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Captain's Day ...

Everyone would agree that Ian Cade's Captain's Day was a resounding success. The warm and friendly welcome given by Ian, Caroline, their two daughters and family

in the marquee at the 9th set the tone for the day and continued into the early hours with a relaxed barbecue and disco which was enjoyed by over 100 people. The day's stableford was a sell-out event with fierce competition for the excellent prizes on offer. Taking the Captain's prize was Rob Fish (pictured right) who pipped his son Dave by one point with 37 pts. Ollie Lewis took the Vice Captain's prize for best gross score on 36 pts whilst Junior Captain Harry Lines lifted the Jack Price Cup for Best Junior with 36pts. The on-form Anna Smith won the Ladies prize with Brian Jones taking the Seniors Prize. In the spot prizes, Liam Magill won the nearest the pin in 3 on the 9th – with an eagle, whilst Nick Apperley won nearest the line on the 10th.

*Photos of the day are displayed in the Lounge.



Fourth title for Anna...

Just 10 days after lifting the Forester Cup as County Ladies Champion, Anna Smith triumphed again in this year's Club Championships against the on-form Jayne Smith who has many Club Championship

titles to her credit herself. Playing together in the two day, 36 hole medal competition they were neck and neck all the way with just two shots separating them at the end. Anna's gross 81 and 85 secured her the French Challenge Bowl and with it the title of Ludlow Ladies Club Champion for the fourth time in a row.



Presented alongside the French Challenge Vase was the Kay Ward Cup for the best nett score of the tournament. **Ros Plested** shot a nett 72 on day one, just two shots behind the leader and her 75 on day two was enough to take the title. Runner-up was Brenda Loose who has recently rejoined after living in Spain.



Three days later, Ladies

Captain Rosie Cox hosted her Captain's Day. In lovely weather a full field played in the stableford competition and were warmly welcomed by Rosie beside the 9th green in the marquee with drinks and refreshments. In the evening,

eighty people, both members and invited guests, including Club Captain Ian Cade, his wife Caroline, and several past Ladies Captains, enjoyed the celebratory dinner. All agreed that it had been an excellent day. Later the Ladies Captain's prize was presented to past Captain Val Lloyd (r) whilst runner-up (on countback) and winner of the Vice Captain Jane Arnsby's prize was Liz Wright. The three divisional winners were, Rona Cobb, Jo Brooks and Hildegard Cutler whilst Kim Simm won the putting prize and Chris Turner the prize for Hidden Holes.



Winning the Herbie Benbow

for the second time since their win in 2008 are George Watton and Scott Groom who carded an incredible 48 points in the betterball stableford competition to take the cup. The Herbie Benbow trophy honours a very popular character in our Club's history. After a heart attack stopped Herbie farming he took up golf and subsequently became one of the founder members of the infamous PA's who play together every Wednesday throughout the year,

Great Scott goes on to win the Ismay Cup.

A few days later in the June medal, Scott (pictured right) went on to shoot a gross 72 nett 66, reduce his handicap to 5 and lift the Ismay Cup (for the second time since 2005) which is presented to the lowest scoring round achieved by a Gentleman member. Also of note on that day were three superb handicap reducing scores from our **junior members** namely Lewis Rogers nett 62, Mark Bull's nett 65 and Harry Lines with a nett 67. The three took top honours in Division 2 and reduced their handicaps to 16, 17 and 18 respectively.



The Dalmahoy Dream

continues for our Dream Team Andy Dixon and Mike Corfield (r) after an emphatic 7-5 victory at home over Worfield in the Daily Mail Foursomes. They ended the match, played in good spirit, one

under gross over the 13 holes With just three games to go before the finals, at the prestigious Dalmahoy, the pair face Fulford Heath at home this month. Andy however says that they are keeping their feet firmly on the ground and taking it just one game at a time. Good luck lads from all of us.



Tara & Dave win again in

the Ron Jones Salver. Dave Fish & Tara Rodenhurst defended their title with a great display of golf in the difficult Mixed Foursomes medal format to card a nett 70. Yvette Southall and Lee Bush were runners-up on nett 74.



Well done lads... They've done it! Our Men's Handicap League team have smashed their opponents this year to earn themselves a place in the quarter finals – the first time for many years. Undefeated in their first three matches they were in

a strong position going into the final game at home versus Sapey. A stunning 5-1 victory secured their place in the quarter finals against Kington. Our League Captain Malcolm Weaver is thrilled with the results so far: Patshull Park away - 4-2, Sapey away - 3-3, Patshull Park home - 5½ to ½ and Sapey home - 5-1 and hopes they can keep the great team spirit going to take them nearer to the final. Pictured are regular team members –(l to r) Russell Simm, Simon Herdsfield, John Linehan, Mike Corfield, Mick Brownhill, Darren Humphreys, David Simpson, Capt Malcolm Weaver, Lee Bush, Andy Dixon, Terry McCourt and Harry Lines. Other team members were Mark Bull, Nathan Herdsfield, Alan Meyrick, and Mark Rogers. **Meanwhile the Scratch B team** were doing just as well! They beat both the Herefordshire and Bridgnorth emphatically at home 4-0 then proceeded to beat Bridgnorth away 2½ - 1½ ! The match at the Herefordshire was halved. The team now go through to the Semi-finals.



It's Wednesday – it's Summer – it's back...

The Wednesday night rollover draw is back! With £50 on offer in the first draw there was much excitement as drawmaster Russell Price released the bag of Big Money Balls for the draw. The third ball was drawn and the winner was - David Styles – but - he wasn't there! So because you **have to be in it to win it** the money was rolled over. For your chance to win the rollover draw why not enter the 9 hole stableford – there are prizes for 2 divisions, and a ladies prize – so what are you waiting for ladies? You can preorder your post meal supper (inc a free pint or glass of wine) in the Pro shop for £7. Then all you need to do is join in the fun in the Clubhouse where you can meet up with friends old and new whilst waiting in anticipation for the big money draw and remember next time– **IT COULD BE YOU!**



Will Donald Duffer ever get it right?!

The Comps. Committee have compiled a list of all the different problems that Donald's card marking has caused them which is so long they think it could be entered in the Guinness Book of Records!

What do you think the committee decision should be for each example?

- 1) Donald ended up playing the final 3 holes in the medal on his own as his partner Charles Hope walked in after the 15th. Donald told Charles his scores in the Clubhouse where he then completed and signed the card for Donald.
- 2) In the Stableford, Donald's marker is so fed up with him that he storms off in the car (with Donald's card) as soon they leave the course and cannot be contacted later. As they were only a two ball Donald fills in and submits a card with his scores plus a note explaining the circumstances.
- 3) On Captain's Day one of Donald's playing partners fills in all the cards with names and handicaps. Donald has a good score which he signs for. When the committee mark his card they notice Donald's handicap is listed incorrectly as 28 not 27. Donald pleads that it's not his fault.
- 4) In the Jean and John Moss Trophy, Donald draws the 10th tee for the shotgun. All three players record their scores putting the first 9 holes in the boxes for the second 9 holes and vice versa. Donald's two on the 17th is now a miraculous two on the 8th. No worries – his total score is correct so he hands in the card without changing it.

Answers:

- 1) Donald is disqualified under Rule 6-6a. He should have insisted Charles accompany him for the last 3 holes, or discontinue play and report to the Committee. (see Decision 6-6a/2).
- 2) Amazingly on this occasion Donald is correct! The score should be accepted by the Committee. (see Decision 6-6b/6).
- 3) Donald is disqualified. It is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure his correct handicap is recorded on his score card before it is returned to the Committee. (see Decision 6-2b/3.5).
- 4) Donald is disqualified because at least one recorded score (his two recorded as occurring on the 8th) is lower than the score actually taken (in Donald's case an eleven). (see Rule 6-6d and Decision 6-6d/3)



Justice for John? The Seniors go from strength to strength ably led by Captain John Linehan and Vice Captain Russell Simm. John reports, "Out of the last seven matches we have won five and drawn two. Recently

we played a team who made us play off the white tees. This really upset one of the seniors greatest supporters John Adams (above). However, we got our own back when they visited Ludlow by insisting they played from our white tees and duly beat them 5-1. Guess who didn't win their match??

A special mention must go to Ian Rutherford, who having just joined the seniors matches, had to play recently against two Wrekin players on his own. Rising to the challenge he brilliantly won his match 4-2 - well done Ian!

In seniors golf we play to win, have fun, enjoy other courses and make new friendships. If you are interested and aged 55+ come and join us" said John.



Club Championships ...

Have you signed up for the Men's Club Championships on 23rd and 24th July? Four honours board places are up for grabs: The Irving Bowl for the Club Champion (gross) and the George Duncan Putter (nett). Then for juniors there are the Junior and the Junior Scratch Cup. **Any** gentleman member has the chance to win the George Duncan Putter – it's not just for low handicappers so why not sign up now?

☺ **And finally** – during an unofficial Ludlow match at Cadmore Lodge recently the highlight of the day was provided by Peter MacCutchan when walking over the bridge on the 4th with his trolley he slipped and fell face first into the deep brook! Submerged, he then reappeared still wearing both his hat and glasses – the sign of a true gentleman. Two burly men struggled to lift him up the bank whereupon he shook the whole of his body (like a dog) to remove excess water. The game ended with an honourable draw. It was stated that a suit and tie be worn after the match but not a wet suit!