



# TEE TIMES NEWS BULLETIN

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## Veggies and vegans look away – it's Turkey Trot day

ITS THAT time of year when members of West Berks try to justify a year dedicated to boosting their voucher status in the Pro's Shop by trying to put food on the table for the festive season.

How things change! It was only a few years ago that on TT weekend the clubhouse looked like Smithfield Market at its busiest with turkeys, joints of beef, pork chops and rasher upon rasher of bacon.

Then, no doubt bowing to health and safety regulations, we gave our winners vouchers for a butchers shop and now we have gone all PC and give Sainsbury vouchers. Not so graphically interesting but much more convenient and practical for both organisers and winners.

*(Unfortunately, the headline is now somewhat redundant but couldn't bring myself to change it. Ed)*

As tradition dictates the men's and ladies' singles competitions were held on Wednesday, the combined weekend singles on Saturday and the team event plus prize giving and captain's drive in on Sunday.

### Gale takes ladies' prize

Gale McAuley won the ladies' competition with 37 points. Carol Sparvell was second with 31 and Georgie Seaman third with 26.

### Big midweek scores

Nick Jones may have been quite pleased with his 38 points in the men's midweek Turkey Trot. Not enough for a turkey maybe but surely a place in the prizes. Maybe a pork chop or at least a packet of pork scratchings but no - he finished in ninth place.

The winner was Chris Ward with 48 points, followed by Simon Edgington with 46 while Jock Douglas took third spot with 40.

Behind Jock was a remarkable five-way tie on 39 points between Kevin Wilkins, Andrew Robbins, Mark Richardson, Sean Sheils and Harry White.

### Tony wins weekend singles

Tony Atkins won the weekend singles competition on Sunday with 42 points. Chris Ward (that man again) scored 40 points to take second place relegating Andy Yates to third spot on count-back.

Count-back also decided fourth and fifth position with Kevin Hopwood with 37 points taking fourth place edging Ray Freeman into fifth.



### Pat, JC, Guz and Chesty are top team

To be a little more formal, the team comprising Patrick Whelehan, John Carroll, Keith Wilkins and that serial winner, Graham Miles, won the team event on Sunday with 96 points.

Paul Stringer, Mark Ridgill, Chris Ramsey and Nick Jones with 92 were second while Tony Coventry, Sean Ponsford, Tony (Ticker) Athawes and our almost immediate past captain, Nigel Day, with 91 points beat Jason Kendal, Jane Brackenbury, Steve Cox and Kevin Wilkins on count-back to take third place.



### Rob's year begins

A feature of TT Day is always the captain's drive in and it was a fine drive indeed from our incoming men's captain, Rob Bridgman. Simon Barrie won the 'spot the ball' prize of guessing where it would end up and his confidence in our new captain's driving was rewarded with a fine bottle of champagne.

There will be more about Rob and his chosen charity, Sobell House Hospice, early in the new year.

*See Page 2 for more pictures from the weekend.*

*Many thanks to Tina Mulford for these images and to everybody else who has supplied pics throughout the year*



**The TTNB team wishes all our readers a very merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year**

**We look forward to sharing with you a great golfing year starting in our next issue planned for Monday January 8 2020**

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**Images from 2019 TT Day**

*Left to right from top: Pete, Sian, Tina and Murph get the ball rolling, Kevin and Jason collect Badger, Nigel H wins Senior KO, Chris wins men's midweek, Andy wins Dowling, Classic winners Chris and Dan, Tony wins weekend singles and Gale wins the ladies.*