

# **WILSTHORPE AMATEUR** **GOLF SOCIETY**

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Dear WAGS Members,

<b>NEXT MATCH : Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2013</b>			
<b>Venue :</b>	<b>Manor Golf Club, Uttoxeter</b>		
<b>Competition :</b>	<b>August Singles Cup</b>		
<b>Arrival Time :</b>	<b>12:30pm</b>	<b>Cost :</b>	<b>£25.00</b>
Members / Guests Playing: -			
Ash Hutchinson	Dave Shaw	Daniel O'Hanlon	Danny Fletcher (B)
Darren Fretwell	Dave Clarke	Dave Johnstone	Ges Meehan
Glen Hundleby	Ian Patrick	Mick Fullwood	Mick O'Hanlon (B)
Paul Bacon	Paul Ormond (B)	Pete Hallam	Russ McLaughlin
Shane Dellow	Steve Roulstone	Jordan Hughes	Bron Dyjas

I will be confirming the numbers with the Manor on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June, so if you are not down to play and wish to do so, please let me know by then!! Just if you are curious, those with (B) after their name, I will be booking a buggy for you – aren't I good to you ☺

Our next match, August Singles Cup, will be a relatively new course for the WAGS, it will be only the second season we will have played at the Manor Golf Club, just outside of Uttoxeter. Last season we managed to card a total of 57 gross pars and 2 gross birdies, I wonder if we can improve on that this year? The course itself, if you can remember is quite testing, but I think is such an enjoyable course. It consists of four par 3's, eleven par 4's and three par 5's. The shortest hole on the course is the 13<sup>th</sup> hole at 115 yards, with two of the par 5 holes, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, being the longest at 570 yards each. The total yardage of the course at the Manor is 5,886 yards.

Just one final note about the Manor course – which is solely directed at our very own Chairman Mick O'Hanlon. Mick please remember as you set off on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July for golf, you are going to play golf, not going to work. Mick was late last year due to the fact that he went into autopilot and forgot he was going to golf and not work!! It seems the first part of his journey to work, goes very close to the Manor Golf Club.....

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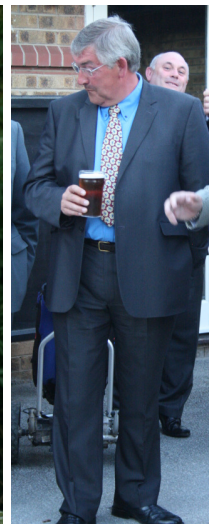


Before I continue with the results from the match at Tapton, I would like to take this moment to remember Terry Pickworth, who as you are aware sadly lost his fight against cancer on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June. I think I can speak for all the WAGS members in saying that Terry was a much loved and well respected member of the society. Terry was introduced to the WAGS by Bill Bash. Bill had got to know Terry after he became the landlord at Bill's local pub the Foresters in Borrowash and it wasn't long before Terry was hitting the ball good, bad and indifferent just like the rest of the WAGS.

His sense of humour seemed to fit right in at home amongst his fellow members within the society. Terry was elected as captain of the society for the 2003 season and two years later was voted in unanimously at the Annual General Meeting as Chairman of the Wilsthorpe Amateur Golf Society. Terry held the position of Chairman for seven years before he announced his retirement at the 2011 seasons AGM, due to illness. During his time in the WAGS Terry's best championship position was 8<sup>th</sup> out of 28 members in the 2010 season, with an average points per game of 30.3.

Terry also won several competitions: -  
2002 Most Improved Player of the Year  
2002 WAGS Challenge  
2003 June Cup (doubles with Mark Wells)  
2003 August Cup (doubles with Jack Christian)  
2011 Asia Cup (doubles with Daniel Keen)  
2011 WAGS Away Weekend Overall Champion  
(Abbotsley Golf & Country Club)

Terry's widow Sue has asked for no flowers at the funeral, but donations to Cancer Research. The WAGS are donating a cheque for £200.00. I will be asking every member for a donation of £5 at the next couple of matches towards the society donation, with the WAGS itself topping this up to the final amount.



Terry being presented with the  
2011 Overall Away Weekend  
Championship by Captain Pete  
Hallam at Abbotsley Golf Club

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My apologies for this newsletter being rather later than normal, but I am in the process of ripping out my old kitchen, in preparation for the installation of a new one – well being in the kitchen business how hard can it be? Although it seems Pauline isn't too impressed with my delicate touch with a sledgehammer!!

## July Doubles Cup –

### Tapton Golf Club : Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2013

Tapton Golf Club is just on the outskirts of Chesterfield, but then for all you knowledgeable members I guess the crooked spire is a giveaway ☺.

18 WAGS members and one guest attended the match at Tapton and you have to say, far better weather than last year – although I don't see how it could possibly have been worse! The Tapton match was the first doubles match of the 2013 season, with our captain Ian Patrick and long serving member Chris Norris drawing the double pairings for the match.

So who fancied a stab at lifting a trophy? Who thought they had been drawn with an excellent doubles partner? Well my solution would be to read on.....



So why is Shane looking pleased? Well it might have something to do with the fact he has finally found his mobile phone. Shane had been looking for it for almost an hour, ever since all the members had been enjoying their bacon butty in the clubhouse. After leaving the clubhouse Shane could not find his phone, he retraced his steps but no luck. Before teeing off we again tried phoning his mobile and low and behold, we heard a muffled ringing. Upon tracing the ring Shane's mobile was found in Ash's golf bag!! Oh how could his best mate have 'nicked' his mobile. Well Ash actually didn't, during breakfast Shane had gone to pour a cup of coffee for himself. In the meantime Pete leapt to his feet like a young gazelle and swiped it from the table that Shane had been sitting at.

Once outside Pete bided his time before planting Shane's mobile in Ash's golf bag. Just another escapade in the wicked world of the WAGS ☺



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During the round of golf at Tapton the 18 WAGS members and one guest managed to card 58 gross pars. Daniel O'Hanlon carded 5 gross pars, with Danny Fletcher going one better carding 6 gross pars. Carding a very creditable 7 gross pars were Mick O'Hanlon and our guest for the day, Daz Pickering. However top of the heap at the testing Tapton course with an excellent 8 gross pars, was the mobile man himself, Shane Dellow. Gentlemen well played to you all.

Along with the 58 gross pars, it seems the WAGS members went birdie mad! No less than 10 gross birdies were carded at Tapton. These were: -

Ges Meehan	Hole 1	Par 4	297 yards	S.I.8
Darren Fretwell	Hole 11	Par 3	191 yards	S.I.9
Daniel O'Hanlon	Hole 12	Par 5	436 yards	S.I.17
Danny Fletcher	Hole 14	Par 4	211 yards	S.I.15
Ian Patrick	Hole 15	Par 5	499 yards	S.I.7
Darren Fretwell	Hole 16	Par 4	293 yards	S.I.11
Ian Patrick	Hole 16	Par 4	293 yards	S.I.11
Pete Hallam	Hole 16	Par 4	293 yards	S.I.11
Paul Bacon	Hole 17	Par 4	350 yards	S.I.5
Mick O'Hanlon	Hole 18	Par 4	252 yards	S.I.13



Looks like Russ is getting into the swing of things!

Well it seems both Darren and Ian went birdie mad, carding two each!! Gentlemen very well played to all of you.



Nice to see our old friend "Worm-Cam" making an appearance. I really must have a word about his recent attendance record, not good!!

So how did the 9 pairs play? Well all the pairings were only separated by 10 points, with only four points between the top four pairs. Sounds like a close match, maybe only the odd scoring shot making the difference between finishing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup>!! I can hear you now saying "if only that put had gone in". If I had a £1 for every time I've heard a WAGS member say that, I could be lying on a beautiful sun drenched beach right now ☺

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The results: -

WINNER ~	Darren Fretwell & Ges Meehan	- 44 pts
2 <sup>nd</sup> ~	Russ McLaughlin & Paul Bacon	- 42 pts
3 <sup>rd</sup> ~	Ash Hutchinson & Mick Fullwood	- 41 pts
Nearest the Pin ~	Danny Fletcher	- Hole No.3
	Danny Fletcher	- Hole No.8
	Daz Pickering (guest)	- Hole No.11
Longest Drive ~	Dave Johnstone	- Hole No.15
Nearest the Pin in 2 ~	Mick O'Hanlon	- Hole No.18

Gentlemen very well played to you all.

Doubles scores: -

Shane Dellow & Steve Roulstone	40 pts	Danny Fletcher & Dave Clarke	37 pts
Ian Patrick & Glen Hundleby	39 pts	Dave Johnstone & Paul Ormond	34 pts
Daniel O'Hanlon & Pete Hallam	38 pts	Mick O'Hanlon & Chris Norris	34 pts

Alphabetical Individual scores: -

Ash Hutchinson	25 pts	Daz Pickering (G)	29 pts	Paul Bacon	36 pts
Chris Norris	14 pts	Ges Meehan	34 pts	Paul Ormond	27 pts
Daniel O'Hanlon	31 pts	Glen Hundleby	25 pts	Pete Hallam	23 pts
Danny Fletcher	32 pts	Ian Patrick	36 pts	Russ McLaughlin	28 pts
Darren Fretwell	37 pts	Mick Fullwood	29 pts	Shane Dellow	34 pts
Dave Clarke	30 pts	Mick O'Hanlon	31 pts	Steve Roulstone	21 pts
Dave Johnstone	19 pts				

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

Gentlemen I will see you all at the Manor golf club on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2013, please let me know if you want to play by Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June.

Regards

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