

JUNE RESULTS

Competitions Report 1st June 2009

Gents

One of the most prestigious trophy competitions of the golfing season took place on Saturday when the men took part in the Marsh Cup. Playing a Par / Bogey format the competition attracted a good field of 97 competitors. The whole club is thrilled to see that the winner is Guy Rayson on + 5, Guy having fought back from serious injury and believing at one time that he may never play golf again. In second place was new member Andrew Grewcock with +4 followed by Junior member David Poolan in third place on +3. Bill Hurrell was fourth +2 and Danny Law 5th +1 on count back. Despite the good weather and low scores there were only 5 twos. These were shot by Barry Hubbard, Greg Woolley, Lee Wilson, John Wheeler and Sam Pollard.

The Rabbits Order of Merit competition was won by Peter Keast with +5, Billy Kevan was second level par and Darren Pick came third 1 down.

The gent's C team played a friendly match against Birstall on Thursday, with the good weather contributing and excellent course condition contributing to the success of the day Melton winning the match by 4 1/2 to 1 1/2 .

Jack Henley and Vic Cooper led the team out securing a 5 and 4 win to start the day off well. Joe Carrington and Dave Wells didn't fair so well losing their match but Mick Fish with Billy Kevan had a 6 and 5 win to put Melton 2 up. Bill Hurrell and Pete Rayers had a tight contest taking the match on the last hole winning 1 up to ensure the match was halved. Neil Eaves and Paul Heaver secured the match for Melton with a half and acting team Captain Alan Terzza with don Benzie won their match 4 and 3.

Alan Terzza was delighted to have won and said the match was played in an excellent spirit.

Seniors

The seniors played a stableford in the 6th round of the George Houghton trophy last Tuesday with Ray Hipkin winning the day with 39 points 3 points ahead of second placed Ken Dimaline. Senior Vice Captain, John squires was third with 35 points.

In the worst weather of last week the ladies played the Cancer relief Spoon, all entry money being donated to The Cancer relief charity.

The winner was Maureen Stapleford with a 3 under handicap score of 39 points. Diane Orson was second scoring 36 points and Elaine Shelton took third place with 35 points.

Juniors

MMGC Junior Section played their Spring Break Medal, perfect weather and conditions resulted in some very low scores.

The winner was the in-form Sam Pollard with a net 65, David Poolan took second place net 66 and George Boddy was third net 70. Alex Austin was best gross with a 79.

Connor Wilson was the winner in the nine hole competition.

On Sunday the Junior Team played in the Leicestershire Golf Festival, in a field of 22 teams they finished as

Competitions Report 8th June 2009

Gents

The weekend weather played havoc with the Clubs biggest competition of the year, The Pork Pie Open which is sponsored by Dickinson & Morris.

With more than 200 players taking part the competition had to be abandoned due to torrential rain flooding the greens and has now been rescheduled for the 5th July. Despite the disappointment the majority of players all received their Dickinson and Morris Pork Pie and are happy to return to take part in July.

The gents took part in the EGU Gold Medal competition on Saturday, the winner having the opportunity to play at Woodhall Spa in a regional round dependent on scores returned from other clubs across the region.

The inclement weather during the morning didn't prevent some excellent scores being returned with the winner Cyril Kenzie carding a net 64. Alex Cooper was second 5 shots behind with a net 65 and Greg Woolley third net 70. Alex also shot the best gross of 72. Twos winners were: Bill Hurrell, Peter Keast, Neil Eaves, Cyril Kenzie, Matt Gayton and Sam Pollard.

The gents C team played a friendly match against Rushcliffe securing a white wash with a 6 – 0 win for Melton. The team was led out by team Captain Derek Whitehouse partnered by Club Vice Captain Terry Brown the pair winning by 4 and 3. Alan Terzza and Bill Hurrell won 3 and 1, Neil Eaves with Ken Longbottom won 3 and 2. Michael Fish and Eddie Cham had a 4 and 2 victory, Tony South and Pete Rayers came in 3 and 1. The final pair of Don Benzie and Dave Moss won 4 and 3.

The B team played a home match against Stoke Rochford on Saturday. Fortunately the rain stopped before their game began. This didn't help the Melton team as they lost by 3 ½ to 2 ½

Club Captain, Richard Hutton and Mark Goodwin went out first and brought in a win 2 up and Phil Curtis with Ian Solloway brought in the half.

Seniors

The seniors competed for the Frank Williams trophy last week with Walter Griffin winning the trophy, Scott Moffat in second place and Ken Armstrong third on count back.

Ladies

The ladies held their Ladies Invitation Open last Wednesday with lady members inviting a golfing friend from another club to play a better ball stableford.

Although the weather was overcast and cooler than of late the ladies enjoyed the day with the course in superb condition. 40 ladies in all took part in a close competition.

Everyone enjoyed the refreshments provided at the halfway house ably served by Club Vice Captain, Terry Brown, Past Captain, Alan Terzza and the Lady Captain's husband Alan Newton.

After the game the ladies enjoyed a delicious carvery buffet prepared by Club Steward Carl Formaggia.

The winners of the competition were Avis Webb and Margaret Bland (Scraptoft) with a tremendous score of 44 points. 2nd place was Yvette Joyce with Pauline Dignan (Park Hill) scoring 42 points. Kullike Dempster and her partner Carol Godney (Greetham Valley) came third on count back with 41 points. Carol Godney had a successful day winning nearest the pin as well her tee shot finishing only a couple of feet from the pin. Avis Griffin (Stoke Rochford) hit a superb drive on the 8th hole to win the longest drive competition.

Lady Captain, Peggy Newton, thanked everyone for taking part and was very happy with the success of the day.

Pro's Day

Club PGA professional, Neil Curtis held his 8th pro's day on Saturday. 13th June. 163 members took part teeing off from 7.30am to 3.30pm.

Neil welcomed and announced each competitor onto the tee and provided them with a drink and energy bar for their game. Playing in glorious weather the format was individual stableford off full handicap and some outstanding scores were returned in the favourable conditions.. On Saturday evening there was a nearest the pin shoot out competition from the first tee to the practice area green a distance of 97 yards. This was followed by the prize presentation with many members attending to support Neil celebrate his eighth year at the Club.

Overall winner was an upcoming Junior member Leah Radford with a tremendous score of 43 points. Leah won a Srixon Carry bag and Ping putter. During her winners speech Leah thanked Neil for the help he had given since she joined the Club and his excellent coaching. Leah has come down from 25 to 200 so far this year.

Gents Category 0 to 12

1st Lee Wilson - 39 points. Lee shot a level gross 70 to come in 3 under handicap.

2nd Dermot Coady - 38 points

Gents category 13 to 19

1st Haydn Snow - 42 points

2nd James Hackett - 40 points

Gents Category 20 to 28

1st New member Matt Handley - 40 points

2nd Ian Brocklehurst - 34 points on count back

Best gross - Kieran Foster gross 74

Ladies - 1st Avis Webb with 40 points - 2nd Julia Brown 37 points

Juniors - 1st Oliver Duley with 40 points - 2nd Max Houghton 39 points

Other fun prizes were:

Straightest drive - Max Houghton, Ladies Longest drive - Janet Bentley, Gents Longest Drive - Lee Wilson, Ladies Nearest the Pin - Kay Knight, Gents Nearest the Pin - Mezz Watchorn. The shoot out was won by Neil's dad Phil Curtis one of only two players who kept the ball on the green!

Ladies Mail On Sunday

The Ladies played the 5th round of the Mail on Sunday competition on Friday 12th June, traveling to Brampton Park in Cambridgeshire for the match.

Playing a difficult course and strong, experienced opposition the Melton team of Catherine Smith, Fay Hutton, Drina Terzza, Julia Brown and Kay Knight put up a tough fight against the Brampton Park ladies as the match couldn't have been closer with everything depending on the final putt at the last hole of the 5th match.

Catherine Smith led the team out losing her match at the 16th having given her opponent six shots. Second out was Fay Hutton who kept the match all square by winning her game 3 and 2. Drina Terzza followed Fay out but lost on the 16th hole having played her best game and gross score of the season. Julia brown was fourth out and like Fay brought the match back to all square by beating her opponent by 3 and 1. Last out Kay Knight left the 17th one down needing a win to halve the match and force a play off. Kay fought well and halved the hole. Sadly Melton the match and were knocked out of the competition.

Lady Captain, Peggy Newton, said what a thrilling match it had been and she couldn't have coped with the pressure Kay dealt with on the last hole. She also praised the team

for their spirit and determination, not just in this match but throughout the five rounds and said how proud she was of the team.

Wednesday 10th the ladies played for **The Muir Cup** and a medal. One of the largest fields of the season took part with 30 ladies taking part.

The winner of the Muir Cup and Medal was Dorothy Jagers with a 6 under par score of net 68, the competition standard scratch going up to 74. Barbara Hamston came second with a net 71.

Winner of division 2 in the medal competition was Diane Orson with a net 72.

Gents

The gents held a mid week stableford on Thursday 11th with 44 members taking part. Fighting the windy conditions Greg Woolley was the winner playing 2 under handicap returning a score of 38 points. Last weeks competition winner, in form Cyril Kenzie, was second with 37 points on count back from Steve Tagg in third place also won by count back from Lee Wilson in fourth place on 37 points.

Only four two's were scored on the day, Greg Woolley shooting two of them and the others shot by Lee Wilson and Paul Blount.

Seniors

The final result for the George Houghton Trophy was published this week. Taking into account the best four scores from six rounds for each competitor the overall winner was former senior Captain, Peter Maine with Ken Dimaline as runner up. Seniors Captain, Mike Huggins said the result had been a close call involving a few members.

Last Tuesday 9th the seniors played for the Frank Williams trophy. The winner was Walter Griffin with Scott Moffat in second place and Ken Armstrong third.

The seniors also played a home match last week against Rutland County. The match was close run contest resulting in a win for Melton by 4 ½ to 3 ½ .

Winning pairs were; George Hoskins with Dave Lander 5 and 3, Alan Terzza with Cis Robinson 2 and 1, Richard Grieve and partner John Horn, 4 and 2, and Frank Williams with Malcolm Bryson 2 up.

Senior Captain, Mike Huggins and Vic Newham got the half.

Mixed Team

The glorious sunshine on Sunday saw the mixed team take on Lingdale at Melton. Club Captain Richard Hutton led the team out with partner Julia Brown winning their game by 3 and 2. Frank and Brenda Williams won 4 and 2 John Squires with Chris Cook had a 3 and 2 win, David Bentley and Partner Gladys Bryson won 5 and 3 and John Webb with Drina Terzza won one up. Malcolm Bryson and Janet Bentley halved.

The overall result was a win for Melton by 5 ½ to 2 ½