



Oxley Park Summer Newsletter Part One

Dear Members,

Greens

The club has received a cheque from Severn Trent for the damage caused to the course when the main feeder pipe to Bushbury reservoir began leaking last November. The cheque was not quite as much as we had hoped for but, as the majority of the work was done in house by our green staff, it more than covered the costs.

The course has recovered remarkably well from the almost incessant winter, spring and then summer rains and it has been praised by every visiting club, society and green fee player. The course has never looked or played as well as it has this playing season. A great job done by our greens staff and greens committee for providing us with a superb course to play.

Osprey, the company who maintain our irrigation system, have had to replace some of the sprinkler heads and valves. As this work is quite expensive the 2nd and 10th greens have been replaced as these were most urgently needed.

Chris Roberts, our agronomist, is happy with the general condition of the course and has reported that the thatch, which was quite deep is now some 90% less than it was. Fusarium, usually only a winter problem was found on several greens, but after spraying it has been eradicated.

Even though severely hampered by the weather, the winter program work done on the pools and some of the bunkers have greatly improved the appearance of the course. New bunker sand has been added to some bunkers at a cost of £800 for 20 tonnes. Trees surrounding the sixth green have been marked for pruning or removing to provide more light to the green.



Senior Greenkeeper Ian Holborn in the middle of the pool on the 8th. Is he really working removing the vegetation from the middle of the pool? Or is he secretly in training hoping to participate in the white water kayak team in the next Olympics in Tokyo in 2020?

Schools Link

Junior launch night was very successful. Rakegate Primary School have had two sessions of instructions from our professional Craig Thomas with 28 pupils attending the first session and 30 the second one. St. Peter's School have also had a tuition session and other schools are showing interest. As a result of this a marketing package, with special reference to both Junior and Lady golfers will be produced and put on our website and

in the Wolverhampton Magazine and Chronicle. A big thank you to the members of the Schools Link Group and to our professionals. We hope that their efforts will encourage more junior and ladies to join Oxley Park.

Lady Captain's Day June 14th

This year's event was a great success despite the weather trying to put a damper on the day. However all but a few ladies completed the full 18 holes before thunder, lightning and heavy rain promoted Craig Thomas to sound the klaxon and close the course.

After some 'creative accounting' the result was declared:

Division 1

1. Joan Lee 2. Mary Isherwood 3. Pat Cook

Division 2

1. Elaine Turner 2. Maureen Kerr 3. Jaqui Gripton

The Mavis Smith Salver for the best nett score on the day went to Elaine Turner.

Thanks were given to the Ladies Committee, the ground staff for the excellent preparation of the course , Cliff Rogers for manning the halfway house, Hughie and staff for a very enjoyable lunch and Sandra and her bar staff for looking after the ladies.

On behalf of all the Ladies Section Ann Partridge (Vice Captain) presented Pat Rogers, Lady Captain, with flowers and thanked her for all hard work today and wished her good luck during the rest of her year in office.

July 5th Ladies Alliance

15 teams took part in the Ladies Alliance competition on a cool, but dry day. Many of the ladies commented on the condition of the course, all of them favourable, except that some were unable to cope with the greens.

Three teams all returned a score of 139 with the winners determined by count back.

1st place with a back 9 of 67 Ann Partridge, Oxley Park Suzanne Rogers, South Staffs Fiona Bowers, Enville.

2nd place with a back 9 of 69 Helen Barrett, South Staffs, Penny Toal, South Staffs, Gay Hadley, Enville

3rd place with a back 9 of 70 Tanya Welch, Hagley, Cath Robinson, Hagley, H. More, Hagley.

Sunday 3rd June. With the Lady Captain Pat Rogers are the 2016 winners of the Spencer Trophy Sandra and Nick Redrup



Saturday 11th June, Captain's Day 2016. With Captain Brian Hyde is, Terry Reynolds, Graham Brunson and Greg Kitson



Captain's Day 1984



In the first photograph is that young and obviously dedicated follower of fashion, Don Levy, whose motto, looking at his trousers, must have been, "Never mind the quality, feel the width," but who is with him? What about the players in the second photograph?

Sunday 10th July. With the Club Captain Brian Hyde are Professional Craig Fletcher and the 2016 Club Championship Winner Lee Haynes.



Saturday 16th July Par-Busters playing at The Rolls of Monmouth. With Vice Captain elect Alan Churm is Keith Humphreyson and Dennis Cooper.



Monday 1st August. With the Club Captain Brian Hyde is the delighted winner of the 2016 Junior Centenary Cup, Harry Watton.



On the Gold course at the Shropshire playing for the Past Captains Shield are Alan Cowles , who donated the shield in 1982, our current Captain Brian Hyde, who could play but not win the shield, and Seniors Captain Roger Cox. The shield was won by I.P.C. Rob Eynon.



Congratulation to all of the juniors who played in Junior Captain Adam Sands Day. Well done also to all the winners. Nearest the Pin on hole 6 - Yaz Oakley, Nearest the pin in 2 on hole 17 - Callum Chambers, 4th Nett Harry Watton (69), 3rd Nett Joe Moore (68), runner up and junior captain Adam Sands (67) and the Winner of the Junior Captains Day and Bishop trophy Jess Cook (66)
Well done everyone.



Winner of the Joe Higgins cup Sam Astle.

Junior Captains Day and Bishop trophy winner Jess Cook.



Friday 26th was the Carey Trophy, another great turn up and support from the junior section. This year's winner was Harry Watton with a score of 38 points. Congratulations to Harry and to all those who participated.



Harry Watton winner of the Carey Trophy with Captain Brian Hyde.



Tuesday 16th September.

ating for the aptly named

competition - The Old Curmudgeons.



Oxley Park in the early sixties when trees were few and far between. But can you work out which hole this is?



Club Competition Results

Captain's Day Saturday 11th June

Division One 1st Steve Stanhope, 2nd Martin Cartridge, 3rd Ryan Church
Division Two 1st G. Brunsdon, 2nd Lee Mason, 3rd Ian Hart
Division Three 1st Richard Allport, 2nd David Rowlands, 3rd Robbie Clarke

George Stevens Cup Sunday 12th June

1st Martin Cartridge, 2nd Mitchell Davies, 3rd S. Morris.

Seniors H. Roberts Shield Tuesday 21st June

1st G.B.Walton, 2nd Leslie Dudley, 3rd Harry Paddock.

Presidents Putter Sunday 26th June

1st James Black, 2nd David Murray, 3rd Gary Timmins

The Club Championship Sunday 10th July

1st Lee Haynes 2nd Ian Smith, 3rd Ryan Banks

Seniors Club Championship 14th & 15th July

1st Chris Green, 2nd Bob Parton, 3rd Brian Wright.

Flexible Members Stableford Sunday 24th July

1st Timothy Dinsdale, 2nd David Gibbons, 3rd Duncan Fraser

Morris Christopher Cup Sunday 31st July

1st D. Jenkins, 2nd Pete Carmell, 3rd Paul Shirt.

J. L. Wood Cup Sunday 14th August

1st Zac Jackson, 2nd Paul Webb, 3rd Stewart Devey.

Ladies Results

Ladies Lady Captain's Day Tuesday 14th June

1st Joan Lee, 2nd Mary Isherwood, 3rd Pat Cook

Ladies Bird Bowl Tuesday 28th June

1st Mary Isherwood, 2nd Elaine Turner, 3rd Sandra Redrup

Ladies Sam Worrall Salver Tuesday 19th July

1st Gemma Jewkes, 2nd Elaine Turner, 3rd, Mary Isherwood

Ladies George Jennings Cup Tuesday 9th August

1st Maureen Kerr, 2nd Mary Isherwood, 3rd Ann Partridge.

Junior Results

Chris Dean Trophy Saturday 25th June

1st Daniel Binfield, 2nd James Black

Ron Flowers Trophy Monday 25th July

1st Adam Sands, 2nd Sam Astle, 3rd James Black.

K Finlay Trophy Wednesday 27 July

1st James Black, 2nd Adam Sands, 3rd Harry watton.

James A. Will Centenary Cup Monday 1st August

1st Harry watton, 2nd James Black, 3rd Mitchell Chambers

R. Mansell Trophy Monday 8th August

1st Harry Watton, 2nd Sam Astle, 3rd Ryan Church.

G. G. Brown Trophy Thursday 11th August

1st sam Astle, 2nd Adam Sands, 3rd Brandon Craggs

Junior Committee Cup Monday 15th August

1st Sam Astle, 2nd Mitchell Chambers, 3rd Daniel Binfield.

Junior Club championship Wednesday 31st August

1st Sam astle, 2nd Yassine Oakley, 3rd Ryan Church

Part Two to follow in the not too distant future.

Roger Cox

Jim Will

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