

TEE TIMES NEWS BULLETIN

Ticker is senior champ plus the rest of the results

TONY 'TICKER' ATHAWES is our 2020 senior champion following a fine fiveover-par round of 78 on Sunday. The ten handicapper scored 11 pars and two birdies to record the best net and gross scores of the day (gross 78, net 68) to win the title for the first time. Simon Matton took second spot with 81 while Kevin Howe was a shot further back in third place.

Gale wins Gillas Cup

The final round of the ladies' Gillas Cup was played on Saturday and was won by Gale McAuley with 34 points, Jane Brackenbury was second with 32 and Sian Soanes third on 29.

The overall title is won by the competitor with the highest aggregate of their best scores in rounds one and two added to their score in the final. Gale's score on Saturday was enough to land the trophy with an aggregate of 70 points. Tina Mulford with 62 took second place while Georgie Seaman with 61 beat Pat Treacy on countback to take third place.

Kevin wins midweek stableford

Kevin Dixon won the men's midweek stableford by a distance on Tuesday October 13 with 38 points. He was seven points clear of Mark Smith while Rod Maloney on 27 points beat Alexander Anderson on countback to take third spot.

Seniors retain Chris Green Trophy

On Tuesday the men's seniors retained the Chris Green Trophy that is contested

annually between teams representing the men's seniors and the ladies.

At the spatially distanced award ceremony the team captains, Jane Wilmore and Bob Ekins welcomed Chris Green who donated the trophy.

Chris who was a very early member of West Berks explained that the trophy was originally played for between the members and staff. Following a number of years when it went uncontested, Lin Kay suggested to Chris that it should take the format in which it has now been played for many years.

All those who enjoyed the day will hope it will continue for many years to come.

It's Darren's day

Darren Morton scored 39 points to win the men's Saturday stableford. A three-way tie for second place on 38 points was resolved in the order of Aaron Rid, Chris Brind and Liam McCullough on countback.

Chris wins October medal

Chris Ward won Division 1 of the men's October medal that was due to be played on Sunday October 4 but was postponed until Sunday last due to Storm Alex.

Chris shot gross 79, net 70, while Ben Reffin was second with 85, 73 and Mark Charlton with 84, 74 beat Andrew Morton

on countback to take third place.

Gary 'Murph' Abraham shot gross 79, net 66 to score the best net score of the day and win Division 2, while Lee Stocker was second on 85, 71 and Chris Prior third with 87, 72.

Paul Beake won Division 3 with gross 92, net 72 while Jason Read with 103, 74 claimed second spot and John 'JC' Carroll with 99, 77 was third beating Muz Mzouri on countback.



On-line booking goes live today

THE WBGC on-line booking system went live today, October 20, allowing members to book competitions from October 27 onwards.

A Members Update dated October 18 urges that all members are considerate of others when making bookings and that when making an individual booking you are asked to add your name to an existing group if possible and that cancellations should be made promptly.

The Update stresses that a few teething problems may arise until everyone is familiar with the system. If you have any specific problems you should contact Sandy Miller at: *sandy.miller@live.co.uk.*

First and first

SURELY, Sunday must have been the first time ever that, thanks to Messrs Athawes and Abraham, the same names in two major competitions topped the Club V1 listings in both alphabetic and net scores order.



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If you have any items or ideas for TTNB or you would like to receive a copy please email Dave Ware at: dgw.ware@gmail.com

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Barrie va à Le Touquet

BARRIE GREEN won an all-expenses paid trip to Le Touquet, not to mention six bottles of wine, on Thursday October 15. With his partner, Stephen Randall of East Sussex National GC, he won the regional round of the Get Golfing Masters tournament at Sherfield Oaks GC.

They did not win so much as decimate the opposition scoring 51 points in the better-ball competition, a full four points ahead of the field of 47 pairs. Barrie playing off 14 scored 41 points while Stephen off six scored a remarkable 45 points vielding a better-ball score of 15 under par. Some golf!

No doubt the wine will be gone and forgotten when Barrie and Stephen enjoy the trip to Le Touquet Golf Resort to play in the Grand Finals in October 2021 against the winners from eight other venues.

We wish them well. Enjoy the wine.

WHS D-Day minus 12

AFTER TODAY, you have just 12 more days before we enter the world of WHS.

If you still have any doubts about how the new system works and how it will affect you, there is no need to look any further than an excellent document that was issued by the general committee in the form of a Members Update on October 15.

It describes just about anything you will ever need to know and, most importantly, it gives the Course and Slope Ratings that have been issued by the EGU for our course off each set of tees.

It goes on to explain how and when your handicap index will be established and how you will be able to calculate your Course or Playing Handicap for the individual tees at West Berks and indeed, any set of tees on any course throughout the golfing world.

The document goes on to explain how you should maintain an up-to-date handicap index including how to pre-book and record supplementary scores.

For the record, the Course and Slope Ratings for WB are:

	Par	Course	Slope
Blue	73	74.7	130
White	73	73.1	128
Yellow	73	70.5	129
Red	74	73.7	132

If you are still not clear what they mean and how you will use them you need look no further than the Members Update described above.

For further reading go to: www.englandgolf.org/whs

and/or www.thewbgc.co.uk/world-handicapping-system

In addition, a link to a podcast will shortly appear on the WHS area on the West Berks website that provides more explanation on Course and Slope Ratings.

Good luck, happy reading and, most importantly, happy golfing!



Rest of 2020 at WBGC

October

- Tue 20 Ladies: Midweek Medal Wed 21 Men: Midweek Stableford (Y) Fri 23 O'Connell Cup Note: Seniors' AGM planned for October 23 is cancelled – see seniors' notice board. Sat 24 Men: Stableford Sun 25 Men: Gillas Cup R1 Mon 26 Men: Midweek Stableford (Y) Tue 27 Mixed: Midweek competition Sat 31 Men: Stableford Ladies: Winter League November Sun 1 Men: Monthly Medal (Y) Tue 3 Ladies: Winter Trophy Stableford Sat 7 Ladies: Winter League Ladies: AGM ? Sun 8 Men: Gillas Cup R2
- Tue 10 Mixed: Portuguese Caddy competition
- Sat 14 Men: Stableford Ladies: Winter League
- Sun 15 Men: Gillas Cup Final
- Wed 18 CLUB AGM (details to be announced)
- Sat 21 Ladies: Winter League
- Sun 22 Men: Winter League R1
- Sat 28 Ladies: Winter League
- Sun 29 Men: Winter League R2

December

- Tue 1 Ladies: Winter Trophy Stableford
- Sat 5 Men & Ladies: Fun Competition
- Sun 6 Men: Winter Competition
- Ladies: 8 hole comp & Christmas Lunch Tue 8 Wed 16 Men: Midweek Turkey Trot Singles
- Ladies: Midweek Turkey Trot Singles Sat 19 Men and Ladies: Turkey Trot Singles
- Sun 20 Men & Ladies: Turkey Trot Team
 - Captains' drive-in