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Easthampstead Golf Club News

September 2018

The Captain, Michael Hunt



Welcome to the September edition of the newsletter. The main news this month is that after years Steve Cross is stepping down as news editor, thank you Steve for all your hard work and I'm sure everyone will miss the witty observations that make the newsletter such a success, you will be a hard act to follow.

The tour to Turkey is only 1 week away and all the players are 'Man Kini Fit'!! after a hard summers work out regime.

Seaford Head away day was a great success, many thanks to Ian Goodall for this hard work. Well done Tarri on winning the individual with 47pts. Congrats to Barney Hall, Cleve Vine, Tim Chandler and Captain who won the team with 92pts. Next year should be even better, as Dibs will no doubt have something up his sleeve!

Well done to all the winners in the NAPGC 4BBB. A 2-1 win in a National Final is a great result for our club and much deserved. The Seimens Trophy eluded our brave warriors by eight pts but 153 pts

at Frilford was a great score, I'm sure we will win this in the future.



Congratulations to Matt Storey on winning Club Championship and Martin Dozier on becoming Player of the Year, well done both.

John Carpmail wins the best magic trick this month by making 8 pints of beer disappear in 1.4 seconds, Truly Amazing.

Mike

EGC Win NAPGC 4BBB Final

Congratulations to the winning EGC team captained by James Gibbs who won the 4BBB national final at Frilford Heath beating LeaSide GC 2-1. Pictured below is the winning team (l-r) of BP Hirani, Sean Wheatley, Nick Murtagh, James Gibbs, Michael Hunt, Martin Dozier and reserve Luke Dozier. In progressing to the final the team also included Dean Pullen, Jimmy Lennon and Mike Frawley.



Congratulations everyone.

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EGC Runners Up in Siemens Final

Congratulations to the EGC team on reaching this year's final and finishing a very creditable 2nd. The team, ably led by Grandad Kevin Lee, totalled 153 points finishing just 8 points behind Rose Hill. Pictured below are (l-r) Tony Adams, Matt Irving, Steve Hambly, Kevin Lee, Doug Bates, Jamie Penfold, Martin Dozier & Martin Gigg.



AGM 22nd November

Please keep this date free in your diary, the advance notice will be published later this month and can be found under 'F' in the calendar.

Prize Giving, 22nd November

The November prize giving will be starting at 8pm and a list of prize winners will be published in October. If you're on the list you can choose from shop, tour, away weekend, or 2019 subscription voucher.

Please note that if you fail to attend or arrange for someone to pick up vouchers on your behalf they will be forfeited.

Captains Dinner & Dance, 10th November



This year's Captains Dinner & Dance will take place east East Berkshire GC and this year features Neil 'Disco' Darken who will be providing the dance music.

The tickets are £32.50 per person and include a 3 course meal (pre-selected from the menu). You can order your tickets from Michael Hunt or **book them on-line** via the Calendar 'sign up' page.

2018 Key Dates for your Diary

Please keep an eye on the Club Calendar which will have the latest information on competitions and social activities. Some to note now are:

- KO Finals Day, Sunday 14th October
- Annual Dinner, Saturday 10th November
- AGM & Prize giving, Thursday 22nd November
- Turkey Trot, Sunday 16th December

Membership

Steve Eddy (Membership Secretary) is pleased to welcome Harjinder Chana, Graham Champion, Jonathan Mayes, Andy Stone and Dale Williams.

Please welcome our New Members.

Seaford Head

EGC celebrated the 10th Anniversary of its annual away day to Seaford Head Golf Club on Friday 31st August. A record number of 39 members were

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blessed with glorious sunshine, clear blue skies, a light breeze and some simply stunning views of the Sussex coastline.



The individual stableford scores in the morning round matched the weather with Tari Mudhar scoring of 47 points, a Seaford Head away day record. This was even more surprising as it was Tarri's first visit to the course.

After a hearty lunch the afternoon team event was also a feast of good golf, with the winning team of Tim Challender, Barney Hall, Cleve Vine and Captain Michael Hunt scoring 92 points. This featured an amazing team score of 9 points on the par 5 18th hole, when Cleve Vine had a birdie nett eagle and Barney Hall an eagle nett albatross. It must have been the thought of the beer at the 19th hole.

Morning individual stableford results:-

47 pts - Tari Mudhar
44 pts - Steve Cross
43 pts - Ian Nicholson
42 pts - Ali Smith

Booby prize - 29 pts - Graham Dibley on countback (again a record highest low score)

Nearest Pin 10th John Ibbotson and 16th Michael Hunt. Longest Drive 18th Tim Challender.

Afternoon team stableford results (best 2 of 4 scores on each hole):-

94 pts - Tim Challender, Barney Hall, Cleve Vine and Michael Hunt.

92 pts - Graham Dibley, Nick Murtagh, Ian Holder and Michael Mortensen.

Nearest Pin 10th Riaan Matthysen and 16th Tom Evans. Longest Drive 18th Michael Hunt.

A prize was also won by John Carpmail for the funniest story of the day.



John pushed his trolley ahead of himself on a downhill hole and was unable to catch it before it fell into a fairway

bunker (seen here thinking about it). The video may well be uploaded to our FB page...

Next year's event has been pencilled in for Friday 30th August and look forward to seeing everyone there next year, along with lots of new faces too.

(Ed – already in my diary!)

Competition News

Sadly there have been instances of names being crossed off start/signup sheets by person(s) unknown. This is not only unacceptable but causes confusion. Please be vigilant and challenge anyone who appears to be defacing our notices.

On a lighter note, we are now at the Matchplay Stage of the Easthampstead Masters. Once the Top 32 available players have been finalised the draw will be posted to the website and noticeboard.

Winners since last newsletter:

EGC Open, Jon Charlton
July Mid Wk Stableford, Martin Gigg
August Mid Wk Snrs, Chris Corbett
Captains Day & Silver Fox, Dave Ireland

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August Mid Wk Medal, Tom Evans
August medal, Daryl Birley
Stevens Salver, Daryl Birley
Sept Mid Wk Snrs, Ian Nicholson
Snrs Summer Eclectic, Dave Ireland
September medal, Bobby David
Snr Club Champion, Ian Goodall
Club Champion, Matt Storey

Our congratulations to all.

Knock Out Finals 2018

As we approach the final stages of all our competitions a reminder that we expect to play all the finals on Sunday 14th October.

If you're still involved we wish you good luck.

If you want to compete in the 2019 KO's then you must have played in a minimum of 6 qualifiers in the 12 month period ending mid-March.

Turkey Trot, 16th December



Details being finalised but likely to include bacon/coffee on arrival, halfway house, and meal after. Each competitor will receive a Xmas gift.

For the younger set Father Xmas will be in attendance with a big bag of goodies to give away.

Slow Play

It's annoying and there are penalties for finishing more than 20 minutes behind the group in front, see competition rules in handbook/website.

New Club Shirts



You'll notice in some of the photos in this month's newsletter that new club shirts are being worn and are available to be ordered online or from Richard Gater, at £15 each.

Falling leaves

With Autumn now approaching falling leaves can be a real problem, particularly on the 4th fairway.

If you can please call up the group behind and act as spotters for those very fine drives that bury themselves.



Drop Zone, 7th Hole

To clarify this is optional and not mandatory. If in the water you have the option of teeing up again, taking a drop between line of entry and flag, or using the drop zone.

Should the ball roll to an unplayable position then re-drop and if it's the same outcome then place the ball where it dropped as you would anywhere else on the course.

2019 Away Weekend

This is now full but if you'd like to be added to the reserve list please contact Dean. If you've signed up then please ensure that you have paid your £50 deposit as those on the reserve list are waiting to take your place.

2019 Tour

Details etc currently being finalised so keep an eye on the notice board and website.

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This is my last edition as Editor and thank all those who have contributed over the last couple of years. I'm sure you'll give the same support to our new Editor who takes over from the November edition.

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