



Society of Hertfordshire Golf Captains

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Xmas Fayre

So, we came to the final event of the Calander year our Xmas Fayre, played this year at Aldwickbury Park on Monday 2nd December with a large field, shot gun start and fortunately in dry conditions overhead although the course was wet in places which sadly meant no buggies.

My thanks to the membership for coping with the conditions and trolley restrictions

So, we set off on time and as this was a friendly day winter rules were extended to the whole course and after heavy rain over the weekend bunkers were GUR throughout the course. Obviously, this made it too easy for the membership as with these exceptions; along with hot soup and sausage rolls during the round; it seems to spur the membership on as 18 pairs scored 36 points or better, well played everyone.

After golf there was plenty of banter as we settled down to our Christmas Dinner, wine flowed and the noise grew louder in anticipation of the results. All four nearest the pins were very close and the top 6 places separated by a few points. In fourth place on countback with 41 points were Phil Swan and Mike Blee from East Herts, pipped to 3rd by Melvyn Rose and Dave Bowers from Aldenham also on 41 who missed out on 2nd place on countback as our IPC Brian Macdonald and his partner Keith Davies from Harpenden Common managed 22 points on the back 9. However, all these scores fell into insignificance with the winners of the day from Knebworth, Tony Kirkpatrick and Ross Woodbridge heading the field on an exceptional 45 points with a few birdies along the way.

Congratulations to the winners and we all look forward to a safe and prosperous New Year and a successful 2025



Mixed Invitation

Brookmans Park Golf Club

On a delightful summers day 18 pairs arrived at Brookman's Park for the Mixed Invitation Meeting to play for the Millenium Salver.

The current holders Dave and Janis Lines were defending their win last year at Old Fold Manor and hoping that home advantage would be the key to a successful defence.

As always, the course looked good and, in the sunshine, there were no excuses not to enjoy the day although there are some long holes and playing Greensomes is never easy at the best of times.

The field enjoyed the hospitality offered at Brookman's throughout the day and enjoyed a very pleasant summer meal after golf and a refreshing shower.

There were some excellent scores, and it was very tight for the minor places with several scores of 38 and 39 points but in third place on countback with 40 points were Doug Stokoe and Gill Lee from Aldwickbury Park. a second successive competition that saw Doug posting a great score after winning Presidents Day.

However, they were just piped for 2nd place by home members Richard and Mandy Blanchflower who had a better back 6 which left the winners out in front on 43 points.

Unfortunately for the defending champions a good 39 points was not quite enough so the winners were the societies Hon Sec Eric Diment from Aldwickbury Park playing alongside Karen Annison from Letchworth. The key to their success was a very steady round with 3 birdies. So next year society member John Annison will have to find a new partner if he wishes to enter as the Hon Sec has already asked his wife to partner him again.



The Captain, President and Committee

wish you all a very

Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year

and hope to see you all at next years fixtures.





Happy New Year To All

Next Season Advanced Notices

Due to poor weather earlier in the year we have an early fixture
in 2025

Please put in your diary

Herts Ladies

The Revised fixture with the Herts Ladies will now be played at

Mill Green Golf Club on

Wednesday 26th March 2025

World Transplant Games



**Mike Blee, Past Captain of East Herts
Golf Club has been selected to
represent England in the
World Transplant Games taking place
in Dresden, Germany in August 2025.
I'm sure we all wish him well and look
forward to reading how he does later
next year**

Fixtures 2025

Thursday	6 th March	Annual Dinner	Aldwickbury Park	AL5 1AB
Thursday	10 th April	Past Captains Dinner	West Herts	WD3 3RL
Tuesday	15 th April	County Boys (Under 14's)	Essendon	AL9 6HN
Tuesday	22 nd April	Captains Day & AGM	West Herts	WD3 3RL
Saturday	3 rd May	Herts Salver	Letchworth	SG6 3NQ
Tuesday	6 th May	Inter – Club L/Officers	Moor Park	WD3 1QN
Wednesday	14 th May	London Captain	Old Fold Manor	EN5 4QN
Tuesday	20 th May	Buckinghamshire	Harleyford	SL7 2SP
Tuesday	27 th May	Mixed v Norfolk	Royal Norwich	NR9 5JE
Tuesday	3 rd June	Triangular	Ramsey	PE26 1DD
Monday	9 th June	Suffolk Captains	Brett Vale	IP7 5LR
Tuesday	26 th June	Match v Vice Captains Club	Welwyn Garden City	AL8 7BP
Sunday-Monday	6-7 th July	Mixed Away	The Warwickshire	CV35 7QT
Tuesday	15 th July	Presidents Day	Aldenham	WD25 8NN
Tuesday	5 th August	Four Counties	Thetford	IP24 3NE
Wednesday	27 th August	Mixed Invitation Mtg	Brookmans Park	AL9 7AT
Thursday	4 th Sept	Vs Northants	Kingsthorpe	NN2 7BU
Thursday	11 th Sept	Vs Bedfordshire	Whipsnade Park	HP4 1RH
Monday	15 th Sept	With Herts Lady Captains	East Herts	SG9 9NB
Friday	17 th Oct	Autumn Meeting +	Brickendon Grange	SG13 8PD
Thursday	23 rd October	Crameri Cup Final Presidents Reception	Aldenham	WD25 8NN
Monday	1 st Dec	Xmas Fayre	Letchworth	SG6 3NQ