

# PREFERRED LIES MAY 2022



## Captains Away Day – Cavendish GC Buxton



Over 50 members enjoyed a fabulous day of golf over a testing and scenic course. With goody bags and prizes galore, a fantastic day out was had by all.

A few winners were:

Ladies – Francine Nutt 33 points

Men Division 1 – Stewart Mills

Men Division 2 – John Hampson 37 points



## KEN SMITH COUNTY TROPHY – WINNERS 2021/22

It was great to see the Hawkstone Park mens scratch team win the final of the County Ken Smith trophy with an outstanding result against Ludlow two games won and one halved 6 holes up overall.



The winning team was made up from the following pairs:

Keith Forster & Ian Balmforth  
Darryl Walters & Nick Roberts  
Nigel Chesters & Mike Powell

The season started way back in November 2021 and along the way Hawkstone beat many great teams including Bridgnorth, Leominster, Oswestry, Shifnal and Ludlow. It was back in 2004 when we last won the cup (also against Ludlow) and it will be great to see the fabulous trophy back in our cabinet.

The support on the day was great that included both ladies and gents but most of all was to see the great golf that was played by both sides with birdies being the name of the game.

I would like to thank our green staff for presenting the course in great condition and all the clubhouse staff for looking after Ludlow and ourselves so well.



Thanks to Mike Gardner the official from SHUGC who attend & managed the presentation and walked the course.

Finally It was a great pleasure to have been both a player and non playing captain of such a great team that was made up of skill, fun and commitment to win, also let's not forget a number of other members that were both players and reserves when needed.

John Gallagher  
Team Captain – Ken Smith



## 2022 County Golf Team Championship (The Shropshire Star Team Trophy)

18<sup>th</sup> May saw Hawkstone Park host the annual County Golf Team Championship.

18 teams all over the County entered a team of 4 players. Finishing a very respectable third in the competition was: Robin Mackness, Nick Roberts, James Greaves and Terry Nutt.



## Ruling recap in a live situation

[https://www.randa.org/News/2022/05/Scheffler-Ruling-Recap-The-Masters?utm\\_campaign=2200046\\_May%202022%20Rules%20Newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=R%26A&dm\\_i=49MT,1B5KE,6K0YBZ,61P2E,1](https://www.randa.org/News/2022/05/Scheffler-Ruling-Recap-The-Masters?utm_campaign=2200046_May%202022%20Rules%20Newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_source=R%26A&dm_i=49MT,1B5KE,6K0YBZ,61P2E,1)

## Annual review – England Golf

Following on from the Annual General Meeting, which took place last Thursday, we have published our Annual Review for 2021. This document provides details on activities and operational landmarks in 2021.

SafeGolf accreditation for clubs and counties, the development of the My EG app linked to the roll out of the new World Handicap System and England Golf's Course Planner strategy were some of the key events from 2021.

[England-Golf-Annual-Review-2021.pdf \(englandgolf.org\)](#)

## ENGLAND GOLF – RULES OF GOLF 2023

The next edition of the Rules of Golf becomes effective on 1 January 2023.

Since the last distribution of the rulebook, the Rules have become even more accessible through free digital formats, particularly via The R&A's Rules of Golf app.

The R&A is focussing even more on digital formats of the Rules for the 2023 edition to ensure that access is easy, modern and sustainable.

The R&A will not be printing the Player's Edition of the Rules for 2023, and will be encouraging all golfers to access the Rules via the Rules App, which they can consult on their phones during a round of golf and elsewhere.

### **Club Friendly Report - Church Stretton Vs Hawkstone, Sat 14<sup>th</sup> May 22, 'The Ashes' First Leg**

The run up to the game was fraught, with six players dropping out as the match approached. Many thanks to Louisa and Mark Hitchin for their help in pulling in late substitutes. We eventually had a team of potentially 6 pairs, but this proved too late, as I had alerted Church Stretton late on Friday afternoon that we were likely to be short. A match of 5 pairs was therefore played.

The game was played in a great spirit and the weather, combined with the positive reception we received, enabled us to enjoy Church Stretton Golf Club at its very best.

Following a hearty breakfast, play commenced at 12.00.

All of the games were very close, which is a compliment to several of our players who were playing the course for the first time. The scenery was truly spectacular, with a slight breeze helping to offset the effects of the heat and terrain.

The first two matches went to the 18<sup>th</sup> green. Terry and I had struggled valiantly for 17 holes with some very good golf being played on both sides. We reached the 18<sup>th</sup> all square. Terry creating a net birdie putt on the 18<sup>th</sup>, that allowed us to win the game.

Stuart Smith and Nigel Ross were 3 up on the 16<sup>th</sup> tee, but needed a half on the 18<sup>th</sup>, to win the game.

Howard Birch and Keith Marsh went down fighting 2&1, and our last two games finished all square. The result of the first leg of the Ashes Trophy was therefore a 3-2 win for Hawkstone with the return to be played in late September.

Stephen Saunders

Men's Vice Captain

### **Daily Mail Foursomes Competition – Round Three:**

Congratulations to the ladies qualifiers of this competition in their third round. The Ladies (Julie Wales & Nicola Jones) beat Oswestry away 5 & 3. They have now drawn Clays GC at home in the fourth round – good luck ladies!

### **Ladies League Matches**

The ladies included two teams in the Annodata Classic this year; with one team narrowly losing at Shrewsbury GC, our second team beat Market Drayton at home. This team have now drawn Shrewsbury GC away in the second round.

The ladies also entered two teams in the County Handicap League; both teams are progressing well with wins against Lilleshall, Arscott & Ludlow respectively. Good luck ladies in your remaining matches – thank you to all who have played in these matches.



### **John Bee – hole in one**

Congratulations to John Bee who scored an ace on the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole whilst playing socially on the Hawkstone Course; fortunately seeing it roll into the hole from a good tee shot! This is his third in his golfing career!

Our 9-hole Socials restarted on **Friday 6th May 2022**, even though the evening was wet, people enjoyed playing and others enjoyed a drink and a get-together in the Lyles Bar

Tee times will be available between 5.00 - 6.00pm. Please come and along and bring £1 to support the event for prizes and if you are new to the Club, this is a perfect opportunity to mix in with other golfers.

The other dates for your diary are:

**Friday 17th June**

**Friday 23rd July**

**Friday 12th August**

Look forward to seeing some old and new faces.

Cheryl Greaves

Chair of House and Social

## Queens Jubilee Celebration

Queen's Jubilee Social fun  
afternoon - Friday 3rd June  
All welcome members or not

Wear something RED WHITE &  
BLUE



Starting with a 9 hole 3 person team game on the Championship Course. Book your time on BRS from 3.30 - Bring a picnic if you wish  
Footgolf for all on the footgolf small course from 4.30  
Putting competition and more  
Light refreshments at approx. 7.00 – 7.30

## **Presidents Day Meal 7pm Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**Men, Ladies, Seniors & Handicap Juniors are invited to play free of charge in my Presidents Day Stableford – please book in on brs**

**Cold meat buffet and salad (Vegetarian alternative) Lemon Tart £24.70 to follow the presentation.**

To help with planning on my special day. Can I ask all who are intending to eat with myself and guests to put their name and number of meals required down on the sheet on the notice board and or email myself [dg4608@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:dg4608@yahoo.co.uk) as early as possible. Payment to be made to the Treasurer in the usual way [chestersgeorgina@gmail.com](mailto:chestersgeorgina@gmail.com)

**Closing date for the meal 19th June 2022.**

Thank you for your support and looking forward to a great day.

Dave Greaves  
President 2021-22  
Hawkstone Park Golf Club

## **LADY CAPTAIN'S DAY - Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**All ladies are invited to play in Cheryl's special day - Please book in through BRS in 3's only.**

**Meal served from 17.30 in the Hotel, followed by the presentation of prizes.**

**Menu - £15 per person  
Afternoon tea with a glass of prosecco**

Looking forward to June, please be advised that the next seniors friendly matches are on Club V1 members hub to book:

Seniors v Onneley away (8<sup>th</sup> June)

Seniors v Crewe home (23<sup>rd</sup> June)

Seniors v Llanymynech away (28<sup>th</sup> June)

Seniors v Shrewsbury home (30<sup>th</sup> June)

### Other Matches - Dates in June

Saturday 11th June - first leg of Hodnet trophy (Mixed match). First tee 1.10pm; 2 course meal afterwards in the Hill Suite £23.20 per person. Please add your name to Club V1 hub app (club teams.) If you wish to play with a specific partner, please email mens Vice Captain Stephen Saunders ([stephen@aclbusinesssolutions.com](mailto:stephen@aclbusinesssolutions.com)) to let him know.

Thursday 23rd June – ladies friendly match v Lilleshall (home), again add your name to Club V1 hub. 10 pairs are required, 11.10am first tee time.

### MENS COUNTY HANDICAP LEAGUE ...

If you are interested in playing, please email Nick Roberts ([nikanita@btopenworld.com](mailto:nikanita@btopenworld.com)), so he can add your name to his pool of interested players. Please add your address, mobile number and handicap index.

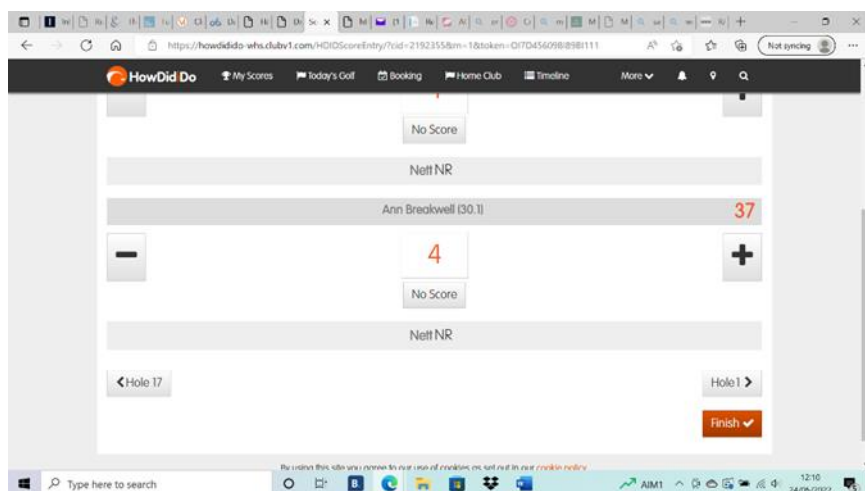
Dates of matches are:

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Bridgnorth GC away

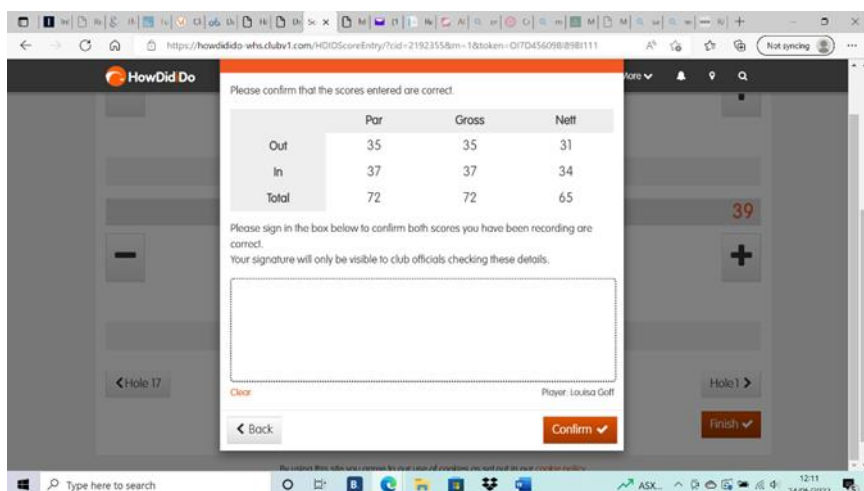
Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June – The Shropshire GC home

### MOBILE SCORE INPUT

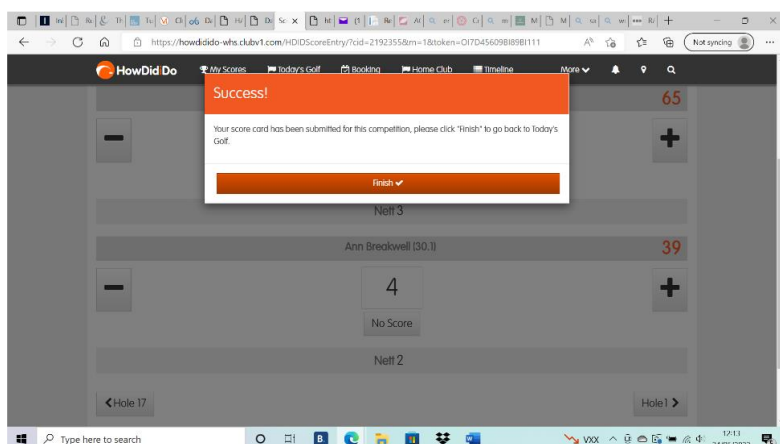
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The screen will ask you to confirm your back nine score and then this screen will show. Sign your electronic signature



Make sure you see this screen that says success and click finish



## Lingen Davies Charity Event

We have recently received information publicising a Charity Golf day at the Wrekin on June 16th in support of the Lingen Davies Charity whom we supported in 2018 and 2019.

If members would like to enter a team the required details are contained in the associated flyer at the end of this newsletter.





**Lingen Davies**  
Cancer Fund

# Charity Golf Day

@ The Wrekin Golf Club

Thursday  
**16th  
June**



Contact the fundraising office  
on [hello@lingendavies.co.uk](mailto:hello@lingendavies.co.uk)  
or call us on **01743 492396** to  
book your team!

**£200**  
team of 4

Two-tee  
start from  
**12pm**

## Tickets include:

- Team competition
- Arrival refreshments and bacon baps
- 18 holes of golf
- 2 course meal

**Sponsorship  
opportunities  
Available!**