

# WILSTHORPE AMATEUR GOLF SOCIETY

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Dear WAGS Members,

**The next match is on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July, at Lichfield Golf Club (WS13 8HE).  
Arrival time is 8:15am, for tea/coffee & bacon cob, before 9 holes of golf.  
Then we have sandwiches & chips for lunch, before 18 holes of golf.  
The cost for Lichfield is £35.00.  
For a list of who is playing at Lichfield, please see the WAGS website,  
[www.thewagsgolf.co.uk](http://www.thewagsgolf.co.uk)**

## **July Doubles Cup – Tinsley Park Golf Club : Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2015**



23 WAGS members turned out for the first doubles match of the season at Tinsley Park golf club. Thankfully the weather had cooled down a little from late, so hopefully it would be a relaxing and pleasant round of golf in the undulating hills just south of Sheffield. Above we see a some of the rabble assembled at Tinsley, oh sorry, I mean a good selection of the WAGS members assembled at Tinsley putting the final adjustments to their putting skills before teeing off.

So the first doubles match if the season and we are faced with the first serious question of the season..... who would get paired with who? Well for starters, with not too many WAGS members attending who had a high handicap, there were some surprise inclusions in the “non-seeded” group. Some of those who might well have been in the seeded group on another day were Ges Meehan - playing off 19.0, Russ McLaughlin – playing off 18.3 and Andrew Shilton – playing off 17.5!! I have a feeling there may well be some interesting pairing drawn ☺.



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So who got paired with who? Well talking from a pure statistical standpoint, the extremes of the pairings were Ian Patrick and Paul Bacon, who had the highest combined handicap, 15.2 and 26.0 respectively, totalling 41.2. The lowest combined handicap was the pairing of Mick O'Hanlon and Andrew Shilton, 10.8 and 17.5 respectively, totalling just 28.3. Whether this wild statistic would have any bearing on the results I have no bloody idea, but I thought it was a slightly different way to look at the pairings ☺.

So to the golf, I had been paired with Ash Hutchinson and we were playing with the pairing of Daniel Keen and Pete Hallam, who I thought might be worth a punt as possible winners. As we all know Pete can be quite a dark horse and suddenly turn in a very good score indeed. Coupled with the fact that Daniel Keen has a championship star on his shirt, well he must be good! However, Daniel seemed to be spraying one or two shots wide early in the round. Here we see Daniel's ball just staying in bounds on the par 5 3<sup>rd</sup> hole. Both Ash and myself paid close inspection to his ball, but it was definitely in bounds ☺. All credit to Daniel, he did manage to score a point on the hole, with a gross 7.



Looks like Graham Hofmann has given that a bit of a whollop, as he try's to get the ball up the hill and on to the green at the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole. Well it must have worked as Graham carded a gross par 5, for three points. Looks like someone was playing well already, well that is what I thought until Graham told me after the round of golf at Tinsley, that those three points were actually his first of the round ☺. Graham was in fact one of only three WAGS member's to par the 483 yard, par 5, 3<sup>rd</sup> hole. The other two members were Ian Patrick and Ges Meehan, gentlemen well played. Although, they were not the best scorers of that hole during the round..... but you will have to wait until later in the newsletter to find out who played the hole even better!!

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Although maybe not the clearest of photographs (well it was taken from some distance ☺), but there seems to be WAGS members everywhere!!

Last year at Tinsley Park the 22 WAGS members playing carded a very impressive total of 89 gross pars. Wow, quite a total, however it seems that this year the 23 WAGS members went completely par mad!! We carded quite a few more... 95? No, higher! ....100? No, higher!!

In fact we carded 113 gross pars! Holly cow, I have no complete record but that surely has to be the most ever gross pars the WAGS have ever carded in one round. Gentlemen well played to you all. So with all these gross pars, who was going to be top of the pile in multiple gross pars? Well Graham Hofmann carded a total of 6, not a bad effort at all. But Jordan Hughes, Mick O'Hanlon and Ges Meehan all went one better and carded a creditable 7 gross pars each. However Ash Hutchinson went 2 better and carded an impressive 9 gross pars. But this just wasn't enough to be top of the pile, oh no, not by a long way ☺. Danny Fletcher managed to manoeuvre his way round Tinsley Park to card an excellent 13 gross pars! Well I am sure any other day that would have made Danny top of the pile, but not today, that honour went to Ian Patrick, who carded a truly unbelievable total of 14 gross pars! That total of 14 gross pars in one round I am all but 100% sure is a new record for a WAGS member.



Extremely well played Ian – as you have already realised Dave Johnstone will obviously be going over your scorecard with a fine toothcomb ☺. But I think both Danny and Ian deserve congratulating on getting in to double figures for their gross pars, well done chaps. Just another point on the gross pars, is that Ian card 5 consecutive gross pars, while both Danny and Ash carded 6 consecutive gross pars. It almost seems like some of the members have finally mastered this beautiful game of golf ☺.

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Well after all those gross pars, how did we do with the gross birdies. Well we managed to improve on last years round at Tinsley Park, only by one though, we carded 12 gross birdies this year compared to 11 last year. These were carded by: -

Daniel Keen	Hole No.2	Par 3	162 yards	Stroke Index 17
Robbie Kerr	Hole No.2	Par 3	162 yards	Stroke Index 17
Andrew Shilton	Hole No.3	Par 5	483 yards	Stroke Index 3
Jason Dellow	Hole No.4	Par 4	314 yards	Stroke Index 12
Daniel Keen	Hole No.5	Par 4	282 yards	Stroke Index 16
Glen Hundleby	Hole No.7	Par 4	282 yards	Stroke Index 18
Ian Patrick	Hole No.9	Par 3	155 yards	Stroke Index 14
Jason Dellow	Hole No.13	Par 4	381 yards	Stroke Index 11
Jordan Hughes	Hole No.13	Par 4	381 yards	Stroke Index 11
Jason Dellow	Hole No.15	Par 3	139 yards	Stroke Index 15
Mick O'Hanlon	Hole No.16	Par 5	496 yards	Stroke Index 2
Graham Hofmann	Hole No.18	Par 4	368 yards	Stroke Index 9

For those of you who remember that I said someone had gone better than the three gross pars on the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole, will now see it was Andrew Shilton had made a gross birdie on the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole. I think it is also worth mentioning Daniel Keen who carded 2 gross birdies and especially Jason Dellow who went one better and carded an excellent three gross birdies. At this rate I will have to introduce a 'top of the pile' award for gross birdies too ☺. Gentlemen very well played to all of you who carded gross birdies.

It seems as though Tinsley Park was certainly playing well for a lot of the WAGS members, well it doesn't stop there! Oh no, two gentlemen even had the audacity to card gross eagles!! Oh yes, not one member, but two members. I am just wondering whether our handicap secretary Dave Johnstone will cope with all the close scrutinising he will have to do on all these cards with multiple gross pars & birdies and gross eagles on them ☺.



So who got the gross eagles? Well they were achieved by: -

Shane Dellow	Hole No.11	Par 4	320 yards	Stroke Index 13
Daniel Keen	Hole No.16	Par 5	496 yards	Stroke Index 15

Gentlemen what can I say, very well played indeed.

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I had the pleasure of seeing both of the balls going in the hole for these gross eagles. Firstly I saw Shane's gross eagle by pure chance, I just happened to be looking across to the 11<sup>th</sup> green as Shane had just taken a chip shot on to the green, the ball rolled around the green, getting ever closer to the hole, closer still, closer, then oh my god it dropped straight in to the hole ☺. Needless to say Shane looked rather pleased, along with his doubles partner Mick Fullwood and Danny Fletcher, who was the odd player playing on his own.

Sadly I didn't have the camera out at the time and the picture shown here of Shane, unfortunately does not show him jumping around in great joy. Now at the time of this publication going to press, I can neither confirm or deny whether Mr Dellow does in fact use a product of a chemical nature about his person, well namely his hair!!



Daniel Keen achieved the second gross eagle of the day on the 16<sup>th</sup> hole. His tee shot with his driver wasn't a bad shot at all. In fact it was good enough to win him 'Longest Drive' for the round. Daniel followed his tee shot up with a very well hit shot which sent his ball hurtling towards the green. Could his ball actually reach the green in two shots on the par 5, 496 yards, 16<sup>th</sup> hole? Well as you can guess from the picture shown, Daniel's ball did in fact reach the green in two shots, leaving what was in no doubt a very achievable gross eagle 3. If you look closely just to the right of the red flag in the distance you may just see the group behind on the tee. It certainly looks a long long way from the green ☺.

Once again very played to both Shane and Daniel in carding gross eagles and lets not forget it got them both 5 points for the respective holes. Yet more close inspection from Dave Johnstone I think ☺

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So after the WAGS madness in the summer sun, gross pars galore, a generous sprinkling of gross birdies and a couple of excellent gross eagles, lets get back to the results from the July Doubles Cup match at Tinsley Park.

## The results: -

WINNER ~	Ian Patrick & Paul Bacon	- 51 pts
2 <sup>nd</sup> ~	Mick O'Hanlon & Andrew Shilton	- 46 pts
3 <sup>rd</sup> ~	Ash Hutchinson & Steve Roulstone	- 45 pts
Nearest the Pin ~	Daniel Keen	- Hole No.2
	Ian Patrick	- Hole No.9
	Ash Hutchinson	- Hole No.15
	Jason Dellow	- Hole No.17
Longest Drive ~	Daniel Keen	- Hole No.16
Nearest the Pin in 3 ~	Graham Hofmann	- Hole No.18

## Doubles scores: -

Daniel Keen & Pete Hallam	45 pts	Martin Sheppard & Dave Johnstone	41 pts
Daniel O'Hanlon & Ges Meehan	44 pts	Robbie Kerr & Jason Dellow	39 pts
Danny Fletcher (+20%)	43 pts	Graham Hofmann & Paul Ormond	37 pts
Shane Dellow & Mick Fullwood	43 pts	Stuart Prescott & Russ McLaughlin	37 pts
Jordan Hughes & Glen Hundleby	42 pts		

## Alphabetical Individual scores: -

Andrew Shilton	35 pts	Graham Hofmann	25 pts	Paul Ormond	25 pts
Ash Hutchinson	36 pts	Ian Patrick	49 pts	Pete Hallam	31 pts
Daniel Keen	41 pts	Jason Dellow	35 pts	Robbie Kerr	24 pts
Daniel O'Hanlon	32 pts	Jordan Hughes	32 pts	Russ McLaughlin	31 pts
Danny Fletcher	43 pts	Martin Sheppard	25 pts	Shane Dellow	35 pts
Dave Johnstone	38 pts	Mick Fullwood	32 pts	Steve Roulstone	33 pts
Ges Meehan	35 pts	Mick O'Hanlon	36 pts	Stuart Prescott	24 pts
Glen Hundleby	28 pts	Paul Bacon	31 pts		

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

Well, as if the round of golf at Tinsley Park had not been memorable enough, you may have noticed the individual scores above. Yet again another achievement that I cannot remember the last time it happen in the WAGS, three members all scoring 40+ points in a single round!!

Congratulations to both Daniel Keen and Danny Fletcher, both excellent scores guys.

However I think the achievement of the day has to go to our very own Treasurer, Ian Patrick.

1 point, **just 1 point** from the magical 50 point mark, maybe in the next match Ian?

Very very well played Ian, although be prepared for the handicap to be ..... slashed ☺

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A bit of a bumper issue for this newsletter, but I think you will agree certainly worth it given all the excellent scoring from so many WAGS members. It seems Tinsley Park golf club proved to be a very favourable course.



I will see you all at Lichfield Golf Club for the Memorial Trophy on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2015. Please do not let me know if you want to play and are not shown as playing on the listing on the WAGS website.

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Regards

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