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# *The Haymaker*

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Newsletter of the Little Hay Golf Club

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**A Word from the Club Captain**

**Summer is almost here!**

**Club matches and Club knockout matches are well under-way.**

**The ladies are winning on a regular basis. Elaine Meagher & Linda Reeve won the Gerrards Cross Ladies Open and Dorcas Kindinger & Leslie Quinn won the Redbourne Ladies Open; so well done to them.**

**Date for your Diary**

**The All Sections Captain's Charity Day - Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup> 2015**

**Competition format and prizes**

**The competition will be a Stableford format played from the blue and white tees for men and the red tees for ladies. Juniors to be arranged depending on ability.**

**There will be prizes for the guest and club winners both ladies, men and juniors on the day, including a Grand Raffle. Donations would be much appreciated.**

**All players can win nearest the pin; the longest most accurate drive and secret teams. There will also be hidden holes.**

**All participants are requested to make a donation of £15, £7.50 for juniors; for which they will receive raffle ticket. As there is no entry fee as such for the day all money raised will go to the three captains nominated charities.**

**The entry sheet is in the competitions book at reception. Any questions please contact the organiser Vice Captain Wayne Griffin on 07786548703 or email [wayne1073@sky.com](mailto:wayne1073@sky.com)**

Hope to see as many as possible on the day to take part.  
Have a great day!

**Chris**

## **Rules of Golf**

### Rule 26 – Water Hazards

Most club golfers are aware of the procedures for escaping from water hazards, those with yellow stakes or painted lines indicating the hazard.

1. Taking your shot from the water, or mud, and of course from the grass within the hazard area. Without grounding your club.
  2. Taking your shot, costing a penalty as well, on a line between where the ball first entered the hazard, and in line with the pin, at any distance you like behind the hazard.
  3. Or go back to where you last played and take penalty shot from there. (stroke & distance)
- However there are two other options if you are in a Lateral water hazard, marked with red stakes or painted lines, in our case down the right hand side of the fourth fairway.
4. You can drop a ball **within two club lengths** of the point of entry of the hazard. That's a one stroke penalty.
  5. Or you can identify a spot on the opposite side of the water hazard, again not nearer the hole, and drop within two club lengths, and again costing a penalty shot.

Personally I have found that on our fourth hole, trying to drop on the fairway side of the hazard is impossible, because the ball rolls away, so I opt for the far side and drop into longer grass which will not let the ball roll down the hill.

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## Men's Section News

<b>May Medal</b>			
<b>Division One</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>John Leahy</b>	<b>net 68</b>	<b>off 13</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Mick Milne</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>7</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Jake Conroy</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>May Medal</b>			
<b>Division Two</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Chris Miles</b>	<b>net 66</b>	<b>off 18</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Steven Crowhurst</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>22</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Bo Ho</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Secretary's Cup &amp; NAPGC 2015 Qualifier</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Dale Chiverton</b>	<b>41 pts</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>George Rocca</b>	<b>39</b>	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Paul Mudd</b>	<b>38</b>	

## Senior Moments

### A Word from the Seniors' Captain

We all know by experience that the weather has not been so super from a Golfing point of view over this last month but also not so very horrible...although we ( and some of the Ladies I believe) did have to abandon, at the 8th Tee, a Seniors Dacorum Doubles Match on Monday 18th May, because of very heavy rain, meaning putting was impossible.

We now however move into Summer proper, and therefore our hopes for fair weather increase dramatically. Optimism Rules...OK!!!! The course appears to be, **and is**, in good heart, visually stunning and the Greens ( with George's and his Staff's TLC ) improving rapidly,so excuses for playing badly are decreasing and may even disappear completely very soon !

Seniors are now in the very thick of InterClub Matches and although as Captain, I had an unenviable record in my first three Matches ( 3 losses!!!!...don't tell anyone!! ) we have now 'steadied the ship' and managed to achieve a few wins...against Redbourn Friars at home ( winning 6 1/2 to 1 1/2....and overturning...avenging.... a 6--2 defeat at 'Redders' ) , plus victories against Batchwood Hall and Whitewebbs Park.

These InterClub Matches are overall super enjoyable occasions, win or lose, and if you have never played in one, then do please put your name down on the entry forms in the Competitions Book and I shall likely choose you. Such Contests are always followed by a smashing tasty Lunch, ensuring both Teams can relaxedly mingle .

May was busy enough, especially with Singles and Doubles 1st round games to be played by end of May at latest, BUT Seniors have an EVEN BUSIER June in prospect with Matches against Wycombe Heights, Bushey G&CC, Cheshunt Park, Stockwood Park and Shendish Manor. The Cruickshank Salver, against the Ladies. The John Bidgway Salver ( Pairs) plus the usual monthly Medal and Stableford , beautifully and smoothly run and organised as ever by Mr. Ray Moore....how will we cope????...ANSWER---splendidly as always. Then in amongst all this there are all of the Singles and Doubles 2nd round Matches to get on with....PHEW!!!!!!

Just enjoy the Course, the Golf, the camaraderie, the fresh air and overridingly the fitness that I'm sure all of this brings.

As a reminder of upcoming Seniors Matches in June we have:-

3rd June .....AWAY Inter-Club Match -v- Wycombe Heights  
 8th June.....HOME 'Cruickshank Salver' --Seniors -v-Ladies  
 9th June.....HOME Inter-Club Match -v- Bushey G & CC  
 11th June.....HOME Medal  
 16th June.....AWAY inter-Club Match-v- Cheshunt Park  
 18th June.....HOME The John Bidgway Salver (Pairs)  
 24th June.....HOME Inter-Club Match -v- Stockwood Park  
 25th June.....HOME Stableford  
 1st July.....AWAY Inter-Club Match -v- Shendish Manor

Swing on.

Trevor

<p><b>Senior Medal</b></p> <p><b>Division One</b></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Frank Klimaszewski net 67 off 16            2<sup>nd</sup> Frederick Evans 73 19            3<sup>rd</sup> Phil Joslin 74 16</p>	<p><b>Division Two</b></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Paul Thompson net 73 off 25            2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Mason 74 28            3<sup>rd</sup> Geoffrey Selley 76 27</p>
<p><b>Senior Stableford</b></p> <p><b>Division One</b></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Tony Hodson 39pts            2<sup>nd</sup> Frank Klimaszewski 38            3<sup>rd</sup> Mick Milne 36</p>	<p><b>Division Two</b></p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> Sylvester Nolan 35 pts            2<sup>nd</sup> Trevor F Sergeant 35            3<sup>rd</sup> Mike Lutt 34</p>



## Ladies News

Lady Captain Report - May 2015

Although we've had our golfing ups and downs in May, it has generally been a good month for the ladies of Little Hay.

The Saturday Business Ladies Strokeplay Medal for May was one by Trish Joslin and the Monday Strokeplay Medal was won by Pauline Manning.

On Wednesday, 13 May Lesley Quinn and I won the Redbourn Ladies Open with Chris Marsden and Jacky Pearson close runners up.

On Thursday 14 May Elaine Meagher and Linda Reeve beat fifty other pairs to win the Gerrards Cross Ladies Open with 44 points in pouring rain!

The Pearson's Team have done it again and have won the Pearson Trophy group with an impressive record of seven wins and only one loss.

Forty one teams competed in this year's competition. We are very proud of being one of the final eight teams. Congratulations! The team now meets Moor Park in the semi-final. One away match and one at home. We wish them the very best of luck.

I would like to say a huge thanks to Elaine Meagher for serving as the 'non-playing' Pearson Team Captain. Her encouragement and constant support made her a fantastic team leader!

We were thrilled to receive the results of the NAPGC Burhill UKPCC Qualifying Stableford rounds from Linda Reeve for St. Andrews. The good news is that seven ladies have made it through to the regional finals. We were fortunate to have a combined entry of the Ladies section and Ladies Seniors section which meant we could enter a greater number of players. The qualifiers are as follows:

Ladies Section

Overall winner Gross - Pauline Manning - 34 points

Overall winner Nett - Chris Marsden - 19 points (33 points less handicap)

Winner of Division 1 - Jackie Joslyn - 32 points

Winner of Division 2 - Hee Young Crowhurst - 20 points

Ladies Senior Section (Over 55s)

Overall winner Gross - Trish Joslin - 34 points

Overall winner Nett - Dorcas Kindinger - 15 points (32 points less handicap)

Winner of Division 2 - Carol Kent - 29 points

We can choose to play the qualifier at one of the following locations: West Middlesex golf club, Royal Epping Forest (Essex), Temple Newsam (Leeds), Bromsgrove (Worcestershire) or Tilgate Forest (West Sussex).

Well done ladies – St. Andrews here we come!

The Monday competition of the Coronation Foursomes was abandoned on the 18<sup>th</sup> May due to flooding of the course and its subsequent closure. The closing date for the competition is 17<sup>th</sup> June and unfortunately there are no slots available in our fixtures to allow re-scheduling of both the Saturday and Monday competitions within seven days of one another by this date. (As stated under the rules of Alternate Day Competitions.) Therefore the winning pair was decided on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Congratulations to Linda Reeve and Elaine Meagher with a very good score of 39.

Suzanne Brady has been arranging golf days at other clubs for ladies with handicaps over 25. A group of players recently had a game at Stockwood Park. They have also had a day's golf at Stevenage and the next day out will be at Pannis Hanger Golf Club. They all seem to thoroughly enjoy these outings. Our thanks go out to Suzanne for taking the initiative and organising these events.

I would like to welcome our new member Los MacMohan-Mills. She is well on her way to getting her handicap and I am sure that, in time, she will give us all a run for our money. We look forward to seeing her as a regular golfer.

I hope you continue to have great golf as the weather keeps getting warmer.

All the best

Dorcas

## Junior News

Junior activities were again restricted by the demands of GCSE and A level exams, with low turnouts for our Whitsun competitions and the forced postponement of our Lexus League match against Redbourn.

Our star player in May was Luke Wrathall, who not only won both our competitions but also won the Redbourn Junior Open on May 24<sup>th</sup>

Junior Stableford May 25<sup>th</sup>

1 <sup>st</sup> Luke Wrathall	41pts
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tom Parr	38pts
3 <sup>rd</sup> Will Butler	35pts

Junior Medal 27<sup>th</sup> May

(Played whilst course staff were topdressing greens)

1 <sup>st</sup> Luke Wrathall	70
2 <sup>nd</sup> Will Howe	73
3 <sup>rd</sup> Robbie McIvor	74

Order of Merit Leaders as at 30<sup>th</sup> May

Luke Wrathall	895
Craig Walker	866
Will Butler	589

June sees one of the main events of the Club's year – our Captains' Charity Day on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June. There will be a Stableford competition open to all members of the Club (match fee £5 for charity) and we hope all Juniors will consider entering this – a sign up sheet is at the front of the Competition Book at reception.

Little Hay beat Enfield 3:1 at home, 11 league points to 5.

Billy Elborough scored an **albatross**, gross 2, on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

*Martin Evans and Eileen Jarvie*

## and in Conclusion...

**...the last word is...** The true definition of a golfer is one who shouts 'Fore', takes five, and puts down three. *anonymous*

**...and a touch of humour...** "How are you getting on with your new clubs?" asked the golfer when he walked into the bar and saw a friend of his. "Fine," replied the friend. "They put twenty yards on my slice."

## *What's on This Month and Next?*

### Men

#### JUNE

Sunday 7 - Medal Steve Seaford Memorial Q

Friday 12 – Challenge Cup – Men v Seniors

#### JULY

Sunday 5 – 0804 Medal – HomeWhRedbo

Saturday 11 – 0828 Ron Gingell – Home

Saturday 25 – 0930 “A” team V Batchwood - Home

*All Seniors are eligible to play in any of the competitions listed above.*

### Seniors:

#### JUNE

Wednesday 3 – 0900 Wycombe Heights – Away

Monday 8 – 0828 Cruikshank Salver – v Ladies

Tuesday 9 – 0828 Bushey G&CC – Home

Thursday 11 – 0828 Medal - Home

Friday 12 – Challenge Cup – Seniors v Men – Home

Tuesday 16 – 0830 Cheshunt – Away

Thursday 18 – 0828 John Bidgeway Cup – Home

Wednesday 24 – 0828 Stockwood Park – Home

Thursday 25 – 0828 Stableford – Home

#### JULY

Wednesday 1 – 0900 Shendish - Away

Thursday 9 – 0828 Medal – Home

Thursday 16 – 0828 Rickmansworth – Home

Wednesday 22 – 0828 Wycombe Heights – Home

Thursday 23 – 0828 Stableford – Home

Thursday 30 – 0830 Whitewebbs - Away

### Ladies:

#### JUNE

Monday 1 – 0836 Medal & Granny Cup – Home

Saturday 6 – 0836 BL Friendly v Monday Ladies – Home

Monday 8 – 0828 Cruikshank Salver v Seniors - Home

Tuesday 9 – 1000 Chartridge Park – Home

Saturday 13 – 0804 BL Club Championship (Gross)

& ThipThorpe Trophy (Net) Q – Home

Sunday 14 – 0804 BL Club Championship (Gross) – Home

Monday 15 - 0836 Summer Cup – Home

Sunday 21 – 1300 Batchwood (Friendly) Mixed – Home

Monday 22 – 0836 Solheim Cup – Home

Tuesday 23 – 1000 Bushey – Home

Monday 29 – 0836 July Medal & 9 Hole Friendly Stableford - Home

#### JULY

Saturday 4 – 0804 BL Medal Q – Home

Monday 6 – TBC Captain's Away-day – Away

Saturday 11 – 0804 BL Ping Tournament Pairs – Home

Monday 13 – 0836 Ping Tournament Pairs – Home

Tuesday 21 – 1000 Redbourn - Away

Saturday 25 – 0804 BL Basildon Bond Rosebowl Q

Monday 27 – 0836 Basildon Bond Rosebowl Q - Home

### Juniors:

Sunday 12 – 1300 Enfield *Lexus League* – Away

Wednesday 22 – 1100 Stableford – Home

Friday 24 – 1100 Ashridge *Lexus League* – Home

Wednesday 29 – 1100 Medal – Home

Friday 31 – 1330 Ashridge *Lexus League* – Away

### ALL SECTIONS Club Competitions:

#### JUNE

Wednesday 10 – 1800 Club Evening League

Wednesday 24 – 1800 Club Evening League

Saturday 27 – 0700 Captain's Charity Day

#### JULY

Wednesday 8 – 1800 Evening league – Home

Saturday 18 – 0700 Captain's Day – Home

Wednesday 22 – 1800 Evening league - Home

**All match details and social events can be found, in detail, on the club website.**

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