



Some like it hot!

Jason and Jane survive the heat to become 2018 champions

ON A WEEKEND described by some as too hot for golf and others as too hot for anything, 57 gallant contestants set out in the Club Championship weekend, sponsored by CLD Construction, to do battle over two days against the fierce heat and dry, difficult conditions.

Sunday afternoon revealed a new men's champion in Jason Kendal and a fifth time ladies' champion, Jane Brackenbury. It has to be said that the traditional embrace between the two champions has never been warmer - it must be the weather!

Jason just makes it

Jason, who was runner-up last year, shot 76 on Saturday to start Sunday's second round with a four shot lead. He was to find that leading on Sunday can be a nerve wracking business.

After a steady 42 on the outward half, sevens on holes 16 and 18 were potentially damaging as he returned in 46 to record a score of 164. To those watching on the 18th green it did not look like Jason thought he was to take the title but he did so by a single shot, a deserved win that caps a year or more of very consistent golf.

Ten-handicapper, Gary Robinson (known at West Berks as Podge, although how this obvious misnomer can be applied to such a well-honed

athlete cannot be easily explained) was a model of consistency. Starting on Sunday in third place with an 82 he shot 83 to record 165 and missed forcing a play-off by a single shot. Chris Ward with 80 and 87 took third place.

Jane - five in a row

Jane shot 90 on Saturday and 88 on Sunday for 178 to take the title for a fifth consecutive year and edge ahead of Linda Alexander in recording the most wins in the competition.

Mary Harwood scored 197 to take second place a single shot ahead of Gale McAuley who was third. Gale also won the Mary Harwood Trophy for the best ladies' overall net score of 151.

Terry ahead in the Wise

Terry Phelps won the Wise Trophy for 12 to 18 handicappers with an aggregate score of 182.

Matt Thomas was two shots behind in second place while Toby Richard was a further shot back third.

Nick takes the Bennett

Nick Jones put together two very tidy rounds to win the Bennett Trophy, for



WBGC Champions Jane and Jason

over 19 handicappers, by eight clear shots.

His 88 and 95 for a total of 183 would have seen him placed in the higher category competition so well played Nick. Ron Hurst was second on 191 and Darren Galbraith third on 198.

Many thanks to all those who battled through the heat to support the competition and congratulations to the winners, especially our champions.

And, of course, we would like to thank CLD Construction for its generous sponsorship of the event that also extends to next year.

This week at West Berks

Mon 9: Seniors v Weybrook Park (H)
Tue 10: Men: Midweek Stableford
Wed 11: Men: Liddiard
Thu 12: Ladies: INVITATION DAY
Fri 13: Seniors: Medal

Sat 14: Men: Stableford
Men v Hadden Hill (A)
Mixed v N. Wilts (H)
Sun 15: Men and ladies Pro's Cup

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The rest of the week's results

Confirmation of stableford

We can confirm that Dan Taylor won the Saturday stableford on June 30 with 43 points. Paul Reber was second with 40 points beating John (Chopper) Harris on count-back.

Mark leads the way

Mark Ramos won Division 1 of the men's July medal played on July 1 with a gross 85, net 73. Carl McCartney was second with 85, net 74 and Jock Douglas with 90, 78 was third.

Pete Dye won Division 2 with gross 87, net 73 beating Kevin Holland on count-back while Paul Beake was third with a net 74.

Dennis White won Division 3 with gross 97, net 72, one shot clear of Ron Hurst. Jason Read was third with net 75.

Pete motors to success

Pete Ford won the men's midweek medal on July 3 scoring gross 94, net 74. Tony Atkins with gross 91,

net 78 took second place beating Geoff Pudner on count-back.

Aileen makes it hot for ladies

Aileen Summers won the ladies' July stableford with 41 points beating Jane Wilmore on count-back Sandy Miller was third in a high scoring contest with 40 points.

Liddiard update

There were seven qualifiers in the midweek nine-hole Liddiard competition on July 4. Greg Collins took first spot with 24 points, Simon Barrie was second on 21 while Martin Rolls with 20 beat Jason Kendal and Alan Capps on count-back to take third place. Apart from the aforementioned, Shaun Ponsford and Paul Hargrave also qualified for the August final with 19 points.

Team matters

West Berks won through to the quarterfinals of the Hillman Trophy with a fine 4-3 win away at Caversham Heath, a result that was decided on the final green of the



Aileen warms up to win stableford

final group. We are drawn to play at home to Burford in the quarterfinals on a date prior to August 12.

On Monday July 2 the mixed team drew 2-2 away at Marlborough in a fixture rescheduled due to the bad weather earlier in the year - seems a long time ago now!

On Thursday July 5 the ladies team won 3-1 against Bradfield College at home.

The Championship weekend

Nick wins the Bennett, Terry the Wise and Jane and Jason clinch after the championships



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