

WILSTHORPE AMATEUR **GOLF SOCIETY**

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Dear WAGS Members,

NEXT MATCH : Sunday 27th October 2013			
Venue :	Trent Lock Golf Club		
Competition :	2012 Winter Cup		
Arrival Time :	10:00am	Cost :	£20.00
Members / Guests Playing: -			
Andrew Shilton	Ash Hutchinson	Charlie Shilton	Chris Norris
Daniel Keen	Daniel O'Hanlon	Danny Fletcher	Dave Johnstone
Glen Hundleby	Graham Hofmann	Ian Patrick	John Frearson
Bron Dyjas	Jordan Hughes	Michael Riley	Mick Fullwood
Mick O'Hanlon	Paul Bacon	Pete Hallam	Russ McLaughlin
Shane Dellow	Steve Roulstone	Martin Sheppard (G)	Paul Ormond

I will be confirming the numbers with Trent Lock on Saturday 19th October, so if you are not down to play and wish to do so, please let me know by then!!

Yes, we are finally playing the cancelled Winter Cup from way back in March!! Hopefully we will have better weather than the snow covering that made it unable to play on the original date in March. Not wanting to tempt fate, but with the great weather we have had this season, we might even get a little sunshine – but you didn't hear that from me ☺.

Just to remind you the 18 hole course at Trent Lock is a par 69 and comes in at 5,510 yards from the 'yellow tees'. The course starts with the Stroke Index 2, Par 5 hole and at 515 yards it will need three good trodges to put yourself in with a chance of a gross par – good luck ☺. By the time you reach the 9th hole, things get easier. This is a Par 3 hole and at only 102 yards, should be an easy chip and put then! However, you first have to not only chip over the lake, but also the bunker that guards the front of the green, so suddenly although it is the Stroke Index 18 hole, there are several ways you could completely muck this easy Par 3 hole up ☺.

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November Singles Cup – Kilton Forest Golf Club : Sunday 6th October 2013

So here we are, the final match of the 2013 WAGS Season. You could feel the tension in the air as the members all met at Kilton Forest. With the sun shining and just a gentle breeze, it seemed that it would be the perfect day to decide the championship. So who was in the running? Well if you can remember all the stat sheets from the WAGS Newsletter, Issue No.11, you will remember the championship would more than likely be decided between only four WAGS members, namely Ges Meehan, Mick O'Hanlon, Danny Fletcher and Ian Patrick. Allowing for the two lowest scores being dropped from the previous seven matches, only 5 points separated our four musketeers.



Before battle commenced, there was the traditional battle of the breakfast to contend with. Here you can see our Captain, Handicap Secretary, ex-Captain and Chairman all awaiting to tuck

into their breakfast. But have you noticed a slight indiscretion from our Chairman? Look closely..... maybe by looking at Pete's tank top it will give you a clue!! It seems the nerves might have got to Mick, in a confused state that morning he put the wrong tank top on!!! What is the world coming to if you can't rely on your Chairman ☺



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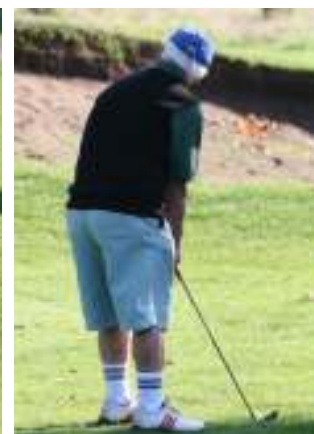
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You might have been wondering from the picture on the last page, why everyone was just waiting around. Well, unfortunately Kilton Forest golf club had made a bit of a hash of the club competition that was taking place before we were due to tee off. The start time for some reason was over half an hour later than it should have been, which in turn meant our first tee off was actually 45 minutes later than it should have been. Well I guess at least it gave everyone plenty of time for a last minute practice! Unless you are Paul Bacon and Ash Hutchinson, then it was more time for a natter ☺

In the clubhouse our Chairman had made the draw for order of play, with the traditional last match procedure of placing the top four in the last four groups out. i.e., the WAGS member currently leading the championship, would go out in the last group. The second place member in the championship would go out in the second to last group. Followed by the 3rd and 4th place members going out in the 3rd and 4th to last groups respectively. Just time to make sure all the nearest the pin marker had been given to the first group. Then I went up to Mick Fullwood and passed the spare 'nearest the pin markers' bag to him, so Mick could collect all the markers, as he was in the last group. Unfortunately Mick was in a completely different world and proceeded to put his hand in to the bag I was holding!! "What are you doing Mick?", I asked. His reply "I am pulling out of the bag", for some unknown reason Mick thought we were pulling the draw for the groups out of the bag. Half of the members witnessed this and just fell about laughing, just priceless ☺



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With everyone finally teed off, it would now just be a case of who could hold their nerve and clinch the 2013 WAGS Championship. But through modern technology our roving reporter can bring you updates as the round at Kilton Forest unfolds. Before the start of the match, the scores on the doors were: -

Ges	166 (best 5 of 7)
Mick	165 (best 5 of 7)
Danny	163 (best 5 of 7)
Ian	161 (best 5 of 7)

Mick O'Hanlon, Ges Meehan and Ian Patrick all carded a steady gross bogey on the 1st hole, with Danny Fletcher going one better and carding a gross par. However allowing for the handicaps it was Ges, Ian and Danny who scored 2 points, with Mick only scoring 1 point. It looks the battle could go to the wire!! All four of the protagonists for the title played the first six holes very steadily. Ian had scored 12 points, Danny had scored 11 points and Mick & Ges had scored 10 points. If we average the first six holes points totals for the entire round, the predicted final score for the WAGS championship would be: -

Ian	197 (best 6 of 8)
Ges	196 (best 6 of 8)
Danny	196 (best 6 of 8)
Mick	195 (best 6 of 8)

Well you couldn't really get any closer!!

Over the next six holes our contenders carded 5 gross pars and two gross birdies between them. With a total of 46 points scored collectively, wow sounds like these guys know how to play, but who will crack first ☺. Danny scored 9 points, Mick had scored 10 points, Ian carded 13 points, but Ges just edged it over the second six holes with 14 points. Again if we average the first 12 holes points totals for the entire round, the predicted final score would be: -

Ges	202 (best 6 of 8)
Ian	198 (best 6 of 8)
Mick	195 (best 6 of 8)
Danny	193 (best 6 of 8)

Maybe, just maybe there is a gap appearing...



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*Even if I say so
myself, the swing
looks good ☺*

138 holes of golf had been played in the 2013 WAGS Championship, it was now down to the last six holes of the entire championship left to play, it was crunch time! Just six measley holes, all that was needed would be a steady straight drive, followed by a clean and accurate approach to each of the greens and then a steady hand with the putter and the championship would be in the bag!! How hard can it be? Well.....

Danny, Mick, Ian and Ges were trying their best, carding 6 gross pars and two gross birdies on the last six holes between them.

Danny carded one gross par and one gross birdie.

Mick carded two gross pars.

Ian managed one gross par and one gross birdie.

Ges carded two gross pars.

And believe it or not between them they only failed to score on one hole, achieving a combined total of 47 points over the last six holes.

..... to be continued

Between the 20 members that played at Kilton Forest we carded a total of 64 gross pars, well done everyone. Ian Patrick, Andrew Shilton, Charlie Shilton and Ash Hutchinson all carded 5 gross pars. But top of the heap at Kilton Forest were both Daniel O'Hanlon and Shane Dellow, who managed an excellent 7 gross pars each. Very well done to you all gentlemen.

As well as the 64 gross pars, we also managed to card 13 gross birdies, these were by: -

Dave Johnstone	Hole 5	Par 4	289 yards	Stroke Index 15
Daniel O'Hanlon	Hole 7	Par 5	495 yards	Stroke Index 9
Charlie Shilton	Hole 7	Par 5	495 yards	Stroke Index 9
Danny Fletcher	Hole 7	Par 5	495 yards	Stroke Index 9
Mick Fullwood	Hole 7	Par 5	495 yards	Stroke Index 9
Mick O'Hanlon	Hole 9	Par 4	427 yards	Stroke Index 3
Ian Patrick	Hole 14	Par 5	491 yards	Stroke Index 10
Charlie Shilton	Hole 15	Par 4	269 yards	Stroke Index 16
Andrew Shilton	Hole 16	Par 4	325 yards	Stroke Index 14
Danny Fletcher	Hole 16	Par 4	325 yards	Stroke Index 14
Michael Riley	Hole 16	Par 4	325 yards	Stroke Index 14
Jordan Hughes	Hole 16	Par 4	325 yards	Stroke Index 14
John Frearson	Hole 17	Par 4	371 yards	Stroke Index 6

Gentlemen very well played indeed on your gross birdies, in particular Michael Riley. Michael is one of our newest members and it turns out that his gross birdie on the 16th hole at Kilton Forest, was indeed his first ever. Congratulations ☺

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So how did the championship conclude? Well it was tight, over the last six holes Mick scored 10 points, Danny scored 11 points and both Ian and Ges scored 13 points.

Which meant the final totals were: -

Ges	203 (best 6 of 8)
Ian	199 (best 6 of 8)
Mick	195 (best 6 of 8)
Danny	194 (best 6 of 8)

Yes I know the photograph may have been a bit of a give away, but Ges Meehan is the 2013 WAGS Champion.

Very well played Ges, who can be seen enjoying his first pint as a WAGS Champion ☺.

Ges's total of 203 points was made up from 32 points at Allestree, 37 points at Thorpe Wood, 34 points at Tapton, 31 points at Beauchief, 32 points at Tinsley and an excellent 37 points at Kilton Forest. Ges dropped the 27 points at The Manor and did not attend the Sinfin match.



The results: -

WINNER ~	Ian Patrick	- 38 pts
2 nd ~	Ges Meehan	- 37 pts
3 rd ~	Daniel O'Hanlon	- 36 pts

Nearest the Pin ~	Dave Johnstone	- Hole No.1
	Ges Meehan	- Hole No.4
	Ges Meehan	- Hole No.8
	Pete Hallam	- Hole No.12

Longest Drive ~	Dave Johnstone	- Hole No.14
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Nearest the Pin in 2 ~	Shane Dellow	- Hole No.18
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Alphabetical Individual scores: -

Andrew Shilton	34 pts	Glen Hundleby	28 pts	Mick O'Hanlon	30 pts
Ash Hutchinson	26 pts	John Frearson	32 pts	Paul Bacon	25 pts
Charlie Shilton	31 pts	Jordan Hughes	27 pts	Pete Hallam	33 pts
Chris Norris	18 pts	Martin Sheppard (G)	35 pts	Russ McLaughlin	18 pts
Danny Fletcher	31 pts	Michael Riley	29 pts	Shane Dellow	35 pts
Dave Johnstone	30 pts	Mick Fullwood	26 pts	Steve Roulstone	35 pts

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

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GES MEEHAN	32	37	32	34	34	31	32	37	203
IAN PATRICK	31	30	36	36	27	30	31	38	199
MICK O'HANLON	30	30	32	31	37	33	32	30	195
DANNY FLETCHER	29	31	36	32	32	26	32	31	194
DANIEL O'HANLON	28	28	32	21	38	35	37	36	185
SHANE BELLOW	29	26	26	34	27	26	34	35	185
GLEN HUNDLESBY	30	35	27	25	20	35	32	28	177
PETE HALLAM	29	25	36	28	27	30	32	33	175
DAVE JOHNSTONE	26	29	26	19	27	30	32	30	174
ASH HUTCHINSON	28	24	30	25	32	25	31	26	169
STEVE ROULSTONE	24	24	35	21	26	31	21	35	161
MICK FULLWOOD	28	29	25	29	28	23	28	26	160
JORDAN HUGHES	28	36	36	30	29	0	26	27	154
PAUL ORMOND	17	22	27	27	22	36	25	32	138
ROSS McLAUGHLIN	14	22	23	28	27	27	36	38	136
PAUL BACON	22	22	30	36	19	0	32	25	134
DARREN FRETWELL	22	26	28	27	18	31	32	0	130
CHARLIE SHILTON	31	30	28	30	0	26	0	31	116
JOHN FREARSON	26	29	30	30	0	26	0	32	113
DANIEL KEEN	25	32	30	30	0	27	28	0	112
CHRIS NORRIS	12	18	23	14	30	30	24	18	109
GRAHAM HOFMANN	29	30	30	0	0	24	32	0	85
DAVE CLARKE	17	30	30	30	15	17	0	0	79
MICHAEL RILEY	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	29	57
ANDREW SHILTON	-	-	-	30	30	21	0	34	55
BARRY DYJAS	26	30	30	0	27	0	0	0	53
DAVE SHAW	-	-	-	30	30	22	0	0	22

So with all the members completing the final WAGS round of golf for the 2013 season, we could all see where in the championship we finished. Yes, the high-tech piece of equipment had been dusted off yet again and proudly stood on one of the bench seating for all to see.

Had you beaten last season's score?, or had you achieved a higher placing in the championship table than last season? Or was it as simple as beating your closest friend and rival. Wherever you finished in the championship table, I just hope you have enjoyed yet another season with the WAGS as much as I have.

It seems that the varied mix of members we have in the society seems to be our greatest strength, every member during the season can be seen chatting and sometimes pulling each others legs (oh yes, I have noticed a little teasing goes on within the society ☺). Well I couldn't really say 'we all take the piss out of each other', when this piece of outstanding literature is read by some of our nearest and dearest !!

However, the 2013 season was tinged with some sadness as we lost two much loved members, namely Terry Pickworth and Jack Christian.

Since the first match of the 2013 season, the Silver Ferret at Morley Hayes Golf Club, the WAGS have played a total of 11 golf courses, excluding the away weekend. During these 11 matches we have amassed a total of 6,388 stapleford points between us. The average points score over these 11 matches per player is 27.92. The lowest average points score per match was 24.81 at The Manor Golf Club. The highest average points score per match was 30.19 at Kilton Forest Golf Club. During the 2013 season the average number of members playing at each venue was just a smidge under 21 (20.82 to be exact).

Over just the eight championship matches in the 2011 season we scored a total of 4,054 points. In the 2012 season we scored a total of 4,134 points – a slight improvement. However, during the 2013 season we have scored a whopping 4,523 points. Wow, are we improving that much? Well maybe not as much as we might think. The points total during the 2012 season was made by the 155 players who attended the matches. Whereas this seasons point's total of 4,523 was achieved by the 164 players who attended the matches.

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What better to do after finishing the last match of the season.....



Yes you have guessed it, a pint and a chat about that putt that just lipped the hole and never fell in. Or the perfect drive that somehow ended up in a divot, preventing you from executing an excellent approach shot to the green!



With the season over with I would just like to thank you for all your support. Maybe you have had a great season, or even just ok, or maybe it could have gone slightly better, but above all hopefully you have enjoyed yourself. It seems at present the membership is practically at its limit of 30 members already for the 2014 season. There is just one space available, so if you know of someone who is interested please let me know.

It only leaves me to congratulate our 2013 WAGS Champion. It his only his third season with the WAGS and already he has one championship in the bag. How many more can he win? Gentlemen, please join me in saying a big well done to.....

******* *Ges Meehan, 2013 WAGS Champion* *******

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Remember if you want to play in the Winter Cup on Sunday 27th October 2013 at Trent Lock Golf Club and you are not listed, please let me know as soon as.

The committee are meeting this coming weekend to select the venue for the 2014 Away Weekend, once the venue has been decided I will let you all know. For any who did not pay their deposit for the 2014 Away Weekend at Kilton Forest Golf Club, please remember to bring it to the Winter Cup on Sunday 27th October if you want to attend.

Thank you all once again, see you at Trent Lock.

Regards

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