



# *Tiverton Golf Club Newsletter*

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## **Captain**

Well it's been another phenomenal month for the players of Tiverton Golf Club. Ben Hearn shot one under par gross for the back nine around the Saunton East course to win the Keith Abraham Trophy which meant that Tiverton had won the three main competitions of the Devon County Golf Union Centenary celebrations! Harry Konig followed that up by winning the prestigious Westlake Trophy at Trevose, shooting a fantastic level par gross in the afternoon round in very windy conditions.

Congratulations to Jan and Alby Cruse who played some very steady golf and had the audacity to beat your Captain and Lady Captain 3 and 2 in the final of the Coronation Cup.

After two players finished level with nett 70s, a four-hole playoff in the Old Tiverton Cup wasn't enough to produce a winner. Martin Selby finally beat Joe Taylor at the first hole of sudden death. Joe had the consolation of earlier defeating Karen Allsopp one up in the final of the Amory putter. On that same day Kim Garnsworthy shot a fantastic gross 68 for 44 points only to be pipped by an excellent gross level par by Andy Brice for 45 points in the stableford.

I think it says something about Tiverton Golf Club that two of our lowest handicap players, Rhys Cruse and Ben Hearn, volunteered to caddie for the playoff after their golf hadn't been quite so good for a change. Well done to those fine young men, what an example they set for us all! Finally, the Annual Dinner Dance takes place on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November - please keep an eye on the notice boards regarding tickets, it would be lovely to see as many of you as possible there. Until then, happy golfing.

***Tony Allsopp, Captain***

## **Chairman**

Thank you to all those who attended the EGM and confirmed the decision of the General Committee to carry out work on car park improvement. Although this will not be the entire area of the car park it will vastly improve the situation and the effect of any severe weather should be nullified. There is an old saying that you can't scramble eggs without breaking the shells, well you can't resurface a car park without digging it up! We anticipate that work will start early/mid November and take 2-3 weeks to complete. This means that the car park will be shut for a good deal of that time, apologies but it is inevitable.

Those members who visit the club and find the car park closed are asked to park sensibly and to be aware of our neighbours. We will contact all our neighbours and advise them of the position. We will keep members updated through the website and the club notice board.

***Roger Tucker, Chairman***

## **Ladies**

The Past Lady Captains are delighted that Karen Allsopp has accepted the nomination to become Ladies' Vice-Captain in 2013.

The Hamilton Cup was played on 9<sup>th</sup> October and won by Oki Northwood with a nett 77 on countback from Ann Pearcey. The Goodwin Trophy was played on 23<sup>rd</sup> October and won by Trish Bending with 35 points. Congratulations to all those who qualified to play in these two Trophy days and of course to the winners. Also, congratulations to Karen Allsopp for winning the Carter Putter competition. Karen then beat husband Tony in the semi-finals of the Club putting competition but lost in the final to Joe Taylor.

There will be a Ladies' Roll Up on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November, Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 11am. All ladies are welcome – you don't need to have a handicap. Please come and join in and if you are a new member, it is a great opportunity to meet other ladies. Fashion Show Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November – tickets for this are on sale in the Office and at the Bar - £5 which includes a glass of Bucks Fizz. Please come and see our elegant ladies modelling outfits from Jo Amor. The Annual Dinner Dance is not far away (Friday 25 Nov) – please make a note of the date and come and keep your Captains company. Tickets will be on sale Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November.

Broken Tee Pegs – there is still time to "Guess the Number" – details on the bar. The winner will be announced at the Ladies' AGM on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm.

WARNING: Please use the path wherever possible when playing the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole. After Liz Hall fell and broke her leg on the slope into the "bowl" near the 150 yard marker, a few other people have also fallen in the same area. It might be advisable to use metal spikes in the winter, rather than soft spikes that fill up with grass/leaves etc.

***Sue Norris, Lady Captain***

## **Veterans**

October sees the end of the main golfing season with the last of our friendly inter-club matches and the start of winter competitions. Our overall position on aggregate for our matches was a small bias in favour of our opponents, but all our players have said how much they enjoyed their games.

The October Stableford was played on the 11<sup>th</sup> with the scores showing that the competitors were penalised by the recent tining of the fairways and preferred lies not being in operation. This seems rather unfair when preferred lies had been allowed for the club Saturday competition and Sunday match. I noted that confusion reigned and that some players (not the winners) had taken preferred lies. Derek J Garnsworthy won with 38 points, with David Hazlewood beating Derrick Barrett with 35 points on countback. Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> saw 27 players competing in the Captain's Away Day at Oake Manor. Mike Holder pipped Rod Wiltshire on countback with 41 points, while Paul Sellers scraped home also on countback from Bill Northwood, both with 40 points. Oake laid on an excellent meal and it was a most enjoyable day.

John Woods, Gerry Franklin and Alan Vass won the Texas Scramble on the 18<sup>th</sup> with a net 63.3 The Stan Sage Trophy was played on the 25<sup>th</sup> and was won by Ed Tansey on countback from James C Henderson, both with 38 points. David Hazlewood was third with 37 points. This was also the first of the five Duckworth Salver competitions and signals the start of our winter programme.

The Winter League will revert to the original format of two leagues followed by a knockout phase in the New Year. Presentations to the winners of the Ambrose Congdon Cup, the Veterans' Putter, the Challenge Trophy, the Stan Sage Trophy, the Captain's Prize and the Summer Knock-out will be made at the AGM on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November. The AGM is at 6.30 for 6.45pm following the post Duckworth Salver meal.

Farewells in October, with funerals for two of our members. On the 20<sup>th</sup> for John Vincent who had joined the Club in 1967, and on the 28<sup>th</sup> for Cliff Cook who had been a member since 1985.

Don't forget the Poppy Competition on November 8<sup>th</sup> – details on the board. It is not necessary to have served – just choose from the Senior Service, one of the other two or Civilian and play for your choice. All profits go to the British Legion Poppy Appeal.

***David Mallock, Veterans' Captain***



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