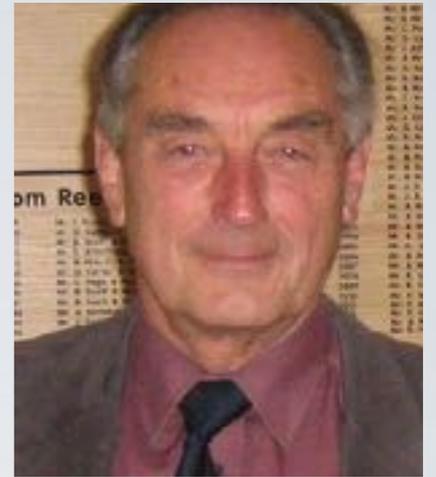




RYSTON PARK NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2017
by Pam Taylor

CLUB CAPTAIN



With January just around the corner I would like to wish all members past, present and future a happy and healthy New Year and hope the golfing gods are on your side, but not when playing against me.

December has been a very busy time in the clubhouse. Tonya and her staff must be pleased to have a break now Christmas is here. The Ladies, Seniors, Tuesday and Saturday groups, Sunday afternoon group along with several outside groups all had Christmas functions.

The AM AM was held on 17th December. We just managed 9 holes before the rain set in falling on frozen ground which closed the course. The clubhouse was full for the Christmas meal that followed. Thanks to Maggie Ward, Susan Filby and Paul Allen, our social committee, for their hard work making the day so successful. Thanks also to Tonya, Julie and their staff for the presentation of the tables and the excellent meal. The wheelbarrow full of drink was a great idea and raised, together with the Christmas Fair, four hundred pounds for The Dementia Charity. The winner of the wheelbarrow was Ally Gee and after loading the drinks into the boot of his car, gave the wheelbarrow away because he did not have a licence for it! Various other raffles were drawn on the day raising further funds for the Captain's Charity. After the meal the prizes were presented by Paul, Maggie & Susan dressed up as Father Christmas, an Elf and a Fairy - all good fun - well done.

Winners of the golf were: First - Tracy Russell, Danny Kew, Pam & Richard Taylor.

Second: Tony Freear, Gary Rider, Archie Hodgson and Jeff Fitt.

Third: Paul Allen, John Henry, Maggie Ward and Mike Croot.

Straightest Drive: Gary Rider

Best Dressed: Pam Taylor

The Mixed Cups were also presented along with two men's cups.

Pam Taylor & Danny Kew won the Tom Reed and Jim Russell, Peter Mannion & Tracy Russell the Eva New, Maggie Ward & Paul Allen the Stewards Cup. Danny Kew won the Campbell Cup and Kisby Cup. All cups were presented by our President Joe Flogdell.

Thanks to Pam for taking the pictures to record the day.

Once again Happy New Year.

Roger Sloper

Club Captain

LADIES CAPTAIN



December's fish, as you would expect, was caught on our last trip just a couple of weeks ago. It was my best bonefish of the holiday and was caught in the Gulf of Honduras just after a tropical rain storm.

I love going on holiday but I am always pleased to come home. The weather we returned to this time, however, would test anyone's loyalty to our climate!

I am assured that the Bring and Win was very successful in my absence (!). Thanks to Boo for organising the event, there was a very good turn out and the pictures I have seen indicate that you all enjoyed the event.

The Christmas Am Am proved to be a lot of festive fun although, once again it rained on my parade! What must I do to get just one fine day? I would like to thank Susan, Paul and Team Tonya for the hard work and time they gave to make the day such a success. Also thanks to Pam, our resident photographer. We raised over £200 and took almost £450 behind the bar!

Pat's Christmas fun morning was greatly enjoyed both on and off the course. Her generosity in giving us all of our shots on just 9 holes proved to be rather challenging in the scoring department. 4 shots per hole for some lucky ladies was enough to blow our mathematical minds.

The carol singing, mince pies and mulled wine were a real treat afterwards.

I would like to wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and ask you to spare some thoughts for others who may be facing challenging situations at this time of year.

With best wishes

Maggie

SENIORS



The second round of the 9 Hole Alliance Winter League saw us playing at an extremely wet and windy Dereham. We lost the match $2\frac{1}{2} - 1\frac{1}{2}$ to Searles but credit must go to the team for braving the elements provided by Storm Caroline. Well done to John Rice and Mick Window who completed all 18 holes for their half and also to Pat Holman and Terry Russell for their win.

The end of year Texas Scramble is always great fun and was well supported again. In third place was the team of Cliff Norgate, Robert Parker and Graham Warren (67), second place went to Terry Russell, Kenny Prior and Barry Marks (a fractionally better 67), and first place to Keven Bishop, Dave Hannaford and Graham Kingham with an excellent 63. Good to see Graham handing out the prizes after his knee operation and a most enjoyable event was rounded off with chips and sandwiches.

The 8th December saw over 40 diners attend the Seniors Christmas Dinner. Many thanks go to Tonya and her catering team, it was a most enjoyable evening of good food and good company. Thanks were expressed to Graham for his organisation of the event.

Some advance warning of an earlier than usual Seniors AGM on the morning of Tuesday 16th January. Details are on the noticeboard along with a sheet to record nominations for 2018 Captain, Match Managers and Committee members.

Finally we would wish all at Ryston Park Golf Club a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Barry Marks.











R & P CHARITY

ONE THOUSAND POUNDS FOR PROSTATE CANCER

Well done to Paul Allen, Jeff Fitt & Tony Freear organisers of the R & P annual charity event held at Ryston Park.



CAROL SINGING



Pat Blyth organised the Ladies Social Golf on Wednesday 20th December, followed by Carols in the clubhouse.

Pat played the piano, Maggie on Clarinet and a guest played the violin.

Mulled wine and Mince Pies were served afterwards.

Videos can be seen and heard on the Ryston Park Facebook Page.



Men's Medal - December

Wayne Cayzer	68
David Stennett	71
Nigel Crouch	71
Bert Emery	72
Steve Harvey	73
Alan Clarke	73
Tam Payne	73



**Mens January Stableford
01/01/2018**

**Mens January Medal
6/01/2018 and 7/01/2018**

**Mens Midweek Medal
17/01/2018**



Ryston Ladies Scratch Team promoted to Div 1

Ann Fletcher goes forward to "Chase the Dream" following best 4 medals.



Val Mellish won the Ladies President Cup. Seen here with the Ladies President Janet Coles.



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Ann Fletcher & Marlene Simmons were joint winners of the Bring & Win

