

**PREFERRED LIES OCTOBER 2023**



# **Annual Dinner & Prize Presentation**

**Friday 24th November**

**Black Tie - Hawkstone Park Hotel**



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**Live Entertainment**

**£32 per person**

**7.00 for 7.30pm**

**Closing date for booking is Monday  
13<sup>th</sup> November**

**DON'T MISS OUT!**

**Special Hotel Price:**

**£89.00 bed and breakfast based on two people  
sharing per room per night**

**The rate is full pre-payment at the time of booking and is non-refundable.**



As members, there are always some basic rules of golf etiquette that help everything run along smoothly. We know there will be the odd player who may be thoughtless or careless – please don't let it be you.

Please make sure that you ALWAYS repair pitch marks - this includes any you see which may not be your own.

As well as looking unsightly, from a golfing point of view, pitch marks can affect ball roll and cause a player's putt to bobble and deviate offline. Studies have shown that on average, a golfer will make 8 pitch marks during a round of golf. If 130 rounds are played per day, that's over 1,000 pitch marks per week; no surprise then that it can be difficult to hole a putt!

It's essential that all players are diligent in their repair of pitch marks on greens. A correctly repaired pitch mark will recover in 24 hours. An unrepaired pitch mark left unattended for two hours will take up to two months to recover.

Members are requested not to take their trolley:

Onto the greens and tees

Between a greenside bunker and the green

Onto the fringes and aprons of the green

Greenkeepers work hard to provide good bunker playability and presentation, but the team can only do so much. It is in our hands as golfers to keep bunkers looking and playing great. Doing a good job raking bunkers is an easy way to maintain good playing conditions for everyone and it's a great way to demonstrate care for the course.



<https://www.randa.org/en/rog/the-rules-of-golf/rule-12>

Golfers from nationwide recently competed for the Seniors' Slate at Aberdoverly Golf Club on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, a 36 hole scratch stableford competition.

Unfortunately they were beaten by the weather and Round 2 of the competition was abandoned. Congratulations to Nigel Chesters who was the overall winner. Congratulations also to Keith Forster who was the winner in Category C.



We have taken an order for some club beanie hats (one size fits all) and are available for purchase from Treasurer Gina Chesters (photo attached).

They are £16 each which includes a small donation to the Captains' charity.

Payment must be made to secure your order and can be made through the Hawkstone account 00184975 - Sort Code 30-15-39, or it can be deducted from your swipe account.

Please email treasurer Gina at: [chestersgeorgina@gmail.com](mailto:chestersgeorgina@gmail.com)  
A warm and cosy gift for yourself, or a surprise gift for someone else!





## VETERANS CELEBRATION MATCH – 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

Peter Townsend & Alan Walker Veterans  
Celebration match ...

The inaugural Veterans Celebration Match was to show appreciation, and to celebrate the contribution of two individuals who during their time at Hawkstone Park Golf Club have served in various roles and undertaken several tasks to make the club better for its members. It is then no surprise that the two members chosen to be represented for the inaugural game were Mr Peter Townsend and Mr Alan Walker. The Club Captain, Mr Stephen Saunders was the Captain of Peter's team and the Club President, Mr Tony Harrop was the Captain of Alan's team.

The match also had a large support of senior members who played in a very competitive, but friendly format. There was lots of banter between the team members during the presentation and food after the match. The result was a drawn game which seemed a fair result for this match. A special thank you also goes to our Senior Organiser Mr Paul Harris who organised this special event – we look forward to playing next year!



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Peter Townsend and Alan Walker  
Veterans Celebration Match  
September 19<sup>th</sup> 2023

Players and testimonies

Tuesdays have not been the same. You are both very much missed and good to see you here today. Please make it a regular thing. Maybe we could reintroduce the little brown envelope, it would make it a serious round. Take Care  
*Dave Robson*

Thank you both for all your years of commitment to HPCG. All the Best.  
*Geoff Mallett*

Thank you both very much for making this seniors section so very good.  
*Dave Baker*

Had a great day and it was so nice to see so many seniors socialising. We miss the before play coffee when we put the world to rights. May see you both in Australia.  
*Alan Pilkington*

It was a good experience to meet you both for fun and golf. Always good. All the best.  
*John Gallagher*

It has been a privilege to have had the good fortune to know the both of you. I hope you will still keep visiting the seniors in the future years, Peter was very important to me and was very welcoming when I joined Hawkstone Park. He is simple a wonderful man. Thanks.  
*Jim Shaw*

Peter was my President when I joined in 2015 and it was a delight to hear such a dry wit in my first year (after that it wore a bit thin!!)



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## HAWKSTONE PARK JUNIORS COMPETITION

HPJ recently held their own Red vs Blue Ryder cup competition. Format was the last day, singles matchplay. Blue team beat red team by one point! Great competitive game, played in good spirit. Well played to all involved!!

## COUNTY CHAMPIONS - Shropshire Ladies County Golf Association

Many congratulations to two of our Lady members who have won County Finals at The County Autumn Meeting at Lilleshall Golf Club. Liz Dutton won the 1<sup>st</sup> division of the Ritchie Salver final and Ann Breakwell won the 1<sup>st</sup> division of the Wynne Corrie final. Fantastic results and well done for flying the Hawkstone Park flag for us!



## THE PATH TO AN INCLUSIVE SPORT

In issue 7 of The R&A's Developing Golf Magazine, our CEO Jeremy Tomlinson discusses our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion framework, how we're breaking down the barriers to push the sport forward and the importance of making golf a game for all.

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## INCREASING CONNECTIVITY WITH GOLFERS



England Golf's iPlay service has now gone live!

iPlay is a free, average score indicator which will allow users to log scores from wherever they play, be it 9- or 18-hole courses, pitch-and-putt or adventure golf facilities.

The iPlay offer is open to all outside of club membership or iGolf, making it ideal for someone new to the game, a growing enthusiast or infrequent player.

iPlay is accessed through the MyEG app – but does not offer a Handicap Index®, instead it provides users with a means to collect scores and have fun, allowing all golfers to play together and use the same app regardless of who they are.

iPlay will provide a touchpoint with England Golf for a much wider market of golfers and in turn will give us the opportunity to connect. Not only will we gain a better understanding of the wider golfing market, but we will also be able to support golfers in taking the next step on their golf adventure, by communicating and educating on other opportunities such as iGolf and club membership.

Further details on iPlay can be found below. [Ctrl + Click to follow link ...](#)

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