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Dear WAGS Members,

Our next match is at The Manor golf club on Sunday 20th August 2017, to check if you are listed as playing in the next match, follow the link to the "Next Match" page on the society website at: -

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Or as normal you can access the website from the home page at: -

www.thewagsgolf.co.uk

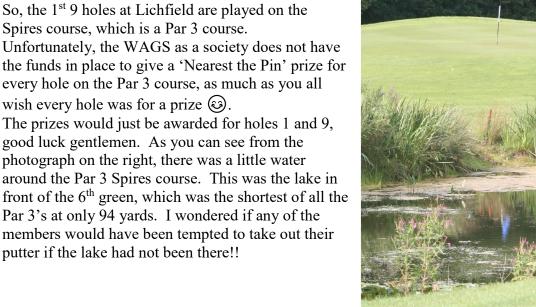
Then click the "Latest Info" tab along the top, followed by clicking the "Next Match" tab after that. All in all, please remember it is your responsibility to inform me! Thank you.

Memorial Trophy – Lichfield G.C.: Sunday 6th August 2017

We had 16 members attend Lichfield golf club for the annual Memorial Trophy. This was to be 27 holes of golfing joy, well I guess the joy bit may well depend on how well you play (3), but hopefully you would enjoy the round and a half of golf, even if your play was maybe not quite up to the level you wished it was! One thing is for sure, with 27 holes of golf, breakfast and lunch all included, I think most of you will agree, it has to be great value for money. So, the 1st 9 holes at Lichfield are played on the Spires course, which is a Par 3 course. Unfortunately, the WAGS as a society does not have the funds in place to give a 'Nearest the Pin' prize for every hole on the Par 3 course, as much as you all wish every hole was for a prize ②. The prizes would just be awarded for holes 1 and 9, good luck gentlemen. As you can see from the photograph on the right, there was a little water

Par 3's at only 94 yards. I wondered if any of the members would have been tempted to take out their

putter if the lake had not been there!!



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With no Stroke Indexes on the Par 3 course scorecard I deemed that the longest hole would be Stroke Index 1 and the shortest hole would be, yep you've guessed it, Stroke Index 9. Quite simple, the shorter the hole the higher the stroke index. And as we were only playing 9 holes, it seemed only right to just half everyone's handicap for the mornings warm-up round of golf and the trophy that goes along with winning the warm-up game of golf. The 16 members went out in 4 four balls, I went out 1st, thus allowing myself to do all the computations for the 9-hole Spires course round. Along with myself was Bron Dyjas, Paul Sawdon and Shane Dellow. We were all lining up our putts up on the 8th green. Studying the curves and contours intensely, was it going to be slightly left to right, or straight at the flag? As you can imagine, your mind is immersed completely in your own world

for those few moments. Then, suddenly, this billowing sound came from the road that runs by the 8th green... "alright chief". The silence was broken, as our one and only Ash Hutchinson drove

up the driveway and on spotting Shane on the green, Ash decided to make his presence known! Well we all waved back at Ash, but in those few minutes it had taken Ash to stop his car, call over to the WAGS members and for us to reply, it seems Ash had even managed to slow up the pace of the cars driving in to the golf and leisure club behind him! There were three or four cars waiting on the single-track road to get in to the golf club.

On the right is quite a collectable photograph, it shows Paul Ormond walking!! Oh yes, Paul can walk it seems ③.

Apologises for the quantity of the photograph, not up to my usual standard, but I did have a slight panic in trying to get the picture taken. I was just not ready for what I was seeing!!



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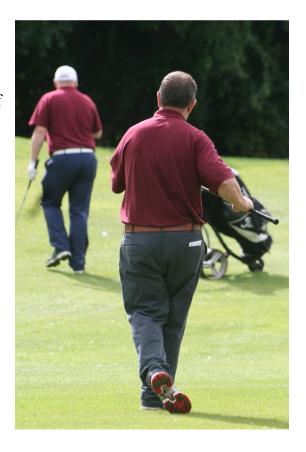


At last years' Memorial Trophy on the par 3 Spires course, we carded a total of 40 gross pars, this years' however we were just short of that total with 39 gross pars. Of note were Pete Hallam, Shane Dellow, Dave Johnstone, Andrew Shilton and Mick O'Hanlon, all of whom carded a creditable 3 gross pars. We then had Jason Dellow and Paul Sawdon going one better, carding a respectable 4 gross pars each on the Spires course. But it was our Captain Daniel Keen who was to be the "Top of the Heap" with an impressive 5 gross pars. Gentlemen, well played to you all.

Along with the gross pars, we carded several more gross birdies than last year. A total of 1 gross birdies was carded last year by Paul Ormond, this year we carded a grand total of 5 gross birdies.

These were by: -

Steve Roulstone	Hole No.3	133 yards
Jason Dellow	Hole No.5	140 yards
Bron Dyjas	Hole No.6	94 yards
Ges Meehan	Hole No.8	100 holes
Mick O'Hanlon	Hole No.8	100 yards



Gentlemen, very well played to you all.

You have to admit, Shane Dellow is displaying some very interesting foot work above!!

The results: -

Nearest the Pin ~ Paul Sawdon - Hole No.1 Shane Dellow - Hole No.9

<u>Individual scores</u>: -

Steve Roulstone	20 pts	Mick O'Hanlon	17 pts	Bron Dyjas	17 pts
Paul Sawdon	19 pts	Michael Riley	17 pts	Daniel O'Hanlon	16 pts
Dave Johnstone	19 pts	Pete Hallam	17 pts	Glen Hundleby	14 pts
Andrew Shilton	18 pts	Daniel Keen	17 pts	Stuart Prescott	13 pts
Ges Meehan	18 pts				

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After the 9-hole warm up and a little lunch it was time for the WAGS Memorial Trophy. This is played for each year in memory of the WAGS members that have sadly passed away. These former WAGS members are Bob Hardy, John Frearson Snr, Graham Brandon, Terry Pickworth and Jack Christian. Sadly, we added another former WAGS member to the list, after Lee Hanrahan died earlier this year. If they were all looking down on us as we played our golf, I am sure there would be a few comments of "How the bloody hell did he miss that putt?". Or even, "Do you call that a drive?".



One Man and His Goose.....

For the 18 holes of golf on the Mill course we had 17 WAGS members playing, after Ash Hutchinson's late arrival, but don't worry, I knew Ash was only playing the 18 holes of golf. What I didn't know was that Ash would hold play up (sorry, hold the cars up) on the 9 holes without even playing himself 3. So, 17 players meant 3 three balls, followed by 2 four balls, err.... ((3x3=9)+(2x4=8))=17. Yes that is correct, just checking!! It seems algebra does come in handy for something then. After all these years' my maths teacher was actually right.

In last years' Memorial Trophy, we carded a grand total of 78 gross pars, but unfortunately this year we were quite a way behind that total, we just 66 gross pars. Shane Dellow carded a creditable 5 of those gross pars. Daniel O'Hanlon, Daniel Keen and Mick O'Hanlon all carded a respectable 7 gross pars. If I had known almost half the committee (Vice-Captain, Captain and Chairman respectively) were going to card 7 gross pars, I might have joined in. If only they had let me know sooner!! However, the 'committee' were outshone by Andrew Shilton, who carded an impressive 8 gross pars. Gentlemen, well played to you all.



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Along with the gross pars, the WAGS members at Lichfield Golf Club carded 8 gross birdies, these were by: -

Mick O'Hanlon	Hole No.3	Par 4	393 yards	Stroke Index 1
Daniel O'Hanlon	Hole No.4	Par 3	196 yards	Stroke Index 9
Jason Dellow	Hole No.5	Par 4	322 yards	Stroke Index 15
Andrew Shilton	Hole No.6	Par 4	326 yards	Stroke Index 17
Jason Dellow	Hole No.14	Par 4	322 yards	Stroke Index 14
Ash Hutchinson	Hole No.16	Par 5	477 yards	Stroke Index 4
Andrew Shilton	Hole No.17	Par 4	354 yards	Stroke Index 12
Daniel Keen	Hole No.17	Par 4	354 yards	Stroke Index 12

Gentlemen, very well played. Special congratulations to Andrew and Jason on their **two** gross birdies each. That is just being down right greedy!!







Do you get the feeling our Captain Daniel Keen isn't really concentrating on his golf game? Maybe he thinks he needs just that little bit more exercise! Or is this a little celebration?

Well, as they say, read on.....

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Well our Captain Daniel Keen only went and got a gross eagle!! Oh yes, Daniel got his eagle on the 11th hole, Par 5, 477 yards, Stroke Index 10. With Daniel playing off a handicap of 13, it meant he even got a shot on the 11th hole, therefore that meant it was a 3 for 2 for 5 points!! Well done Daniel. Obviously, our benevolent Handicap Secretary Dave Johnstone will adjust your handicap to allow for this ③.

Andrew Shilton	- 41 pts
Daniel O'Hanlon	- 39 pts
Ash Hutchinson	- 38 pts
Andrew Shilton	- Hole No.4
n/a	- Hole No.7
n/a	- Hole No.12
Daniel O'Hanlon	- Hole No.15
Daniel Keen	- Hole No.10
Michael Riley	- Hole No.18
	Daniel O'Hanlon Ash Hutchinson Andrew Shilton n/a n/a Daniel O'Hanlon Daniel Keen

Gentlemen very well played to you all.

Alphabetical Individ	<u>lual scores</u> : -				
Bron Dyjas	31 pts	Jason Dellow	34 pts	Pete Hallam	33 pts
Daniel Keen	36 pts	Michael Riley	28 pts	Shane Dellow	31 pts
Dave Johnstone	27 pts	Mick O'Hanlon	27 pts	Steve Roulstone	26 pts
Ges Meehan	24 pts	Paul Ormond	31 pts	Stuart Prescott	30 pts
Glen Hundleby	28 pts	Paul Sawdon	22 pts		

Congratulations to all the winners of the prizes on the day.





Andrew Shilton is congratulated from Chairman Mick O'Hanlon on getting his gross birdie on the 6th hole, Par 4, 326 yards, stroke index 17.

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It seems the WAGS gentlemen are taking a keen interest in the golf being played out on the 18th green at Lichfield, but all the WAGS members are in the clubhouse!!

However, if you look at the picture below, you may well see the interest that is engaging the WAGS members (3)

Please check the WAGS website to see if you are down to play in the next match on Sunday 20th
August 2017 at The Manor.
If you want to play and are not listed as playing, can you please let me know as soon as, thank you.





Hopefully, see you all at the next match at The Manor on Sunday 20th August 2017, arrival time 9:00am, for the full English breakfast.

Regards

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