



# Ryston Park Newsletter

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by Pam Taylor



Captain's Invitation Day Winners

# Club Captain Roger Sloper

I would like to thank all who attended my Captain's buffet on Sunday night. I believe they all enjoyed the evening.

It was unfortunate that the winners of the men's 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes could not attend the prize giving as it took the edge off the evening. I hope to present the prizes at the Sausage Supper in October.

Mens Winner: R Simpson (41) 2nd: G Rider (40) 3rd: O Mills (39)  
Mens Nearest the Pin: R Huggins

Ladies Winner: A Emmerson (17) on count back from T Russell.  
Ladies Nearest the Pin: T Russell  
(Photos shown)

Men's away day at Haverhill on the 11th August - there is still time to sign up - 2 1/2 buggies are still available.

Commiseration to our Barnard Team who only lost by one hole at King's Lynn. A very good performance by Dave and his team.

The Early Riser is on Sunday 6th August and we could do with some more men. Remember it's only a bit of fun!

We hope to start laying the astro turf the first week in September.

Happy golfing

Your Captain Roger



# Ladies Captain Maggie Ward

No tropical venue for this month's fishy picture! Instead I'm shivering at Rutland Water trying to catch my Captain's Day tea! Fortunately Alan was on hand to help me out.

July has inevitably been a very busy month with lots of matches, events and club competitions.

Congratulations to all of those who have been lucky and skilful enough to win trophies, there are a few more opportunities left, so keep practising !

The friendly team finally lost a match, to Feltwell away, and the league team needs an away win at Sheringham to stay up... a tall order!

Unfortunately the Ladies v Seniors match had to be postponed but will be rearranged for later in the season, keep an eye on the notice board.

I am pleased that so many of you signed up to play at Hovenden Park, lets hope the weather is kind to us.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for making my Captain's Day so special. I thoroughly enjoyed myself and I hope you all did too. Julie, Tonya, Paige and Ryan did a great job and we had fun all afternoon preparing the clubhouse while you were getting wet on the course.

Thanks also to Paul who managed not to complain about having to stay out in the rain to see you all off. It was great to see Steve and Val Armstrong who popped in to wish me luck, I hope they will join again soon.

Congratulations to the winners; Tiff had a magnificent round and the Champagne Moment award had many worthy contenders!!

Maggie



# Senior's Captain Graham Child

A busy month for Seniors golf. It started with a Medal competition for the Snipe Trophy. This was won by Mick Window (67) with Robert Parker, Peter Greenfield, Keven Bishop, Bryan Parker all recording 72's.

The Seniors Open took place on the 14th July, an event attracting 40 visiting golfers. The format was "Betterball Stableford", the winning pairs being presented with Marks and Spencer vouchers. First place went to A Softley from Haverhill and T Stanley from the Links., Newmarket with 48 points. They were followed by L Brett from Girton and D Maw from Ely, N Howes and J Bishop from RAF Marham, and G Bush and P Kemp from Haverhill who all scored 44 points and were separated on countback.

Feedback suggested it was a most enjoyable and successful event which has certainly become established in the Seniors calendar. Thanks go to John Rice, Pat Holman and Mike Brown for their organisation and hard work both before and on the day. Also to Don Rowell who did his usual immaculate job as starter and to all the Senior members who acted as ball spotters during the day. An excellent meal was provided by Tonya, Julie and staff and was appreciated by all. As were the savouries and cakes provided for the "halfway house" by Seniors wives. Many thanks to you all.

As a result of the day a sum of Three Hundred and Twenty pounds was donated to the club funds.

The results of friendly matches this month have been mixed with wins home and away against Swaffham and losses to King's Lynn and Denver.

Recently we played for the Ryston Shield. This was a Medal competition won by Graham Child (69), followed by Barry Marks (74), Barry Moull (75) and Ian Buttle (75). Finally scorers of 40 points or more during the month and winners of a coveted El Bandito ball marker were Colin Waters (40), Terry Russell (42) and Mick Window (42). Well done to them.



Open Winners



Snipe Winner Mick Window



Ryston Shield  
Winner: Graham Child



Colin Waters & Terry Russell

# Kisby Cup

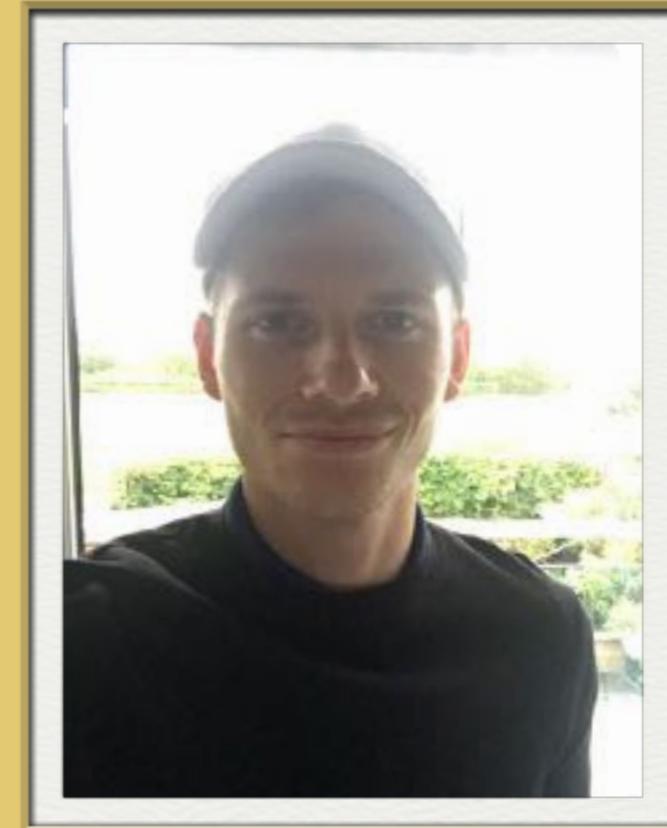


Danny Kew won the Kisby Cup with a nett 66.

- 2nd: Jim Marsh 67
- 3rd John Rice 68
- 4th Nigel Wagg 69
- 5th Ken Newman 70
- 6th Joel Wagg 70
- 7th Barrie Sewell 70

# Trevor Nurse Memorial Trophy

Richard Taylor & Owen Mills both scored 67 and Bert Emery 68. Richard and Owen had to play off for the trophy with Richard scoring a net 68 and Owen playing off 5 came in with a superb score of a net 65 to take the trophy and will be the first name on the cup.



# Men's Extra Medal

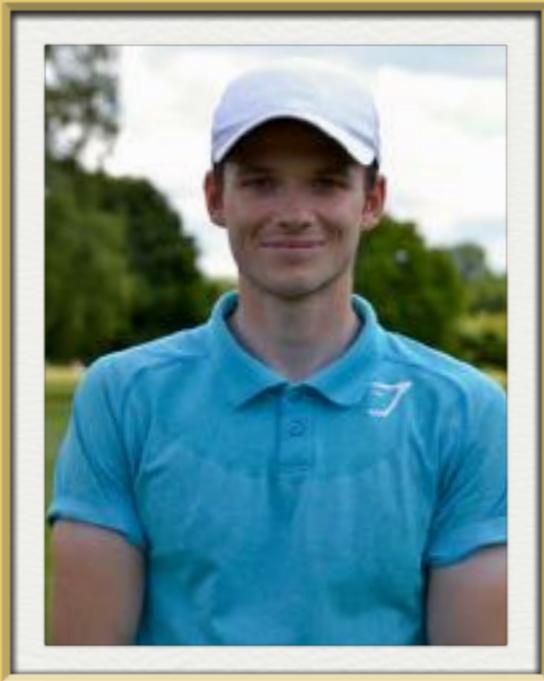
- David Leake 67
- David Weeds 70
- David Mitchell 71
- Rob Emery 71
- Steve Harvey 71

# Ladies Copper Jug

3 pairs play off for the trophies on Tuesday 25th July.  
Pam Taylor & Maggie Ward  
Liz Harvey & Ann Mitchell  
Patsy Parker & Anne Emmerson

Maggie Ward & Pam Taylor won the competition with 31 points.





## Men's July Medal

Winner: Owen Mills nett 65

Charlie Rains	68
Dave Stennett	69
Jonathan Rice	69
Alan Clarke	69
Gordon Carter	69

## Brownlow Bowl



Ann Fletcher carried the flag to the 19th green to win the competition. Closely followed by Sue Ward and Patsy Parker who ended on the first fairway. Ann won going out in 36, coming back in 43 with an eagle and 9 pars.

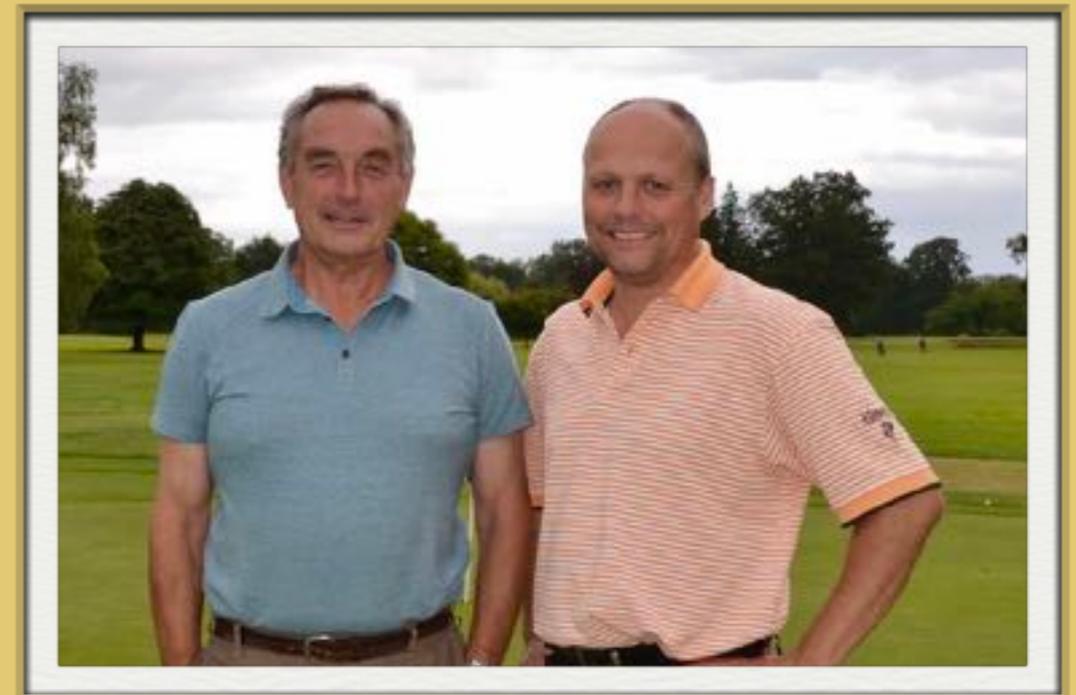
## Tom Reed Cup Replay

Danny Kew & Pam Taylor won the replay with 38 points from Gordon Carter & Ruth Mountain who scored 35 points.



## Bill Nurse Play off

Following a play off Jonathan Rice & Roger Sloper won the trophy with 43 points. A good result as Jonathan makes a career move which means he will be playing golf at a new club. We wish him every success and hope he will come back for a round of golf now and again.



## Poor entry for the Ladies Monthly Stableford

Only 8 ladies entered the 18 hole competition which resulted in 3 Players scoring 34 points each.

Anne Emmerson, Melanie Martin, Tiff Mills.

Only 2 ladies entered the 9 Hole competition with Greta Good winning on 11 points.

## The Open Sweepstake

Thanks to Tam Payne for organising the sweep which raised fifty pounds for the Captain's Charity.

1st Jordan Spieth - Roger March = Thirty Pounds

2nd Matt Kuchar - Anne Emmerson = Fifteen Pounds

3rd Haotong Li - Not sold

4th Rory McIlroy - Fran Johnson & Rafa Cabrera Bello - Gary Rider = Five pounds each

## Wisbech Old Boys v East of Ouse Golfers

On Sunday morning 23rd July fifteen men from Ryston Park travelled to Kenwick Park Golf Hotel near Louth in Lincolnshire for an overnight stay and 2 rounds of golf.

The weather on arrival was excellent and we played a tough test of golf on a course that was in superb condition. The hotel accommodation and food were very good and a few be vies before our evening meal and prize presentation were welcomed by all. Steven Harvey won the 18 hole Stableford with 37 points, followed by David Leake on 35 and Alan Clarke on 31. Nearest the pins were won by Barry Sewell, David Leake and Steven Harvey. A sweep was organised for the Open and won by Kenny Newman, David Leake, Gary Rider and Claude Martin. This event was our third organised trip and the Rider Cup was again played for between Wisbech Old Boys and the East of Ouse Golfers with the Wisbech Old Boys winning by a narrow margin.

Unfortunately due to heavy rain during the night and a buggy ban the next morning we all made our way back to Ryston to finish our competition but after nine holes the rain beat us again and we all retired home.

(Mick Ward)



**LIZ TYLER & CAROLINE COTTERELL**

**will represent RYSTON PARK GOLF CLUB**

**in the**

**AUSTRALIAN SPOONS - EAST REGION**

**to be held at**

**STOCK BROOK MANOR GOLF CLUB, ESSEX**

**on MONDAY 31 JULY 2017**



Wisbech Old Boys receiving the trophy from Alan Clarke.  
Apologies for the poor quality of the photograph but I'm sure you can make out the winners.

## Barnard Trophy.

After a good run our Ryston men were knocked out at King's Lynn where they played a very close game to lose the match by 1 hole.

## Ladies Gillieson

Unfortunately our Gillieson team didn't manage to get through to the next round.

Bawburgh fielded a strong side to win 3/0 with the Ryston pairings giving several shots.

## Eva New Finalists

Pam Taylor & Richard Taylor v  
Tracy Russell & Peter Mannion  
To be played Sunday 6th August.

## Campbell Cup Finalists

Danny Kew v Steven Cobbin

## Lee Bennett Finalists

Pam Taylor v Ann Fletcher  
To be played Wednesday 2nd August.

## Past Captain's Day



Vice Captain Bert Emery hosted the afternoon when 17 past Club Captains played a Stableford competition followed by dinner in the clubhouse.

Captain Roger Sloper had left a bottle of whisky for the winner and a bottle of wine for Nearest the Pin.

- 1st: Paul Allen who won the whisky and twenty six pounds.
- 2nd: Pam Taylor who won fifteen pounds.
- 3rd: Alan Clarke who won ten pounds.

Nearest the pin winner was Bert Emery who won the wine.



# Italian Night

Tonya and her staff went to town preparing the clubhouse for the Italian Night.

Tonya now has chair covers available to use for weddings and other functions which helped make the clubhouse look very attractive to the members and their guests.



# Editor's Notes

On Friday 30th June **Downham Cricket Club** held their annual golf day at Ryston Park. Golfers played 9 holes in the morning, 18 holes after lunch followed by dinner in the clubhouse and prize presentation. The day was well organised and enjoyed by everyone.

**Captain's Invitation Day** held on Monday 10th July.

The weather couldn't have been better when Captains from Norfolk, Cambridgeshire and Lincolnshire played an 18 hole Stableford competition. My thanks to Lyn Kirk for organising the raffle which raised over one hundred pounds for the Captain's Charity. Praise goes to Peter & Tiff for their work on the course which is improving every week. Tonya and her staff did us proud with the excellent buffet and halfway house. We have since received several emails from the visitors complimenting the course, competition and food and look forward to returning next year.

Home winners were: 1st: Val Mellish, 2nd: Maggie Ward & 3rd: Ann Fletcher. 1st: Roger Sloper (on count back) 2nd: Joe Flogdell, 3rd: John Rice. Nearest the Pin: Mike Crampton (Spalding) & Maggie Ward (Ryston). Visitors Prizes went to: Lin Walker (Tydd) 2nd: Jackie Maton (Tydd) 3rd Gillian Storey (Cromer).

1st: Monty Britain (Spalding), 2nd: John Camm (Spalding), 3rd: Steve Andrews (Girton).

The **Early Riser** is on Sunday 6th August. Shot gun start at 6am followed by breakfast. This is for both ladies and gentlemen. Sign up now on the social notice board as there is space for some more golfers.

The **Committee Match** has been changed to Sunday 24th September and not as on the fixture card.

**Back to Front Competition** will be held on Friday 18th August at 4 p.m.

A Pub Night is being held on the 12th August. Notice on social board for you to sign up and select your pub food.

We now have astro turf and shortly a digger will arrive so it can be laid.

The areas mentioned are the 2nd tee area, the 4th tee area, around the work sheds and wherever else required. Manholes on the course will also be covered.

I hear that Dick Martin managed a round of golf in between treatment and that Janet Coles did not need an operation as previously posted.

Also good news - Joan Randerson is back in the ladies section following a move back to this area.

Congratulations to Tiff Mills on being promoted to permanent staff from 1st August 2017. Peter and Tiff are working well together and the course is looking better as each month passes.

Happy Birthday wishes to Greta Good who is celebrating a special birthday this month. Best wishes to Val Mellish who missed Ladies Captain Day

Our **Scratch Team** (Tiff, Ann and Tracy) braved the awful weather to play League Leaders Cromer. This was their third match but unfortunately the weather didn't help them on the day losing 2/1



Our League Team played Hunstanton away against a very strong side where all of the Ryston ladies received shots but the match was lost 7/0. A previous match against League Leaders Bawburgh was also lost but not so drastically. Ryston are lying 4th in the league and played the league leaders at Ryston on Friday 28th July giving them a closer result of 3/4 to Bawburgh. The ladies now play their last match at Sheringham on the 3rd August.

It is good to see the Twilight Golf taking off and younger golfers playing at Ryston Park late afternoon and evening. We need to police these and encourage them to join our great club.

I have been asked why the ladies play in a league and there is not one for the men..... maybe our incoming Captain will look into this before next year!