

contents

- 2 from the Club Captain
- 3 ladies' captain
- 4 match committee
- 5 ladies' results/website
- 6 from the secretary
- 7 greens/social scene/rules
- 8 100 Club/rules answer

Alresford Show "After Show" Meal

See Secretary's page
for details

I have received an email from the Vets' Captain explaining that he has only just returned home from a family commitment up North and has not been able to write his report for this edition.

I would also like to add my congratulations to Lady Captain Jane on her County appointment (see Captain's report).

I trust everyone has been enjoying the lovely spell of summer sunshine we have all been having and David has included the poster below just to make sure members are taking the necessary precautions!

If you have an anecdote you would like to share, an item of interest, photograph or a suggestion for inclusion in the eBulletin please submit by email at mpgmagwin21@sky.com.

Mike Gould
Editor



WEATHER WARNING CHECKLIST

1. WATER/DRINKS
2. SUNCREAM ~ Apply sunscreen 30mins before playing and ensure good coverage on face, neck and ears.
3. HAT ~ Wear a hat to shade face and eyes. Use sunglasses if possible and seek shade when you can.
4. MORE WATER / DRINKS

DRINK FREQUENTLY DURING YOUR ROUND - DO NOT WAIT UNTIL YOU FEEL THIRSTY OR FAINT - IT'S TOO LATE!





George Clelland
Club Captain

I would like to start by congratulating our Ladies Captain, Jane Scott, who has accepted the position of Vice-Captain of the Hampshire Ladies' County Golf Association (HLCGA), which she will take up next year. The Vice-Captain's role lasts for two years and is followed by a Captaincy role for a further two years. This is a great honour and is in recognition of the work Jane has put into the HLCGA over the years and the high regard in which she is held. Well done, Jane.

In my first ebulletin, back in December, I laid down a challenge to any pair, men, ladies or mixed, of a 4BBB match against myself and Philip with a donation to the Captains' Charity at stake, but so far we've had no takers. I know everyone is busy, but now with the summer knock-outs reaching the final stages, hopefully you'll be able to find some dates in your diaries to answer the challenge. Either send me an email, or speak to Philip or myself about dates.

I've been giving out prizes at a number of events in July. The first was the finals of the Team Golf which this year has been organised by Roger Corkhill. Roger has been on hand every Thursday since the beginning of May to ensure that each round of the competition went off successfully, and the Finals were no exception. The heavily laden prize table took some time to clear and everyone enjoyed the occasion which more than demonstrated that the competition meets its aims of promoting interaction and sociability among club members.

The next event was the Pro's Clubhouse Knockout which was won this year by Clare Monkhouse in a very close tie with Richard West. Unfortunately, although I had played my 9 holes with Neil Coles, the presence of such a great and skilful player did not instantly transform my game, so I dropped out of the competition in the 1st round of the Plate. However, I have to say that meeting and playing with Neil Coles was quite fascinating. At the age of 79, he still has a smooth, full and seemingly effortless swing. It was amazing to watch him hit ball after ball on the driving range, each one following the same flight and direction as the other. I'd like to thank Malcolm for arranging Neil's visit, it's something I'll remember for many years, and also thanks for organising and running the Clubhouse Knockout with Jane.

Moving on from great players from the past, Malcolm, in conjunction with the Hampshire County Golf Union, organised the Hampshire Boys U14, U13 and U12 Stableford Championships. What a terrific turn-out of young lads was present and all of them a great credit to their parents and coaches in both their dress and manners. Playing off the white tees, the winning scores in each of the categories was in the 40s. In particular, I'd like to mention Harvey Riches who won the U12 category with a score of 43 which has reduced his adult CONGU handicap to 25.6. It was a pleasure to present the prizes and trophies to these boys some of whom will be the golfing stars of the future. The Club gets a lot of kudos from hosting this event which is largely due to the way in which Malcolm has been efficiently running it for a number of years, and the County Golf Union are very grateful to one of our members, Peter Hilton, for his continued sponsorship.

Last, but by no means least, I presented the prizes at the annual Husbands and Wives Foursomes. Despite a forecast of heavy rain and thunderstorms which threatened to replicate the appalling conditions and abandonment of last year, we played in warm, balmy, more or less perfect conditions. Congratulations to the winners, Simon and Debbie Wills who just pipped Brian and Mandy Overton by a point, much to Mandy's apparent delight as she realised she wouldn't have to organise next year's event. Also, congratulations and thanks to David and Viv Pain for successfully organising and getting the event completed at the third attempt after two rain soaked tries last year.

I'm looking forward to the Men's Invitation at the beginning of August which is going ahead though we are down on numbers this year for some reason. Finally, during August, I will be putting up the entry sheet for my Captain's Day on Sunday 15 September. Full details will be with the entry sheet and the day will be open to both 7- and 5-day members. Make sure you reserve the date in your diary and I hope to see you all then.

Enjoy your golf.



Jane Scott
Ladies' Captain

The warm and sunny weather in July has been a real help in making sure our many events during the month have been both successful and enjoyable.

Unfortunately, at the beginning of the month we lost our final Stoneham Cup "league" game at home to North Hants which will probably mean we don't progress any further this year, but there is always next year to try again! Thank you to all the players, caddies and in particular Angela Peel and Lynne Cowser who worked so hard in choosing the teams.

In our friendly matches we have visited Stoneham and Corhampton and welcomed Foxhills to Alresford – the overall results were 2 losses and 1 half.

At the beginning of July, 92 pairs visited Alresford on a very warm Sunday when they took part in the Mixed Open. Many positive comments were received from our visitors on what an enjoyable day they had. During the afternoon, we were also able to provide the excitement of watching Andy Murray win his first Wimbledon, which no doubt added to the enjoyment of the day!

In the middle of the month, it was my Captain's Day and again the weather was very warm. A fantastic turnout of 72 ladies played with an additional 14 ladies joining for the buffet lunch. The overall winner of my Captain's Prize was Carol Clark with an excellent 44 points. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the ladies for the many good wishes, cards and gifts that I received. I was very fortunate to have excellent help on the day from Nina Edwards and my family who all made sure that "they did the work" and I was able to enjoy the day, so thank you.

Then just a couple of days later, I was very lucky to be part of the "fourball" who accompanied Veteran

European Tour and former Ryder Cup player, Neil Coles around our course for 9 holes. It was a wonderful experience and Neil made us all feel very relaxed so that we could enjoy the game.

The week then came to a great conclusion with the Club BBQ and Hog Roast which was excellent, but the highlight for me was the "70's disco" which I thoroughly enjoyed and judging by the packed dance floor, so did many others!

Then on Sunday, Malcolm and I enjoyed playing in the "Husband and Wives" competition. Congratulations to Debbie and Simon Wills on achieving a great score of 45 points to win the trophy.

Just a reminder that our Mixed Invitation is taking place on Sunday 1 September and further details will soon be published on the main Club notice board.

What's on for the ladies in August?

- Ladies Past Captains – Thursday 1 August
- Stableford – Saturday 3 and Tuesday 6 August
- Medal – Saturday 10 and Tuesday 13 August
- Wilkinson Trophy and Ladies Medal Winners – Saturday 17 August
- Senior Ladies Competition Rd 1 – Tuesday 20 August
- Senior Ladies Competition Rd 2 – Thursday 22 August
- Ladies Summer Salver – Tuesday 27 August



match committee report



July has seen the most prolonged spell of hot weather for the last few years. It has almost been too hot to play at times but we should all make the most of it especially as the hard fairways flatter our drives!

On the 26 July the Hampshire Boys Stableford Championship took place. I watched several groups finishing their rounds and was very impressed with the way they conducted themselves. They were well presented, well behaved and observed the correct etiquette. I wish I had started playing golf at their age.

Only 28 pairs have entered the Men's Invitation on the 4 August which is well short of the maximum number of 48 pairs. The entries this year are at an all-time low. In years past there used to be a waiting list but that luxury does not exist now.

Knock-out Competitions

There have been several instances this year of knock-out competition rounds not being played by the due date resulting in the exclusion from the competition of the players involved. Please check when your matches need to be played and make early contact with your opponent. Each player or side has an equal responsibility to arrange the match.

August Competitions

This is another busy month with the following competitions due to be played:-

2	Lifeboat Stableford
3	Lifeboat Stableford
4	Men's Invitation
11	Cornhill Trophy
14	Mid-week Stableford
15	Vets Invitation
16	100 Club Competition
17	Wilkinson Trophy (M and L)
19	Stewards Cup
24	Bill Young Trophy Round 1
25	Bill Young Trophy Round 2
31	Alresford Show Trophy

Qualifying Rounds

Some members may be unsure of how many qualifying rounds they have played in the previous 12 months.

A list is on the notice board next to the master handicap list to identify the number of rounds each member has played in the previous 12 months. The number of rounds played could be different each week as the calculation is based on a rolling year.

David Robertson
Match Secretary

competition results

1 July-W Fields Trophy over 60's Medal

1 Les Widdicombe	Nett 68
2 John Cloughton	Nett 71 ocb
3 Duncan Webb	Nett 71

3 July-Mid-week Stableford

1 Lee Cheong	38pts
2 Alan Bruce	35pts ocb
3 Raymond Warren	35pts

10 July-Mid-week medal

1 Peter Tandy	Nett 64 ocb
2 Richard Bass	Nett 64
3 Richard Tallon	Nett 66

13 July-Mrs Stratton Bates medal

1 William Briggs	Nett 59
2 Richard West	Nett 63
3 Stuart Gaunt	Nett 67

19 July-Over 60's Stableford

1 Derrick Speed	39pts
2 Keith Turner	38pts ocb
3 Alfie Le Marquand	38pts

21 July-The Open Pro Am Medal

1 Jess Miles, paired with Ian Poulter,	136
2 Bill Biggs, paired with Phil Mickelson,	137
3 Darren Boreham, paired with Brandon Grace,	138 ocb
4 Percy Sims, paired with Chris Woods,	138



Ladies Section competition results



Results for July 2013

Medal-2 July:

Winner: Pat Wallis (net 71)

Cecily Leishman Platter-6 July:

Winner: Jean Coveyduck

Runner-up: Lynne Cowser

Grannies-9 July:

Winner: Patricia Frearson (39pts)

Runner-up: Di Peisley (38pts)

Stableford and Charity Bowl-20 and 23 July:

Div 1: Clare Monkhouse (41pts)

Div 2: Lynne Duncan (39pts)

Div 3 and Charity Bowl Winner: Viv Pain (43pts)

Chetwode Trophy-27 July:

Winner: Cynthia Mariner (39pts)

2nd: Jan Harring (37pts)

3rd: Mandy Overton (37pts)

Casie McDonald Wood

Ladies Handicap Secretary

Husbands & Wives – 2013

After two abortive attempts in 2012 the Husbands and Wives competition took place on Sunday, 28 July in bright and dry conditions. A field of 56 competitors had an enjoyable round of Foursomes Stableford followed by an excellent buffet meal.

The results were:

Best Front 9 (21 points) – George and Jennifer Clelland

Best Back 9 (20 points OCB) – Peter and Liz Petheram

3rd place (39 points) – Terry and Rosie Hallas

2nd place (44 points) – Brian and Mandy Overton

1st place (45 points) – Simon and Debbie Wills

David and Viv Pain

Organisers

New Club Website

In case you haven't noticed, we have switched to a new Club website design. The address remains www.alresfordgolf.co.uk

Access to the members area of the website remains the same . . .

User Name: alresford-golf; Password: boniface

The new website uses a modern and flexible layout that is easy to update. It will adapt its layout to the device being used to view it, so viewing on mobile phones and tablets is enhanced.

Apart from layout and structure, the primary difference is the Club Diary. This is now a public Google Calendar - giving members additional options for access. As in the existing Club Diary, a few events have documents (e.g. start sheets and flyers) attached - these have the event preceded by a "\$" symbol to indicate there is an attachment. More info is on the Club Diary page of the new website.

One or two areas, particularly the photo gallery need more content and these will be revised and added to as new material becomes available.

Comments, suggestions and errors in content should initially be addressed to Ron Beal on agc@ronbeal.com or his normal email address.



from the Secretary

New Members

May I remind all members that we are welcoming new membership enquiries for all categories. If you know any friends or acquaintances who are thinking of joining a club or changing clubs, please do your best to sell them the benefits of Alresford. Membership packs are available from the office which details the benefits and prices (including new payment options). We would be delighted to show any prospective members around the club and arrange a round of golf for them.

Members' Guest Green Fees Special Offer

Due to the continued success of this scheme, we will offer the GUEST GREEN FEE DISCOUNT OFFER again in 2013. Over the course of the season bring either 6 guests for £105 or 10 guests for £175. These will be available ONLY from the Secretary in advance (not the pro shop). Please be aware that all "visits" must be used by 31 December 2013. No refund or extension will be given on unused "visits". Normal restrictions apply.

New Catering Hours

Please note that the Kitchen will be open for bacon sandwiches and breakfasts from 8am at weekends, with extended hours on Friday evenings for late golfers. Despite several requests for this extension to the catering service it does not appear to have been supported particularly well so far.

Please support this new initiative

Club Roll Up

Fancy a game in the week? All members are welcome to come along to the "club roll-up" on Wednesday mornings. The usual start time is 11am during the summer and 10.30am during the winter months all timings subject to any advanced tee reservations. Please check the main noticeboard and website for any changes.

AUGUST

Wednesday 7 - 11.00am
 Wednesday 14 - 11.00am
 Wednesday 21 - 11.00am
 Wednesday 28 - 11.00am

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 4 - 11.00am
 Wednesday 11 - NO ROLL UP
 (due to Pro-Am)

Please remember that there are informal Men's "roll ups" at 9.30am on the following Sunday mornings during the season:

Sunday 11 August

These coincide with men's competitions (stableford or medal) and so are ideal for those without playing partners for the competition or for anyone who needs qualifying cards marked.

David Maskery
 Club Secretary

come and join us at the

ALRESFORD SHOW DAY



'AFTER SHOW' MEAL

Saturday 7th September

7.30 for 8.00pm

Menu & Sign up sheet will be displayed
 on the Social Noticeboard



news from the greens



This is a quiet time of the year for us, compared to last year when the rainfall meant constant mowing was needed to keep the grass on both fairways and greens under control the hot dry weather has meant that mowing the fairways has not been as time consuming, it also means that the course is playing very short, very nice for the shorter hitters among us! However, on the putting greens we continue to be plagued with fusarium despite all Steve's efforts to control this problem. Because of this the greens are rather slower than many would like.

Last week overnight we experienced the theft of our trailer. This was despite a considerable number of safety measures that had been put in place after the last one was stolen. This time the thieves were equipped with sophisticated cutting equipment which enabled them to cut through the locks and hinges of the gate to the lower compound as well as the retaining bars securing the trailer itself. We have been in touch with the police who visited as soon as we reported this and also have reported it to the insurers, so now we are waiting to hear from them and will be discussing where we go from there.

Peter Spreadbury
Chairman of Greens

social scene



Roger Corkhill has done a superb job in organising this year's Team Golf on behalf of the Social Committee. I really enjoy playing in the event and it is a delight to see the continued support that the competition deserves. The finals evening took place on Thursday 18th July and the results are as follows:

League: 1st The Worthies 28; 2nd Sultans of Swing 25; and 3rd Teed Off 19.

Plate: 1st Old and New 84; 2nd Unknowns 75; 3rd Reanne 74; and 4th Pinseekers 72.

Championship: 1st The Worthies 79 and 2nd White Sharks 71.

(Prizes were also awarded for the best individual scores on the finals night in the following categories: Man - Chris Reilly 23; Lady - Jan Haring 21; Junior - Bailey Riches 25; and Young Adult - Grant Thorne 22).

The Worthies go forward as the Champions to compete against South Winchester on Thursday 25 July. I hope that in next month's eBulletin I will be able to advise on their success!

This year's Club BBQ was a sell out. The new catering staff offered an amazing feast, which included a delicious hog roast and a tasty selection of deserts. After everyone was full to the brim, the 70's themed disco swung into action. Members and guests took to the dance floor to strut their stuff, whilst others decided to enjoy a beverage or two on the patio. (Thanks must also go to the bar staff who did a superb job in supplying drinks during a testing power cut.)

This year the Social Committee are responsible for organising the Bank Holiday Mixed Competition on Monday 26 August (tee times from 12.30). More information will be displayed on the Social notice board in due course, but please keep this date free if you wish to play. The winners from the previous Social Golf event on July 14 were Duncan Webb, Jean Coveyduck, Lyn de Mestre. Thanks goes to Jan White and David Sault who organised the Bowmaker event.

I am taking part in a sky dive for the Captain's Charity on Saturday 28 September. There is a fund-raising sheet on the Social notice board if anyone wishes to sponsor the event. I will aim to collect the funds shortly after the event. You can also make a donation via <http://www.justgiving.com/James-Stewart16>.

James Stewart
Chair, Social Committee

a look at rules

supplied by **Celia Batten**

email: celia@celiabatten.vispa.com



Decision 4-3/10

Replacement of Club lost during Round

Question: A player who started a round with 14 clubs lost his putter. May he replace it during the round?

Answer on a following page



There's no list of winners in this month's edition as the draw will be done on Tuesday 6 August. If you can't wait till next month's eBulletin you can always find out if you've won by checking the list of prize winners on the Secretary's notice board.

100 Club Stableford and Evening Meal – Friday 16 August

A reminder that the highlight of the 100 Club year is the Stableford competition and evening meal on Friday 16 August.

This mixed Stableford competition is open to all members of the 100 Club. There is no entry fee. Please arrange your own playing groups and tee-times, but remember that the evening meal starts at 7:30pm so make sure you'll be finished by then. On the day, you must sign-in at the Pro's Shop before you play to register your entry to the competition and to receive your free ball for participating.

Men should play off the Yellow tees and Ladies from the Red tees. To equalise the scoring, ladies should add 2 strokes to their handicaps and play from their own card. Completed cards should be put into the box in the Entrance Hall.

All members whether they have played or not are invited to attend the evening meal during which the prize winners will be announced. The cost of the 2-course buffet meal with coffee is £14 and will be served at 7.30pm. Please add your name indicating if you've any specific dietary requirements to the sign-up sheet which is now on the Social notice board.

If you need a playing partner and want to know who is in the 100 Club, contact George Clelland by email: george.clelland@btinternet.com or telephone: 01962735008. I look forward to seeing you at the dinner.

Not a member of the 100 Club?

If you're not a member of the 100 Club, you can become one for as little as £1 per month. Shares in the 100 Club are purchased for £1 per month and there is no limit on the number of shares which can be held. In general, most members have between 1 and 5 shares and pay by monthly direct debit, though it's also possible to pay quarterly or annually. Each share is allocated a number which is entered in the monthly draw. The top prize is £100, with a second prize of £50 and four other prizes of £32. For more information contact George Clelland on 01962735008 or george.clelland@btinternet.com or call in to the Secretary's office.

George Clelland

rule answer



Answer: No. A lost club is not one which has become unfit for play in the normal course of play – see Rule 4-3



Getting in touch: Alesford Golf Club

Cheriton Road, Tichborne Down, Alesford, Hampshire SO24 0PN
email: secretary@alesfordgolf.co.uk www.alesfordgolf.co.uk

DISCLAIMER

The Editorial Team takes no responsibility for incorrect information received from Contributors.

Secretary: David Maskery Tel: 01962 733746

Professional: Malcolm Scott Tel: 01962 733998

eBulletin editor: Mike Gould email: mpgmagwin21@sky.com