

WILSTHORPE AMATEUR **GOLF SOCIETY**

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Dear WAGS Members,

NEXT MATCH : Sunday 21st August 2016			
Venue :	The Manor Golf Club, ST14 8QT		
Competition :	August Singles Cup		
Arrival Time :	8:30am	Cost :	£25.00
Members / Guests Playing: -			
Andrew Shilton	Ash Hutchinson (B)	Charlie Shilton	Daniel Keen
Daniel O'Hanlon	Dave Clarke	Dave Johnstone	Glen Hundleby (B)
Graham Hofmann	Ian Patrick (B)	Jason Dellow	Mick O'Hanlon (B)
Paul Sawdon	Pete Hallam	Russ McLaughlin	Shane Dellow
Steve Roulstone (B)	Stuart Prescott (B)		

Those members with (B) after their names have a buggy booked.

There are 4 buggies in total available, so please let me know if you wish to book a buggy.

I will confirm all those shown above as playing at The Manor, if you are not listed and want to play please let me know as soon as, because as it stands now I am only booking the match for those 18 members listed above.

So the next match is at The Manor, I am sure a fair few of you will agree, it can be quite a challenging course, but also a picturesque course. The course at The Manor has a par of 71 and is a total of 5,886 yards long from the yellow tees. The holes vary from the short par 3 13th hole at 126 yards, stroke index 18, to the mammoth par 5, 628 yard, stroke index 1, 3rd hole. I think you could say that there is something there for everyone ☺.

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Memorial Trophy – Lichfield G.C. : Sunday 7th August 2016

As is now the norm at Lichfield Golf Club we take part in a little warm up in the morning, before playing 18 holes for the Memorial Trophy in the afternoon. The warm up consisted of 9 holes around the par 3 Spires Course. As they were all obviously par three's we decided just to award a prize for the 'Nearest the Pin' on the 1st and 9th holes only. 20 WAGS members and 4 guests set off on the warm up 9 holes, our Captain Graham Hofmann, informed us all that all we needed to do was write down our gross stroke play for each hole, calculations would then be done later to determine the winner, as no stroke indices were shown on the scorecard.

If you are ready I will try and explain the complex trigonometry calculations that went in to determining the winner of the par 3 course. Well we just stuck a pin in the scorecards face down! No, no, no, just joking ☺, we didn't do that, but that is worth thinking about ☺

The calculations went as thus: -

Firstly, each player had their full handicap divided by three. If your handicap is 21, then it became 7. But, if your handicap was 16, then 16 divided by 3 is 5.33, this would be rounded down to 5. However, if your handicap was 8, then 8 divided by 3 is 2.66, this would be rounded up to 3. Hopefully that explains what your handicap was for the 9 hole Spire course would be.

Next I had to allocate a stroke index to each of the 9 holes.

Nothing complicated here, I did the straight forward and simple theory, the shortest hole was allocated a stroke index of 9 and the longest hole was allocated a stroke index of 1. With all the other holes falling in line according to the hole length. Once the stroke indices had been allocated to all the holes, it was just a matter of deducting those from each of the players gross scores and hey

presto, I could then calculate everybody's points total. Hopefully you haven't fallen asleep and you actually understood all that ☺.

Around the 9 hole Spires course we carded a total of 76 gross bogeys' and 40 gross pars. Those with multiple gross pars of note were, Mick O'Hanlon, Daniel Keen and Charlie Shilton, all of whom carded 5 gross pars. But we did have one gross birdie, that was achieved by Paul Ormond on the 8th hole, at 100 yards. Well done to all you gentlemen, especially Paul, well done.



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So after the calculations were done, who scored what? Well read on.....

The results: -

WINNER ~	Ian Patrick	- 16 pts	: 11 pts on last 6
2 nd ~	Pete Hallam	- 16 pts	: 10 pts on last 6
3 rd ~	Jason Dellow	- 16 pts	: 9 pts on last 6
Nearest the Pin ~	Leigh Warren (guest)	- Hole No.1	
	Charlie Shilton	- Hole No.9	

Individual scores: -

Mick O'Hanlon	15 pts	Graham Hofmann	13 pts	Martin Sheppard	9 pts
Daniel Keen	15 pts	Glen Hundleby	13 pts	Paul Ormond	9 pts
Charlie Shilton	15 pts	Andrew Shilton	12 pts	Steve Roulstone	9 pts
Shane Dellow	14 pts	Jordan Hughes	12 pts	Russ McLaughlin	8 pts
Paul Sawdon	14 pts	Robbie Kerr	11 pts	Daniel O'Hanlon	7 pts
Ges Meehan	14 pts	Mick Fullwood	10 pts		

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



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After the 9 hole warm up and a little lunch it was time for the main event of the day. The WAGS Memorial Trophy, which is played for each year in memory of those WAGS members that have passed away over the years. Those members are: - Bob Hardy, John Frearson Snr, Graham Brandon, Terry Pickworth and Jack Christian.

21 WAGS Members and 4 guests assembled on the first tee and were ready for action. In fact, it looks like Mick Fullwood is ready, willing and able to do battle. The Ferret could almost pass for an extra off the set of the recent Dad's Army movie ☺. They don't like it up 'em Captain Mainwaring!!

Private Godfrey or Corporal Jones?, I will let you decide ☺.

It seems there were more strange goings-on on the first tee. Was it something to do with the sun, was the heat getting to more than one of the WAGS members?



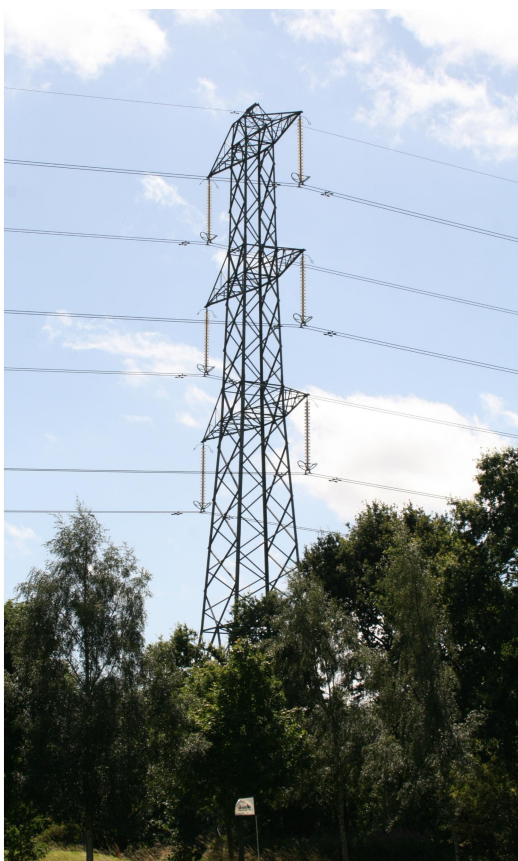
It seems Ash Hutchinson has become a member of a rather select group of individuals that like the feel of rubber!! NO.... only joking, Ash assures us that it is a back

brace, that helps his balance and deportment when playing golf! So, now you know ☺.

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Who took that picture?

Well believe it or not, I did! Quite an engineering feat, a somewhat slight structure, bearing in mind the vast tension that the varying electricity cables place on the metal tower. But you just know I didn't put a picture of overhead power cables in the newsletter to bore you with silly facts, oh no!

One of our fellow WAGS members that I had the pleasure of playing with at Lichfield golf club, was a little unfortunate to see his shot strike the overhead cables. But all was not lost, his ball actually landed in a reasonable position and was sitting quite nice in the semi rough. All in all, not a bad result at all.

However, there was a problem, if you read the back of the scorecard correctly, it says,

“If a players' ball strikes an

overhead wire or pylon the shot MUST be immediately replayed without penalty.”

On first glance, that all seems fair and a good thing. The member in question was Daniel Keen, who collected his ball and took it back to his previous position. He thought he was getting a good deal, as now he could hit his ball where he had intended and not leave it off to the side of the fairway in the semi-rough, result ☺. Daniel took his shot again and..... well lets' just say the result wasn't what Daniel had intended, I could tell that by the language being used ☺. Daniel over compensated from the shot previous and had put his retaken shot straight in to a small coppice of trees. To say Daniel was miffed might be a slight understatement and it was only the 2nd hole on the course, so carding an 8 wasn't in Daniel's plan for the day. But on a positive note, things could only get better ☺.



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Gross pars, did we do ok? Well the 21 WAGS members carded a total of 78 gross pars, which I think is a great total. As ever some of the members were very greedy and went on to card multiple gross pars, those on note were, Andrew Shilton who carded a creditable total of 4 gross pars. Robbie Kerr, Paul Sawdon, Daniel O'Hanlon and Graham Hofmann all carded an impressive 6 gross pars. But one members was 'top of the heap' by quite some way at Lichfield golf Club. The member in question carded an excellent 9 gross pars and that member?

It was our Chairman Mick O'Hanlon. Gentlemen well played, especially to Mick, great result.

Along with the gross pars, the WAGS members at Lichfield Golf Club carded an impressive 10 gross birdies, these were by: -

Daniel Keen	Hole No.5	Par 4	322 yards	Stroke Index 15
Jason Dellow	Hole No.6	Par 4	326 yards	Stroke Index 17
Andrew Shilton	Hole No.7	Par 4	287 yards	Stroke Index 11
Mick O'Hanlon	Hole No.7	Par 4	287 yards	Stroke Index 11
Jason Dellow	Hole No.7	Par 4	287 yards	Stroke Index 11
Martin Sheppard	Hole No.9	Par 5	494 yards	Stroke Index 7
Andrew Shilton	Hole No.11	Par 5	477 yards	Stroke Index 10
Daniel Keen	Hole No.11	Par 5	477 yards	Stroke Index 10
Robbie Kerr	Hole No.11	Par 5	477 yards	Stroke Index 10
Ian Patrick	Hole No.18	Par 4	384 yards	Stroke Index 8



Gentlemen very well played, especially Andrew, Jason and Daniel who were all that little bit greedier and wanted **two** gross birdies ☺.

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The results: -

WINNER ~	Robbie Kerr	- 38 pts
2 nd ~	Jason Dellow	- 37 pts
3 rd ~	Andrew Shilton	- 36 pts
Nearest the Pin ~	Charlie Shilton	- Hole No.4
	Mick O'Hanlon	- Hole No.7
	Daniel O'Hanlon	- Hole No.12
	Pete Hallam	- Hole No.15
Longest Drive ~	Jason Dellow	- Hole No.10
Nearest the Pin in 3 ~	Ian Patrick (in the hole)	- Hole No.18

Gentlemen very well played to you all.

Alphabetical Individual scores: -

Ash Hutchinson	23 pts	Graham Hofmann	29 pts	Paul Ormond	23 pts
Charlie Shilton	25 pts	Ian Patrick	27 pts	Paul Sawdon	36 pts
Daniel Keen	30 pts	Jordan Hughes	24 pts	Pete Hallam	26 pts
Daniel O'Hanlon	34 pts	Martin Sheppard	34 pts	Russ McLaughlin	27 pts
Ges Meehan	26 pts	Mick Fullwood	33 pts	Shane Dellow	24 pts
Glen Hundleby	31 pts	Mick O'Hanlon	31 pts	Steve Roulstone	24 pts

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



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I hope you all enjoyed the 27 holes at Lichfield, I think it is great value for money.

So on to the next match, Sunday 21st August 2016, for the August Singles Cup.

This is at The Manor Golf Cub, so if you are not listed as playing and you want to play, please let me know as soon as, I will be confirming numbers on Saturday 13th August.

See you all at The Manor, arrival time 8:30am.



Regards

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