



alresfordgolfclub

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Would any member be interested in taking over the editing of this newsletter? Please message me, either if you could assist from time to time or perhaps would like to have the page make-up application used to assemble Fore Info (Quark) explained.

My email address can be found below...

Tony Gard
'Fore Info' Editor

Management Corner

New screens are to be installed in reception and the men's changing room in the coming weeks under arrangements made by the Bar and Catering Sub-Committee. These will have detailed flyovers of each hole, the ability to have welcome messages for golf societies and advertising for Club events. Each hole will have an on-screen sponsor which has enabled the flyovers to be done at no cost to the club.



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I am thankful and proud to know we have such a beautiful and well-managed course. The compliments I have received in the last month from members and visitors, particularly about the attention to detail paid by our green-keeping staff, deserve congratulations from all of us.



Andrew Frearson
Club Captain

Since our last meeting Brian Wright, John Dillon and Simon Freemantle joined me in representing the club in the Hartley Hundred at Hartley Wintney Golf Club; John Dillon, David Fox, Tony Stanton, Bill Ragan, Neil Flowers and Dave Seager played in the Waterloo Cup on 5th July; Brian Wright, Jean Coveyduck, David Pain and Mary Panter took part in the Promethean Cup at RWGC; and David Farr, Keith Halls, George Clelland and Terry Glynn flew the flag in the Blackhamsley Bowl at Brokenhurst Manor on 13th July. My thanks to them all for representing the club in these events.

Tim Wootton-Beard and Len Lochrie reached the 6th Round of the Daily Mail competition and narrowly missed out on the next stage to take place in Wales - congratulations and thanks to them for their efforts.

The sponsored swim by Patricia, Carol and Ian has now raised over £1,000 for the Captains' Charity. Well done again to the three of them.

The Millenium Quaike event has faltered again and this will receive further consideration.

Sign-up sheets for the Vets, Men's and Mixed Invitations have been posted so please find a partner or two and put your names up for these worthwhile and showcase events.

You will shortly see details of my Captain's Day to be held on 17th September. This fine day is open to all club members (5 & 7 day with or without competition handicaps) to play in an individual stableford and team bowmaker competition. Please sign up in droves to make it the most successful day possible.

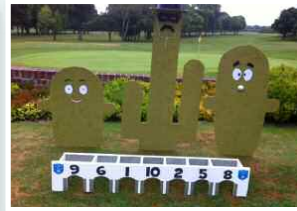


July began with more fine, dry weather which was enjoyed by the Mixed Open attendees. It was superbly organised by Annie Beal with her team of volunteers and proved, yet again, to be a most successful day. Attended by 31 clubs from as far afield as New Zealand and there were 152 participants in all. The am winners came from Chichester with 40 points and pm from Meon Valley with 39 points. We raised £379 for the Captains' Charity from the raffle.



Jean Coveyduck
Ladies' Captain

My Ladies' Captain's Day this month and, of course, it had to rain for the first time in weeks. However, spirits were not dampened and everyone seemed to enjoy the Wild West theme and the barbecue on a rather soggy terrace after they had negotiated the cacti on their final holes.



Many hats were abandoned on the first tees but our star, Catherine Carberry, boldly stayed true to her part the whole way round and was rewarded with a winning score of 43 points and a prize for the most imaginative costume. My thanks to David Nightingale for producing the giant cacti, to Marlene Coburn for organizing and manning the Half-Way House, and to Keith Monkhouse for making and presenting the club with a putting competition for social occasions and wet days. We raised over £65 for the Captains' Charity with this on the day while we waited for the final teams to come in. Carole Young won the putting prize with 40 points.



Summer weather returned for the Ladies' Invitation and we were well supported by 50 participants. The winning team was Marion Bruce and her partner, Niki Hunter from John O'Gaunt Golf Club, who scored 42 points. We enjoyed an excellent buffet courtesy of Chris, Kelly and Adam.

I was honoured to be invited as a guest by that august body of Past Ladies' Captains to their annual event this year. Thank you Linda for guiding me through and showing me the way for next year. We didn't exactly excel in our golf but thoroughly enjoyed the occasion. Congratulations to Jane Scott who was the winner this year with 33 points.

The Stoneham Team kept up their strong determination right up to their last match at Cams Hall at the end of this month. Sadly they lost this on a very wet and windy afternoon. This brought our part in the competition to an end for this year. It would seem that Romsey are now unstoppable in our group to progress to the next stage. My thanks to Mary Rook who has been an excellent and motivating captain for this enthusiastic team who already seem to be planning for next year and looking forward to greater success.

Our Academy continues to thrive under supervision and encouragement from Barbara Hutcheson. We now have 10 members having group lessons and supporting each other's endeavours. We look forward to our social event with them in August, a Texas Scramble.

In other competitions, our part in the Knight Cup sadly came to an end when Mandy Overton and Gill Freemantle took their match to the 18th and lost. Alresford are still represented by a talented team in the North Hants Trophy who play again before the end of this month and I will report on that in the next publication.

Congratulations to Lyn de Mestre who had a lucky draw in the Open Championship Sweep Stake and won with Jordan Speith, not the first time she has been lucky in this, and to Patricia Frearson for a magnificent hole in one on the tenth during the Chetwode Trophy competition.

August should be a quieter month but there still seem to be plenty of matches and events in the diary. Good luck to you all and I hope you enjoy the rest of the summer.



I wonder how many of you noticed the number of times that Matt Kucher had the flag attended when he was putting from off the green. There is still quite a number of players who question this or when asked if they'd like the flag tended will reply "No, I'm off the green." Rule 17-1 allows for a player to request that the flag is attended, removed or held up before making a stroke from anywhere on the course. The rule has been in this form since at least 2004, so it's something we should all know.

Men's Invitation

At time of writing, the entry for the Men's Invitation this year is only 22 pairs. While the event will still go ahead, but with a much reduced prize fund, we could really do with another 6 or so entries which would allow us to have a reasonable prize fund. Remember that we also accept guests with non-competitive or society handicaps who then play for separate prizes. The day consists of coffee on arrival, 12 holes of American Greensomes in the morning, lunch, 18 holes 4BBB, and buffet dinner for a cost per pair of £67. Entry closes on 9th August, so sign up soon.

Mixed Invitation

The entry sheet for the Mixed Invitation on Sunday 10th September has been posted on the notice board in the Entrance Hall. This event is 18 holes of American Greensomes followed by a 2 course dinner and prize presentation. The closing date for entries is 25th August.

...a look at rules

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The penalty for playing a moving ball is loss of hole in match play & 2 strokes in stroke play. Rule 14-5. There are however three exceptions covered by other rules, can you state any of them. Very good if you get two, get all three, you should become a referee.





Geoff Procter
Vets' Captain

The second round of the Vets Championship was held on the 7th July and the overall winner was George Skayman who had both the best net score (138) and lowest gross score (158). Congratulations and well done George.

Other Vets also played well. In the first round Stuart Slater shot a net 65, and Bill Ragan a net 67; and in the second round David Voy returned a net 65, and Mel Elford a net 67.

On the 13 July it was my pleasure to host the past Vets Captains for 18 holes of golf followed by lunch. I was particularly pleased to see some of our more senior past Captains such as Joe Kitchen (1995) and Derek Sweetenham (2003), and it gave me hope that I will still be playing golf when I am in my 90s.

This year Norman Sheen won Past Captains Shield for the best Stableford score and sleeves of balls were presented to four other pasts Captains for various feats such as the longest drive, which I am told was almost 320 yards!

This month we have 5 interclub matches to look forward to and, of course, the Vets Invitation event on the 10th August, plus the over 80's Championship on the 9th August and the Flag Competition on the 16th August.



NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the following new members who have all joined the club starting during July; Steven Oldham, Tim O'Connor, John Ford, Robert Gwilliam (7 day) , Ian Hewlett, Andrew Yorke and Jeremy Dreyer (5 day), Gina Rodgers, Sara Farry, Heather Phillips, Michael Hennelly (Social Extra), Ben Francis (intermediate) and Cameron Harris (Junior). We hope that your time at the club will be a long and enjoyable one for all of you.

Welcome also to all the HPLS Corporate members who this month have nominated Alresford as their preferred club within the Police Scheme; Will Gay and Matthew Searles. We hope that you will enjoy using the club and its facilities and are able to participate in the many social events and competitions we have over the summer.

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.

SPECIAL MEMBER REFFERAL OFFER
Refer a new 5 or 7 day playing member and receive
an EXTRA £50 credit on your bar card.
Speak to the Secretary for more information.

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 from January 2017 will be 11.00am all year - all timings subject to any advanced tee reservations

AUGUST

- 2nd ~ 11.00am
- 9th ~ 11.00am (Mid-week medal)
- 16th ~ 11.00am
- 23rd ~ 11.00am (over 60's medal)
- 30th ~ 11.00am

SEPTEMBER

- 6th ~ NO ROLL UP (COURSE CLOSED - PRO-AM)
- 13th ~ 11.00am
- 20th ~ 11.00am

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

MIXED INVITATION

Sunday 10th September, £48 per pair
American Greensomes. Tee times from 12.30pm.
Includes prizes and dinner.

CAPTAINS DAY

Sunday 17th September - open to all 5 & 7 day members (including HPLS).
Tee times AM and PM.
Individual and team competitions.
Sign up in the foyer.



TWITTER

follow the green staff
and see what's
happening...

...on and around the
course.

@GreenstaffAGC

FACEBOOK



Make sure you 'like' our Facebook page
and you will link to it and get the
regular pictures and updates on what's happening!

<https://www.facebook.com/alresfordgolfclub>

The unusually dry weather early in July was good for golf and created different challenges for the greenkeepers, who did lots of watering by hand. Time was also spent monitoring moisture levels and managing growth. We have had a few irrigation problems with some of the greens sprinklers (the system is now around 12 years old) but the greens have stood up well.

The heavy rain we have seen over the last week has put some life back into the course and we are now busy again cutting and presenting the course. The team have also sorted the new path to the rear of the driving range bays.

Greens maintenance starts on Monday 31st, weather permitting. The greens will be solid tined, scarified and top-dressed with 40 tons of sand. We expect a quick recovery as we are not removing any material from the green. I have been asked why this work is carried out just when the greens are perfect. Greens maintenance is successful, with speedy recovery, at times conducive to growth.

We are currently one member of staff down for the very best of reasons as Ben Goodyear and his partner Karen have just had their first baby. Ellie was born on the morning of Sunday 23rd July. Congratulations to all the family.

Mark Tiplady

...a look at rules

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- A. Ball falling off tee : Rule 11.3
- Striking a ball more than once : Rule 14-4
- Ball moving in water : Rule 14-6



The winners of the 100 Club prize draw for August were:

£100 - Barbara Woolnough
 £50 - Mary Rook
 £32 - David Robertson
 £32 - Rita Robinson
 £32 - Peter Spreadbury
 £32 - Bob Germon

Congratulations to all the winners. The next draw will take place, a little earlier than normal, on 24th August. There will be a full report on the 100 Club Salver and Evening Meal in next month's Fore Info, but at the time of writing there will be 40 of us getting together for the meal. I just hope the weather will be fair for the golf during the day. Even if you're not able to come to the meal in the evening, you can still play in the Stableford competition ... remember to sign-in in the Pro's Shop and collect your free ball.

Not a member of the 100 Club?

The objective of the Alresford Golf Club 100 Club is to raise funds for projects and items requiring capital expenditure that will enhance the Golf Course and/or the Clubhouse. Such projects would generally be considered as 'extras' and not necessarily be within the Club budget. The 100 Club was launched in 1987 to raise funds to augment the Centenary celebrations of the Golf Club in 1990 but, at the request of the members, the 100 Club has continued to raise funds for items such as the Information Board and Clock on the 1st tee and the Automatic External Defibrillator in the Entrance Hall.

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 standing order. 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.

Social Scene

You may have noticed the new cantilever parasols adorning the patio; these, together with some replacement patio furniture (on order), have been purchased using funds raised by the Club's Social Events. It is down to members' support at these functions that allow us to make these purchases. Thank you and well done all.

Auction of Promises

An Auction of Promises evening is being planned for October this year. The aim of the evening will be to raise funds to support the Captains' charity and a Club project (to be agreed by the Captains). Arrangements for the evening are still in the early planning stages and we are looking for members' help and generosity. Are you able, or know of someone who may be willing, to donate? We are looking for a wide range of promises that can be auctioned on the evening. As an example, Andrew & Patricia Frearson have already secured a week in a luxury villa in Puglia, Italy to be auctioned'. Please put your thinking caps on, and contact me by email, if you can offer any items, services or experiences for the auction. Many thanks to those that have already come forward with Promises, however we are still looking for more offers.

Gill Freemantle
 Chair
 Social Sub-Committee

Vet's Club Championships 16th June & 7th July

1st George Skayman	74+84=158 (gross)
2nd Bill Ragan	76+84=160
3rd Stuart Slater	78+86=164

1st George Skayman	63+73=136 (nett)
2nd Mel Elford	70+67=137
3rd Stuart Slater	65+73=138

Junior Club Championship	9th July
1st William Briggs	71+75=146 (gross)
2nd Bailey Riches	85+86=171
3rd James Parry	87+90=177

9th July – John Holmes Trophy

1st James Parry	41 points
2nd Bailey Riches	40
3rd William Briggs	39

Men's & Mixed Competitions 28th June – Midweek Medal

1st Steve Pratt	66 (nett)
2nd Rob Gates	67
3rd Richard Sharp	68

1st July – July Stableford

Division 1

1st George Clelland	40 points
2nd Grant Thorne	37
3rd Tony Collins	36

Division 2

1st Peter Sly	40 points
2nd Glenn Phur	38
3rd Trevor Richardson	38
4th Mike Pigott	36

8th July – Mrs Stratton Bates Medal

1st Torquil Jack	62 (nett)
2nd Peter Sly	66
3rd Linda Wager	66
4th Tim Chandler	66

10th July – Over 60's Stableford

1st Barry Young	36 points
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15th July – Men's Scratch Medal

1st Grant Thorne	73 (gross)
2nd Richard Prescott	73
3rd Jim White	74

19th July – Midweek Stableford

Division 1

1st Rob Kirk	42 points
2nd Brian Young	41
3rd Chris White	40
4th Charlie McLaughlin	40

Division 2

1st Tony Freeman	40 points
2nd Chris Reilly	39
3rd David Mason	36
4th Tony Hutt	35

21st July – Lifeboat Stableford (Friday)

1st Richard Prescott	39 points
2nd Glenn Phur	38

22nd July – Lifeboat Stableford (Saturday)

1st Roy Partridge	38 points
2nd Mark Tiplady	36
3rd Kevin Lane	35
4th David Fox	35

23rd July – Open Pro-Am Medal

1st Darren Boreham & Haotong Liu	69+63=132
2nd Ben Unsworth & Tony Finau	64+71=135
3rd Rob White & Rory McIlroy	70+67=137

Men's Friendly Matches

1st July – Alresford v Blackmoor (Home)	Half
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22nd July - Alresford v Lee-on-the-Solent (Home)	Half
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Mixed Friendly Matches

30th June - Alresford v Basingstoke (A)	Lost 2½ - 4½
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7th July – Alresford v Royal Winchester (A)	Lost 1 - 6
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Ladies' Competitions 27th June – Grannies' Stableford

1st Fiona Corkhill	36 points
2nd Jennifer Miller	35 points (c'back)
3rd Linda Glynn	35 points

4th July Charity Bowl and Stableford

Division 1 Sandra Hooker winner of Charity Bowl	42 points
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Division 2 Debbie Wills	36 points
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Division 3 Ruth Howdle	35 points
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15th July - Cecily Leishman Platter

1st Sarah Densham - +1 (on countback)
2nd Jenny Myers - +1
3rd Pat Palmer – 0

22nd & 25th July – Chetwode Trophy

1st Sarah Densham	39 points
2nd Fiona Corkhill	37 points
3rd Jane Hendry	36 points

Ladies Matches

Stoneham Cup

12th July v Romsey (A)	Lost 2 – 5
19th July v Wellow (H)	Won 5 – 2
28th July v Cams Hall (A)	Lost 2 – 5

Knight Cup

28th June v Rowlands Castle (H)	
Mandy Overton and Gill Freemantle	Lost on 18th

Friendly Matches

24th July v Corhampton (A)	Lost 1½ - 2½
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Vets Friendly Matches

28th June - Alresford (Home) v Hockley	Won 3½ - 2½
29th June - Alresford (Home) v Avington	Won 6 – 0
3rd July - Alresford (Home) v Weybrook Park	Won 5 – 3
6th July - Alresford (Home) v Tylney Park	Lost 3 – 2
17th July - Alresford (Away) v Army	Lost 4 - 3
21st July - Alresford (Away) v Sandford Springs	Lost 4 – 3
26th July - Alresford (Home) v Bramshaw	Won 3½ - 2½