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Newsletter

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Collage courtesy Graham Fox-Hulme

Hole in One!

Congratulations to Phil Hayes for his Ace on the 2nd hole in the Stableford last Saturday!

Preferred Lies

Preferred Lies are in operation and will *remain in operation until 31st May*. The Local Rule has been posted on the Notice Boards. Players may also lift, clean and place their ball anywhere in the playing area. Note that the ball must be replaced exactly where it was found before being cleaned.

Change of Plans

While all holes are now playable, unfortunately the rough around holes 8 to 12 has not been cut for some time due to the rough mower being out of action, and the rough is unplayable. It is hoped that the mower will be repaired shortly, and the course can then be fully opened. Accordingly, these holes will not be in play for the weekend's competitions, where a stableford will replace the May Medal, and a 9-hole competition will replace Round 1 of the Tower Insurance Stableford Series. Both will be non-counting for handicap purposes, and the Gents will play off the yellow tees. The May Medal will now be played on Saturday 25th May, and Round 1 of the Tower series will now be played on Sunday 12th May. Round 2 moves to 26th May. A new date will be sought for the Syd Driscoll competition which was planned for 25th May.

Please note that if you wish to play holes 8 to 12 you may – but at the risk of losing balls in the heavy rough!

The Falcon Cup

The Entry Sheet for *The Falcon Cup* has been posted on the Notice Board in the Gents Locker Room.

The Kitchen Table

The Clubhouse will open daily from 8am to 8pm serving food and beverages. For Club Nights and competition days, the opening times will be adjusted to suit the circumstances.

Gents Club Nights

Gents Club Nights have started. Tee reserved 4pm to 6pm.

Presentation of Prizes

The next Presentation of Prizes will be on Wednesday 29th May at around 8pm after the Gents Club Night presentation.

Press Report

The Saturday 13 holer was eventful in that one of our members got a hole in one. Phil Hayes saw his partner's ball about 3 feet from the hole on the par 3 second hole but could not see his own ball. While looking at the back of the green his partner, Andrew Cain, checked in the hole and there was Hayes' ball! It is the second "ace" he has had, the first being a long time ago on the eighth when he did have the pleasure of seeing the ball drop in. On this occasion his good fortune produced 5 Stableford points. Cain sank his putt for a two and also got another two on the thirteenth hole later in the round meaning he picked up a tidy sum in the 2s Sweep and also won the competition by virtue of a better back nine than Hayes - both had 31 points. Scott Mason was third with 28 points. Division 2 was won by Russell Thomas. After a fairly average start to his round Thomas managed 15 points in the last six holes to give him a comfortable win.

The Sunday nine-holer also required a countback to separate the winners. Guy Sutton started with a bogey, but he hit back with a birdie on the second and had five pars in the remaining seven holes to finish with 21 points. Jonny Weir has been playing well recently and he had eight pars in his round. A bogey four on the tricky 7th (16th) hole was the only blemish but sadly it cost him the win. Division 2 was won by Mati Lane with 20 points beating Karen Slack who had 20 points despite starting with a "blob" on the first.

Care of the Greens and Fairways

Players are requested to ensure that they repair their pitch marks on the greens – and those of others if seen. This to help our greenkeeping staff maintain the greens in top condition.

They are also asked to replace divots and to consider using mats (*except in counting competitions*)

Coaching

To book a lesson contact John Tinsley on 452262, e mail john@jdtinsley.co.uk, visit teeitup.im for further details. John caters for all levels of player from beginner to elite. He is the islands leading golf performance coach with NLP Sports Coach, NLP Golf, Mindfulness Golf and Mind Factor Golf Certification.

Recent Results

Club

27th April 18-hole Open Stableford

Winner Division 1	Andrew Cain	31Pts c/b
Runner-up Division 1	Phil Hayes	31Pts
Winner Division 2	Russell Thomas	25Pts

28th April 9-hole Open Stableford

Winner Division 1	Guy Sutton	21Pts c/b
Runner-up Division 1	Jonny Weir	21Pts
Winner Division 2	Mati Lane	20Pts

14th April

Ladies

29th April Sally Dixon individual Stableford

Sponsored by Beautiful Blooms

1 st	Jackie Fisher	23Pts
2 nd	Carol Kelly	22Pts
3 rd	Fran Tinkler	22Pts
Nearest the Pin	2 nd in 2 Jackie Fisher	
Longest Putt	18 th Shirley Kennaugh	

Upcoming Competitions and Events

May

Saturday	4 th	18-hole Mixed Open Stableford
Sunday	5 th	9-hole Mixed Open Stableford
Saturday	11 th	Jack Oates Stableford <i>Sponsored by Chris Oates</i>
Sunday	12 th	Tower Insurance Stableford Round 1
Saturday	18 th	Rowany Trophy Round 1
Sunday	19 th	Rowany Trophy Round 2
Monday	20 th	Draw Rowany Trophy
Saturday	25 th	May Medal <i>Sponsored by Tower Insurance</i>
Sunday	26 th	Tower Insurance Stableford Round 2 Draw Falcon Cup
Wednesday	29 th	Presentation of Prizes 8pm.