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Saturday 16th July 2016 : 4 Club Challenge (black shirts) – tee off 3:32pm ~ Lakes Course



So all the golf bags had been emptied of all but 4 clubs. All of the 11 members were now hoping that they had selected the right 4 clubs!

So after the WAGS Challenge on the Saturday morning, it was the 4 Club Challenge in the afternoon, played on the front 9 holes of the Lakes course. We assembled on the tee and it seems we did not quite have the record number of members playing, as was the case in the mornings round of golf. In fact, there were only 11 WAGS members taking part out of the total 27 members present. Not a problem, that meant a greater chance of winning according to the statistics 😊.



Although only nine holes were being played we still had two ‘Nearest the Pin’, a ‘Longest Drive’ and ‘Nearest the Pin in 3’ prizes to play for. And as I said, only 11 members playing, certainly the best chance of winning something 😊.



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4 Club Challenge results: -

WINNER ~	Darren Fretwell	- 18 pts
2 nd ~	Glen Hundleby	- 17 pts
3 rd ~	Charlie Shilton	- 13 pts
Nearest the Pin ~	Stuart Prescott	- Hole No.4
	Andrew Shilton	- Hole No.8
Longest Drive ~	Steve Roulstone	- Hole No.6
Nearest in 3 ~	Jason Dellow	- Hole No.9

Gentlemen well played.

Individual Scores (alphabetically):-

Andrew Shilton	12 pts	Dave Johnstone	n/a	Mick Fullwood	12 pts
Ash Hutchinson	n/a	Ges Meehan	n/a	Mick O'Hanlon	n/a
Bill Bash	4 pts	Glen Hundleby	17 pts	Paul Bacon	n/a
Charlie Shilton	13 pts	Graham Hofmann	n/a	Pete Hallam	13 pts
Daniel Keen	n/a	Ian Patrick	n/a	Robbie Kerr	n/a
Daniel O'Hanlon	n/a	Jason Dellow	13 pts	Russ McLaughlin	n/a
Danny Fletcher	n/a	John Frearson	n/a	Shane Dellow	n/a
Darren Fretwell	18 pts	Jordan Hughes	n/a	Steve Roulstone	12 pts
Dave Clarke	n/a	Martin Sheppard	n/a	Stuart Prescott	12 pts



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Pre-meal aperitifs, as our Treasurer Ian Patrick photo-bombs Dave Clarke ☺



Fine dining with the WAGS, all very smart, suited & booted ☺

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Here we see some of the WAGS members in what must surely be there second favoured environment, although I have a feeling Glen might be having a little nod!!

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Sunday 17th July 2016 : Team Event (Grey & Lilac shirts) – tee off 8:52am ~ Links Course

Sadly the last day of the WAGS Away Weekend comes around all too soon, but the upside is it does mean it is time for our annual Team Event match. The draw took place after the evening meal the previous evening. Our two Captains for the 2016 Away Weekend Team Event were Mick O'Hanlon and Charlie Shilton. Charlie won the toss and became Captain for team 'A', electing for his team to wear the Lilac shirts leaving Mick's team 'B' to wear the grey shirt.

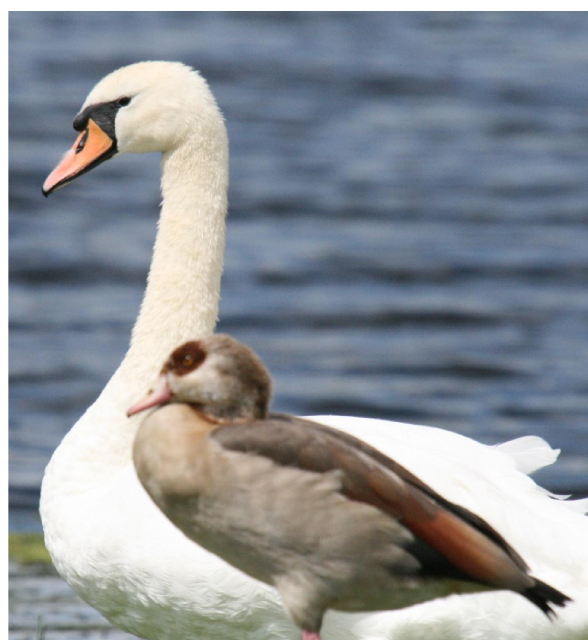


The full draw and match order for the Team Event drawn on Saturday evening was: -

Team 'A'		Team 'B'
Charlie Shilton	vs	Mick O'Hanlon (1)
Jason Dellow	vs	Pete Hallam (2)
John Frearson (2)	vs	Daniel O'Hanlon
Daniel Keen	vs	Jordan Hughes (1)
Steve Roulstone	vs	Dave Clarke (1)
Graham Hofmann	vs	Shane Dellow (2)
Martin Sheppard (3)	vs	Ian Patrick
Andrew Shilton	vs	Glen Hundleby (2)
Ges Meehan	vs	Dave Johnstone
Bill Bash (2)	vs	Mick Fullwood
Stuart Prescott	vs	Russ McLaughlin (3)
Paul Bacon (3)	vs	Darren Fretwell
Robbie Kerr (2)	vs	Danny Fletcher

The numbers in brackets indicates the number of shots that member has against his opponent for the Team Event.

So gentlemen, let battle commence ☺



I thought a picture of some local wildlife would be quite soothing...

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Charlie Shilton, **Team A**, Captain and Mick O'Hanlon, **Team B**, Captain elected to go out first and they would go out as a 2 ball – that sounds like a quick round of golf then ☺. Mick received just the 1 shot against Charlie and although winning the hole he received his shot on, the front 9 holes for were close. So much so that it was still All Square after 9. Charlie then won the next 2 holes, Mick then nicked just 1 of the next 3 holes, with the other 2 being tied. With Charlie winning the 15th hole and the 16th tied, Charlie was now 2 holes up with only 2 holes to play. Mick then won the 17th hole, leaving a tense finish to the round of golf. But it was Charlie who won the last hole, to win the match by 2 holes.

Team A : 1 pts ~ **Team B** : 0 pts

Jason Dellow for **Team A**, was giving away two shots to Pete Hallam, **Team B**. Pete won the 1st hole, then Jason took the next 3 holes. Pete then won the 5th hole, with Jason then winning 2 of the next 3 holes and with Pete winning the 9th hole, it left Pete 2 holes down after the front 9 holes. It was then Pete's turn to have a winning streak, winning the next three holes, before the next 4 holes were shared equally, leaving the match All Square after the 16th hole. Pete won the 17th hole to go ahead in the match for the 1st time, meaning Pete now only had the possibility of drawing or winning the match against Jason. And it was a match win, by 2 holes, for Pete after he won the 18th hole with a creditable par.

Team A : 1 pts ~ **Team B** : 1 pts



It was John Frearson, **Team A**, who received 2 shots against Daniel O'Hanlon, **Team B**. The 1st hole was drawn, before John won the next 2 holes, leaving John 2 holes up after 3 holes. Both Daniel and John won 1 hole each of the next 2. Daniel then won the 6th hole and with the 7th, 8th and 9th holes being drawn, it left John 1 hole up after the first 9 holes. Daniel lost the 10th hole, then Daniel and John drew the 11th hole, leaving Daniel 2 holes down after 11 holes. John then hit a par, bogey and bogey on the 12th, 13th and 14th holes to win the match with a flourish, winning by 5 & 4.

Team A : 2 pts ~ **Team B** : 1 pts

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Daniel Keen, **Team A**, was giving away just one shot to Jordan Hughes, **Team B**. Daniel won 4 of the first 5 holes to get off to a near perfect start in his match against Jordan, leaving Daniel 4 holes up after the 5th hole. But Jordan fought back and won the next 2 holes, Daniel then won the 8th hole, before Jordan won the 9th hole, leaving Daniel just 2 holes up after the front 9. Jordan then again won 2 holes back to back, leaving the match All Square after the 11th hole. Daniel then won 2 of the next 5 holes, to leave him 2 holes up with 2 holes to play. However, Jordan won the 17th hole, could he square the match? Close, but not quite, the 18th hole was drawn meaning Daniel won the match by 1 hole.

Team A : 3 pts ~ **Team B** : 1 pts

Steve Roulstone, **Team A**, was playing against Dave Clarke, **Team B**. Dave received 1 shot against Steve. Dave lost the 1st and 3rd holes, before winning the 4th and 5th holes, leaving the match All Square after the first 5 holes. Steve then won 3 of the next 4 holes, with the other hole drawn, to leave Steve 3 holes up after the front 9 holes. Dave won the 10th hole, then Steve won the 11th hole, then the 12th hole was drawn, before Steve won the 13th hole, leaving Steve 4 holes up with 5 to play. But Dave then won the 14th hole and the 15th hole was drawn. Steve was now 3 holes up with 3 to play. Could Dave continue to fight back? But with Steve parring the Par 3 16th hole, Steve won the match 4 & 2.

Team A : 4 pts ~ **Team B** : 1 pts



Graham Hofmann, **Team A** was giving away 2 shots to his opponent Shane Dellow, **Team B**. Graham won the 1st hole, Shane won the 2nd hole, All Square! Graham won the 3rd and 4th holes, before Shane won the 5th hole and the 6th hole was drawn. This left Graham only 1 hole up after 6 holes. Graham then went on a winning streak that included 2 gross bogey's and 3 gross pars, to win the next 6 holes without a reply from Shane. This gave Graham the match win by what has to be said, was some margin, winning the match 7 & 6 (sorry Shane ☺). This was also the fourth consecutive match win for Team A.

Team A : 5 pts ~ **Team B** : 1 pts

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Martin Sheppard, **Team A** was getting 3 shots on his room mate Ian Patrick, **Team B**. It seems our Treasurer Ian came out of the block flying, winning 5 of the first 6 holes! Martin won the 7th hole, the 8th was halved and Ian won the 9th hole. Meaning that after the front 9 holes on the Links course, Ian was up by 5 holes. Ian was certainly playing well, he had in fact parred 4 of the first 9 holes. Ian then birdied the 10th hole to go 6 holes up. The 11th hole was halved, before I think we can say, the inevitable happened, Ian carded a bogey 6 on the Par 5 12th hole to win the match 7 & 6. Ian had stopped the rot in Team B's scoring, they were now only 3 points behind in the race to 7 points!

Team A : 5 pts ~ **Team B** : 2 pts

Andrew Shilton, **Team A** was to play against Glen Hundleby, **Team B** and it was Glen who received 2 shots against Andrew. The first was halved, then Andrew won the 2nd, Glen then won the 3rd and the 5th holes, with the 4th hole halved. Andrew then won the 6th hole and Glen the 7th hole. Andrew then won both the 8th and 9th holes, finishing the front 9 holes 1 hole up against Glen. The 10th was halved, with Andrew winning the 11th and 12th holes. The 13th hole was halved, leaving Andrew 3 holes up with 5 to play. Glen won the 14th hole, he was now only 2 holes down. But Andrew then went on to win both the 15th and 16th holes, to win the match 4 & 2. Team A now only required 1 more point, to reach that magical 7 point mark!

Team A : 6 pts ~ **Team B** : 2 pts



Ges Meehan, **Team A** was pitted against our Handicap Secretary Dave Johnstone, **Team B**, both playing off a 20 handicap. Dave got off to a slow start and Ges won the first 3 holes. Dave then won the next 2 holes, with Ges winning the 6th hole to leave Dave 2 holes down. Dave won the 7th hole to get within 1 hole of Ges, before Ges then turned on the style and won 3 of the next 4 holes, leaving Ges 4 holes up after the 11th hole. But it was now Dave who turned on the style, winning 4 of the next 6 holes, leaving the match All Square after the 17th hole! In what must have been a tense last hole, Dave won the hole with a 7, winning the match by 1 hole, going ahead for the only time in the match!

Team A : 6 pts ~ **Team B** : 3 pts

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Bill Bash, **Team A**, was up against Mick Fullwood, **Team B** and Bill would be getting 2 shots against Mick. In what I am sure is the quickest we have seen the Ferret ever move, he got off to a racing start, winning the first 4 holes against Bill. Bill won the Par 4, Stroke Index 1, 5th hole, before Mick won the next hole and with the 7th hole halved, Mick was 4 holes up after 7. Mick then carded 2 bogey's and 2 pars over the next 4 holes, winning them all, to take the match 8 & 7. Team B had now taken the last 2 matches, was the fight back on? They would need to win the remaining three matches to snatch victory from what seemed a tight grasp from Team A.

Team A : 6 pts ~ **Team B** : 4 pts

Stuart Prescott, **Team A** had been drawn against Russ McLaughlin, **Team B**, with Russ getting 3 shots on Stuart! Stuart won the 1st hole, then Russ won the 2nd hole. Russ then lost 2 of the next 3 holes, before Stuart lost the 6th hole, but this still left Stuart 1 hole up after 6 holes. The 7th hole was halved, then over the next 4 holes both Russ and Stuart won 2 each. After halving the 12th hole, Russ won the 13th hole, this now tied the match All Square. Stuart won, Russ won, Stuart won, Russ won, so after the 17th hole the match was still All Square. Russ won the 18th hole and went ahead for the first and only time during all of the match, to win by 1 hole. Team B were now within 1 point of Team A!

Team A : 6 pts ~ **Team B** : 5 pts



Paul Bacon, **Team A** had been drawn against his good friend Darren Fretwell, **Team B**, with Darren giving away 3 shots to Paul. The first 2 holes were halved, then Paul lost the 3rd hole, but won the 4th hole – All Square. Darren then won the next 3 holes, before Paul won the 8th hole and the 9th hole was halved, so Darren was 2 holes up after 9. Could Darren do enough to hold on and level the Team Event at 6 points all? Well, Paul won 2 of the next 5 holes to once again level the match. The 15th hole was halved, Darren won the 16th, then Paul won the 17th hole. One hole to go and once again the match was All Square! It was Paul that did what was necessary and won the 18th hole to win the match by 1 hole.

Team A : 7 pts ~ **Team B** : 5 pts

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Robbie Kerr, **Team A** was drawn against Danny Fletcher, **Team B**, with Robbie getting 2 shots on Danny. The 1st hole was very gentlemanly and was halved, but then Danny had a little run, winning the next 3 holes. Robbie won the 5th hole, before Danny had another winning run. Once again winning 3 holes on the trot. With the 9th hole halved, Danny was 5 holes up. The 10th hole was halved, before Robbie won the 11th hole. Robbie was 4 holes down with 7 to play. Was there time for a come back from Robbie? Sadly no, Danny turned the screw once more and won the 12th and 13th holes to win the match 6 & 5.

The results for the Team Event match were: -

Team 'A'

Charlie Shilton
Jason Dellow
John Frearson
Daniel Keen
Steve Roulstone
Graham Hofmann
Martin Sheppard
Andrew Shilton
Ges Meehan
Bill Bash
Stuart Prescott
Paul Bacon
Robbie Kerr

Team 'B'

vs Mick O'Hanlon
vs Pete Hallam
vs Daniel O'Hanlon
vs Jordan Hughes
vs Dave Clarke
vs Shane Dellow
vs Ian Patrick
vs Glen Hundleby
vs Dave Johnstone
vs Mick Fullwood
vs Russ McLaughlin
vs Darren Fretwell
vs Danny Fletcher

Charlie won by 2 holes
Pete won by 2 holes
John won 5 & 4
Daniel won by 1 hole
Steve won 4 & 2
Graham won 7 & 6
Ian won 7 & 6
Andrew won 4 & 2
Dave won by 1 hole
Mick won 8 & 6
Russ won by 1 hole
Paul won by 1 hole
Danny won 6 & 5

Team 'A' : 7 points ~ Team 'B' : 6 points

Congratulation to all the members of Team 'A'.



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Team Event results: -

WINNER ~

Team 'A'

Charlie Shilton, Jason Dellow, John Frearson,
Daniel Keen, Steve Roulstone, Graham Hofmann,
Martin Sheppard, Andrew Shilton, Ges Meehan,
Bill Bash, Stuart Prescott, Paul Bacon & Robbie Kerr

Nearest the Pin ~	n/a	- Hole No.8
	Ian Patrick	- Hole No.10
	Shane Dellow	- Hole No.13
	Daniel Keen	- Hole No.16
Longest Drive ~	Mick O'Hanlon	- Hole No.14
Nearest in 3 ~	Graham Hofmann	- Hole No.18



Gentlemen well played.

Individual Scores (alphabetically):-

Andrew Shilton	31 pts	Dave Johnstone	27 pts	Mick Fullwood	29 pts
Ash Hutchinson	n/a	Ges Meehan	24 pts	Mick O'Hanlon	30 pts
Bill Bash	14 pts	Glen Hundleby	25 pts	Paul Bacon	23 pts
Charlie Shilton	29 pts	Graham Hofmann	31 pts	Pete Hallam	31 pts
Daniel Keen	28 pts	Ian Patrick	30 pts	Robbie Kerr	18 pts
Daniel O'Hanlon	21 pts	Jason Dellow	27 pts	Russ McLaughlin	25 pts
Danny Fletcher	35 pts	John Frearson	27 pts	Shane Dellow	15 pts
Darren Fretwell	23 pts	Jordan Hughes	29 pts	Steve Roulstone	16 pts
Dave Clarke	13 pts	Martin Sheppard	23 pts	Stuart Prescott	22 pts

During the Team Event, the 26 members managed to card a total of 82 gross pars on the Links course, the best of the weekend – well done chaps ☺. Those note-worthy of mention with multiple gross pars were, Dave Johnstone, Ian Patrick, John Frearson, Mick Fullwood and Pete Hallam, all of who carded a creditable 4 gross pars. Carding a respectable 5 gross pars were Jason Dellow, Daniel Keen and Mick O'Hanlon. But going that one better, with an impressive 6 gross pars were Jordan Hughes, Graham Hofmann and Charlie Shilton. However, there was only one member 'top of the heap' and that was Danny Fletcher, with an excellent 7 gross pars. Gentlemen, well played to you all.

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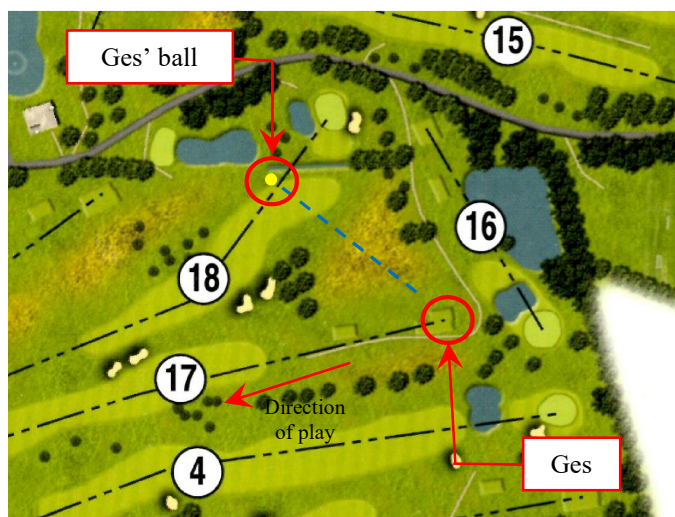
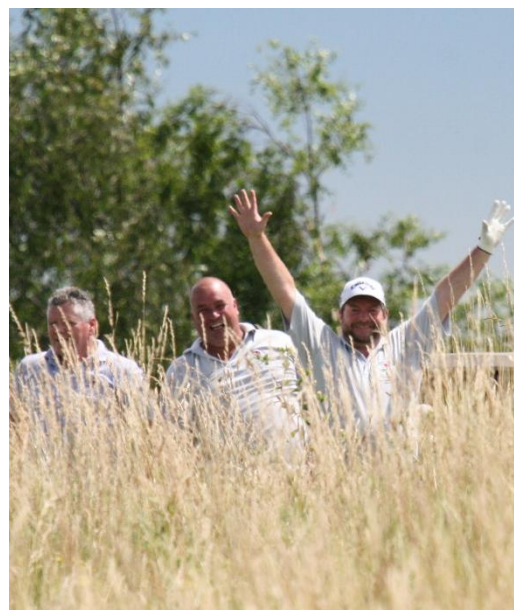
Along with the record breaking gross pars, the 26 members also carded 5 gross birdies. Not a record breaking number of birdies, but good nevertheless. These were by: -

Danny Fletcher	Hole No.4	Par 5	461 yards	S.I.17
Jordan Hughes	Hole No.7	Par 4	304 yards	S.I.13
Ges Meehan	Hole No.10	Par 3	136 yards	S.I.12
Ges Meehan	Hole No.10	Par 3	136 yards	S.I.12
Charlie Shilton	Hole No.15	Par 4	304 yards	S.I.18

Gentlemen, very well played indeed.

Now you may be wondering what those hooligans trying to hide in the long grass are up to? Well the three “amigos” are just letting us know where the stray ball

had come from. Dave Clarke, Daniel Keen, Jordan Hughes and myself were playing down the 18th fairway, just about to play our beautifully crafted shots straight in to the heart of the green,



when all of a sudden a wild ball came screeching across our fairway! We had absolutely no idea where it could have come from, there was no logically direction to determine its origin. But wait a moment.... The WAGS were on the golf course, so anything was possible ☺. It was at this moment the said “three amigos” popped up in the long grass. They were in fact standing on the 17th tee box, where Ges had somehow managed to hit his tee shot at a perfect 90 degree angle right, over the long grass and across the 18th fairway. Only one thing for it, we had our best man in the technical department come up with a

rough reconstruction as to where the accused (namely Ges) and interfering object (namely the ball) where. Our technical guru has also clarified the angle of the tee shot from Ges as 50 degrees, not 90 degree as first reported. Well I think it best to make sure all the facts are a true record of events ☺. However, you can see that Ges’s the ball was still off target a little ☺. No surprise to hear that Ges didn’t score any stapleford points on the 17th hole and indeed lost the hole to Dave Johnstone in the Team Event.

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As I had mentioned on the previous page, Dave, Daniel, Jordan and myself had just played our wonderful tee shots off the 18th tee. In fact, Jordan's tee shot was so perfect, he could not have brought the tree in to play better even if he had placed his ball there! If you were wondering, Jordan's right foot is just covering his ball from view as he looks again, as to see what his options might be at getting somewhere near the green, let alone the flag. It requires some serious thinking, Jordan is only 1 hole down to Daniel Keen and this is the 18th hole!

However, do you get the feeling that Daniel does quite share Jordan's concerns about his next shot? Well done Daniel, I don't know how you managed to keep the laugh under control ☺. Although there is a hint of a snicker there!

Jordan managed a terrific bogey 5 from behind that tree and with Daniel also taking a 5, the hole was halved and as you will have read earlier Daniel won the match by 1 hole.



Over the entire Away Weekend we managed to card the following gross scores: -

80 pars	10 birdies	1 eagle	- Asia Cup (Lakes Course)
77 pars	11 birdies	1 eagle	- WAGS Challenge (Links Course)
9 pars	0 birdies	0 eagles	- 4 Club Challenge (Lakes Course)
82 pars	5 birdies	0 eagles	- Team Event (Links Course)
248 pars	26 birdies	2 eagles	- Away Weekend Total

Gentlemen, very well played indeed to all of you who managed gross pars, birdies and eagles.

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I now have the pleasure of showing you all the WAGS Team Photograph for 2016.....



Back Row: Ian Patrick (Treasurer), Bill Bash, Glen Hundleby, Charlie Shilton (Committee Member), Mick O'Hanlon (Chairman), Robbie Kerr, Russ McLaughlin, Steve Roulstone (Secretary)
Middle Row: Daniel O'Hanlon, Jason Dellow, Dave Clarke, John Frearson, Darren Fretwell (former member), Graham Hofmann (Captain), Jordan Hughes, Stuart Prescott, Andrew Shilton, Pete Hallam
Front Row: Dave Johnstone (Handicap Secretary), Martin Sheppard, Shane Dellow, Paul Bacon, Danny Fletcher, Ges Meehan, Mick Fullwood (Honorary President), Daniel Keen (Vice-Captain)

The Wilsthorpe Amateur Golf Society in all their glory, what a fine bunch of specimens!

Gentlemen, as ever it was an absolute delight being with you all over the weekend and thank you once again for helping me for a day or two while I overcome the worst of my golf related injury. Well it was a golf buggy that ran over me, so it has to be a golf related injury ☺.

Although this newsletter has already become a record breaker, this is the 32nd page!

I have not yet finished.... So brew another flask of coffee, get a couple more matchsticks for your eyes and read on ☺.

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Before I type announce the overall Away Weekend Champion for 2016, I have an apology to make. You may recall I came to each and every one of you to select a numbered ball from the bag. This is for the InK Combination Cup, which is very kindly sponsored by our Treasurer Ian Patrick. I neglected to inform you of this years' proceedings for it. It will as normal be a slightly blind competition, but the nature of doing this does require a fair old amount of working out, which can take hours. So I decided to be a little selfish and not do this on the Away Weekend and as agreed with Ian, I would do all the calculations once I was back from the Away Weekend. I will compute all the data and then seal this in a sealed envelope (obvious I guess really ☺). Ian will then announce the winner of the 2016 InK Combination Cup at Lichfield golf club. I am sure this will not spoil anyone's enjoyment of the competition and that you understand my reasoning for doing it this way from now on. So, once again, I would like to thank Ian for sponsoring the InK Combination Cup, cheers Ian.



I am not sure if anyone else noticed, but there did seem to be a lot of differing headwear this year, obviously due of the high levels of sunlight, but some were quite interesting, not just different colours, but also styles and how to wear them. See what you think!



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The WAGS 2016 Away Weekend Overall Championship Table

Away Weekend 2016 Championship Table							
NAME	H/cap	POINTS SCORED				Overall	Placing
		Friday	Saturday	Fri & Sat combined	Sunday		
Danny Fletcher	9.6	31	29	60	35	95	1st
Pete Hallam	20.1	34	28	62	31	93	2nd
Andrew Shilton	18.2	27	32	59	31	90	3rd
Ian Patrick	12.6	32	28	60	30	90	4th
Martin Sheppard	15.5	29	33	62	23	85	5th
Graham Hofmann	13.1	26	28	54	31	85	6th
Jason Dellow	17.5	29	29	58	27	85	7th
Jordan Hughes	13.4	27	26	53	29	82	8th
Mick O'Hanlon	8.6	25	26	51	30	81	9th
Darren Fretwell	24.0	29	29	58	23	81	10th
Glen Hundleby	20.1	28	28	56	25	81	11th
Daniel O'Hanlon	15.9	25	32	57	21	78	12th
Charlie Shilton	8.0	26	21	47	29	76	13th
Daniel Keen	12.0	26	21	47	28	75	14th
Russ McLaughlin	19.9	28	20	48	25	73	15th
Ges Meehan	19.7	26	23	49	24	73	16th
Mick Fullwood	25.5	22	21	43	29	72	17th
John Frearson	18.4	19	24	43	27	70	18th
Paul Bacon	27.0	24	23	47	23	70	19th
Shane Dellow	15.0	28	23	51	15	66	20th
Robbie Kerr	12.2	25	19	44	18	62	21st
Dave Johnstone	19.9	12	21	33	27	60	22nd
Ash Hutchinson	14.2	23	29	52	0	52	23rd
Stuart Prescott	16.8	0	27	27	22	49	24th
Bill Bash	28.0	23	12	35	14	49	25th
Dave Clarke	28.0	18	18	36	13	49	26th
Steve Roulstone	26.9	0	11	11	16	27	27th
WHERE TOTAL POINTS SCORED ARE LEVEL, THE HIGHEST SINGLE SCORE COUNTS, IF THIS TOO IS LEVEL, THE SECOND HIGHEST SCORE WILL COUNT. IF SECOND HIGHEST SCORE IS LEVEL, THEN THE PLACING WILL BE SHARED.							
TOTAL POINTS DO NOT INCLUDE 4 CLUB CHALLENGE MATCH							

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I think you will agree the Away Weekend Championship was quite tight, with the top 7 only being separated by 10 points. In fact, 7th, 6th and 5th places, all finishing on 85 points, were decided on countback, with Martin Sheppard pipping Graham Hofmann to 5th place and in turn Graham Hofmann pipping Jason Dellow to 6th place.

3rd and 4th places were decided again on countback, both finishing on 90 points, with Andrew Shilton squeezing Ian Patrick down to 4th place on a second score countback, following both their best scores matching.

Pete Hallam was only 2 points behind the winner on 93 points, but it was Danny Fletcher who held his nerve and carded an excellent 35 points on the final round of golf of the weekend. Danny's 35 points was in fact the highest individual points score of the weekend, so it seemed only right that it proved enough to win the 2016 WAGS Away Weekend Overall Championship.

Gentlemen congratulations to one and all who took part, maybe next year it will be your turn. Maybe next year, all the golfing gods will be smiling and each of your shots goes exactly where you had first intended it to go! ☺

Danny Fletcher : WAGS 2016 Away Weekend Champion



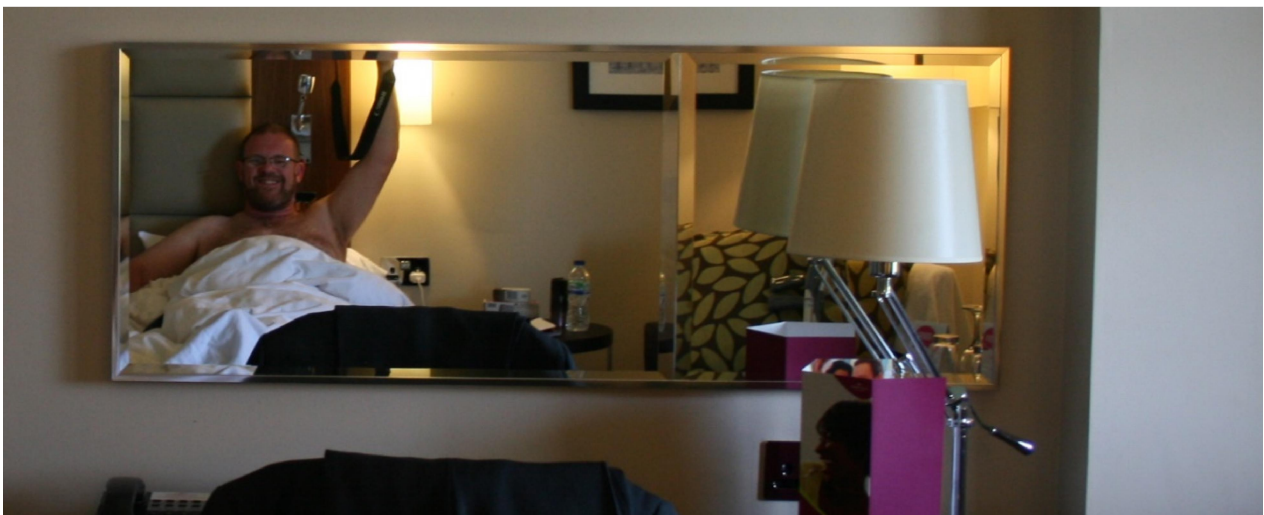
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The photograph above was taken from mine and Bill's room, overlooking the first fairway on the Lakes course and the driving range. I assume we got upgraded, well certainly moved from our original room, due to the fact I arrived back at the hotel Thursday night on crutches. And this room could be accessed by a lift. Whereas the photograph below was taken in our room and is an absolute collector's item! Yes, a photograph of me



So, there we have it, yet another WAGS Away Weekend been and gone, but don't worry only approximately another 50-51 weeks until the next one. And before you ask, I have no idea where next years will be ☺ - well not yet! Watch this space as they say.

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For the 16th year running, I am sure you will join me in thanking our very own Bill Bash for yet again coming back and sponsoring the beloved Asia Cup. And Bill don't worry I hear spec-savers are doing great deals on driving glasses. Well you didn't think you would get away without me having one last mickey take, did you? ☺

Also many thanks to Ian Patrick for sponsoring the InK Combination Cup again, don't forget the winner will be unveiled at our next match at Lichfield Golf Club.

Gentlemen, thank you all one again for making this years Away Weekend yet another entertaining weekend. I hope you enjoyed your golf, as well as the hotel facilities, but above all, I hope you all enjoy the banter that is the Wilsthorpe Amateur Golf Society. I like to think we have something very special within our society.

Finally, finally, just a few stats of this record breaking newsletter, an astonishing 37 pages long, Pauline would have killed me, making her read and double check all of those pages ☺. In total I have written 10,209 words (oh no, make that 10,216 words now ☺). Along with all the words, I have inserted 94 photographs from the Away Weekend at the Crowne Plaza 5 Lakes Resort, Colchester. However, on a personal note, please do not expect this to become the norm, my fingers are running on pure fumes!

I will hopefully see you all at Lichfield Golf Club for the Memorial Trophy.
Please arrive on time at **8:15am**.

Regards

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