



Boldmere Shaggy Dogs

Newsletter August 2016

Welcome to the August issue of the Boldmere Shaggy Dogs' Golf Club newsletter. July has been as busy as ever as we continue with our packed summer schedule.

The first match of the month was the first round of the Chairman's Trophy on July 1.

Dave Cottrell was the winner of the round with 38 stableford points.

Pos	Name	Points	H/C
1	Dave Cottrell	38	14
2	Jim Dowling	35	14
	Arnie Evans	35	15
3	Dick Chapman	34	14
4	Doug Corfield	33	16
	Pat Carey	33	15

Sunday July 3 saw the Shaggy Dogs have their first 'golf break'. A party of 39 stayed at the Windmill Village complex on the outskirts of Coventry. The group consisted of 17 Shaggy golfers with 13 wives and partners and 9 players from the Boldmere Club.

Sunday afternoon saw the golfers take part in a team Stableford competition, while the partners enjoyed the hotel spa and lounge facilities.



The three course meal was well received in the evening and this was followed by the golf prize presentation.

Ian Heathcock, Les Hamp and **Peter Hart** were the comfortable winners of the team prizes. **Les Hamp's** 36 won the individual competition, ahead of **Jas Rai** and **Ian Heathcock** on 35.



Above: Les Hamp, Ian Heathcock and Peter Hart picking up their prizes

Nearest the hole prizes were collected by **Georges Barrett, Lee Hodgson-Bridge, Ian Heathcock** and **Tara Sunner**. The prolonged presentation meant that there was a bit of a rush to the bar which was closing at 11pm! Everyone enjoyed the scrumptious buffet breakfast, although a few struggled to make the journey to the dining room after having a few too many nightcaps! Monday was another pleasant day and while the girls once again enjoyed the hotel facilities, the gents were involved in a Texas Scramble competition. The final presentation, this time at the golf bar, saw **Les Hamp** involved in another winning team. This time he was joined by **Roger Pollard, Tara Sunner** and **Tony Wilkins**. The two nearest the pin awards were picked up by **Jeff Jones** and a 'rather tired' **Andrew Christophorou**.



A very enjoyable couple of days were had by all and thanks to Arnie Evans for organizing the event and making it so successful. Thanks too to everyone taking part.

Left: The Boldmere WAGs enjoyed the facilities

Our first pairs competition of the year was played on 8 July and it was great to see **Harold White** back at the top of the leader board with **Jim Dowling**.

Pos	Name	Gross	H/c	Nett	Total
1	Jim Dowling	78	14	64	128
	Harold White	85	21	64	
2	Roger Pollard	80	16	64	131
	Stan Osborne	84	17	67	
3	Trevor Jones	77	14	63	132
	Michael Nielsen	88	19	69	
4	John Firth	77	13	64	133
	Dog Denton	87	18	69	
5	Pat Carey	88	15	73	133
	John Draper	77	17	60	

On Friday 15 July we held a Bimonthly medal which was won by **Trevor Jones** on countback from **Ian Heathcock** as both players returned a 61.

Pos	Name	Gross	H/c	Nett
1	Trevor Jones	80	19	61
2	Ian Heathcock	79	18	61
3	Jeff Jones	87	25	62

On Wednesday 20 July we had a famous victory in our "Derby" match against our local rivals Pype Hayes. Home advantage saw some emphatic wins with top notch performances from the pairings of **Roger Pollard** and **Ian Heathcock**, **Rob Peers** and **John Firth**, and **Arnie Evans** and **Jim Dowling**.

	Boldmere	Result
1	Steve Betterton	lost by 1
	George Calder	
2	Trevor Jones	Won 2 and 1
	John Price	
3	Les Hamp	Won by 1
	Pat Carey	
4	Roger Pollard	Won 7 and 6
	Ian Heathcock	
5	Rob Peers	won 5 and 4
	John Firth	
6	Arnie Evans	Won 7 and 5
	Jim Dowling	

Captain's Day came around again on Friday 22 July and Steve Betterton hosted a wonderful

day with prizes for everyone. He even claimed to have organised the excellent weather.



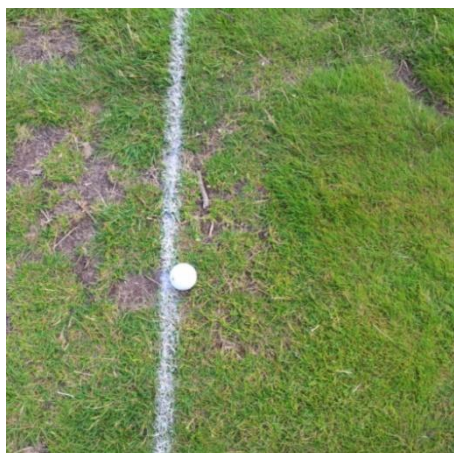
Left: The Captain's Day putting competition

The winning team on the day (best two stablefords) was **Ian Heathcock, Roger Pollard and John Hughes**.

Pos	Name	Score
1	Ian Heathcock Roger Pollard John Hughes	86
2	Trevor Jones Pat Carey Jeff Jones	83
3	Richard Nicholls Steve Betterton Iain McGregor	82
4	John Firth Les Hamp Dog Denton	77
5	Jim Dowling Dave Docker George Calder	77
6	Rob Peers Doug Corfield Tim Rafferty	71
7	Dave Cottrell John Draper Michael Nielsen	66

Nearest the pin at the 7th hole was **Trevor Jones**, and at the 18th **Roger Pollard**.

The putting competition was tied between **Michael Nielsen** and **Ian Heathcock**. A playoff to be arranged.



The captain introduced a new competition on the 5th hole with everyone taking a single shot at reaching a white line some 50 yards from the tee. There was no need for a measurement of Dave Cottrell's winning shot

Left: Dave Cottrell's winning chip



Ian McGregor won the the best individual round and was presented with a bottle of whisky.

Left Ian McGregor receives his prize for best individual score from Captain Steve Betterton

On Tuesday 26 July we played our first ever match at Marston Lakes. It was a very close match and ended fittingly in a draw 3-3. The meal afterwards was a truly heroic smorgasboard of delicacies including Roll Mop Herrings, mackerel, roast pork, roast

potatoes, cheese boards, puddings and many other delights. Probably the finest we have ever enjoyed after a golf match.

It is unlikely that next year's captain will have difficulty fielding a team here next year.

	Boldmere	Result
1	Steve Betterton	lost 4 and 3
	George Calder	
2	Arnie Evans	Draw
	Dog Denton	
3	Rob Peers	Draw
	Les Hamp	
4	Pat Carey	Won by 1
	John Price	
5	Roger Pollard	Draw
	Trevor Jones	
6	Ian Heathcock	Draw
	Tim Rafferty	

On Friday 29 July we played the second and final round of the Chairman's Trophy. However, as the results have not yet been announced, we will have to wait until the first Friday meeting in August before we know who has won the Trophy.

Lastly, the Shaggy Dogs filled six of the eight places in Boldmere Golf Club's semi final against Widney Manor in the Vale Cup semi final competition on Saturday 30 July. It was an exciting day with two matches being played at the same time at both Boldmere and Widney Manor.

At Widney Manor **Arnie Evans** and **Ian Heathcock** lost by 43 points to 42

Jas Rai and **John Gibbins** lost by 41 points to 39

At Boldmere **Steve Betterton** and **Pat Carey** won 45 to 41

Les Hamp and **Roger Pollard** won 46 to 42

So overall Boldmere Golf Club beat Widney 172 points to 167 and Boldmere go on to play Cocks Moors Woods in the final on 24 September.

Congratulations to all involved.

Coming Up in August

Date	Competition
Monday 1 August	6 Course Challenge at Hatchford Brook
Tuesday 2 August	Danford Moors (home match)
Thursday 18 August	Danford Moors (away match)
Monday 30 August	6 Course Challenge at Cocks Moors Woods
August	Look out for rearranged matches for Hill Top and Cocks Moors woods

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

Boldmere Shaggy Dogs Committee

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