



2015 NEWS TAB ARCHIVE KENT GOLF CAPTAINS

Friday 25th September 2015.

The Society is pleased to announce that today it made 2 donations, each for £1500 to the following organisations. It is thanks to the generosity of our members that we are able to support those that do so much unselfish work in assisting children that are disabled or disadvantaged.

The Captain, accompanied by Past President Phil Draper today visited the following organisations.

The Young Lives Foundation. <http://ylf.org.uk/>



As the name implies, help is given to youngsters and we hope that you will visit the above website to see what wonderful work is done. Here is just one extract from that website.

“Our trained volunteers visit, advise and befriend young people in care and take a long-term interest in their well-being and development.
Young people may experience multiple changes of placement, carer and social worker during their time in care. Often our volunteer independent visitors are the only consistent adult in the young people’s lives.”

Five Acre Wood School. <http://www.fiveacrewood.co.uk/>

An outstanding all age (4-19) day District Special School for children and young people with Profound, Severe and Complex Learning Difficulties, including Autistic Spectrum Disorder. Here is an extract from their website which we hope that you will visit:

“Our 264 pupils and students represent a wide range of additional educational needs within the profound and multiple learning difficulties, severe learning difficulties, complex needs, challenging behaviour, sensory impairments and autistic spectrum. We cover an age range of 4 – 19 years and the school is currently organised in three departments – Primary, Secondary and Sixth Form.

Our staffing compliment is approximately 160. We are supported by two school nurses and have our own therapy team and family liaison team. We also work with consultant paediatricians, teachers from the sensory service, educational psychologists, specialist community nurses, disabled children’s team and respite services.”



Tuesday 11th August 2015.

This year's **Queen's Jubilee Trophy** Team put up a sterling effort in defence of our title playing at **Wychwood GC – Oxfordshire**. An excellent team performance which so nearly lifted the Trophy for the second year running but alas we lost by two points to this year's winner **Bedfordshire**.

We amassed a total of 210 points (best 6 scores from 8) which in year's gone past would have given us victory but our score was pipped by **Bedfordshire** who had a great score of 212 points.

This is only the second time **Bedfordshire** has won the Trophy in the 39 years the competition has been running and our congratulations go to them for a fine victory.



Photo (L to R) Peter Gregory (**Lamberhurst**) Gary Snell (**St. Augustine's**) Brad Smith (**Sittingbourne**) Tony Negal (**Sundridge Pk**) Richard Lamb (**Bearsted**) John Grant (**Wrotham Heath**) John Budd (**Mid-Kent**) - Paul Roberts (**Woodlands Manor**)

27th July 2015. Presentation of Captains Bench, Dartford.

A large gathering comprising of committee members, past presidents swelled by 18 Dartford captains (Including current Captain Bernard White) & their ladies attended this annual event to mark our Captains year in office and to thank his adopted home club for its tremendous support in his year as Captain of our Society.

Our president Geoff Houghton presented a very handsome bench to Dartford G.C. gracefully accepted by Dartford president Peter Oldfield. Following some formalities and a few photographs a very nice buffet was enjoyed by all.

Captain Mike Odd said a few words to thank Dartford G.C. and was accompanied at this event by his wife and family and everyone enjoyed a very warm hospitality from the host club.



Club President Peter Oldfield, Captain Mike Odd, Club Captain Bernard White & President Geoff Houghton approve the 4 seater bench!



President Geoff Houghton presents the bench to Club President Peter Oldfield.



Dartford Captains join the photo shoot.

News Flash 3rd July 2015.

Annual Overseas Tour 2016. The Captain has announced that the annual Spring Tour will return to Turkey in 2016.

- * The departure date will be the 25th April 2016.
- * This will be an 'All Inclusive' tour with a standard 7 day holiday and the opportunity to extend it to 10 days.
- * The hotel will once again be the excellent 5 Star 'Gloria Serenity' at Belek. Golf will be 2 rounds each at both the Gloria New and at Tat Golf International.
- * Further details and prices are available upon request from our secretary.
- * It is expected that demand will be high and as always, while we hope that every applicant can be accommodated, places will ultimately be given on a 'first come, first served' basis. Please do not leave it too late therefore to indicate your interest via email to our secretary.

Monday 29th June 2015.

This year's annual Queen's Diamond Jubilee match was hosted by Kent with London, Sussex and Kent Golf Captains' Committees competing at Royal Blackheath G.C. This is the fourth year for the event with each County taking turns to host the fixture.

Sussex to date have reigned supreme, having won the trophy for the first three years. However, on a glorious day in delightful sunshine at Royal Blackheath GC, our Committee Team managed to secure a Kent win.

Our thanks goes to Royal Blackheath GC who looked after us all and for hosting this year's triangular match.

Photo (R) Shows Captain Mike Odd receiving the Trophy from Sussex Captain David Wilkins & accompanied by London Captain David Wild



News Flash 1st June 2015.

Following the approval at the AGM to increase our Annual Subscription. May we request that you amend your 'Standing Order' at your bank from £10.00 to £20.00 payment from 1st January 2016. It would be most helpful if that were sooner rather than later please.

We have over 700 members whom we need to contact to advise the alteration of their Standing Order. I can assure you that this is not as easy as it sounds and will involve a lot of time and effort by our Treasurer and myself contacting those members who will pay the old subscription in January 2016.

The more members who amend their Standing Order in advance, the less time will be needed to chase those outstanding.

Your help on this matter will be much appreciated. **David Honnor, Secretary.**



16th January 2015, The Canterbury Oast Trust.

The Captain visited the rare Breeds Centre Near Ashford, where The Canterbury Oast Trust supports people with learning difficulties. here he presented a cheque for £500 on behalf of The Society. People with learning difficulties continue to face discrimination in choosing where they live, accessing education and finding work. C.O.T work with others, such as 'The Rare Breeds Centre' to help people with the confidence required to give them the skills to help them in todays world.

We have received a very nice thank you from C.O.T for our donation which they assure us will be put to very good use.

Photo: The Captain with some of the people the trust trains to get their city and guilds qualifications so they can become independent.

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