



# Boldmere Shaggy Dogs

## Newsletter January 2017

Welcome to the January 2017 issue of the Boldmere Shaggy Dogs' Golf Club newsletter.

I hope you have had an enjoyable, relaxing, or at least tolerable Christmas and New Year.

Now that we have survived the onslaught of our festive visitors and family, we can get back to the serious business of golf, wearing those new golf jumpers, shirts and gloves and playing with that box of new balls that we received, and using those very useful golf gadgets from Sports Direct that will soon find their way to the bottom of our golf bags.

### Winter Trophy Round 3

The first competition in December was on Friday 2nd and was round 3 in the winter trophy (best 4 stableford from 6). **John Price** won by a stunning 5 points from **Trevor Jones** who was just ahead of **Pat Carey** on countback. The first running totals for the Winter trophy will be published next month.

Once again though, and for the umpteenth time this season, the trolleys got a little frisky and **John Draper's** trolley was seen seeking pastures new without **John Draper**.



*Left: John Draper's trolley makes a break for freedom. Again.*

Pos	Name	H/C	Points
1	John Price	23	41
2	Trevor Jones	14	36
	Pat Carey	14	36
3	Doug Corfield	16	35

## Medal

A medal round was held on Friday 9th December, and 5 players managed to beat Standard scratch. **Steve Betterton** came first with **John Draper** just behind.

Jim Dowling came to the rescue when Doug Corfield's buggy developed a fault.

*Below: Doug Corfield is rescued by Jim Dowling's Irish recovery service*



Pos	Name	Gross	H/c	Nett
1	Steve Betterton	74	16	58
2	John Draper	76	17	59
3	Jim Dowling	74	14	60
4	Rob Peers	71	10	61
5	Ian Heathcock	73	12	61

## Shaggies Christmas Party

Another tremendously successful Christmas Party. We are all very grateful to **John Poutney** for a very entertaining afternoon at Sutton Town Football Club at Coles Lane.

John arranged for the use of the clubhouse lounge and bar with the landlady, Carol, providing an excellent buffet. The highlight of course was the stage area. The two Bob's (The

Two Shillings) provided keyboard, percussion and vocal backing to some very gifted entertainers.

We had two guest performers from the Monday Free and Easy group. Curly Pepper was getting everybody 'dancing in their seats' with his medley of songs 'She wears red feathers and a hooly hooly skirt with Brian adding some classic Neil Diamond numbers.

We also had the stars of the show on stage with **Dougie Corfield** bopping around doing his Elvis numbers and **John Poutney** used his base voice to good effect with numbers like Roger Whittaker's Durham Town.

We also had the 'choir boy' **John Firth** singing some classic numbers including Cole Porter's 'I Get a kick out of you' and of course 'That old black magic'.

Chairman **Arnie Evans** did a Max Boyce number when he tried to include all of the Shaggies in his 'Asso Asso Yogoshi Me Welsh Speaking Japanee'.



*Left Doug Corfield  
Shakes Rattles and  
Rolls on stage*

The afternoon's 'Poutney Challenge' was the best Max Wall walk. There were some worryingly funny and effeminate walkers on the dance floor. But it was **Trevor Jones** that walked away with the prize!





*Left: Is it Madonna or George Calder*



*Left: An astonished Roger Pollard watches a totally uninhibited Max Wall walk by the winner, Trevor Jones*

**Roger Pollard's** Raffle raised a £151 which greatly helped to cover the afternoon's expenses. A big thanks to everyone, the organisers, the performers and for all who attended. A good audience is vital in creating the right atmosphere. Make sure you make a note of next December's date.

## Bi monthly Trophy

December's match off the white tees was held on 16th December. **Les Hamp** had an excellent round of 58 strokes to win it, but four players tied on 60. **Roger Pollard** had the better countback score and so came second. At the date of publication, the cards had not yet been processed by Boldmere Golf Club so the results are still provisional.

Pos	Name	Gross	H/c	Nett
1	Les Hamp	79	20	59
2	Roger Pollard	80	20	60
3	Richard Nicholls	78	18	60
4	Rob Peers	74	14	60
5	John Hughes	85	25	60

## The Ron Bartholemew Three Club Trophy



December 23rd saw the first Trophy match of the 2017 season with the very popular Three club trophy up for grabs. It was won by **Stan Osborne** and since he only ever seems to use his 5 wood. He could have comfortably won a 2 club challenge as well. Second was **Les Hamp**.

Pos	Name	H/C	Points
1	Stan Osborne	16	37
2	Les Hamp	16	36
3	John Firth	13	33
4	Rob Peers	10	33

*Left: Ron Bartholemew was a long standing and very popular member of the Shaggy Dogs and always enjoyed playing in the Three Club Trophy.*

## Other News

The final of the Nightingale knockout competition between **Dick Chapman** and **Peter Hart** is still outstanding and will be held as soon as can be arranged. Honest!

**Chris Sutton** has joined the Shaggy Dogs and wil play of an initial handicap of 23.6 (24).

**Shaggy**, our mascot has been on his travels. He was seen holidaying in New York.



*Left: Shaggy in Central Park*

*Right: Shaggy at Grand Central Station*



**The committee want to ensure that everyone who wants to play in a match has the chance to do so. Please contact the Captain and let him know which matches you are available for.**

Richard Nicholls Secretary

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