

#### A Periodical Newsletter for the Members of Richmond Park Golf Club

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August and September have gone by and I've been remiss in not producing a paper in that time-apologies!

During this time we have taken on 5 new members and, as in previous issues, I would first of all like to welcome PETER NICHOLSON, MARK HUTCHINSON, ASH D'SA, ANDREW MAXWELL-SCOTT & NIGEL ACRES to our ranks.

I note from the results that Ash and Andrew have already joined our list of prize winners - well done guys.

Don't forget, all prizes will be presented at the Annual Dinner and Dance which will be held at the Winning Post on 24 January.

Tim Fox

#### CLUB MATCH RESULTS

#### **Hawtree Team Goes Down**

Sadly our 'A' Team ran out of luck in the third round, one short of the regional final, losing 4-1 to CHESHUNT.

We ran up against a team of excellent low handicap men and even better high handicap ladies! Hopefully they will be severely cut next year.

Well done team-it was a not a bad run given the recent results & it was a pleasure 'captaining' you all.

# **Keys Trophy Success**

Our team Captained ably by Charlie, successfully defended the Keys ... the annual challenge match between the clubs at the Park.

On a serious note, one of the WHITE LODGE members was concused during the event by a golf ball to the temple. Thankfully, he recovered, but it's a stern reminder that the balls are dangerous things - please - when in doubt shout 'FORE'.

#### Clubroom

The clubroom renovations are now complete, though our season was disrupted quite a bit - hopefully we can now get back to some degree of normality.

Our Competition Secretary, PETER HARRINGTON, will be pleased now that he can set up 'base-camp' on a Sunday morning in more or less the same place - at least in the same room each week! It really has been difficult for all of us with the fixture and results board moving around seemingly monthly.

Now that it is in one place, PLEASE KEEP ABREAST BY READING IT!



#### **Ladies New Fixture**

Our girls lost the first (away) leg of this new annual match against ADDINGTON COURT. Having halved the return match the overall result was 5-3. Better luck next year.

#### Charlie's Cads Snatch Bontor

Probably Charlie's' proudest moment of captaincy occurred on August 9th when his team regained the BONTOR TROPHY from the ladies.

The score 8 1/2 - 3 1/2 obviously flattered the men as there were many close matches. Hard luck Frederique.

This is clearly far more important than the RYDER CUP - another matchplay event, I believe.

# **Results in Friendly Matches**

Vice. Captain PETER HARRINGTON led the second (away) leg of the annual AIRLINKS match.

Unfortunately, Peter's troupe succumbed 5 1/2 - 1/2 & lost overall 9 1/2 - 2 1/2. I'm sure Peter will want revenge as Captain next year.

On the same day in August another team of men succeeded in retaining the Rickmansworth Match Play Trophy. Charlie's team won 4 -2 on the day and 8 - overall.

#### ASSOCIATION CUP

This 4 man teammatch determines which club will represent the Richmond Park Association of Golf Clubs (whew what a mouthful) in the N.A.P.G.C. event, the KELSO-HAMILTON SHIELD (another one!) Our team comprising RICHARD TATE, MATT MINDHAM, PAT KING and MARTIN WRIGHT won the event - well done guys.







# **COMPETITION RESULTS**

As there are rather a lot to report I have really only recorded the 'bare bones' this time round. I think I've covered most of the summer's events. (RPGC unless stated)

#### **Association Trophy**

1st Matt Mindham 57!!
2nd Nick Chapman 59!!
Scratch Tony Mellish (Putney Park)
1st Lady Cheryl Woodhouse 69
Ladies' Scratch Maureen Slade

## **Centurion Open**

1st Ian Smith 65 2nd Paul Appleton

#### **RPGC Open**

1st	A Bryant (Putney Park)	59
2nd	Natasha Devlin	61

# JULY MEDALS

# Men Richard Tate 65 r/u John Sowter 66

Ladies Cheryl Woodhouse 67

#### **AUGUST MEDALS**

Men	Paul Wheatley	61
	Peter Juson r/u	63
Ladies	Sonia Innis	66

## **Summer Cup**

Leon Leoni	41 pts	
Ian Smith	r/u	37 pts

# Lady Captain's Day

Cynthia King	39 pts	
Jean Proper	r/u	36 pts

# Captain's Day

Neil Whitfield	42 pts
Juryck Strelcyn	41 pts

## Captain's Challenge

Juryk Strelcyn
Ian McPherson r/u
This was a play off for a special competition held between the 12 men playing with Charlie throughout the year who beat him by the greatest number of shots.

# Ladies' Club Championship

Tracy Wright
Julie Smith r/u

# **Burgess Cup**

Nick Parrish & Jim Ruttledge 46 Eddie Weissmann & Dave Cahill 40



# Men's Club Championship

#### Scratch

# **Senior Division**

1st	Peter Juson 151	
2nd	Peter Juson/Tim Fox 152	

#### **Junior Division**

1st	Peter Harrington	171
2nd	Stan Potts	171
Peter be	eat Stan in an 18 hole	play -
off		

# **Handicap Competition**

1st	Tim Fox	134
2nd	Nick Chapman	135

# Ladies' Handicap Cup

Pam Fox	
Janet Fox	r/u

# Ladies' Pembroke Cup

Jane Watts

#### SEPTEMBER MEDALS

Men	Tim Fox	66
r/u	Andrew M	laxwell-Scott 68

Ladies Sheena Harrington 74

#### **Ladies' Barton Bowl Final**

Maureen Slade 32 (on the back 9) Sheena Harrington r/u

### **Platinum Jubilee Trophy**

John Bennett 63 Bob Lovejoy r/u 63

#### **Ladies Autumn Meeting**

Jane Watts 70 Janet Fox r/u 73

### **Autumn Mixed Foursomes**

Janet Fox/Bob Lovejoy 67 Sheena & Peter Harrington r/u 72 1/2 Tracy & Martin Wright Scratch 84

#### **BOOKING YOUR GAME**

# J Q Robertson Trophy

A. Kamil 39 George Martin r/u 38

### **Pat Taylor Memorial Shield**

Ash D'Sa 43 Ian McPherson r/u 41

**Lissamon Cup** (aka 3 clubs & a Putter)

Paul Wheatley 68 Dave Parkinson r/u 68

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Despite the committee's attempts to get our numbers up we are still very short of players most Sundays.

If you have a friend/relative who plays to a reasonable standard, please encourage them to come along for a trial run with us. New Years resolution - increase playing numbers for 1998!

## Hard luck for the Hardship Fund

At the A.G.M. your committee were charged with deciding the merits of a hardship fund to help struggling members with green fees.

Jon Cooper spent considerable time and came up with a lengthy paper giving the **Pros & Cons** of such a scheme.

After much deliberation it was decided any such scheme would be a minefield of complications and that it should not proceed.

It is hoped that those affected will understand.

Bob Lovejoy and Tim Meyer do a very difficult job under trying circumstances. Please help them by co operating with the booking system. Many people (perhaps through ignorance of the system) fail to comply with it's simple rules.

It's vital that we know the numbers of games required for the following week. If we turn up short of players we are liable to the course management Company, G.C.M. If you are unsure of our booking system, please ask Bob or Tim who will be only too pleased to explain it ... it can only make their tiresome job easier.



#### **Annual Dinner Dance**

Tickets will soon be available for the annual dinner and dance, which is also our prize-giving presentation for the year. The event will be held at the WINNING POST again on Saturday, 24th January.

For those of you who've not been before, it really is a terrific night. Prize winners are naturally expected to attend.

All members are welcome to bring guests so please book early. £25 per head to DAVE WILLIAMS.

#### **DEFINITIONS OF SOME COMMON GOLFING PHRASES!**

## FROM AN IDEA BY ANN BARTON & KERRY SARGEANT

'GET UP'! Said by player when he could do with 2 more clubs

to get there, and before it reaches water hazard

short of green.

'GET DOWN'! Urgently said by player who has thinned the ball

through the lot!

'UNLUCKY - GOOD STRIKE'! Patronising remark when opponents ball is

viciously sliced or hooked out of bounds.

'A GOOD - BAD ONE'! Said joyfully by player after his topped shot

bounces on the water hazard, skips through the bunker and tolls up to 2 feet. Guaranteed to be

received well by opponents.

'FORE'! Occasionally used by player AFTER ball has landed

amid another group of players

'GOOD ROUND' Said through clenched teeth to your playing partner

while signing for your net 86 and their 68.

# **Forthcoming Events**

Some of you may be aware that Stan Potts is trying to organise a Golf Weekend to Northern France at Hardelot.

It is anticipated that this will be at the end of September 1998 and for 2 nights, 2 rounds of golf, breakfast and crossing the price will be around £150 per person

Please could you assist Stan so that he can try to negotiate the best deal by completing the form below so that he has an idea of the numbers who will be taking part.

Many thanks



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