

WILSTHORPE AMATEUR GOLF SOCIETY

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Dear WAGS Members,

Winter Cup – Morley Hayes : Saturday 3rd November 2018

This is our second season playing the Winter Cup at Morley Hayes and I am sure most of the members would agree, it is a very well kept and maintained course, especially at this time of year. It is also the second year we have moved the Winter Cup and Presentation Evening to the end of the normal golfing season, rather than the beginning of the new season. The attendance for the 2018 Winter Cup was up on last year, with 23 members attending, compared to last years attendance of 17. So, thank you all gentlemen in helping support our society and making this years Winter Cup another success.



It seems the members are nice and relaxed having their tea & coffee and bacon butties before getting ready to take on the task of winning the 2018 Winter Cup.



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I had the pleasure of playing in the 2018 Winter Cup with two ex-champions, the 2009 season champion Daniel Keen and the 2017 season champion Daniel O'Hanlon. A very select group to start the proceedings at Morley Hayes. Both Daniel's were very honoured 😊.

However, Daniel Keen's tee shot on the Par 3, 159 yards 6th hole, was just a little short and left of the green, landing quite deeply in the bunker. But, given the sand had been recently raked by the groundstaff and with plenty of sand in the bunker, surely it should be a mere formality to lift the ball cleanly out of the bunker and land it on the green. Well as you can see, Daniel did indeed cleanly stroke his ball out of the sand, landing on the green. Although Daniel did miss his chance of a par settling for a bogey, but after seeing where his ball had come to rest in the bunker most of us who have taken that.



Do you get the impression Russ McLaughlin is miles away in his own world, enjoying the peace and quiet of the golf course? I guess things could be worse, you could have a phone call saying that you had a terrible water leak back home!!

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It seems that one of the members attending the Winter Cup thought that with it being a “Winter” cup you had to wear ALL your winter golfing clothes!! Well I am sure that Paul Ormond is well and truly toasted under ALL that clobber 😊.

It seems Paul is not the only one making sure he gets full use out of ALL his winter golf clothing, here is Jason modelling yet more full-blown winter clobber 😊



Finally, we have a WAGS member wearing more normal winter clothing, well done Jordan Hughes, of course on Saturday 3rd November it was perfect tee-shirt golfing weather. Although just a small point Jordan, personally I would have gone for shorts as well 😊

Mind you, judging by Jordan’s startled look, he might still be a little hungover or even still drunk from the night before!! Not that I would ever consider casting such aspersions...

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The 23 WAGS members playing at Morley Hayes managed to card an excellent 79 gross pars. I say excellent, given that last year the 17 WAGS members only managed to card 38 gross pars, so well played indeed gentlemen. Of note carding multiple gross pars were Danny Fletcher, Jordan Hughes, Ash Hutchinson and Dave Johnstone, all of whom carded a creditable 5 gross pars. Improving on this by one and carding a respectable 6 gross pars was our out-going Captain and 2017 champion Daniel O'Hanlon. Charlie Shilton carded an impressive 7 gross pars around the course at Morley Hayes, but the "King of the Heap" was our Chairman Mick O'Hanlon, who carded an excellent 9 gross pars. Gentlemen well played indeed.

We saw a marked improvement in the gross birdies also in the 2018 Winter Cup, compared to last year. Last year we carded just 3, whereas this year we carded double that, a total of 6.



These were by: -

Daniel Keen	Hole No.1	Par 4	364 yards	S.I.7
Robbie Kerr	Hole No.3	Par 5	471 yards	S.I.9
Ash Hutchinson	Hole No.8	Par 4	323 yards	S.I.11
Robbie Kerr	Hole No.13	Par 5	518 yards	S.I.8
Danny Fletcher	Hole No.16	Par 3	151 yards	S.I.18
Jordan Hughes	Hole No.17	Par 5	515 yards	S.I.10

Gentlemen, very well played all of you. It seems that par 5 holes are not much of a challenge for some of you!

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The results: -

WINNER ~

2nd ~

3rd ~

Nearest the Pin ~

Longest Drive ~

Nearest the Pin in 3 ~

Jordan Hughes - 35 pts

Dave Syson - 34 pts

Mick O'Hanlon - 33 pts

Shane Dellow - Hole No.6

Mick O'Hanlon - Hole No.12

Danny Fletcher - Hole No.16

Mick O'Hanlon - Hole No.13

Mick O'Hanlon - Hole No.18

Gentlemen very well played to you all.

Alphabetical Individual scores: -

Andrew Shilton	24 pts	Glen Hundleby	33 pts
Ash Hutchinson	33 pts	Graham Hofmann	30 pts
Bron Dyjas	24 pts	Jason Dellow	26 pts
Charlie Shilton	31 pts	Paul Ormond	21 pts
Daniel Keen	28 pts	Paul Sawdon	32 pts
Daniel O'Hanlon	33 pts	Pete Hallam	25 pts
Danny Fletcher	29 pts	Robbie Kerr	33 pts
Dave Clarke	19 pts	Russ McLaughlin	30 pts
Dave Johnstone	32 pts	Shane Dellow	22 pts
Ges Meehan	21 pts	Steve Roulstone	26 pts

Given the amount of balls our Chairman has just won, no wonder he is smiling



Well I guess Mick did leave two of the five prizes for others to win!



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We now arrived at the climax to the Wilsthorpe Amateur Golf Society season, the presentation of the seasons' trophies and awards. This years' numbers were slightly up on last year, which is a great sign, hopefully we can get even more at attend next year. With this in mind, you are all more than welcome to put Saturday 26th October 2019 in your diary. This is the date for the 2019 season Winter Cup and Presentation Evening. You cannot say I have not given you enough notice surely 😊.

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I have just one more photograph taken from the Winter Cup to share before the presentation. Now if you are wondering what is happening, well it seems a couple of the members saw Danny Fletchers top resting on a chair and they thought it would be more appropriate to slide Danny's top over the back of a chair. However, it seems the members in question thought that Danny's generously proportioned outer garment would be lost sat over the back of just **ONE** chair 😊.

I think it is fair to say, the tables all looked rather smart for our presentation and evening meal. And I certainly hope that all those that attended enjoyed the meal. I know that the food at Morley Hayes is always of the best quality, but I have the unfortunate decision in choosing the set menu for the evening and while you always hope that the majority of the guest will enjoy the selected menu, you cannot help but worry. However, having hopefully chatted with most of you after the meal, it was great to hear that for the most part everyone enjoyed the food. Of course, there will be items within a set menu that some people just do not like and I would like to think I can remember this for next year. Can I just say a big thank you to all of you that attended the presentation evening, both members and guests alike. It is only with your continued patronage that we can have nights like this, many thanks.



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Not quite sure where all of Charlie Shilton's fellow members had disappeared to! Maybe they had just nipped to the bar and if they were goffering for you Charlie, well done mate!

Can I just finish on thanking our committee for their help throughout the season, as ever we never seem to have 'committee meetings' as such, but always have the time to discuss certain issues as they occur during a season. To that end, we were very fortunate this season to be able to subsidise the Winter Cup and Presentation Evening by £20.00 per qualifying member. This would not be possible not only without the committee's input, but also more importantly the continued attendance of our membership throughout the season, so well done ALL of you.

Another night out.....

Yes, I am sure most of you will know we have another "Curry Night", this is on Friday 30th November, meeting as normal in the Navigation pub in Shardlow at 7:00pm.

If you have not already done so can you please let Dave Johnstone know that you are going. Just send a WhatsApp message, it is so easy!

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Graham Hofmann **2018 WAGS Champion**



Congratulations and well played indeed Graham,
I wonder who and how many will be after your crown next season?!

Regards

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