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Recent results at West Berks

Jane wins Armstrong

Jane Brackenbury won the Armstrong Salver, the ladies knockout match play competition, on Sunday September 5 by beating fellow finalist Sally Field on the 18th green. Our lady champion was also in the news the following week when she scored a hole-in-one on the seventeenth while playing in the JHB Trophy.

See Page 2 for more information on two recent aces.

Andy wins Seniors Medal

Andy Robbings won the men's September senior medal with gross 81, net 73. Bob Fagg took second spot with gross 90, net 73 while Geoff Pudner was third with gross 98, net 82.

Another Andy on Saturday

Andy Morris with 39 points beat Steve Fisher on countback to win the men's Saturday stableford on September 11 while Dan Read took third spot with 36.

Under-par James takes Crawford

James Cameron shot a gross one-under-par 72 off the blue tees on Sunday September 12 to win the Crawford Cup, the competition that requires a player to pre-qualify by playing to the course rating in a qualifying competition prior to the event.

Playing off a handicap of two, James' net 70 was a single point clear of Mark Ridgill who with gross 97, net 71 took second spot. There followed a three-way tie on net 72 with the order of John Baron gross 91, Derek Smith and Robert Camden, both gross 82, decided on countback.

Gale takes a lead in the Gillas

Gale McAuley won Round 1 of the ladies' Gillas Cup played on Saturday September 18 with 30 points. Tina Mulford was second with 28, Georgie Seaman third on 24 and Sian Soanes fourth on 23. Round 2 is scheduled for Saturday October 9 and the final a week later.

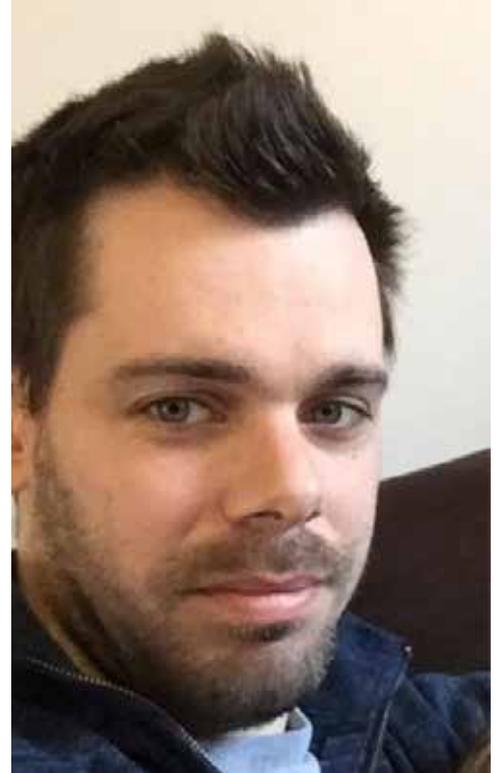
WB2 Champs with game to spare

There is a lot of team news to catch up on since our most recent issue. Firstly, hearty congratulations are in order to West Berks 2, our team that represents the club in Division 5 of the Central Sevens Golf League. On Saturday September 11 they won 4½ to 1½ away to Witney Lakes Fairways and became champions of the division with a game in hand. Well done to team skipper Kevin Howe and everybody who represented the team during the campaign.

Rest of team news

It's a mixed message concerning our team that plays in the Saturday interclub friendly fixtures. On September 11 they enjoyed a fine 5-1 win at home to Hadden Hill but a remarkable sequence was ended just a week later when they experienced their first defeat since 2018 when losing 4½ to ½ away to Goring & Streatley. Even allowing for the fact that season 2020 was pretty much a write-off with only one match played, it is a splendid record and congratulations go to Kevin Wilkins and his team.

Meanwhile, the seniors won 4-2 away to Witney Lakes on Thursday September 16 and the mixed team won 5-1 at home to Oxford City on Sunday September 19.



James is under par



Jane wins Armstrong Salver

Captain's Charity Day 2021

This Sunday September 26

There are still a few slots available for this year's Charity Day.

It promises to be a great day:

- Lots of prizes
- Open to five and seven day members
- Complimentary coffee and bacon rolls on arrival

All proceeds to Sobell House - a great charity

If you wish to sponsor or contribute to the raffle contact either:

Rob Bridgeman or Kevin Wilkins

Duncan Trophy

Our ladies lost yesterday (Monday) in the semifinal of the Duncan Trophy against Royal Ascot in a match played at Sand Martins that went down to the 19th hole in the final game. Hard luck ladies but well done - more in our next issue.

Two more aces but Jane and Tony have a long way to go

I DON'T know the collective noun for holes-in-one but it would be handy as we have just had the fifth within a few weeks. With Dan Bowsher, Michael Murphy and Tony Atkins having achieved this special feat earlier in the summer we had two more, both at the same hole, on Sunday September 12.

As our picture shows, first up was our lady champion, Jane Brackenbury, who scored her first ace at West Berks when she holed her tee shot at the seventeenth while playing in the JHB Trophy. This was not a first for Jane having achieved similar success at Goring and Streatley back in 2014.

Later that afternoon Tony Dyet, playing in a friendly match with his son-in-law and accompanied by his two daughters as spectators, holed out on the same hole. It was a first for Tony and it was also the

first time that his daughters had been on a golf course. We are reliably informed that Tony was at pains to point out to them that it was not something that happened every day.

This incident reminded me of an occasion long ago in the early days at the time of the introduction of golf to the USA (No I was not there, I read about it!). A new course was opened and all the great and good of the surrounding area were invited to the opening ceremony to introduce them to the new facility and the game of golf. One of the early star professionals was invited to play the inaugural shot at the opening hole, a par three.

Yes, he holed it but he did not receive the acclaim he expected or felt he deserved. There was little more than polite applause from the novice gallery who thought it was all pretty run of the mill. "OK, that's

where he must have been aiming and he must be quite good otherwise he wouldn't have been invited" seemed the general reaction.

I was conscious that this story would be much improved if I could find the full details of where and when but I was distracted in my search by an article that covered the world's top one-shotters. Known names such as Robert Allenby and Hal Sutton have both had ten but the all-time specialist in this field is Mancil Davis who has no less than 51. Born in Texas and briefly a tour pro before focusing on his career as a club professional he scored his first in 1967 at the age of 11 and his 51st in 2007.

So, well done Jane and Tony but you have some way to go.

Dave Ware

Coming up at WBGC

- Fri 24 Men: Midweek Stableford (W)
 Sat 25 Men: Stableford
 Ladies: Stableford Competition
 Central Sevens 1 v Tadmarton Heath (A)
 Central Sevens 2 v Radley (H)
 Sun 26 CAPTAIN'S CHARITY DAY
 Ladies: Summer Eclectic finishes
 Mon 27 Ladies: Winter Eclectic commences
 Tue 28 Ladies: Fun Competition
 Wed 29 Men: Midweek Medal (W)

October

- Sat 2 Men: Stableford
 Men v Ogbourne Downs (H)
 Ladies: Monthly Medal
 Sun 3 Men: Monthly Medal
 Mon 4 Seniors: Medal
 Tue 5 Ladies: Monthly Midweek Stableford
 Thu 7 Mixed v Bradfield (A)
 Fri 8 Men: Midweek Stableford (Y)
 Sat 9 Men: Stableford
 Ladies: Gillas Cup R2
 Central Sevens 1 Cotswold Club (H)
 Sun 10 Men & Ladies: Corbridge Air Ambulance Cup
 Tue 12 Men: Midweek Stableford (W)
 Seniors v Ladies: Chris Green Trophy
 Thu 14 Seniors v Ogbourne Downs (A)
 Sat 16 Men: Stableford
 Ladies: Gillas Cup Final
 Sun 17 Men: Gillas Cup R1



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JHB Trophy Result

Men:		Ladies:	
1. Chris Ward	44	1. Sian Soanes	34
2. Greg Collins	42	2. Jane Brackenbury	33
3. Andy Grayson	37		