



More successful events at West Berks Macmillan the winners on Seniors' and Captains' days

Men's Seniors' Open

The Men's Seniors' Open was held on Thursday September 5 with 52 contesting pairs representing 39 clubs from Wells GC, Somerset in the west to The Warren, Maldon, Essex in the east.

Ian Parfitt and Alan Fee of Hamptworth GC, Salisbury took first prize with 47 points and Tony and Terry Athawes followed them home with 44 points. Tony is our own 'Ticker' Athawes and Terry, his brother from Ogbourne Downs. Also with 44 points and beaten into third place on count-back was Bob Fagg, of West Berks, a joint sponsor of the day, and Graham Bradley of Cotswolds.

Ken McIntyre and Dave Palmer of Drayton Park took fourth place with 43 points and in doing so relegated Bryan Topliss and Colin Ledbury of Frilford Heath to fifth spot. It was good to welcome Bryan back as he was once a member of West Berks although, it has to be said, to add a raffle prize to his haul was perhaps a step too far.

Peter Saunders and Alan McCann of Cotswold Edge won the best front nine with 23 points while our president, Gordon Munro and partner Gordon Jolly of Burford had the best back nine with 22.

Simon De Angeli of Donnington Grove won the nearest-the-pin prize on the seventh and, judging by where his ball ended up, it was nearly a lot more expensive than that.

The longest drive winner was the aforementioned Tony 'Ticker' Athawes to add to his second place overall and if you turn to Page 2 you will see that it was quite a week for Ticker.

Well done to our senior captain, Barry Seaman and all those who helped on the day plus those who sponsored the raffle that raised £560 for MacMillan Cancer Support.

Captains' Charity Day

The captains' charity day was a thoroughly enjoyable event that was played in teams of four playing Am-Am with an 8.30 shotgun start.

The weather was bright and cheery and so was the scoring with the winning team comprising Rob Griffiths, Tom Wickstead and Kevin and Garry Dixon scoring a splendid 92 points. Martin Rolls, Rob Graham, Patrick Wilmore and Rob Camden were runners-up with 89 points while Simon Matton, Chris Ward and Johnny Corbridge together with Simon Matton's guest, Martin Gibson from Dallas, Texas took third spot. Well worth the journey then!

The raffle in which our captain, Nigel Day, was aided by the effervescent, not to say bullying enthusiasm of Johnny Corbridge, together with the auction and donations raised over £1,100 for MacMillan Cancer Support.

Well done Nigel and all those who helped on the day.

Other results

Lyn wins Harris Cup

Lyn Pell with 22 points won the final of the Harris Cup on Monday. The Harris Cup is a competition in which nine-hole qualifying competitions are played throughout the year and a score of 17 points is required to qualify for the final. Mary Harwood took the runners-up spot with 21 points while Ola Adams was third with 20.

Ray wins in midweek

Ray Pardoe scored 37 points to win the midweek stableford on Tuesday. Pete Hill was second with 35 points while Roger Gaskell with 34 points won a three-way tie with Bob Patten and Martin Anscombe to take third place.

Mary wins on count-back

Also on Tuesday, Mary Harwood won the ladies' monthly stableford with 35 points relegating Simone Diamond to second place on count-back while Carol Sparvell



Open runners-up Terry and Ticker Athawes
(Unfortunately the winners had to leave early so we have no pic)

with 34 points beat Aileen Summers on count-back to take third place.

Tina takes medal

Tina Mulford maintained a good run of form to win the ladies' September medal with gross 96, net 76. Sian Soanes was second with net 83 and Jane Brackenbury third with 84.

Muz is a must for Saturday

Mustapha Mzouri won the men's Saturday stableford with 38 points while Phil Clare scored 36 to take second place from Tony Atkins on count-back.

Renee and Tom take mixed KO

Renee Wheeler and Tom McAuley are the 2019 winners of the Mixed Foursomes KO winning against Jane Brackenbury and Jason Kendal in the final.

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Ticker's Trilby Tour

IN TTNB 097 we congratulated Tony 'Ticker' Athawes who qualified for the finals of the Tilbury Tour amateur golf tournament thanks to 35 points scored in the regional round at The Springs back at the beginning of August.

Tony has now played the final and did extremely well finishing in the top ten. Full details will not be published until after the Tilbury Tour TV series is shown on your screens later in the year.

The 2019 series will be shown on FreeView, Sky, Virgin Media and BT TV in over 18 million homes across the United Kingdom when you will be able to see our Ticker complete with trilby and his dashing and no doubt highly expensive caddy.

Rules Update

LAST WEEK our Rules Guru answered a question concerning a ball that could be seen but was not 100% identifiable. The answer to the best of our knowledge is correct but we gave an inaccurate rule reference.

We said that if a player thought the ball to be his and yet he could not retrieve it, he could, under Rule 28 (the rule that deals with taking relief from an unplayable lie), substitute a ball.

As some were quick to point out, under the new rules introduced in 2019 there are only 24 rules and five of those deal with definitions and procedures so there are only 19 actual rules.

It is in fact Rule 19 that now deals with the relief options for a ball that is deemed unplayable.

Apologies for the error and thanks to those that pointed it out.



Trilbied Ticker with suited caddy

Coming up at WBGC

- Mon 9 Veterans v Bicester (H)
Men: Midweek Stableford
JHB Trophy Week commences
- Wed 11 Seniors: Medal
- Thu 12 Seniors v Witney Lakes (H)
- Sat 14 Men v Goring and Streatley (A)
- Sun 15 Men: Crawford Cup
- Mon 16 Seniors v Wokefield Estate (H)
- Tue 17 Ladies: Midweek Medal
- Thu 19 Men: Midweek Stableford
- Sat 21 Men v Goring & Streatley (H)
Men: Stableford
Ladies: Gillas Cup R1
- Sun 22 Men and ladies: Fun comp
Mixed v Oxford City (A)

Team matters

OUR **seniors** travelled to Sand Martins on Monday looking to extend an unbeaten run of ten matches but suffered a 6-0 defeat.

The same fate did not befall our **men's Saturday team** who entertained Studley Wood and returned another fine result with a 4½ to 1½ victory. Despite the score the match was in fact extremely tight with three of the six matches decided on the eighteenth.

This result makes it a return of ten wins and one half in 11 matches this year for Kevin Wilkin's team with just five fixtures remaining. Keep it up lads!

The young lads who play for our **Vets** entertained Bicester yesterday (Monday) on a damp, dank day that the only thing it had going for it was that it was not as bad as was forecast. The result was a thoroughly enjoyable and sociable 5-1 defeat.