

Newsletter July 2019

Welcome to the July 2019 edition of the Shaggy Dogs Newsletter. Flaming June was a very wet month with games postponed or abandoned due to the weather and our waterproofs being tested to the maximum.

Below: One of the abandoned games- the Pype Hayes Charity day on Tuesday 25 June



Medal

On Friday 31 May we played a medal in good conditions. **John Draper** came first with an excellent nett 58. **Richard Nicholls** was second just ahead of **Graeme Reid** on Countback.

	Member	H/C	Gross	Net	Ą	В9	В6	В3	В1
1	John Draper	18	76	58		29	21	11	2
2	Richard Nicholls	16	77	61	1	31	24	12	2
3	Graeme Reid	26	87	61		32	22	12	3
4	Tim Rafferty	25	87	62		28	20	12	3
5	Les Hamp	15	78	63		28	20	10	2
6	Anthony Burns	22	85	63		29	20	11	3
7	Arnie Evans	17	80	63		30	23	14	3
8	John Hughes	22	85	63		30	23	14	4
9	John Poultney	27	90	63		32	22	11	3

Boldmere v Marston Lakes

Monday 3 June was the date for Marston Lake's visit to Boldmere. It was a tight match but we ended on the wrong side of a 2½ - 3½ defeat. **Trevor Jones & Roger Pollard** and **Doug Corfield & Martin Atkinson** being our winners.

	Boldmere	Result	
1	Ian Heathcock	Lost 5	
	Graeme Reid	and 3	
2	John Firth	Halved	
	John Draper		
3	Pat Carey	Lost by	
	Stan Osborne	1	
4	Trevor Jones	Won 3	
	Roger Pollard	and 2	
5	Arnie Evans	Lost by	
	Jim Dowling	1	
6	Doug Corfield	Won by	
	Martin Atkinson	1	

Birmingham Seniors

Last year we hosted the Birmingham Seniors Championship and came second. Could we go one better this year on Thursday 6 June? The answer despite fielding a very strong team was no, we came last out of the seven teams taking part at the Cocks Moors Woods course which was in excellent condition and very long off the white tees. Rose Hill won the competition. Top scorer for us was **Ian Heathcock** on 31 points

Pos	Team	Points
1	Rose Hill	240
2	Hill Top	234
3	Cocks Moors Woods	230
4	Brandhall	222
5	Pype Hayes	219
6	Hatchford Brook	210
7	Boldmere	203

Pos	Team	Points
1	Ian Heathcock	31
2	Peter Hart	28
3	John Gibbons	28
4	Trevor Jones	24
5	John Firth	24
6	Tara Sunner	23
7	Stan Osborne	23
8	Les Hamp	22
9	Pat Carey	21
10	Arnie Evans	20

Friday 7 June

We attempted to play the Millennium Trophy round 2 on Friday 7 June in light rainy conditions. However, as the round progressed the weather worsened and the round had to be abandoned.

Maxstoke Park Away Day



Above: Jeff Jones and Les Hamp at the picturesque but wet Maxstoke Park

The forecast for Monday 10 October was not promising as 18 golfers assembled at Maxstoke Park for our away day. The format of the competition was teams of three with the best two stableford scores from each hole counting. The weather did hold off until the first team reached the 17th green then the heavens opened. Eighteen very wet golfers then tucked in to their meal of gammon and chips. First place went to **Richard Nicholls**, **Les Hamp** and **Jeff Jones** with **John Firth**, guest **Paul Smith** and **Chris Sutton** second. Top individual was **Ian Heathcock** on 32, followed by **Paul Smith** on 30.

Pos	Team	Points
1	Richard Nicholls, Les Hamp, Jeff Jones	58
2	John Firth, Paul Smith, Chris Sutton	57
3	Ian Heathcock, Michael Nielsen, Graeme Reid	57
4	Peter Hart, Roger Pollard, Doug Corfield	56
5	Trevor Jones, David Docker, John Poultney	52
6	Arnie Evans, John Draper, Dog Denton	48

Friday 14 June

The weather forecast was dire for Friday 14th June when we were due to replay the abandoned second round of the Millennium Trophy. Not enough members turned up to play the round so in spite of the weather, a handful of brave souls set out play a non competitive round. they were rewarded as the rain eventually eased and conditions although wet, were reasonable

Millennium Trophy Round 2

Finally we managed to play the much postponed round 2 of the Millennium Trophy on Friday 24 June. **Graeme Reid** having a great round, returning 59 strokes, ahead of **Jim Dowling** on 63.

	Member	H/C	Gross	Net	23,
1	Graeme Reid	26	85	59	
2	Jim Dowling	18	81	63	
	Stan Osborne	17	80	63	
4	John Gibbons	17	81	64	
	Peter Hart	13	77	64	

When the aggregate scores were worked out, **Graeme Reid's** 59 strokes in round two helped him to beat **Jim Dowling** in second place by just one stroke.

	Member	Rd1	Rd2	Total
1	Graeme Reid	61	59	120
2	Jim Dowling	58	63	121
3	Stan Osborne	63	63	126
4	John Gibbons	62	64	126
5	Peter Hart	63	64	127
6	Tara Sunner	60	67	127

Six Course Challenge Round 3

A terrible weather forecast of lightening and thundery showers greeted the ten hopefuls who assembled at Pype Hayes for round three of the six course challenge. However, this forecast proved to be totally inaccurate and in slightly muggy warm conditions with little wind, a very enjoyable round of golf was had by all. **John Draper** was top on his home course on 38 points with **Trevor Jones** and **Roger Pollard** sharing second place on 33 points.

Pos	Name	H/C	Pts
1	John Draper	22	38
2	Trevor Jones	17	33
	Roger Pollard	19	33
4	John Gibbons	19	32
	Richard Nicholls	18	32
6	Arnie Evans	18	31
	John Firth	17	31
8	Graeme Reid	28	25
9	David Docker	17	24
	Jeff Jones	26	24

Pype Hayes Charity Day

Sixteen Shaggies entered the Pype Hayes Charity day on Tuesday 25 June. The forecast was dire, but undeterred everyone assembled at their designated hole for the shotgun start at 08:30. Unfortunately, for once the weather forecasts were accurate and the rain got heavier and more persistent. After around two hours with the greens flooding, the competition was abandoned. Diaries being so congested, there was no prospect of running the competition at a later date so the prizes were drawn in a lottery in which the shaggies did very well, umbrellas being the prize of choice.

Below: the unplayable 3rd green at Pype Hayes



Other News

Portal Taporley Stay Over

A reminder that this year's stay Over is on Monday 8 and Tuesday 9 July.

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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