

# RYSTON PARK NEWSLETTER

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# Club Captain: Bert Emery

Dear All,

It's time for my sixth instalment and once again, I hope this finds you safe, well and not overheating.

The season is racing towards a finale with few cups left to play for but still plenty of options around medals and Stablefords. Nothing better than a little bit of run on the fairways to help us out... Even I managed to get a 3 iron out to 270 yds the other week with a dodgy back! I hope you all saw the message about taking care in the current conditions – please ensure cigarette ends are disposed of carefully (or avoided if possible) and keep hydrated when playing. This is a small but important note for all of us, I was told by a multiple Walker Cup captain that he used to drum this into his players! If it's good enough for Rory...

Have to say commiserations but also a huge well done to the Cullington team. They fought hard for this year's campaign but unfortunately fell at Cromer. There's no disgrace in losing to a team there on a difficult course in scorching conditions. It doesn't help when even their team captain has to admit they had a 'blinder' and don't normally play that well! Either way, sincere thanks to everyone who contributed and you should be very proud of yourselves.

Don't forget to please check for the final upcoming events and competitions and get involved with what you can, there is social golf, cup competitions and evening events on – enjoy them whilst the weather is still holding!

I was fortunate enough to host a past captain's event a few weeks ago and it was amazing to see many illustrious figures from our past – it was also great to have several special guests as well which really makes an event such as that. We've a great history in the club and I sincerely hope we can extend a few successes over the next generation who can write their own footnotes in our history. An interesting question came up afterwards regarding the world handicapping system. This is a new system of handicapping which will affect all golfers and is planned for introduction in 2020:

In the words of all the R&A and golf unions, *"The aim is to encourage more people to play golf and allow them to transport their handicap anywhere in the world and compete on an equitable basis."* This sounds good to me and a few of the details were made public earlier in the year as follows:

- *Flexibility in formats of play, allowing both competitive and recreational rounds to count for handicap purposes and ensuring a golfer's handicap is more reflective of potential ability.*
- *A consistent handicap that is portable from course to course and country to country through worldwide use of the USGA Course and Slope Rating System, already successfully used in more than 80 countries.*
- *An average-based calculation of a handicap, taken from the best eight out of the last 20 scores and factoring in memory of previous demonstrated ability for better responsiveness.*
- *A calculation that considers the impact that abnormal course and weather conditions might have on a player's performance each day.*
- *Daily handicap revisions, taking account of the course and weather conditions calculation.*
- *A maximum handicap limit of 54.0, regardless of gender, to encourage more golfers to measure and track their performance to increase their enjoyment of the game.*

It's not all finalised yet and is something to think about – I for one am fully supportive of a system that seeks to help golfers of all standards and give more people easier access into our sport. There's lots more information out there so if you're interested get digging...

Enough for now, I need to get back to work and thinking about the next game whenever that is!

Cheers for now,  
Bert

# LADIES CAPTAIN BOO MOORE



*It was a very emotional day for me to see so many lady members having not seen them for 4 months. I was determined to get there.*

*Tonya worked very hard to make a lovely meal and she and her helpers deserve our thanks. The flowers beautifully arranged by Liz Forgan were excellent and thanks to her for her hard work*

*regards Boo*

*Ladies Irene Mott Knockout Final  
Susan Filby beat Val Mellish on the 19th hole.*

*Ladies Lee Bennett Knockout Semi Final  
Janet Coles v Liz Harvey  
Sue Ward v Fran Johnson*

*Ladies League v Eaton 1 (away)  
The match was very close with Ryston Park  
losing on the 18th hole 4/3*

## Ladies Captain Day

*Nearest the Pin 4th: Pam Taylor  
Nearest the Pin 7th: Lyn Kirk*

*Winning Team:  
Lyn Kirk, Dorothy March & Marlene  
Simmonds*

*Individual Winner: Marlene  
Simmonds*

*2nd: Lyn Kirk*

*3rd: Liz Forgan*



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# Senior's Section

A busy month for Seniors golf.

It started with a medal competition for the Snipe Trophy. This was won by Terry Russell (69), with John Rice and Barry Moull both recording 73's and Graham Warren a 74.

The Seniors Open took place on the 13<sup>th</sup> July, an event attracting 38 visiting golfers. The format was 'betterball' stableford, the winning pairs being presented with Marks and Spencer vouchers. First place went to L Brett from Girton and D Maw from Ely with 47 points. They were followed by R Walters from Diss and R Mayhew from Thetford with 46 points. R Bruce and H Coupland from Tydd St Giles and M Evans and A Dixon from Coventry Hearsall both scored 45 points and were separated on countback.

Feedback suggested it was a most enjoyable and successful event which has certainly become firmly established in the Seniors calendar. Thanks go to John Rice and Pat Holman for their organisation and hard work both before and on the day. They were ably supported on the day by Joe Flogdell and George Bell. Thanks also to Don Rowell the starter and to Senior members who acted as ball spotters during the day. An excellent meal was provided by Tonya and Julie and staff and was appreciated by all. As were the sausage rolls provided for the 'half-way house', prepared and cooked by Pat.

As a result of the day £300 was donated to club funds.

Friendly matches this month resulted in a win against Denver (H) and losses to Swaffham (H&A) and Thetford (A).

The annual Seniors / Ladies match took the form of an American Foursomes. Winners of a bottle of wine each were Ann Fletcher and George Bell (44 points), with Marlene Simmonds and Roger March (40) beating Terry Russell and Janet Coles to second place on countback. This was a most enjoyable morning rounded off with a meal.

Recently we played for the Ryston Shield. This was a medal competition won by Richard Warren (71) on countback from Roger Sloper, followed by Graham Warren with a 72.

Finally mention should be made of scores of 40 points or more in roll-ups during the month from Terry Russell (40), Mick Window (41) and Peter Williams with an excellent 44 points.



## Men's Campbell Cup Knockout Semi Final

Gordon Carter beat Richard Taylor on 17th

Tony Cowell beat Joel Wagg on 19th



### Men's July Medal

Johnny Clements 61

Tony Cowell 64

Danny Kew 64

Frank Mellish 67



### Men's Extra July Medal

The extra medal was won by Roger Sloper  $75-10=65$ . Roger's handicap was cut to 8.4 but it was an exceptional score and he was cut a further shot to 7.4 Well done.

2nd: Richard Simpson  $85-15=70$

3rd Joel Wagg  $90-19=71$

4th Richard Allen  $72-1=71$

### Trevor Nurse

### Trophy

Richard Cvijetic 68

Dave Green 70



### Men's Mid Week Medal

Shane Fitt 71

Paul Allen 71

Brian Cook 72

# EARLY RISER



*Winners: Tracy Russell & Jim Marsh with 39 points on count back from 2nd place Ruth Mountain & Mick Window 39 points.*

*3rd: Janet Rice & Dave Hannaford 37 points. Nearest the Pin 4th Peter Lunt & 7th Caroline Cotterell.*



*This goose follows the buggies as members feed it and seeing the bag of bread on Dave Green's buggy it dragged it off and decided to help itself.*



## **Cullington Team v Royal Cromer (A)**

*Congratulations to Cromer on some excellent play against us in the match. It was a match they clearly won rather than us losing and was played in the true spirit of Golf.*

*Thank you to all those who have played and helped during the competition. Unfortunately we lost by 47 down.*

*Nigel Wagg (Vice Captain)*



## *Club Past Captains Day*

*Winner with 38 points - Mark Nixon  
seen above with Captain Bert Emery.*

*On a personal note I would like to thank all of the gentlemen for making me so welcome on the day.*

*Pam Taylor*



*Winners: Roger & Dorothy March*

*The Eva New Mixed Pairs Knock Out Final between Roger & Dorothy March and Richard & Pam Taylor was a very close game. Giving two shots the Taylor's were beaten by a good pairing on the 17th green 2/1*



*Winners this month*

