

Captain's Charity Day at WBGC

A BUSY week at WBGC when the only sure winners were Dementia UK and Newbury Soup Kitchen, the two charities chosen by our 2026 Captain, Terry Phelps.

Let's start with the main event, 2026 Captain's Charity Day. Played yesterday, the competition was a Step Aside Scramble with 25 teams of four entering and won by the team comprising Dan Hawkins, Sam Jubb, Aaron Rid and Seb Buck with net 54.

Three shots behind in second place were Mark Ridgill, James Butler, Ray Downes and John Nicholson beating Dan Bowsher, Graham Miles, Chris Prior and Michael Murphy on countback.

Nearest the pin prizes were won by Mark Watkins on hole-7, Jane Brackenbury on 11 and 14 and James Butler on 17.

There was also a "Beat the Champ" competition. Only five players beat Jason Kendal's pre-comp tee shot on 17 the nearest being Stuart Harrison.

Captain Terry said that it was a most enjoyable day that raised £2,300 for Dementia UK and Newbury Soup Kitchen.

He offered his thanks to all those who took part for their generosity.



Our Captain with Stuart who beat the champ

The week's other results

The heat disrupted our start to the week as the Coronation Foursomes scheduled for Tuesday May 26 was not played due to the high temperatures.

This will now be played on Tuesday June 2 and the stableford due to be played that day is rescheduled for Tuesday June 16.

This is a competition that can be played on either Saturday or Tuesday. The final result will be known after Tuesday's round is completed.

Mick wins Liddiard Wk 9

The first competition this week was the Wednesday nine-hole qualifier for the Liddiard Cup.

There were 42 entrants, of which 12 qualified with 19 points or over. Five of whom did so for the first time taking our total number after Week 9 to 58.

Mick Moss won on Wednesday with 23 points. Chris Prior and Alex Bateman both scored 22 finishing in that order on countback.

The Herbie Sternberg Trophy is decided by the player with the highest aggregate of their top five scores.

Wednesday saw another strong score of 19 from Colin Harrison who took the lead with 101 points, the first player this year to reach the Ton-up Club.

Colin is followed by Alex Evans and Aaron Rid on 99 and Alex Bateman with 98.

Andy in midweek

Andy Robbings won the men's midweek stableford with 37 points. Peter Brown was second with 35 and Brian Davis third on 32.



Team winners: Dan, Sam, Aaron and Seb



Two NTP for Jane

Keith on Saturday

Keith Hawton won the men's Saturday stableford with 42 points while Mark Ramos was a point behind in second place and Bryan Arthur a point further back third.

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Timeline of comps

May

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| Wed 27 Men: Liddiard Cup | 42 entries Mick Moss 23 points |
| Thu 28 Men: Midweek Stableford | 9 entries Andy Robbings 37 points |
| Seniors v Weybrook Park (A) | Match halved 3-3 |
| Sat 30 Men: Saturday Stableford | 31 entries Keith Hawton 42 points |
| Sat Team v Studley Wood (H) | Lost 3½-2½ |
| Central 7s: WB1 v Hinskey Heights (A) | Lost 4-3 |
| Sun 31 Captain's Charity Day | 25 teams/4 Dan Hawkins/Sam Jubb/Aaron Rid/Seb Buck net 54 |

Teams Matter

Bob Griffiths, standing in for Nick Jones, reports that on Thursday the seniors played a very challenging course at Weybrook Park with very fast greens and emerged with a highly creditable 3-3 half.

At the weekend two of our men's teams suffered narrow defeats. Our men's Saturday Team lost at home to Studley Wood by 3½ to 2½ while in Division 1 of the Central Sevens Golf League WB1 lost 4-3 away to Hinskey Heights.

County Inter-Club Shield

SIAN Soanes reports that on Thursday our ladies' team comprising Tina Mulford, Pat Treacy and Sally Field (below) secured a highly creditable second place in this year's Inter-club Shield held at Maidenhead GC.

Seventeen clubs contested this county competition on what Sian described as 'yet another sweltering day'.

Hennerton won the Shield with an impressive 78 points with West Berks runners-up on 72.

This matches the second place we gained last year so here's hoping for one place better next year!

Ace for Sean

Congratulations to Sean Sheils who scored a hole-in-one at the 14th in the Texas Scramble last weekend.

This is Sean's second, having scored one 'about 20 years ago'.

Asked to describe his latest effort he said: "It was 157 yards, a 7-iron, landed about two foot short and just rolled in."

Sounds simple enough!



This week at WBGC

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| Mon 1 Men: Midweek Stableford | Sat 6 Ladies: Stableford |
| Tue 2 Ladies: Coronation Foursomes | Central 7s: WB2 v Hinksey Heights (H) |
| Wed 3 Men: Liddiard Cup | Men's Sat Team v Goring and Streatley (A) |
| Thu 4 Seniors v Newbury & Crookham (A) | Sun 7 Mixed: Yellow Tee medal |
| Sat 6 Men: Saturday Stableford | Men: Blue Tee Medal |