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2017 Spring Tour:

A report from our Secretary. Photos follow this report

This year's Spring Tour saw us visit 'El Rompido Hotel and Golf Complex' in Spain with a party of 65 in what was a very enjoyable week or so.

We played two very testing and challenging courses belonging to the hotel, North and South Courses. The main competition is for the Ron Kunes Salver and this was won by Brad Smith from Sittingbourne in a closely fought final day. With players going out in 'Order of Merit' Brad was leading by two points (65) with Trevor Norman (Eltham Warren) second on 63 points and Robin Fullager (Faversham) and Ray Williams (Eltham Warren) both on 62 points.

As the day unfolded Gary Wilson (Sidcup) made a move up the field and was leader in the clubhouse when he returned a score of 32 points giving him a final total of 91 points.

With the morning leaders still on the course and playing the 18th hole, a par 5, the body language was not looking good, and rumours spread that Gary may have won. However, Brad made a par on the last hole which elevated his score for the day to 28 points which gave him an overall total of 93 points and with Ray scoring 29 points gave him a final total of 91 points.

Brad held onto his lead and won by 2 points (93) from second place Gary who was also runner up last year and third place Ray.

The Secretaries Plate which is played for from the Blue Tees for players over 70 year's young and with a handicap of 19 and above was won by our then President, Mike Odd (Barnehurst) with a total score of 97 points, 20 points ahead of second place Geoff Mancrief (Shooters Hill).

The Ladies Competition was won by Janet Alldread (Sundridge Park) with a final score of 86 points, one point ahead of Kristel Cox (Knole Park) who made up 4 points on the day but needed one more to catch Janet in what was also a very closely fought competition.

The tour officially ended with a very enjoyable Gala Dinner and the presentation of the prizes.



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