



Boldmere Shaggy Dogs

Newsletter September 2017

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

August is usually a slightly quiet month as people are on holidays or looking after grandchildren.

Not for the Shaggy Dogs though, with nine matches being played in 4 weeks.

Right: Just how did John Draper manage to get Cath to clean his trolley?



Monthly Medal

On Friday 28 July we played our monthly medal off the white tees. **Roger Pollard** was in majestic form as he returned a net round of just 54, nine shots below par. Needless to say his handicap has suffered appropriately. Second was **Trevor Jones** on 58 then **Dick Chapman** on 59.

Pos	Name	Gross	H/c	Nett
1	Roger Pollard	74	20	54
2	Trevor Jones	77	19	58
3	Dick Chapman	76	17	59
4	Ian Heatchcock	78	16	62
5	Dave Docker	82	19	63

6 Course Challenge

On Monday 31 July we played round four of the 6 Course Challenge, this time at Hatchford Brook. The round was narrowly won by **Dave Docker** from **John Draper** and **Trevor Jones**.

Pos	Name	H/C	Pts
1	Dave Docker	19	33
2	John Draper	21	32
3	Trevor Jones	18	31
4	Arnie Evans	20	28
	John Price	24	28

Overall positions for those who have played four rounds were as follows with **Ian Heathcock** leading **John Draper** and **Dave Docker**. However, as the competition is for the best four out of six matches, many golfers have yet to play their 4th game. So the leader board is expected to get much busier.

Pos	Name	Hill Top	Rose Hill	Pype Hayes	Hatchford	Cocks Moors	Boldmere	Totals
1	Ian Heathcock	31	30	34	24			119
2	John Draper	30	20	35	32			117
3	Dave Docker	27	20	34	33			114

Boldmere v Darnford Moors

On 2 August Boldmere entertained Darnford Moors and we had a resounding victory 5 - 1, the highlight being our captain **Les Hamp** with **Dave Docker** beating their opponents 4 up with 3 to play.

	Boldmere	Result
1	Les Hamp Dave Docker	Won 4 and 3
2	Jim Dowling Dick Chapman	Lost 4 and 2
3	John Poultney Roger Pollard	Won by 2
4	John Firth Pat Carey	Won by 1
5	Steve Betterton George Calder	Won 3 and 2
6	Arnie Evans John Price	Won by 1

F. Price Rosebowl

Friday 4 August was the date of the F. Price Rosebowl stroke play competition. It was narrowly won by **Richard Nicholls** on his return to golf from injury, with **Michael Nielsen** second.

Right: John Poultney remembers Ron Bartholemew and Bill Suffolk on Ron's bench at the second tee in the F. Price Rosebowl competition.



Pos	Member	H/C	Gross	Net
1	richard nicholls	14	75	61
2	michael nielsen	19	83	64
3	patrick carey	14	78	64
4	trevor jones	14	79	65
5	john draper	17	82	65

Rose Hill v Boldmere

On Wednesday 9 August we played against Rose Hill in the Lickey Hills. Play was delayed for an hour as we sat in the Cafe drinking coffee and waiting for the rain to stop. When play did start We found the course very tough and wet. We lost overall 1 - 5 with our only win coming from the pairing of **John Firth** and **Michael Nielsen** who won 4 and 3.

	Boldmere	Result
1	Les Hamp	Lost 7 and 6
	Steve Betterton	
2	Richard Nicholls	Lost 4 and 2
	Stan Osborne	
3	John Firth	Won 4 and 3
	Michael Nielsen	
4	Pat Carey	Lost 3 and 2
	Doug Corfield	
5	Lost by 2	Lost 4 and 2
	John Price	
6	Ian Heathcock	Lost by 2
	Graeme Reid	

Stableford Alliance

On Friday 11 August spirits were high as our treasurer had reluctantly agreed to put up £60 of club funds as prize money for the stableford alliance competition which is based on the aggregate score of each pair of golfers. **Dick Chapman** and **John Price** both played well to snatch first place and £15 each from **Michael Nielsen** and **Steve Betterton** who won £10 each. Unfortunately at the time of going to press, there is an ongoing query over third place which will shortly be resolved.

Pos	Name	Gross	Total
1	Dick Chapman	38	74
	John Price	36	
2	Michael Nielsen	41	72
	Steve Betterton	31	
3			

Darnford Moors v Boldmere

We played our return match at Darnford Moors on 17 August. After our victory at Boldmere expectations were high, but we lost comprehensively 1½ - 4½ with the pairing of **Pat Carey** and **Michael Nilesen** being our only winners. **John Draper** and **John Hughes** managed a half.

	Boldmere	Result
1	Les Hamp	Lost 7 and 6
	Chris Sutton	
2	Doug Corfield	Lost 3 and 2
	Anthony Burns	
3	John Draper	Halved
	John Hughes	
4	Pat Carey	Won 2 and 1
	Michael Nielsen	
5	Roger Pollard	Lost 6 and 4
	Tim Rafferty	
6	Ian Heathcock	Lost 3 and 2
	John Price	

August Monthly Medal

Friday 18 August was the date for the August monthly medal off the white tees. It was won by **Michael Nielsen** who is in very good form at the moment. Second was **Ian Heathcock**. This result is provisional.

Pos	Name	Gross	H/c	Nett
1	Michael Nielsen	79	23	56
2	Ian Heathcock	75	16	59
3	Pat Carey	79	18	61
4	Peter Hart	84	20	64
5	Richard Nicholls	81	17	64
6	Anthony Burns	88	24	64

6 Course Challenge

On Monday 21 August the fifth round of the 6 Course challenge was held at Cocks Moors Woods. The fairways were damp and the ball did not run but **John Price** overcame the conditions and returned an impressive 37 stableford points to win the round from **Steve Betterton** on 33 points.

Pos	Name	H/C	Pts
1	John Price	24	37
2	Steve Betterton	20	33
3	John Draper	21	28
4	Roger Pollard	18	27

As expected now more golfers have managed to play 4 matches the leader board has changed with **Steve Betterton** on 127 leading by 2 points from **John Draper**. It has become very tight at the top of the leaderboard and due to the nature of the competition (the best four rounds from six count), the competition is still wide open and a very exciting last round at Boldmere off society (Friday) handicaps is in prospect on Monday 25 September.

Pos	Name	Hill Top	Rose Hill	Pype Hayes	Hatchford	Cocks Moors	Boldmere	Totals
1	Steve Betterton	34		34	26	33		127
2	John Draper	30	x20	35	32	28		125
3	Ian Heathcock	31	30	34	x24	26		121
4	Dave Docker	27	x20	34	33	25		119
5	John Price	27	23		28	37		115
6	Roger Pollard	28		29	27	27		111
7	Les Hamp	29		33	26	21		109

Other News

Coming up:

Tuesday 19 September Pype Hayes away match

Monday 25 September 6 Course Challenge at Boldmere

Wednesday 4 October Awa Day at Pype Hayes

As always, the latest information is available on line at
<http://shaggies.wixsite.com/boldmere-shaggy-dogs>

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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