

## 2018 Members Meetings.



*Strong winds at West Kent G.C.*

### **The 50th AGM**

The AGM was opened at 5.22 pm on Wednesday 16th May 2018. The Chairman paid tribute to our President Reg Taylor who sadly died in office, and was warmly acknowledged by the members. Reports were well received & the accounts were accepted. Officers and new committee members were elected and all changes can be viewed on our website. Reference was also made to our Charity fundraising and distribution during our past year, which once again is shown on our recently upgraded website. The meeting was closed by our new Captain & Chairman, Mike Lintonbon.

### **The West Kent Salvagers.**

As usual the golf was keenly contested on a day that saw competitors start in light clothing only to don more layers as the wind increased the chill factor. The temperature of 12 degrees felt colder and many had to put on their wetgear to stay warm! Luckily the rain stayed away and a warm welcome awaited all in the clubhouse. Another excellent meal preceded the AGM and the prize giving followed as is customary.

No doubt due to the weather, scores were much

lower than in recent years and saw two pairs on 42 points, 5 pairs on 41 and 3 pairs on 40.

1st place on countback therefore went to stalward's Peter Oldfield & John Martinez (both from Dartford G.C.) with 42 points. (21 on the back 9)



*Peter Oldfield, The Captain, John Martinez*



*David Allread, The Captain, Peter Woodward-Bailey*

Second place went to regular attenders Peter Woodward-Bailey (Sene Valley) & David Allread (Sundridge Park) also on 42 points but missing out on the silverware on countback. (20 on the back 9)

Third place on countback from stiff competition on 41 points (21 on the back 9) were locals Stephen Poole & Charles Stevens (both from West Kent G.C.)





Charles Stevens & Stephen Poole with The Captain



Gerry Tutt with the Captain.

Forth also on Countback was big hitting Gerry Tutt & Dan Naylor (both from Lamberhurst) on 41 points (20 on teh back 9 - 7 on back 3)

Others on 41 points but missing out on the prizes were Dave Donovan & Danny Catchesides (Shooters Hill), Rod Miles & Mike O'Hare (Lamberhurst), Peter Skipper & Gary Snell (St Augustine's).

**Meeting at Cherry Lodge Thursday 14th June 2018.**

**Knole Park Trophy**

Winner - Steve Olley  
(Woodlands Manor) 41 pts



*Steve Olley Receives The Knole Park Trophy.*



2nd - Brad Smith (Sittingbourne) 38 pts

3rd - Steve Weeks (Dartford) 37 pts



**PM Greensomes**

**Royal Blackheath  
Autumn Bowl**

Winners - Stewart Knott &  
Mike Moseley (Shooters  
Hill) 21 pts (15 on back 6)



2nd - Mike Fishlock and Fred Adcock (Tunbridge Wells) 21 pts (14 on back 6)



### Sidcup Trophy

Winners - Lynn Mercer & Rob Corbett (Lamberhurst) 22pts (16 on back 6)



2nd - Paul Bennet (Shortlands) & John Martinez (Dartford) 22pts (15 on back 6)



**Captains Day Tuesday 17th July 2018.**



Our Captain Mike Lintonbon hosted his Captains Day at his home club – Shooters Hill with the excellent support of 95 players taking part. We were richly entertained by our Captain and his wife Margaret and their close friends at the halfway house with refreshments and an excellent buffet, which was most welcome on this warm summer day.



As we continue to enjoy this sunny warm summer it has made many golf courses fiery and at times somewhat difficult with uncontrollable bounces but not for all as Roger Witchlow a member at Shooters Hill playing off a handicap of 8 scored 42 points to win the day and lift the Captains Prize.

1st Roger Witchlow  
(Shooters Hill) 42pts

In second place also with an excellent score was Mike Fishlock (Tunbridge Wells) with 41 points followed by Phil Skelton (Wrotham Heath) with 39 points. Only four other players scored 36 points and above.

2nd Mike Fishlock (Tunbridge Wells) 41 pts



3rd Phil Skelton (Wrotham Heath) 39pts

The golf was followed by a very enjoyable lunch and our thanks go to Shooters Hill GC for all there support and making this a memorable day.

### **Tenterden Meeting - 8th August 2108**

80 plus members played at Tenterden Golf Club in warm sunshine and occasional strong gusty winds. We cannot know

how long this glorious summer will continue as comparisons are being made with 1976. The big problem all courses are having to deal with is the lack of rain, but Tenterden appear to be managing well with the greens in excellent condition although the fairways are very parched as is the case over most of the country it seems.



*Winner Kevin Swift with The Captain*

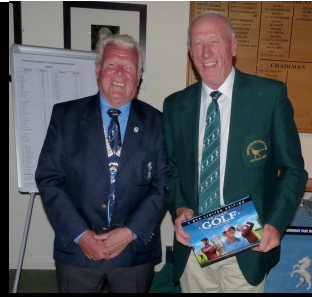
We were received most hospitably by The President and staff at the club and later at the presentation, the Captain of Tenterden Golf Club, David Tushingham welcomed us most heartily as we learnt that it is something like 9 years since our last visit!

The catering & bar staff met our needs. In fact it was generally agreed that this was a most enjoyable return to this very friendly venue.

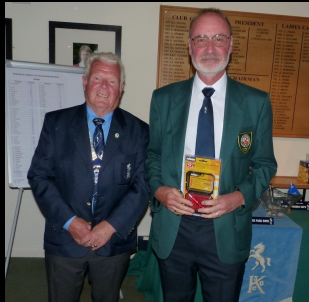
### **The Sundridge Park Bowl.**

Winner of the Sundridge Park Bowl 2018 with 39 points Kevi Swift of Sidcup.

Just one point off the pace with 38 points was runner up Robin Fullager of Faversham G.C.



*Runner Up, Robin Fullager*



Third Place with 37 points from Tenterden - Peter Knott

*Local player Peter Knott*

### **The Eltham Warren Cups.**

The back 9 greensomes competition for the Eltham Warren Cups was won on countback by Chris Hill & John Johnson, both from Sidcup with 20 points with 12 on the back 6 from unlucky Kevin Swift & Chris Foster also from Sidcup who scored 11 on the back 6.



*Winners Chris Hill & John Johnson*



*Winners Alan Dodd & Chris Jennings*

### **The Mid Kent Plates**

The front 9 greensomes competition for the Mid Kent Plates was won by Alan Dodd & Chris Jennings both from Eltham Warren with 23 points. A very close call that rested on the last hole on countback with 4 points from Roy Allan & Ian Slatter (Tenterden) who had 3 points on the short par 4 last hole.

**Meeting at**



## Littlestone, Thursday 23rd August.

Well over 100 members turned up to play at this 130 year old celebrated English golf course links.



The skies were grey and the rain threatened all day but never quite arrived.

## The Langley Park Salver.

The Langley Park Salver winner Gary Wilson (Sidcup) breezed through the event to notch up a conclusive victory with 43 points.

Mick Dunlop (Chestfield) 38 points,  
Ron Dunham (Hawkhurst) 37 points (20 back 9) &  
Barry Barclay (Shooters Hill) also 37 points (21 back 9) produced handsome scores in the difficult conditions to feature in 2nd, 3rd & 4th spots!



*5 points clear Gary Wilson celebrates with Card & Salver!*

Perhaps the mild zephyr referred to by club captain, Jeremy Smith at the prize presentation was a slight tongue in cheek remark as many players struggled in what became a very stiff breeze as the morning wore on. Not all struggled however as the results here will testify!

## Wildernesse Salvors. (10 holes)

1st Fred Potter & Ian Slatter  
(Tenterden) 25pts  
2nd Mike Stephens & John  
Hubbard (Bexleyheath)  
24pts with 13 on back 6



from Nigel Digweed &  
Roger Treadway (Ashford)  
with 24pts but 12 on back  
6.

*Fred Potter & Ian Slatter celebrate with the Captain*

### **Rochester & Cobham Trophy. (8 Holes).**

1st Gerry Tutt & Mike  
Fishlock 22pts

2nd Gary Wilson & Gary  
Jones (Sidcup) 21pts with  
16 on back 6 from John  
Rowe & Martin Goodright  
(Sittingbourne) with 21pts  
but 15 on back 6.

As always we thank our  
host club here at Littlestone  
for providing us such an  
hospitable venue where all  
the staff attended to us in  
the bar, at lunch and tea in  
a very friendly manner. A

hot lunch was commented on by several members and viewed as a much appreciated alternative to the cold buffet on a day when the weather was certainly not the scorcher of the past couple of months.



*Gerry Tutt & Mike Fishlock with The Captain*

### **2018 Presidents Day at Faversham.**

Friday 14th September saw us at this pretty North Kent golf course to celebrate our Presidents Day with 89 in attendance. We were warmly welcomed by Faversham Captain, Mike Streatfield and the course was presented in very fine condition.





*Faversham Captain Mike  
Streatfield with The President.*

This day is now an 18 hole competition for the Presidents Prize,  
followed by lunch and prize giving.

Only 5 Players returned 36  
points or more despite the  
benign conditions with  
Dave More (Dartford) and  
Mike Stephens  
(Bexleyheath) just missing  
out on the prizes.

Our winner and only  
competitor to break PAR  
was Harry Wanless  
(Bexleyheath) who proudly  
informed us had at last  
'broken his duck' after 25  
years of trying, he had  
finally won a Kent Captains  
event! Well persevered it  
must be said!



*1st Time Winner Harry Wanless claims his prize.*

In Second Place on 36 points (13 on back 6) Faversham Captain





Mike Streatfield

*Local Player & Current  
Faversham Captain, Mike  
Streatfield*

In third place was John Martinez (Dartford) who narrowly missed second by one point on countback (12 on the back 6)

Our winner Harry Wanless thanked Faversham Golf Club & their staff for a most excellent days golf as well as great hospitality and a fine hot lunch. He added thanks to both starters on the day, our hard working secretary and his two stalwart assistants on the desk.



*John Martinez in 3rd Place.*



2018 Professionals Guest Day at Shooters Hill G.C.

**Tuesday 25th September.**

On a delightful day at Shooters Hill Golf Club with the sun shining our

Pro/Guest Day proved to be another successful meeting.

With 30 teams taking part from all over Kent and the best two scores per hole to count,

**Eltham Warren**

crossed the finishing line on 10 under Par (back 9 - 59) Eltham Warren Team: - Ray Williams, Roger Hills, Mark Spencer & Professional Rudi Ianson.



Three other teams also finished on 10 under par. Second on countback (back nine 60)

### **Tunbridge Wells.**

Tunbridge Wells Team : -  
Mike Fishlock, Phil Adcock,  
Peter Hyland &  
Professional: Todd Adcock.



Third on countback (back nine 63)

### **Shooters Hill**

from an unlucky Princes G.C. also with the 4th 10 under par score of the day. Shooter Hill Team (The Captains Team): Mike Lintonbon, Dave Donovan, Tony Christini & Professional Marcus Sewell.



### **2018 Christmas Fayre**

This year's Christmas Fayre took place on the 6th December at Sittingbourne & Milton Regis GC on a day that stayed dry in what has



*Christmas Fayre Prize Table*

presented to everyone as a memento of the day.

## Results

The first 10 best scores were presented with M & S Vouchers and first choice of the prize table.

1st – 39pts with 21pts on the back 9 – Steve Weeks – Dartford and winner of the Chislehurst Salver. Steve had to leave early so no photo. Jim Osbourne (Dartford) who marked his card collected his prize on his behalf

2nd also with 39pts but with 18pts on the back 9 Alan Blundy from Sittingbourne GC



3rd with 37pts Michael Stephens from Bexleyheath GC.



– Chris Hill (Sidcup).

## Other Voucher Winners

were presented with M & S Vouchers and were:

4th – Ian McLaughlin (Knole Pk) – 5th Peter Bruce (Sittingbourne)  
 – 6th Terry White (Sidcup) – 7th Barry Oliver (Sittingbourne)  
 8th – Roger Treadway (Ashford) – 9th Jim Johnson (Sidcup) 10th

been a very wet week or so and looked at one time that it might not have taken place.

We were grateful with the decision by Sittingbourne GC to lift their trolley ban and I am delighted to say that the course played very well in what has been a difficult time for greenkeepers all over Kent. Our thanks go to all the staff at Sittingbourne for making our day run so smoothly and for the very well presented Christmas Lunch and for the magnetic pitch repairer with a ball marker



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