

## **TEE TIMES NEWS BULLETIN**

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# It's official – winter really is over!

IT MAY be 16 weeks late but Sunday June 14 finally saw the conclusion of the 2020 men's winter league. Delayed by a number of well-named storms (remember Ciara, Dennis and Jorge) and of course Covid-19, 43 pairs slapped on the sun lotion and did battle in the dreaded multiplier just before the nights begin to draw in.

The competition certainly created the usual havoc on the leader board of the overall competition but first congratulations to Jimmy Scott and Mark Wiggins as winners on the day with a splendid 91 points.

Ron Hurst and Patrick Wilmore took second spot on 87 and Mark Ramos and Degga Smith were a further four points back in third place.

#### Nigel and Chris triumph

Nigel Day and Chris Prior were this year's winter champs. Lying in second place before R6, a score of 78 on Sunday saw them overtake pre-round leaders, Tony Atkins and Mark Charlton, to take the title with an aggregate of 320.

Simon Barrie and Greg Collins lying third when the day began scored 78 to move to



Chris Prior and Nigel Day - Winter League Winners 2020

a total of 310 to tie in second spot with Mark Ramos and Degga Smith.

Mark and Degga were the big movers on the day when their 83 reported above moved them from eighth position after R5 to a tie for second place.

Well done to all competitors who braved six rounds over nearly seven months and

particularly to our winners Nigel and Chris.

#### 2020 Final points and placings

Nigel Day and Chris Prior:	320
Mark Ramos and Degga Smith:	310
Simon Barrie and Greg Collins:	310

### **Competition update**

INEVITABLY the 11-week hiatus has caused havoc with our planned golfing programme. Here are some updates.

June 27 and 28: Club Champs - postponed new date TBA

July 16: Kerridge Pro-Am - cancelled

July 26: Mixed Open - cancelled

July 29: Liddiard Final – postponed until August 19

August 29: Ladies' Open - decision pending

September 3: Seniors' Open - decision pending

In addition, the method of registering has been revised and is described in an email from the GC shown on the right.

### When is a qualifier not a qualifier?

THE EDITORIAL team at TTNB apologises for any confusion caused when it described the Wednesday Liddiard matches as qualifiers.

They are indeed qualifiers as they are the only method of qualifying for the final. However, they are not qualifiers whereas the final, which is not a qualifier as those playing in it have already qualified, is a qualifier.

We welcome the opportunity to clarify the situation.

#### WEST BERKSHIRE GOLF CLUB UPDATE

As we ease out of lockdown, we are constantly reviewing systems and procedures as a result of which please be aware of the following:

#### 1. Competition Bookings

1.1 Competition details will be posted in the glass notice board outside the Pro-shop.

1.2 The Pro-shop will have a competition entry sheet and entries can be booked by phone or in the Pro-shop.

#### 2. Reminders

2.1 To avoid cards changing hands scorecards are to be completed as if the player(s) is/are the marker whilst also recording the opponents scores and the cards cross checked at the end of the round.

 $2.2\ {\rm Stamps}$  are to be adhered to the scorecard or credit noted.

2.3 Cards are to be placed in the large white plastic container NOT in the competition box in the foyer.

2.4 "No shows" for competitions without notifying your opponent's/playing partners or the Pro-shop in good time could result in being suspended from further competitions for a period of time.

WBGC General Committee. June 18 2020

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## **Results Update**

#### Birdie man Charles is on song

On Wednesday March 18 2020 Dan Taylor scored 39 points to win the midweek stableford. No-one could have know at the time that this would be the last competitive match at West Berks for exactly 12 weeks. Thanks to the Covid-19 lockdown the next competition was to be the nine-hole Liddiard Cup qualifier played on Wednesday June 10.

One thing is for sure, this enforced period of competitive inactivity has had a very positive effect on the game of Charles Dixon as he won with a remarkable 26 points.

What a nine holes it was for the thirteen handicapper. He shot par on the first two holes, then 'blobbed' the third with a double bogey before bogeying hole four and birdying holes five, six, seven and eight. He then parred nine for a one-under par 37 and 26 points. Well done Charlie!

He was followed home by Chris Prior with 24 points, a score that would have cleaned up on most days, while John (JC) Carroll with 21 points beat Ian Boyd on countback to take third spot.

A total of 15 players scored the necessary 19 points or over to qualify for the final that has been delayed from the diary date of July 29 until Wednesday August 19 to give members an extra three qualifying opportunities.

#### Gerry wins Saturday stableford

There were 25 entrants in the men's stableford on Saturday June 13 with Gerry O'Sullivan taking first prize with 37 points. Darren Galbraith, making a welcome return to the winners' enclosure, was one shot back in second place beating Andrew Morton on count-back.

The result of the midweek stableford held on Monday June 15 is not yet available and we will cover this result in our next issue.

## No show? Let the club know!

THERE WERE a number of examples over the weekend of where members having entered a competition, in this case R6 of the men's winter league, did not show on the day with no prior warning given to the club, the comps committee or their playing partners. *Please see email from GC on Page 1*.

Please be aware that having entered a competition it is your responsibility to make every effort to be there. It's not just an act of courtesy towards your playing partners, although that in itself should be reason enough, it's an obligation under the rules of the competition. Remember if you don't play, with no one to mark their card, they *cannot* compete.

If there is a good reason why you can't make it please let the pro-shop and, if possible, one of the comps boys or your playing partners know as soon as possible. The more notice you give the more opportunity those concerned will have of finding alternative playing partners or a marker.

Fortunately the numbers worked out well on Sunday and stranded competitors were able to pair up. If that had not been the case it would have been the waste of five rounds of play throughout the winter for two teams.

Don't forget if you really can't show let the club know.

## 2020 Revised Competition programme

#### June

June		
Sat 20	Ladies: Stableford (NQ)	
	Men: Free day for KO comps	
Sun 21	Men and Ladies: Jersey Cup	
Wed 24	Men: 9-hole Liddiard	
Fri 26	Men: Midweek Stableford (Y)	
Sat 27	Ladies: Free day	
540 = 7	Men: Free day for KO comps	
Sun 28	Men: Medal (NQ)	
	Mell. Medal (NQ)	
Tue 30	Men: Midweek Medal (W)	
July		
Wed 1	Men: 9-hole Liddiard	
Sat 4	Men: Singles Stableford	
Sur .	Ladies: Fun competition	
Sun 5	Men: Medal (Q)	
Tue 7	Men: Midweek Stableford (W)	
Wed 8	Men: 9-hole Liddiard	
Fri 10	Men: Seniors' medal	
Sat 11	Men: Stable-ford	
	Ladies: Free day	
Sun 12	Men: Lambourn 1	
Tue 14	Men: Midweek Stableford (Y)	
Wed 15	Men: 9-hole Liddiard	
Sat 18	Men: Stableford	
Sucio	Ladies: Summer Stableford	
Sun 19	Men: Lambourn 2	
Mon 20	Men: Midweek Stableford (Y)	
Wed 22	Men: 9-hole Liddiard	
Sat 25	Men: Stableford	
~ ~ ~ ~	Ladies: Free day	
Sun 26	Men and Ladies: Pro's Cup	
Mon 27	Men: Midweek Stableford (W)	
Wed 29	Men: 9-hole Liddiard	
August		
Sat 1	Men: Stableford	
	Men and Ladies: Di Evans Shield	
Sun 2	Men: Medal	
Wed 5	Men: 9-hole Liddiard	
Fri 7		
	Men: Midweek Medal (W)	
Sat 8	Men: Stableford	
~ ~	Ladies: Stableford	
Sun 9	Men: Badger Trophy R1	
Mon 10	Men: Midweek Stableford (Y)	
Tue 11	Men: Seniors' Medal	
Wed 12	Men: 9-hole Liddiard	
Sat 15	Men: Stableford	
	Ladies: Stevenson Trophy	
Sun 16	Men: Badger Trophy R2	
Tue 18	Men: Midweek Stableford (Y)	
Wed 19	Men: Liddiard Cup Final (18h W)	
Sat 22	Men: Stableford	
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Sup 22	Men and Ladies: President's Putter	
Sun 23		
Wed 26	Men: Midweek Stableford (W)	
Sat 29	Men: Stableford (depends on Ladies O	
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Sun 30	Men and Ladies: Fun Comp.	
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