the use of the clubhouse for the evening.



Ola Adams, Bob and Jacky Fagg, Alison and Ian Lochhead and Bob Williams collect prizes from Sandy Miller

Problem Corner

Readers write to Fink Wright

Dear Fink

The subject of confidence relating to putting has dominated your correspondence in recent weeks. My best advice is to adopt the approach of the great Jack Nicklaus. When addressing a group of golfers at a seminar Jack said that he did not remember ever missing a putt of three feet or less in a major championship.

A delegate immediately sprang to his feet saying: "Mr. Nicklaus I was at Badgers Breath, Ohio, during the 1980s when I distinctly remember you missing a putt of two and a half feet so relinquishing the overnight lead to Gary Player."

Jack looked straight back at the speaker and said: "Sir, I think you must have misheard me. I said I do not *remember* missing a putt of less than three feet."

Yours etc.

L.B. Canal Turn, Newbury.

Dear L.B.

I mentioned this to Jack when we met up in Augusta a couple of weeks back but he could not remember the incident.

Fink

Write to Fink at ttnb.wbgc@gmail.com

What's on at West Berks

Next week

April

Tue 24 Mixed: Midweek competition
Thu 26 Men: Midweek Stableford

Sat 28 Men: Stableford

Ladies: Turner Davies Trophy

Men v Oxford City (A)

Sun 29 Men and Ladies: Jersey Cup

Future dates for your diary

Sat May19: Men's Open

Sat Jun 02: Men's Captain's Day
Sun Jun 10: President's Putter
Sat Jun 16: Lady Captain's Day
Thu Jul 12: Ladies Invitation Day

Sun Jul 29: Mixed Open

Sun Aug 26: Men's Invitation Day

Sat Sep 01: Ladies' Open Thu Sep 06: Seniors' Open

Sun Sep 09: Captains' Charity Day

Thu Sep 20: Kerridge Pro-Am