



Club Captain Tracy Russell

October started extremely well when the ladies team won the Gillieson cup against Thetford. The match was played at Eaton and for me it was the highlight of my golfing career. It's the first time in the history of Ryston Park that we have won it. The team in the early rounds was Ann Fletcher and Tiff, Pam Taylor and Fran, and myself and Trish. Pat Blyth replaced Trish in the final as she was on holiday in sunny Spain. In each round a different pairing contributed to getting to the final. Well done to Pat on a very stressful debut! I would like to thank everyone who came to support us on that special occasion and in the earlier rounds.



The mixed match against Heacham was unfortunately cancelled as they were unable to get a team. The next match is at Ryston against Ely and there is a sign up sheet on the notice board in the clubhouse. This is very popular and has a Christmas theme to it.

The new buggy sheds are taking shape and look really good and well constructed.

A reminder to you of quiz night with Clarky on November 19th, proceeds to Children in Need so sign up now for a great cause.

I'm sure those of you who attended the sausage supper will agree what a lovely evening it was. Great food and service from Tonya and her team and a lively atmosphere. Well done to all of the cup winners.

Finally, I'm sure you will all agree how fantastic the course is at the moment especially the greens. Well done Peter, Tiff and Mr Brown.

Let's hope the weather stays fine for a good golfing November.

Shirley retires after 30 years.

On a sad note, as you know, Shirley our lovely cleaner is retiring. We'll miss your smiling face and cheerful demeanour each morning and of course Henry, your loyal assistant!

Thank you Shirley for your 30 years of loyal service to Ryston park and good luck in your retirement. A well earned rest.



Lady Captain Dang Kittisak

Well it was a great start to the month with Ryston ladies winning the Gillieson Cup. A fantastic achievement for the club. The inter county league has concluded and I am happy to say we shall remain in Division 2. The Scratch league team were also in good form this year and finished in 2nd place in Division 1. For a small ladies section we don't do too badly competing within the county. The winter league will soon be underway with our first match away at Thetford on the 10th November. Thank you to everyone who has helped me organise matches throughout the year. The annual prize giving lunch was held during October with a lovely baked potato provided by Tonya and team. Well done to Susan Filby who picked up an impressive 4 cups. Ann Fletcher continued her dominance in the Adcock Cup having won the cup for the 11th time! Congratulations also to Katie Hatley who was this years most improved golfer. Hope to see you all at the social mornings throughout the year and let's hope the weather is kind.





Seniors Captain Mike Brown

Hello all, this month just seems to have flown by. With the nights now drawing in winter is fast approaching and with all our friendly matches played the season is coming to an end.

This year we did manage to play all our matches both home and away, a very welcome return to getting back to normal times, which we all missed last year. At the beginning of the month we played our medal which was won by Eric Savage.

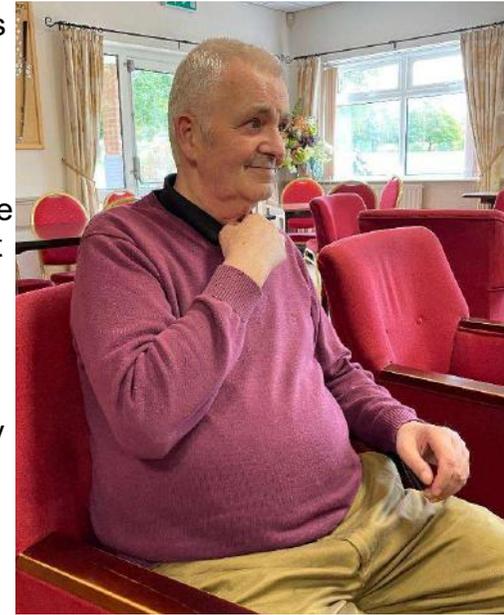
The first nine hole alliance match was played at Feltwell against Fakenham which we halved. We played our last match at Wensum Valley which we lost.

The first round of the Hodds was played at home against Feltwell, which we lost. Afterwards we had burgers and chips. The Feltwell team said how well our course was and how much they enjoyed the meal served by Tonya and her team.

During the month we welcomed two new members to the seniors, Paul Johnson and Mark Orwell. Our roll ups continue to be well attended and a catch-up afterwards in the clubhouse.



Our last event of the month, the Seniors Captain vs the Seniors Vice Captain, was played with 32 players. On this occasion the Captains team were the winners but on the day everyone was a winner and my thanks go to Eric Savage and Ian Buttle for their help and support in arranging it. The lunch of ham, egg and chips was served by Tonya and Paige and enjoyed by everyone. The overall winning pair on the day with a combined score of 69 points were Barry Marks and Ian Storey. 2nd place with 67 points were Ian Palfrey and David Weeds and three pairs in joint third on 66 points were Ian Buttle and Robert Parker, Mike Window and Paul Gill and Graham Mizen and Ted Filby. Nearest the pin on the 4th was won by Andrew Hodges who also won nearest the pin on the 7th. Nearest the pin in two on the 9th was won by Davis Weeds. Well done to the winners and my thanks to everyone who took part on the day. It was also great to see Kevin Bishop (above) who came for lunch, all the members were pleased to see him after several months away.



The course is looking good and the greens are playing well. The grass continues to grow, especially the rough and as winter approaches the leaves are now well and truly falling. It's an added bonus if you can find your ball in the leaves! Peter and Tiff continue to keep the course looking good and in excellent condition.

I hope you all keep safe and well and take care.

Greenstaff Peter & Tiff

We regret to say we had a recent attack of fusarium on the greens. This has been caused by the wet and warm weather.

What is Fusarium?

Fusarium Patch is a fungal disease that attacks closely mown turf, particularly Poa grass. It can occur at any time of the year with conducive weather conditions. It is most common and damaging during the autumn and winter when the weather is mild and moist. It is not too much of a concern during the spring and summer as growing conditions are at their peak and the grass can usually fight against it and grow the disease out and recover. But now in the Autumn, growth has slowed down, and with heavier dews and shorter daylight hours, the grass is slower at drying out, if at all.



This is the first serious attack we've had in a few years, but we're confident activity has now stopped and there is some recovery, as the grass is still growing. However this does not mean we won't be susceptible to more attacks throughout the winter.

The greens were spiked yesterday for the last time until possibly the spring. This is because we are due to spray for leatherjackets very soon.

Please remember to repair pitchmarks and please, don't take your anger out on the greens. We hope that this damage was not done by a member.



Clearing leaves is going to be our story for November and we hope for some favourable wind directions to get the job done!

There may soon be restrictions in the form of hoops and ropes going out, please follow them as they're there to protect the course for the following season.

Let's hope it's a dry winter!



Story of Autumn

Club Events

Saturday 6th November

All you can eat Breakfast Only £9 with £1 being donated to the Royal British Legion

From 7th November

Sunday Carvery will be available.
Details in Clubhouse

Friday 19th November

Quiz Night
Platters for four will be available as usual
Please sign up in the Clubhouse.

Friday 26th November

Pub Night

Sunday 28th November

Mixed Match (home) vs Ely
Christmas Dinner with all the Trimmings

Pub Night

Friday 26th November

Starting Platters

Sausage and Mash
Sliced Butchers Ham with triple cooked chips
Thai Fishcakes
Chicken, Ham and Leek Pie
Steak in Guinness and Stilton Pie

Sticky Toffee Pudding or
Cheese and Biscuits

Make your choice on the Clubhouse notice