



## Senior Men's Section - Captain's Newsletter June 2018

**Mike Brooks.** This month's newsletter is of course overshadowed with the sad loss of Mike Brooks, one of the SMS's most stalwart supporters. Mike only recently volunteered to become a member of the committee, with the probability of becoming vice-captain in 2019. I am sure that you would all wish to join the messages of condolence to Jayne and the other members of Mike's family.

**Sturdy Seniors Cup.** You will be aware that this year's Sturdy Seniors Cup was cancelled during play. I took the decision to do so, and I stand by that decision. This competition has been re-arranged for 21 Sep 18. Those original players who cannot make this date should contact Mike Brown for return of the entry fee, minus the cost of the bacon roll (£2.85). Similar arrangements are applicable for the 2s competition entry fee. Alternatively, you can donate either or both to the SMS Captain's charity; Prostate Cancer UK. Please e-mail, or contact by other suitable means Mike Brown, Dave Lindley or Mike King, letting them know of your intention. A new sign-up sheet will appear nearer the time of the competition.

**Match Results.** The SMS had an excellent result away at St Ives on 31 May with a 2-4 win and this was followed by a 4½-1½ home win against March on 4 Jun. On 8 Jun however, and with the Captain absent, we lost at home 2-4 against the Millbrook; a rare home loss. A return to form saw us draw 3-3 away at Elton Furze, with yours truly in his match suffering the greatest loss since playing for the SMS ... Handicaps?!

### **Captain's Away Days at Hawkstone Park 11-12 Jun.**

Two exceptional golf courses, great company and venue, what more can I say? All 28 attending SMS members enjoyed great weather and the challenge of hills and fast greens. The winners of the 4BBB competition on the first day were Mike Prince and Stuart Blackburn, who received souvenir Hawkstone Park golf shirts. Clive Sheffield won the individual comp on the tough Hawkstone course with 36 points. Clive also took home a souvenir shirt amongst other prizes. *Some of the likely lads looking forward to the Hawkstone Course*



**Roll-ups.** Our Monday and Friday roll-ups are intended to be social golfing occasions, with the opportunity to play with the attending members of the SMS. It has been pointed out to me by committee members that on occasion, some players have been seen waiting in and around the car park for their friends or regular playing partners to arrive. This is not adherence to the spirit of the roll-up format. Please abide by the current arrangements and append your name to the sign-up sheet at the appropriate time.

Happy Golfing  
Mike Murray-Smith  
SMS Captain 2018