

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

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Dear WAGS Members,

<b>NEXT MATCH : Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2016</b>			
<b>Venue :</b>	<b>Trent Lock Golf Club, NG10 2FY</b>		
<b>Competition :</b>	<b>Winter Cup &amp; Presentation Evening</b>		
<b>Arrival Time :</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Cost :</b>	<b>£40.00</b>
Members / Guests Playing: -			
Steve Roulstone			

Can you please let me know if you are playing in the Winter Cup as soon as possible. I also need to know whether you will be bringing a guest or guests to the Presentation Evening after the Winter Cup. The cost of the 3 course carvery meal after the presentation is £15.00 per person.

There are two buggies booked for Trent lock. I have allocated them to the following members: - Ash Hutchinson, Danny Fletcher, Glen Hundleby and Paul Ormond.

Should you not wish to have a buggy, or you cannot make the Winter Cup, please let me know.

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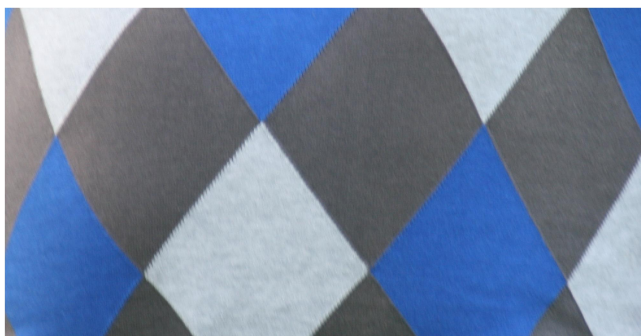


## **November Singles Cup – Springwater G.C. : Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2016**

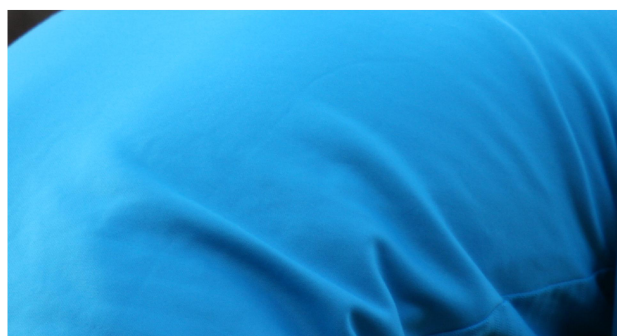
So sadly we arrive at the final match of the season, once the final putt has been made, in the final group of members, the 2016 season will be over and done with. I swear the seasons seem to get shorter, they certainly seem to pass by so quickly, or maybe that is just a case of we all enjoy our WAGS matches so much, time just flies! The first match of the season was way back on the 24<sup>th</sup> April, at Ruddington Grange for the much-loved Silver Ferret. And now 161 days later, here we are playing for the November Singles Cup. During that time we had played 7 out of the 8 championship matches, carding a total of 4,236 Stapleford points. 149 WAGS members had played in total over the 7 championship matches to amass those Stapleford points. But no matter how many points had been carded so far in the season, it would all come down to the next few hours to determine the WAGS 2016 Champion.

The practice putting green at Springwater was no only awash with members fine turning their putting stroke before the start of the match, but it was also awash with a blaze of colour. I wonder if you know who was wearing what colour? Who was wearing a subtle in vogue shade, or who was wearing something quite daring? Well read on.....

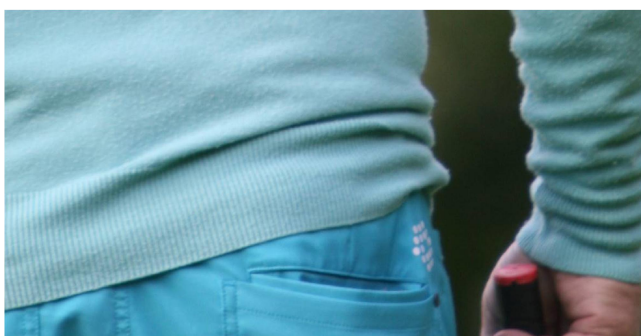
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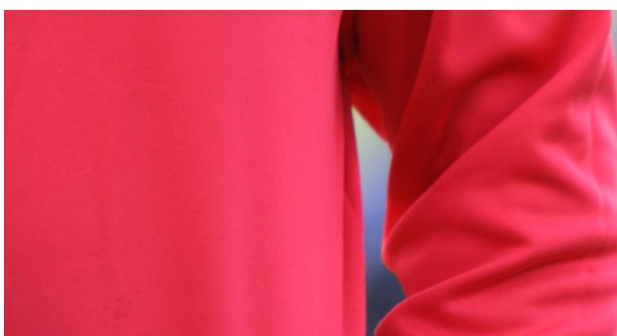
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We had a very good turnout for the last match of the season at Springwater, with 25 members attending. Those 25 members carded a very impressive total of 96 gross pars, so close to breaking that magical 100! So who managed to card the most in the grand total of 96 gross pars? Well of note were Graham Hofmann and Ian Patrick, both of whom carded a respectable 5 gross pars.

Bettering that by one and carding a creditable 6 gross pars was Russ McLaughlin. However, both Andrew Shilton and Jordan Hughes improved on 6 gross pars by both carding an impressive 7 gross pars. Not to be outdone on his last WAGS match, Martin Sheppard carded an excellent 8 gross pars. But this was just not quite enough to be “Top of the Heap” in the last match of the 2016 season. That honour went to Charlie Shilton, who carded a fantastic 9 gross pars. Gentlemen very well played to you all.

Along with the record breaking number of gross pars, the 25 WAGS members seem to go mad on gross birdies as well. Not a record amount, but very close indeed. 11 gross birdies were carded at Springwater. These were by: -

Paul Sawdon	Hole No.1	Par 5	465 yards	S.I.12
Charlie Shilton	Hole No.4	Par 5	492 yards	S.I.2
Dave Johnstone	Hole No.7	Par 4	372 yards	S.I.8
Daniel Keen	Hole No.8	Par 4	336 yards	S.I.18
Charlie Shilton	Hole No.8	Par 4	336 yards	S.I.18
Glen Hundleby	Hole No.13	Par 3	160 yards	S.I.17
Jason Dellow	Hole No.14	Par 5	543 yards	S.I.7
Danny Fletcher	Hole No.14	Par 5	543 yards	S.I.7
Daniel Keen	Hole No.17	Par 5	525 yards	S.I.9
Stuart Prescott	Hole No.18	Par 3	178 yards	S.I.5
Danny Fletcher	Hole No.18	Par 3	178 yards	S.I.5

Gentlemen well played to you all, especially to Charlie, Daniel and Danny, all of whom decide to card 2 gross birdies each, greedy buggers ☺.

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So, what about the championship?  
Who would hold it together and stake their claim to become the WAGS 2016 Champion?

Those in contention, albeit with only maybe a slim outside chance, were Ges Meehan and Mick O'Hanlon, who were both on 158 points. Then a little closer, we have Graham Hofmann and Shane Dellow both on 160 points. Currently in second place was Daniel Keen on 166 points. But sitting in pole position was Dave Johnstone on 172 points. All these points were based on the best 5 matches from 7, so there could be some movement, with those members in contention maybe dropping a previous low score if their total points score at Springwater was better.

So with those members mentioned having their abacus at the ready, it was time to pay golf.

(left) I wonder how far our Captain Graham Hofmann gets before he starts thinking "where the bloody hell did I put my scorecard?" ☺

(below) it seems there is something stirring in the undergrowth!! I am not sure what it could be, but it does seem to be searching for something.....



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So what mystery object was lurking in the undergrowth?

Well believe it or not, I was me!!

Oh yes, it was one of those rare pictures that actually has me in front of the camera and not behind it. It seems the member sharing the buggy with me took it upon his self to take control of the camera when I had a slight mishap with my tee shot on the par 4, 8<sup>th</sup> hole. I was sharing the buggy with our Treasurer Ian Patrick and it seems he just could not resist the chance to get me on film!! So with a stiff low throdge, I managed to get the ball out of the undergrowth and eventually manage to get to the green and make the putt for a single point.

It must be these irons.... who needs woods anyway ☺



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## The results: -

WINNER ~	Andrew Shilton	- 38 pts
2 <sup>nd</sup> ~	Martin Sheppard	- 37 pts
3 <sup>rd</sup> ~	Jordan Hughes	- 34 pts
Nearest the Pin ~	Stuart Prescott	- Hole No.5
	Dave Johnstone	- Hole No.9
	Paul Sawdon	- Hole No.13
	Graham Hofmann	- Hole No.16
	Charlie Shilton	- Hole No.18
	Robbie Kerr	- Hole No.17
Longest Drive ~	Mick O'Hanlon	- Hole No.2

## Alphabetical Individual scores: -

Ash Hutchinson	30 pts	Glen Hundleby	31 pts	Paul Sawdon	34 pts
Charlie Shilton	34 pts	Graham Hofmann	34 pts	Pete Hallam	31 pts
Daniel Keen	29 pts	Ian Patrick	25 pts	Robbie Kerr	23 pts
Daniel O'Hanlon	28 pts	Jason Dellow	33 pts	Russ McLaughlin	32 pts
Danny Fletcher	27 pts	Mick O'Hanlon	24 pts	Shane Dellow	31 pts
Dave Clarke	21 pts	Paul Bacon	29 pts	Steve Roulstone	28 pts
Dave Johnstone	32 pts	Paul Ormond	26 pts	Stuart Prescott	30 pts
Ges Meehan	30 pts				

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



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And what about the WAGS 2016 Championship?

Well one by one the contenders finished their rounds of golf at Springwater.

Mick O'Hanlon arrived in the clubhouse with a score of only 24 points, giving him a total of 184 (best 6 from 8). As it stood that put Mick just 12 points in front of Dave. Next in was Ges Meehan, who carded a total of 30 points, bringing his total to 188 points (best 6 from 8), thus giving Ges the lead in the clubhouse of 16 points over Dave.

Some of the WAGS members were now already enjoying the delights of the clubhouse...



Our Captain for the 2016 season Graham Hofmann was the next contender to arrive back in the clubhouse. Graham presented a card of 34 points, improving his total for the season to 194 points (best 6 from 8). Graham was now the new leader in the clubhouse with just two contenders left out on the course, Daniel Keen and Dave Johnstone. Daniel would need to score over 28 points to take the lead. Daniel arrived in the clubhouse, his card was inspected... what had he scored?

Well, 29 points, our Vice-Captain Daniel Keen was now the new leader in the clubhouse with a total of 195 points (best 6 from 8) and with only 1 contender left out on the course. The sole remaining contender was our Handicap Secretary Dave Johnstone, after a quick calculation it seemed Dave only needed to card 23 points or more to be crowned the WAGS 2016 Champion. However, with only scoring 3 points on the last 4 holes, had Dave thrown away the chance of taking his 4<sup>th</sup> WAGS championship title? Dave counted his carded up, signed his card and his playing partners card and then handed his card in to the clubhouse. Dave had scored....

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Well, Dave had scored 32 points at Spingwater, bringing his total for the season to 204 (best 6 from 8) and was crowned WAGS 2016 Champion. Here we see Dave taking the applause from his fellow WAGS members. Congratulations Dave, very well played. Of Dave's seven championship rounds of golf he played during the season, Dave had scored over 30 points in five of those rounds, with his highest score being 38, followed up with two scores of 37 points. I think you might call that consistency ☺.

*Dave Johnstone : WAGS 2016 Champion*



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So, if you can remember back on page 2, I showed you a few small teaser photographs of some of our members at Springwater wearing distinctive clothing! So who were they? Well.....



(left) Well the teaser photographs 'B' and 'D' were Robbie Kerr and Daniel O'Hanlon respectively.



(right) The other two teaser photographs 'A' and 'C' were Mick O'Hanlon and Shane Dellow.

Gentlemen thank you all for a very entertaining and enjoyable 2016 season.  
Congratulations to all the winners throughout the season.

Hopefully I will see you all on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October at Trent Lock for the Winter Cup and Presentation Evening. Don't forget to let me know as soon as possible.

Regards

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