



A Final Message from the President

Hello everyone,

Nice to see the new flagpole go up today after a long delay due to the shut down in the spring which delayed manufacture and installation. A big thank you goes to Ryn Hudson and the 100 club for sponsoring the project.

I would like to thank all members that adhere to the Coronavirus legislation imposed by the government on the advice of the medical authorities. These measures are there to safeguard us all and our families at home. I am sure we all know someone who could be vulnerable to the virus.

It is so nice to see, even with the restrictions, the number of people enjoying our new clubhouse even if it's just for a drink with friends or just a nice place to sit and look out onto the course.

Well at the risk of upsetting the weather gods..... it looks likely we are in for an Indian summer. It has certainly been great weather so far for September but of course we are desperate for rain everywhere. The dry weather, together with the organisational skills of Derek and Neil, have allowed the club to catch up with board competitions with the membership striving to see their names up on those honour boards.

This next paragraph is all about me! I am sure most of you are aware this is my last Tidings message after 6 years of service, one more than the maximum of 5 years, due mainly to my involvement in the clubhouse project. I am about to thank many people for their

help during my term as President but before I do, I wish to thank my wife Sue for her truly wonderful support for me during the six years. Sue is someone who I have relied on to be there whenever I needed her support, plus of course not forgetting all the things she has done to support the club too. Although Sue has never been a playing member, she has made a lot of friends during my term as President.



I would like to thank all board members who have supported me both past and present. I have enjoyed working with everyone on various committees who again give up their spare time to serve the golf club. Me personally, yes, I have enjoyed the whole term, if I hadn't, I certainly wouldn't have served a sixth year. I just hope I have made a difference in the only way I know how, dedication to the job and whatever it takes.

Now I am just going to be a member and enjoy the golf and the new clubhouse and hope we can get back to as near normal like as before as soon as possible. Kind regards to you all.

Bye for now John

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AND DO NOT SHARE AROUND THE CLUBHOUSE**



Mens Sunday Morning Golf Report, Derek Bates

Denley pipped at the post by evergreen Wegner

A fantastic thirty foot putt on the last from John Wegner resulted in a net 59 and an easy win in the coveted Harry Johnson Cup competition. John's finishing score put him three clear of the rest of the field and although Nick Denley might have thought he had done enough with a net 62, he had to settle for second place ahead of Don Crawford who finished third with a net 63.

In the Canterbury Cup it was Andy Selwood who played some marvellous golf over 36 holes to end the clear winner with a net 61 in the morning and a net 62 in the afternoon. His overall total of net 123 put him four shots clear of Julian Zane in second place who in turn was three shots clear of third placed Callum Buchanan. Last year's winner Neil Bennett couldn't quite achieve back to back wins but after the first round he was in a good position with net 63 and this was good enough to take the prize for best morning score. In the afternoon it was a surprise score of net 62 from Paul Baybutt that scooped the best PM score prize though a disappointing round in the morning left him well short of the total needed

for any of the main prizes.

Our Captain Rob Davis managed to show his class in the monthly medal played at the end of August. After the trials and tribulations arising from Coronavirus issues affecting the club he finished with an impressive net 64. Rob started badly with a double bogie on the first but he settled to play some steady golf and finished in first place ahead of Martyn Silverton in second place on net 66. Micky Found ended in third place with a net 67 ahead of Neil Bennett on count-back.

In the French Cup, another major competition, Duncan Palmer pulled off a surprise win with a very impressive 41 points. After a double bogie on first Duncan put together a string of pars to end the front nine with 22 points and he held his nerve over the closing holes to end easy winner. His total was one point clear of Dave Tassel who always plays well but once again had to settle for second place. John Stokes finished in third place on 39 points.

Ladies Section Golf Report, Louise Tucker

Due to the influx of new members we have a pretty much full field playing every Tuesday morning which is great.

We played a 4 Ball Better Ball on the first Tuesday of the month and had some great individual and team scores in. Two teams managed a magnificent score of 48 points. Winners on count back were Marilyn Squire and Maggie Reeves, Carol Doghan and Susan Hope a very close second.

The Wren and Woodhead Trophies are traditionally played alongside one another. The Wren is a Par competition, which we don't play very many of, and open to ladies with handicaps up to 29. Fran Hollingsbee had a really good round to finish on plus 3 and was clear winner. Runner-up was Louise Tucker with a solid round of level par.

The Woodhead is a stableford competition for ladies with handicaps of 30 and above. Despite the heat we had some fantastic scores returned and lots of handicaps cut. Winner on count back on the last 6 holes was Annie Stirling with a magnificent 40 points. Jak Bagley was very

unlucky to score 40 and finish second. And Jean Hudson came third with another great score of 38 points. Well played ladies!

Well we all know it takes two to tango. Unless you're at Seasalter where we played a Tango competition in teams of 4. One stableford score counted on the first hole, two scores on the second, three on the third, four on the fourth, then back to one score again and repeat. Winners with a fantastic 91 points were Penny Perkins, Holly Butler, Janet Henley and Fran Hollingsbee. Second place with another good score of 84 were Carol Doghan, Marilyn Squire, Sue Hope and Maggie Reeves.

Atrocious weather meant that the Charity Stableford at the end of the month had to be abandoned. Many thanks to those who ventured out to the Club for a coffee and generously donated £133 towards the Lady Captain's charity-SERV Kent Bloodrunners. And a special thank you also to Carol Doghan who has single-handedly raised £143 for the same cause, selling a variety of 'goodies'.

Juniors Golf Report, Mel Bashford

Since our Monday nights have restarted the juniors have turned out in ever swelling numbers which is very encouraging – last Monday we had 14 – and each and every one of them is a really good promising golfer. We have an age range from young Rocco, who has to be seen to be believed, he's five, to our very worthy captain Jacob who at eighteen is, sadly for us, in his final year. Age range is fairly evenly spread which is good as it means we only lose one this year.

We have managed to fit in four competitions since we've been back in action with each competition being won by a different golfer. Firstly, we had the Allard Cup for 12 and unders this was won by Zack Durbidge, new to us this year but already showing lots of promise, alongside the Allard Cup we played the Comer Cup, for over 12s, won very clearly by one of our longer serving players, Tyler Rigden. Next we played for the prestigious Aspen Trophy, originally a father and son competition but we stretched it to junior and adult this year, nevertheless it was won as it should be by our next year's Captain and his father, Vinnie and Kevin Warnock, well done both of them.

Last Saturday we played for the Esworthy Rosebowl, always a popular competition, not least because Janet provides treats. This is also a junior and adult competition and was won by the ever talented duo of Brinley and Lloyd Foster.



Excellent swing Rocco



Brinley & sidekick Lloyd clean up in the Esworthy Rosebowl and are presented the cup by Janet Henley



Vinnie & Kevin Warnock, victors in the Aspden Trophy

Good weather has blessed us throughout, for which we are most grateful, sadly the season will be soon be over but it is really hoped each and every one of these promising juniors will be back next season to show us how it's done. All have family members to accompany them out on the course so will be able to get out and practice throughout the winter, please give them the courtesy and encouragement they deserve, they are our future.

Old Salts Golf Report, Brian Ridley



Stephen Munns - Seniors Cup

The competition played on a very hot August 6th was the Seniors Cup which produced a few surprises. The winner was a new member of the Old Salts, Stephen Munns with an excellent score of 43 points, 2nd was Paul Lithgow with 40 points and 3rd with 39 points was the 'evergreen' Malcolm Cane. The Captain David Rigden and Vice Peter Smith extended their winning run in the Captain's Challenge, beating the challengers John Dowle and Brian Daw by 4 and 3.

The continuing heatwave challenged players in the Dave Rigden Trophy played on the 13th. In first place was Barry King with a net 64, 2nd was Ray Campbell with a net 65 and 3rd was Peter Smith with a net 66. The Captain David Rigden and Vice Peter Smith's recent long winning run came to a shuddering halt, losing by two holes against Gwyn Oakley and John Wegner.

Forty two players participated in the Dave Gould Trophy Stableford competition held on August 20th.

The winner was Brian Ridley with 38 points, in 2nd place was David Morgan with 36 points and 3rd was Captain David Rigden with 35 points. In the Captain's Challenge, after an early scare the Captain David Rigden and Vice Peter Smith managed to claw

their way back to a one hole win against Ray Campbell and Alec Parrett.

With competitions coming thick and fast this the Duncan Monroe medal was played on the 27th, the winner with a net 64 was David Morgan, who's hitting a good run of form as he was second in last weeks competition, in 2nd place was Paul Sampson with a net 66 and in 3rd place was Colin Cheyne with a net 66. The Captain David Rigden and Vice Peter Smith halved their match against challengers Brian Daw and Kit Ryan.

The Captain David Rigden wishes to thank all members for their support.



Barry King - Dave Rigden Trophy

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Roy Percival - Dave Atkins Trophy from last month

SEASALTER CUP - SO FAR

Quarter Final (31/08/2020)	Semi Final (30/09/2020)	Final (31/10/2020)	Winner
Simon Rutherford James Bennett	James Bennett Joe Newman		🏆
Andy Short Joe Newman			
Robert James Ireland Chris Beckley	Robert James Ireland Giles Govier		
James Holness Giles Govier			

VETERANS' TROPHY - SO FAR

Round 1 (29/08/2020)	Round 2 (19/09/2020)	Quarter Final (03/10/2020)	Semi Final (17/10/2020)	Final (31/10/2020)	Winner
Neil Brown Mark Payne	Mark Payne Robert Davis	Mark Payne Neil Bennett			🏆
Andy Short Robert Davis					
Neil Bennett Kieran Small	Neil Bennett Nicholas Denly				
	John Clarke David Tassell				
		Gerald Allan			
	Gerald Allan Andrew Selwood				
	Glenn Snook Brian Beckley				
		Chris Beckley			
	Chris Beckley Robert James Ireland				
	Peter Shearing Geoffrey Holland				
		Geoffrey Holland Giles Govier			
	Giles Govier Neil Hackshall				

FURTHER KNOCKOUT UPDATES NEXT MONTH

KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

Thank you all for your patience while we've been shut

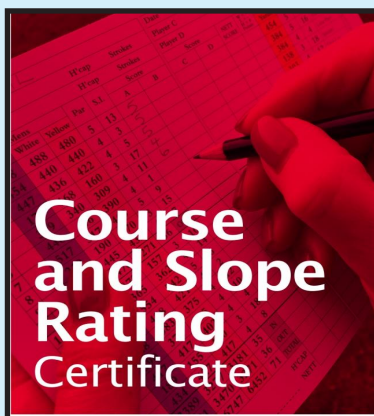
IT SEEMS THAT SOME MEMBERS FEEL THAT THE DANGERS OF COVID-19 HAVE PASSED AND THAT THEY NO LONGER NEED TO FOLLOW THE RULES. THOSE MEMBERS SHOULD RE-READ THESE GUIDELINES AGAIN AND FOLLOW THEM.

- 1 Please do not come to the Golf Club if you are feeling unwell.
- 2 Hand sanitiser is available in the lobby and on all tables. Please use this on arrival (or wash your hands) and during your visit to the Club and maintain social distancing (1 metre plus) at all times.
- 3 We will already have the names of members booked in for golf for our records. Green fees should complete their details in the Green Fee Book which the Marshall will have on their table. **All other visitors must sign the Visitors Book which is in the lobby.** This will ensure that we have a complete record of everyone coming to the Club for Track and Trace purposes if necessary.
- 4 The locker rooms are now open. The showers are not to be used. Maximum of 2 people to use the toilets or locker room at any one time. A one way system will operate in the men's locker room. Enter the locker room from within the Clubhouse and exit via the external door to the course. The disabled toilet in the foyer will remain open for general use and all toilets will be cleaned regularly.
- 5 Tables and chairs have been set out, both within the Clubhouse and on the patio, with proper regard for social distancing.
PLEASE DO NOT MOVE TABLES OR CHAIRS AROUND.
- 6 Ben Silcock will be serving food at breakfast and lunchtime every Thursday to Sunday with a slightly reduced menu than normal. Order at the kitchen hatch and pay by contactless bank card. If someone is already ordering at the hatch please wait until they have moved away or respect social distancing.
The coffee machine will not be available for the foreseeable future.
- 7 Steve Wood will be serving drinks during normal bar opening hours, but with a slightly more restricted range than normal. When you enter the Clubhouse go straight to an empty table and Steve or one of the bar staff will come to you to take your order. Please do not stand at the bar and please only leave your seat to use the toilet or leave the building. Your drink will be brought to your table. Steve will accept cash (for a limited period only) but the preferred method of payment for drinks is either by contactless bank card or through your golf membership card. The membership cards have to be 'activated' to enable them to take credit and over the course of the next few weeks the office will be activating all membership cards - if you do not want your card activated please contact the office. Activation does not mean that you have to load money onto your card but it gives you the option if you do wish to do so.
Once activated your card can then be loaded with credit via Steve. There is no minimum amount you can put on your card. Moving forward we want to become cashless so we are encouraging all members to use cards wherever possible.
To get the members discount on drinks you will need to produce your card every time you order. Knowing your membership number is no longer sufficient.
- 8 To maintain a safe distance we will have a limit to the number of people allowed in the Clubhouse or on the patio at any one time. The maximum number in the Club will be approximately 40 and maximum on the patio approximately 20. If we are full then you will have to wait for someone to leave before you can come in.
- 9 A designated smoking area with a table will be on the right hand side of the patio as you are looking out onto the course, the 'kitchen' end.
- 10 Doors and windows will remain open where possible to improve ventilation.

**Thank you for taking the time to read this.
It's important that we all follow the new guidelines-both
so we can stay safe and also so we can stay open.**



After a great night out, Ted thought he would take a short cut home. Unfortunately he had forgotten the the dyke on the 2nd. A keen eyed local photographed Steve helping Ted out of a hole.



WORLD HANDICAP SYSTEM

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ENGLAND GOLF

Whitstable and Seasalter Golf Club

AFFILIATED CLUB

Whitstable and Seasalter

COURSE NAME

Whitstable and Seasalter Golf Club

FACILITY NAME

30/07/2014

EFFECTIVE DATE

Explanation:

A Course Rating is the evaluation of the playing difficulty of a course for scratch golfers under normal course and weather conditions.

It is expressed as strokes taken to one decimal place, and is based on yardage and other obstacles to the extent that they affect the scoring ability of a scratch golfer.

A Slope Rating evaluates the relative playing difficulty of a course for players who are not scratch golfers. The lowest Slope Rating is 55 and the highest is 155. A golf course of standard playing difficulty has a Slope Rating of 113.

Course ratings are determined, by permission of the World Handicap System, in accordance with the Course Rating System™ for the purpose of providing a uniform basis of which to issue a Handicap Index. Course Rating, Slope Rating®, and Handicap Index® are marks owned by the World Handicap System and may only be used in connection with the World Handicap System™

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TEE NAME	LENGTH	GENDER	COURSE RATING / SLOPE RATING	FRONT NINE	BACK NINE
White	5357	Men	65.7/107	32.8/108	32.9/105
Winter	4976	Men	63.9/106	32.0/107	31.9/105
Red	4958	Women	67.9/116	34.4/117	33.5/114

World Handicapping System

England Golf continues to promote the new world handicapping scheme which is to be introduced across the UK from 1st November this year. As part of their preparations, the club has received its "course and slope rating certificate" and we now know for certain that slope ratings for our courses are as follows – Men's white tees 107, Ladies Red tees 116 and Men's winter mats 106. Slope ratings for other courses are of course different if those other courses are more challenging.

Everyone will soon be issued a new handicap index, which they will have to use in conjunction with the slope rating for the course being played to determine their course handicap that day. To help determine a player's course handicap, slope rating charts will be available which show course handicaps for every handicap index possible – course handicaps will be different at other clubs that have different slope ratings so course handicaps will vary from course to course.

If you're a mathematician you don't need to use slope tables to calculate your course handicap, simply multiply your Handicap Index by the Slope Rating for the course to be played and divide by 113 (standard difficulty rating) then round the result to the nearest whole number.

Course Handicap = Handicap Index x (Slope Rating of Tee on Course / 113)

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW IN DUE COURSE

100 CLUB

SEPTEMBER

PRIZE WINNERS

1ST £30 LUCY DAVIS

2ND £20 FRAN PRICE

3RD £10 MICK MANNING

INTERESTED IN JOINING? PLEASE PHONE OR EMAIL ME (SEE BELOW) IF YOU DON'T SEE ME AT THE CLUB.

Congratulations to Prize Winners.

Unless already received by bank transfer you prizes are ready for collection from behind the bar. Prizes can be paid direct to winners' bank accounts if members give me advance notice, by email please, with their nominated bank account details.

*Details must now include the account name which must match the name on your account and your debit card, plus the sort code and account number.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

I do not have contact details for all 100 Club members. If you are not receiving 100 Club group emails please let me have your email address or mobile phone number for 100 Club communications.

THANK YOU.

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FIRST PERSON TO IDENTIFY THIS CLUB
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EDITOR'S DECISION IS FINAL

Last month's prize was unclaimed - but it was Robin George,
who didn't even recognise himself!