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Newsletter of the Little Hay Golf Club

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A word from your Club Captain.

Summer is almost here!

Club matches and Club Knockout matches are well under way. Please make sure matches are played by the dates given on the draw sheet.

The Midsummer Evening League is also under-way, with some good scores. It is also good to see that the June Medal (Steve Seaford Memorial Q) has had a large number of entries.

If you wish to play in any competitions please remember to put your name on the relevant sheet in the competition book in reception.

I represented Little Hay in the England Captains qualifier at Royal Mid Surrey Golf Club, which had 110 entries, and I finished in 72nd place on 11 over. The winner was one under. It was a great day and experience.

Have a good month.

Chris Miles

MEDAL Results

1 st May	Division one			
	1 st	Andy Sexton	81 – 11c = 70	new hcp Away
	2 nd	Mick Whelan	80 – 10c = 70	9.7
	3 rd	Phil Chester	81 – 8c = 73	8.2

Division two

1 st	Bo Ho	85 – 17c = 68	16.2
2 nd	Patrick Ashton	86 – 15c = 71	15.3
3 rd	Trevor V. Sargent	89 – 16c = 73	16.3

Secretary's Cup and UK PCC Qualifier

1 st	Aidan Walsh	44 pts	new hcp	16.7
2 nd	Chris Miles	42		13.4
3 rd	Jamie McIvor	40		9.1

Rules of Golf

Once again I have not discussed any contentious rule interpretations in the last month so we will get on with revealing another change which came into force in January.

Rule 14 – 3. Artificial Devices and Unusual Equipment; Abnormal Use of Equipment

Rule 14-3 governs the use of equipment and devices (including electronic devices) that might assist a player in making a specific stroke or generally in his play.

Golf is a challenging game in which success should depend on the judgement, skills and abilities of the player. This principle guides the R&A in determining whether the use of any item is in breach of Rule 14-3.

For detailed specifications and interpretations on the conformity of equipment and devices under Rule 14-3 and the process for consultation and submission regarding equipment and devices, see Appendix IV.

Except as provided in the Rules, during a stipulated round the player must not use any artificial device or unusual equipment, or use any equipment in an abnormal manner.

- a. That might assist him in making a stroke or in his play; or
- b. For the purpose of gauging or measuring distance or conditions that might affect his play; or
- c. That might assist him in gripping the club, except that;
 - (i) gloves may be worn provided that they are plain gloves;
 - (ii) resin, powder and drying or moisturising agents may be used; and
 - (iii) a towel or handkerchief may be wrapped around the grip.

Exceptions:

1. A player is not in breach of this Rule if (a) the equipment or device is designed for or has the effect of alleviating a medical condition, (b) the player has a legitimate medical reason to use the equipment or device, and (c) the Committee is satisfied that its use does not give the player any undue advantage over other players.

Penalty for Breach of Rule 14-3

Match play – loss of hole; Stroke play – two strokes.

For subsequent offence – Disqualification.

Note: The Committee may make a Local Rule allowing players to use a distance measuring device.

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A Word from the Seniors' Captain

We are having a good month, the weather hasn't changed much, but the program has got busier. There were some good scores in the Senior competitions, (including mine!), so the course is speeding up a bit.

Part of the "busy" bit is that we have played six matches against other clubs. We've won two, lost three, and drew the last after nine holes when play was abandoned because of poor weather. This last match, against Bushey G&CC, will be replayed on 11th July.

The Peter Betts competition was extremely successful, and raised over £450 for our chosen charity, the Royal Brompton and Harefield Hospitals. Well done.

Don't forget the next Seniors match versus Wickham Heights, the team list is in the book or on the wall in the changing room.

Keep swinging well.

Paul Whiter

Senior Results – Medal

Division one	1 st	Mick Milne	79 – 8c = 71	new hcp	7.5
	2 nd	Frank Klimaszewski	86 – 14 = 72		14.1
	3 rd	Michael Knight	89 – 16 = 73		15.6
Division two	1 st	Patrick McInerney	90 – 23 = 67		21.3
	2 nd	Vic Allen	94 – 22 = 72		21.6
	3 rd	John Murphy	96 – 22 = 74		21.9

Senior Results – Stableford

Division one	1 st	Paul Whiter	43 pts	new hcp	10.6
	2 nd	Quinto Rafique	40		10.2
	3 rd	Tony Mayhew	38		12.8
Division two	1 st	Paul Thompson	39		23.7
	2 nd	Trevor F Sergeant	37		26.1
	3 rd	Mike Mason	32		28

LADIES NEWS

This month starts and ends with a Bank Holiday so a little less to report than usual.

Unfortunately the Wednesday 4th May Solheim Cup had to be cancelled being a Wednesday which was not a popular day but has been rescheduled for Monday October 10th.

The May Medal was played on Saturday 7th (Business Ladies) and Monday 9th. This was an NAPGC Ladies Championship of England qualifier. The results are as follows:

BL: 1st Chris Woodcock 94/72 C/B, 2nd Jackie Joslyn 88/72, 3rd Karen Burrows 96/75.

Monday: 1st Trish Joslin 100/71, 2nd Dorothy Norman 109/74, 3rd Chris Woodcock 97/75.

Evening Summer League started on Wednesday 11th.

Saturday 14th and Mon 16th The Burhill Trophy and NAPGC UKPCC qualifiers were played and the results are as follows: 1st Dorothy Norman 39 C/B, 2nd Pauline Manning 39, 3rd Chris Woodcock 38.

Sun 15th The Whitewebbs team (Chris Marsden, Pauline Manning, Elaine Meagher and Linda Reeve) won their 2ND round against Iver.

On Wednesday 18th a group of ladies gathered after the roll up for the planting ceremony of the tree in memory of Jenny Williams, our past Captain and President of the Club. It had been a wet morning but there was a brief dry interlude which coincided perfectly with the scheduled time of planting. The tree is situated between the Ladies first tee and the 9th green and will be a lovely reminder of Jenny for us every time we start our golf (See photograph). On Friday 1st July we will hold a memorial match together with the Seniors and members of the main club at 3pm. It will be a Texas Scramble and a 9 hole competition and all monies collected will go to the Michael Sobell Hospice. So please do sign up if you can.

Saturday and Monday are the Peugeot Coronation Foursomes and results will be published in the next Haymaker report as I am going on holiday and unfortunately am not a clairvoyant!

So that's all folks, have a good Bank Holiday - more news next month.

Gill Howells

Junior News

May 29th saw our only Junior competition of the month – a Stableford. A strong, cold northerly wind troubled the whole field and stopped any hopes of high scores and handicap reductions. Once again Harry Miller was the winner.

1 st	Harry Miller 34 pts	new hcp	27.6
2 nd	Craig Walker 28 pts		12.1
3 rd	Robbie McIvor 20 pts		11.7

On 30th May we played our Lexus Junior League fixture at home to Hartsbourne who were so far unbeaten this season. George Rocca and Will Howe won their match convincingly whilst Harry Miller and Junior Dong (playing for the Club for the first time) lost to a much more experienced pair. Craig Walker and Robbie McIvor had an epic battle, coming back from one down after 16 to winning through a real Captain's 16ft putt by Craig on the 18th.

Overall, Little Hay won, two matches to one (6 ½ league points to 5 ½)

There are no Junior fixtures during June – Exam month – and Lexus Junior League will resume on July 3rd at home to Harpenden.

Martin Evans and Eileen Jarvie

and in conclusion.....

..the last word is...

Golf is the only game in which a precise knowledge of the rules can earn one a reputation for bad sportsmanship.

Patrick Campbell - *British writer*

...and a touch of humour...

I'm hitting the driver so good, I gotta dial the operator for long distance after I hit it.

Lee Trevino - *US golfer*

What's on This Month and Next

Men

June

4 Saturday 0732 Medal Steve Seaford Memorial Q Home
10 Friday 1530 Challenge Cup w/Seniors Home

July

3 Sunday 0828 Medal Home
9 Saturday 0732 Ron Gingell Home
23 Saturday 0900 A-Team v Batchwood Home
30 Saturday 0900 A-Team v Rickmansworth Away

Seniors

June

3 Friday 0900 Wycombe Heights Away
9 Thursday 0828 Medal Home
14 Tuesday 0828 John Bidgway Salver Home
16 Thursday 0830 Cheshunt Away
22 Wednesday 0828 Stockwood Park Home
23 Thursday 0828 Stableford Home
29 Wednesday 0900 Shendish Away

July

4 Monday 0830 v Bushey G&CC Away
7 Thursday 0830 Medal Home
14 Thursday 0828 v Rickmansworth Home
20 Wednesday 0828 v Wycombe Heights Home
21 Thursday 0828 Stableford Home
26 Tuesday 0830 v Whitewebbs Away

Ladies:

June

4 Saturday 0836 BL Medal and Granny Cup Home
6 Monday 0836 Medal and Granny Cup Home
7 Tuesday 1000 Chartridge Park Away
11 Saturday 0836 Club Championship (gross) Thipthorpe Trophy (nett) Home
12 Sunday 0836 Club Championship (gross) Thipthorpe Trophy (nett) Home
13 Monday 0836 Summer Cup Home
18 Saturday 0836 BL Summer Cup Stableford Home
19 Sunday 1300 Batchwood Friendly TBC Home
20 Monday TBC Lady Captain's Awayday TBC
21 Tuesday 1000 Bushey Away
25 Saturday 0836 BL Ovaltine Cup Home
27 Monday 0836 Ovaltine Cup Home

July

2 Saturday 0836 BL Medal Home
4 Monday 0836 Medal Home
9 Saturday 0836 BL England Golf Ping Qualifier Home
11 Monday 0836 England Golf Ping Qualifier Home
18 Monday 0836 Jefferson/Lane with Seniors Home
19 Tuesday 1000 v Redbourn Home
23 Saturday 0836 BL Basildon Bond Rosebowl Stableford Home
25 Monday 0836 Basildon Bond Rosebowl Stableford Home
30 Saturday 0836 BL Irons Rose Bowl (irons only) Stableford Home

Juniors

July

3 Sunday 1300 Lexus League v Harpenden Home
10 Sunday TBC Lexus League v Harpenden Away
24 Sunday 1300 Lexus League v Ashridge Home
27 Wednesday 1100 Stableford Home
29 Friday 1100 Medal Home
31 Sunday 1300 Lexus League v Whipsnade Home

ALL SECTIONS Club Competitions:

June

8 Wednesday 1800 Midsummer Evening League Home
22 Wednesday 1800 Midsummer Evening League Home

July

6 Wednesday 1800 Midsummer Evening League Home
16 Saturday 0700 Captain's Day Home
20 Wednesday 1800 Midsummer Evening League Home

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

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