



July 2018 Members' Newsletter

Ladies' and Men's first majors

The first two majors of the year, the Ladies' Thomas Cup and the Men's Max Stone Chalice, took place in June.

Both are 36 hole handicap championships and, as usual, the scoring was excellent.

The Thomas Cup was won by junior Frankie Dezis beating an experienced field of ladies to claim her first major and get her handicap cut from 16 to 15.

The weekend after, the Max Stone Chalice was won by senior Phil Thompson who scored a fantastic gross 74 nett 65 on Day 2 to beat a field of over 100 players.

Congratulations to both of them.

Membership renewals

Thank you to all our July 1st renewal members for re-joining for 2018/19. We hope you have a great year and that your scores and handicaps come tumbling down!

For those members who pay by direct debit, your bag tags and vouchers are ready for you to pick up in the office. We will be posting out the remainder of tags throughout August.

For anyone who hasn't renewed yet please could you do so as soon as possible. For those who will not be renewing please let us know at info@farringtonpark.co.uk. If we have not heard anything by July 31st we will assume you do not wish to renew. Thank you.



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Other news

Terry Stacey

Due to a desire to ease off his workload, Terry will now be working two days per week at Farrington Park. He will carry on being based in the office and will be doing payroll, reports and helping Andrea with accounts. His extensive knowledge of the IT systems at Farrington will also be invaluable going forward. He will keep playing his golf at Farrington as usual and you will still see him about during the week. Terry has done a massive amount for the club over the years and although he is not going anywhere, we thank him for all he has done. Jon Cowgill is responsible for the overall business and reports directly to the owner Paul Harwood. Any questions to Jon.

Free My Caddie phone App

You can now download the MyCaddie app for free for your phone. This app gives you a free GPS of the Duchy Course as well as a hole by hole guide.

Temporary local rule - Cracked fairways

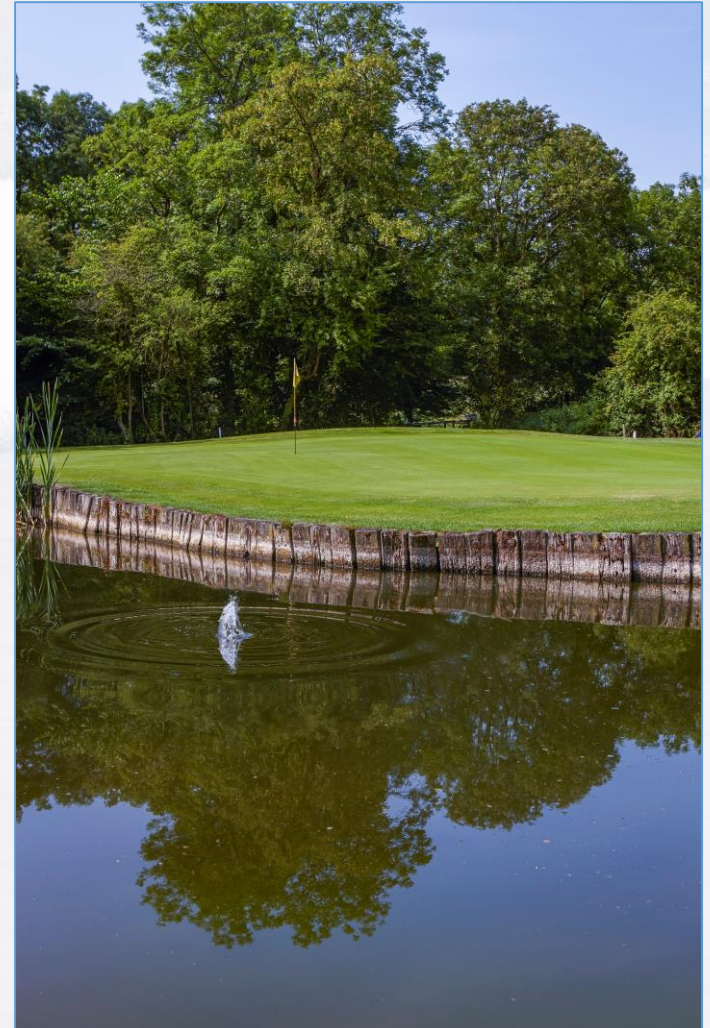
The recent dry spell has caused some areas of the course to crack. Until further notice, players may lift, clean and drop at the nearest point of relief without penalty.

This includes all areas of rough and fairway but does not include hazards.

Players should consult their playing partners before taking relief.

Planning application

Fingers crossed, we will have an answer shortly!



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News from the course with Andy Grabham

Dry, dry, dry!!!

With only 12mm of rain falling in June and high temperatures, it makes no surprise the grass has gone into hibernation.

We have had some issues with our irrigation system over the past month! The two pumps have now been fixed and are working again. The computer control system is now fixed from the wiring fault on the 7th/8th holes, this means we can run the system overnight again. Manual watering will continue throughout the day to help catch up some of the drier areas, sorry for any interruption caused to your round.

The new electric cables joining irrigation boxes between 7th green and 8th tee and from 7th green into the trees will be above ground until conditions allow us to trench them underground. Please try walk over the cables and avoid stepping on them and causing damage.

The greens have recovered well from the recent outbreak of disease and are rolling well again. With the dry weather continuing we must do our best to protect the surfaces from the extreme elements. This means cutting the greens less and applying a wetting agent to retain the moisture we are applying by irrigation. Hopefully we get some help from mother nature soon!! We will roll the greens instead to maintain trueness and speed.

Can You please use divot bags provided to fill in your divots, replacing the turf in this heat is pointless, it will just dry out and die!

Thatch treatment chemicals have been applied this month to help the ongoing process on reducing the excess build up. This is our main objective going forward and will help maintain a healthy and firmer surface all year round. The chemicals work best when the temperatures are above 12 degrees soil temp.

Hope everyone is enjoying golf in the sunny weather.

Thanks

Andy



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Monthly Photo Competition

We need your help please!
We would like to increase
our collection of Farrington
Park photos.

We thought who better to
take them than our
members and customers!
Simply take a photo on
your phone and email it to
jon@farringtonpark.co.uk.

The photo can be of
anything at Farrington
Park....golf action shots,
food, exercise classes,
sunsets, wildlife, etc. etc.
We will have a winner each
month and they will receive
a £20 credit to their bar
account!



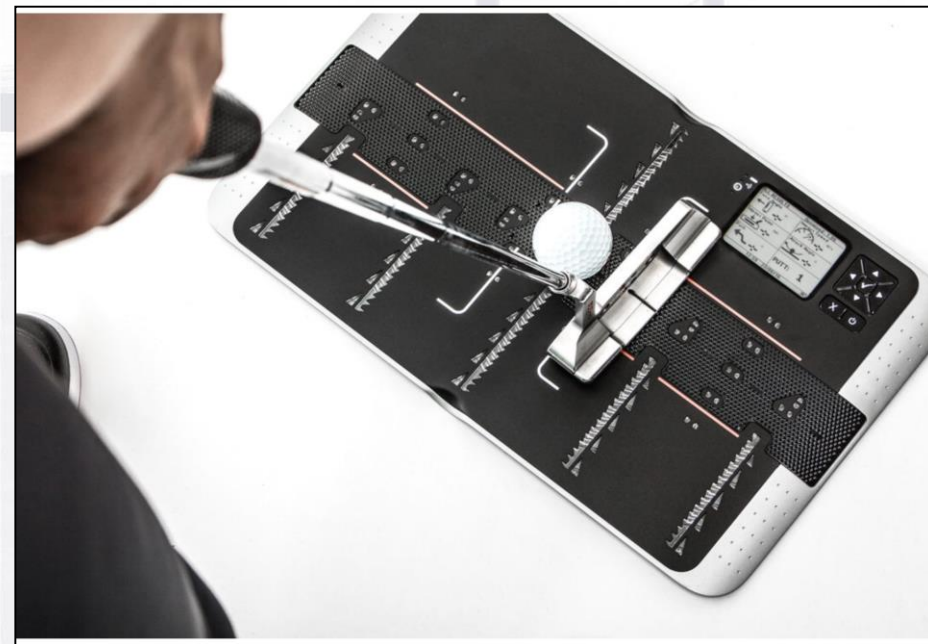


PGA Professional Terry Williams

Hole More Putts

My newsletter this month is simply about one of the most important parts of the game.....putting.....Who would like to hole more putts? Well I could have the answer for you. I have just ordered the HMP System which will help me to help you improve your technique, it can also measure your stroke and suggest how suitable your putter is for you.

Contact me if you are interested in a session. Delivery is imminent!



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Stats

Stats for a golfer and stats for a player coach relationship are extremely important.

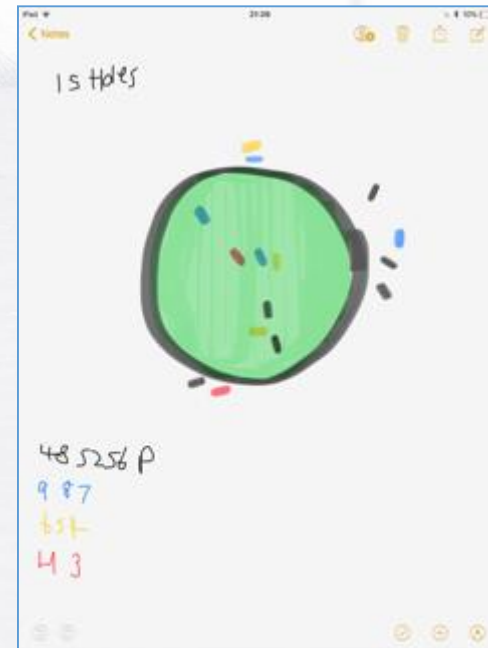
I was sent these from a category 1 player who wants to get better. See if you can work out all the details. It only takes 30 minutes at the end of the day to go through.

If you are interested in knowing more, please get in touch!



A hand-drawn table showing golf statistics for 18 holes. The table has columns for 'F' (Fairway), 'G' (Green), and 'P' (Putts). The rows are numbered 1 to 18. Checkmarks and 'X' marks are used to indicate performance. To the right of the table, the dates '9/14' and '7/18' are written in red.

	F	G	P
1	✓	X	
2	✓	X	2
3	✓	X	2
4	X	X	
5		X	2
6	✓	✓	2
7	✓	✓	2
8		✓	
9	X	X	2
10	✓	✓	2
11		X	1
12	✓	X	
13	X	X	
14	X	X	1
15		✓	2
16	X	X	
17	✓	✓	3
18	✓	✓	





Captain's Blog



With the good weather set to continue and with temperatures touching 30 degrees life as a golfer is good and it is a busy time out on the course, I would imagine there are a number of greenkeepers around doing a rain dance as things start to dry out and the ground gets harder and harder. Luckily for us we have great greenkeepers at Farrington and the course is holding up well, but a little rain wouldn't hurt.

I would like to thank all those who played in The Max Stone Chalice recently, it was a great weekend not only because of some great golf being played but also because socially it is one of the highlights of the year. There was a real buzz about the place on both days with a lot of competitors sticking around to enjoy the burger and beer that is included in the entry and to swap stories about how they played. Well done to all who picked up a prize and especially to our Max Stone Champion Phil Thompson and also Lee Bruton for winning the Riccio scratch cup. Many thanks to you all for entering the sweepstake and simulator competitions and helping to raise over £150 for the Captains charity.

Upcoming competitions

The week after the Club Champs 40 of us will be heading to The Dorset on July 21st for the away day where we will enjoy good food, good golf and hopefully good weather. For those of you that are signed up for this I will be sorting the groups and Tee times shortly which I will post on the notice board and email out. If there is anyone out there who would like to come then please contact me at sjphelps66@gmail.com as I may have some spaces left. Also for those that haven't paid yet, please could you get the £50 to me as soon as possible.

See you out there.

Shane

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Men

Max Stone Chalice

Farrington Park held its first Men's Major medal competition of 2018 - the Max Stone Chalice, in glorious sunshine and light winds.

The Chalice is won by the player with the best nett score after two days of competition. Played in conjunction with the Chalice, the Riccio Trophy is presented to the player with the best gross score over the two days. Pin positions on the first day tested the large field of 110 players. Good scores were carded by John Chedgy (75/68), Lee Bruton (72/68) and Jaime Webb (84/67), but the outstanding round of the day came from Jon Calway (80/65).

A great achievement as this was only Jon's third round of golf this year. In the Riccio Trophy, the best gross scores came from Stu Ponfield (73), count back put Liam Copp (73) in second place with Lee Bruton in first place with 72 gross.

A packed patio of players enjoying a pint and a burger, had much to discuss after an excellent day's golf.

Day two arrived with the glorious sunshine continuing and even warmer temperatures. The top 22 players still had a chance to lift the Max Stone Chalice; the players teeing off in reverse order with the leaders starting in the last groups. Many players improved on their day one scores in the second round. Notable rounds from Andy Penney (79/69), Dave Jewell with two eagles on his card (82/69), Alex Bendall (75/68), Steve Harmer (83/67) and a great round from Gordon MacKay with 77/65.

But what a day for immediate past seniors' captain, Phil Thompson! He scored a terrific round of 74/65 to add to his first day's score of 81/72 to become the Max Stone Chalice champion with a total nett score of 137. Many congratulations to Phil on his excellent achievement.

Congratulations to Lee Bruton, who was the winner of the Riccio Trophy, with the best gross scores of 72 & 75 over the two days, a total of 147.

At the presentation ceremony, Captain Shane Phelps thanked all the players for participating. Many thanks to head green-keeper, Andy Grabham and his team for the excellent condition and presentation of the course; thanks to the catering and bar staff for keeping all the thirsty golfers' happy and to the competition starter, Bobby Appleby and scorer, Chris Liberty for their help ensuring the smooth running of the competition and Liz Thomas for her help on the booking-in desk.

Pictured: From left to right. Winner Rob Riccio Trophy Lee Bruton, Men's Captain Shane Phelps, Max Stone Chalice winner Phil Thompson



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Men

Lombard Trophy 2/6/2018

95 players entered the 1st round of the Lombard Trophy played in beautiful summer sunshine testing the abilities of the golfers in a medal competition with the winner going through to partner club pro assistant Alex Todd at Burnham and Berrow. With some great scoring coming back into the clubhouse it was very close at the top with 3rd place going to Dave Brain with a score of 69 net 2nd place going to David Glew with a score of 67 net and the winner on his way to Burnham with Alex Todd is Jack Broadway with a 65 net.

Stockwood Avalon

With good vibes from the away win at Oake Manor the Avalon team welcomed local rivals Stockwood Vale. Paul Gregory and Duncan Bratt led the team out but unfortunately lost out on the 16th green by a 3&2 margin. Big hitting Jack Broadway and the experienced Steve Hobbs wed next out but after a good start succumbed to the Stockwood Club Captain and him parter 2 down.

Rob Paige wax again paired with Alex Bendall and they kept up their 100% record with a fine win.

Mark Adams and Charlie Wigmore were soon in trouble at 4 down but a great fight back saw they gain a well deserved half.

Paul Thomas and Nick Poore were last out and in a close encounter managed to win the last hole to also gain a half. The away team headed home the happier with a 3-2 win in a testing wind.

Saturday Stableford 16/6/2018

The summer has arrived and the fairways are getting quicker at Farrington Park . Jon Coates had the round of the day topping Division 1 with 41 points followed in second place by Jack Cook on 36 points beating Shaun Rawlings into third on count back In Division 2 Jake Russell took the honours with 38 points followed by Jon Brown on 37 points and Jeff Bruton third on 36 points.

Sunday Stableford 17/6/2018

Sunday Stableford was a great day for the Adams family with Guy Adams topping Division 1 on 36 points beating Craig Adams into second on count back and Steve Coles third on 35 points. In Division 2 Kevin Loader was top with 35 points Neil Morgan in second on 33 points and Jon Cox third on 32 points.

Saturday Stableford 23/6/2018

All golfers at Farrington Park enjoying the conditions of great sunshine and golf balls running forever on the fast fairways. In Division 1 John Hogg took the honours with 38 points followed closely by Lee Bruton on 37 points and Kris Broadway third on 36 points. In Division 2 the top three were all on 38 points with Jake Russell on top spot beating Jon Brown into second on count back and Mark Abrahams taking third.

Sunday Stableford 24/6/2018

Some outstanding scoring in the Sunday Stableford with Mark Chandler in Division 1 with a excellent score of 42 points followed in second by Steve Kingman on 38 points beating Tom Snelling into third on count back. The round of the day came from Lee Matthews in Division 2 with a brilliant 45 points followed in second by Ben Park on 39 points and Nick Russell third on 35 points.



Ladies

Coppers Cup

40 ladies took to the golf course on a real sunshine day - 9 playing for the Coppers Cup which is for golfers playing off handicaps of 36 and above and 31 players for the Douglas Trophy. On crisply dry fairways the balls were going a long, long way not always with the desired result!

The winner of the Coppers Cup was last year's winner, Julie Toogood, (and we will omit the obvious pun) coming in with 38 points, Lesley Stone a close second with 36 and in third place Denise Baker with 32 points. Those in the prizes for the Douglas Trophy came from a real spread of handicaps which is great to see. Trish Rouse was victorious with 41 points, 2nd was Pauline Young with 40 points, Min Woodward 3rd with 38 points and Lena Warren just pipped Kay Clarke on countback to the last 6 holes to take 4th place with 37 points. There was only one two spot - Jayne Brown on the 8th. Last year's winners of the County Centenary Plate, Jackie Walker and Angela Hudd are continuing with their winning ways, beating Stockwood Vale in the third round at The Mendip 3 & 1 to go through to the semi final which will be played at Burnham & Berrow.

Pictured: Left Julie Toogood, right Trish Rouse





Ladies

The ladies competed for the honour of representing Farrington Park in the national "Coronation Foursomes " Stableford competition on Thursday, 7th June.

This is a difficult format to play, with each pair taking turns to drive off from alternate tees and then alternating playing a shot until the ball is holed.

In spite of this, some good scores were made from the teams, who also had to play off half the combined handicap of each player.

Results:

1st. Fiona Hassard/Lally Gibson.	39 points
2nd Jane Ball/Carol Redman.	35
3rd Carol Jones/Brenda Michael.	34





Seniors

FIRST SHOT OF THE DAY

Weather conditions for golf were perfect with only a slight breeze to contend with so understandably some excellent scores were produced.

The opening tee shot of a medal competition can sometimes be a daunting/exciting/exhilarating experience. However starting his round on the Par 3 10th hole senior golfer Rob Thain had no such qualms as his tee shot disappeared into the hole for his first ever hole in one.

Results

Div I Rob Thain 69, Brian Brown 71, Fred Grist 71, Bob Baker 71

Div II Steve Cope 74, Ray Guthrie 76, Terry Thatcher 77, Tony Clement 77

Div III Jeff Kelly 70, Melvin Field 71, Boyd Francis 72, David Lewis 75

Somerset Rosebowl Farrington beat Clevedon at Stockwood Vale

Friendlies Won home 5-1 to Orchardleigh. Lost away to Tall Pines
4½-1½

TROPHY WINNER SET IN STONE

On a warm but cloudy morning a record entry of 83 Seniors contested the Eddie Jackman Trophy. In September 2016 at the grand age of 90 Eddie sadly passed away. The trophy is presented to the winner of Division III which are players of 23 handicap and above. Although no longer part of the proceedings Eddie always donated and presented a bottle of scotch to the winner of the trophy and this year's winner is Roger Stone.

Results

Div I Colin Clibbery 42, Len Salter 41, Alan Taylor 40, Dave Metcalfe 37, Rick Clark 37.

Div II Jim Farmer 43, Dave Millington 41, Ray Guthrie 39, Steve

Cope 37, Nigel Punchard 37.

Div III Roger Stone 43 (Winner of Eddie Jackman Trophy), Geoff

Potts 39, Jeff Kelly 38, Tony Russell 36, Ian Clement 36.

Friendly Match Result won at home to Shirehampton 5½-1½.



Mixed

SIZZLING PERFORMANCE IN THE SUN

On a swelteringly hot day the Paul Harwood Trophy was contested with 15 pairs taking part in a 4BBB Mixed competition. With the ball seemingly impossible to stop on the greens and tee shots running forever it was very difficult to judge club selection. However, with 3 fifths of the field scoring in excess of 40 points they were obviously doing something right! With the top 3 all scoring 45 points it was down to advanced mathematics to separate 2nd and 3rd places with the back 6 points score deciding who would take the runners-up spot.

But the triumphant duo on the day and worthy winners of the Paul Harwood Trophy with a fabulous 24 points on the back nine were Kay Clarke and Tony Clement.

Results:

1st Kay Clarke and Tony Clement 45 pts (24 on back nine)

2nd Margaret Seery & John Ward 45 pts (22 on back 9, 15 on back 6)

3rd Min & Mike Woodward 45 pts (22 on back 9, 14 on back 6)

4th Sue & Dave Forshaw 42 pts (21 on back 9)



Picture shows winners Tony Clement with Kay Clarke

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WHEN WILL THIS EVER END?

With the mercury hitting a record high for 2018 a testing time was in store for all. Sun cream, lots of water and a calm and influential partner were the order of the day.

The Trubody Trophy is a Mixed Competition with a Lady & Senior Man paired together for a Greensomes Stableford format.

Needless to say husband and wife are NEVER drawn together!

Scoring was very competitive with the top 4 pairs all scoring 43 points. However dealing with the conditions admirably and winning with a superior back nine score were Sandra Hares and Mike Woodward. (Pictured right) Well Done. You have already been signed up to defend next year!



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What's going on in the clubhouse

Offers in The Lounge Restaurant and Coffee Bar, The 19th Bar

Monday to Friday - £6.95 - Full English Breakfast 8.00am – 10.00am

Saturday - Help Yourself Breakfast Buffet - £6.95 – 9.00am – 12.00pm

Wednesday – Look out for our food specials

Thursday Steak Night – 2 rump steaks for £20.00, other steaks available

Friday Happy Hour – 5.00pm – 7.00pm - £2.50 pints, glass of house wine

Sunday Carvery - 2 courses for £14.95 12.00pm – 4.00pm



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FP Major Golf Events for 2018

7th & 8th July – Ladies' Club Championship
14th & 15th July – Men's Club Championship
25th July – Seniors Open Bowmaker
26th July – Ladies Open
27th July – Open 4BBB Stableford
28th July – Men's Open Bowmaker
20th & 21st August – Cyder Cup
27th August – Anniversary Am Am Open
30th August – Junior Open
3rd September – Seniors Open
27th December – Christmas Open Texas
Scramble



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	July 2018					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Men's Sunday Stableford – All Day Mixed match vs Long Sutton 11.00am Junior Manor Comp – 12.00pm	2	3 Seniors match vs Tall Pines 11.00am	4 Seniors Morning 8.00am – 11.30am Men's Midweek Stableford – All Day	5 Ladies Morning 9.24am – 11.30am	6	7 Ladies Club Championship 12.00pm – 1.30pm Men's Medal – All Day Wee Wonders Regional Qualifier – Manor Course 9.00am – 1.00pm
8 Ladies Club Championship 10.00am – 11.30am Men's Sunday Medal – All Day Junior Duchy Comp – 11.30am Mens B & D match vs Kendleshire 1.00pm	9 Ladies friendly match vs Isle of Wedmore 10.30am	10 Seniors match vs Kingsdown 11.00am	11 Seniors Morning 8.00am – 11.30am Ladies Alliance match vs Bristol and Clifton B 2.00pm Men's Midweek Stableford – All Day	12 Ladies Morning 9.24am – 11.30am	13	14 Men's Club Championship 7.00am – 1.00pm
15 Men's Club Championship 7.00am – 1.00pm Men's Sunday Stableford – All Day Junior Manor Comp – 12.00pm	16	17 Ladies vs Seniors 9.00am Ladies Coppers 10.04am Both Courses Seniors match vs West Wilts 11.00am	18 Seniors Morning 8.00am – 11.30am Men's Midweek Stableford – All Day	19 Ladies Morning 9.24am – 11.30am	20	21 Men's and Ladies' Saturday Stableford – All Day
22 Men's Sunday Stableford – All Day Junior match vs Henbury 12.30pm	23 Ladies Interclub vs Isle of Wedmore 10.30am	24	25 Seniors Open Bowmaker 7.00am – 2.30am Men's Midweek Stableford – All Day	26 Ladies Open 9.00am – 2.00pm	27 Ladies & Gents Pairs Stableford 9.00am – 3.00pm	28 Men's Open Bowmaker 7.00am – 3.00pm
29 Men's Sunday Stableford – All Day Junior Duchy Comp – 11.30am	30 Ladies Interclub vs vs Lansdown 12.30pm	31 Seniors match vs Stockwood Vale 11.00am				

Duchy Course unless otherwise stated