A Periodical Newsletter for the Members of Richmond Park Golf Club

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Nearly a year has gone by since we started this exercise - the purposes of which are to keep you, the members, abreast of events, occasionally to give you a reason to gloat (!), and seriously to encourage you to support the club on a regular basis. Hopefully we've succeeded in some of these goals.

We've welcomed quite a number of new members to our ranks this year and it will be our aim to increase membership in 1998.

Our club has a proud history going back to 1924 and only a strong body of players will bring us the successes of past years. We must all try to increase the numbers and encourage the newer members.

I'm sure the whole club will join me in thanking the outgoing Captains, Charlie Cook and Frederique Courreges for jobs well done; and welcoming the new Captains Tracy Wright and, subject to the AGM, Peter Harrington and wishing them the best of luck for the coming two years.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Prosperous Golfing Year.

Tim Fox



DINNER DANCE 24th January

The Annual Dinner Dance and Presentation of prizes is now imminent. Please assist the Treasurer and Organiser, Dave Williams, at the earliest opportunity and book, and **pay the deposit** for your tickets as soon as possible. I must remind you that prize winners are expected to attend. If you have not been successful your support will be welcomed at this fun event.

As usual the Ladies will be running their highly successful tombola and any prizes will be gratefully received.

The venue will again be THE WINNING POST on the CHERTSEY ROAD.

Dinner will be followed by the Presentation

and then its dancing 'til 1.00, to the Mick Avery Band; for those of you old enough to remember, the Kinks drummer. See the Board or Dave for details.

Don't miss your chance of trying to win a free ticket, see the quiz inside the paper. Entries to Dave by **Sunday 11 January**.



Match Play Results

The clubs knockout competitions are now concluded and the results are as follows:

J H Taylor Shield

This premier event for the low handicap division men was won this year by **Tim Meyer**. By all accounts Tim's Putter was on fire! Tim overcame one of the clubs' best players **Neil Whitfield** in the final. Well done both of you.

In the Junior Handicap Event - The **Two Courses Cup - Steve Morris** edged out **Phil Flanagan**. Again, well played.

Mixed Foursomes Knockout

Cathryn Leftwich & Tim Fox are this years winners after a hard fought contest with Dave Williams and Linda Wallace. Well played partner.

Men's Fourball Better-Ball

Neil Whitfield made up for his loss in the J.H. Taylor final by partnering **Barry Carey** to victory over **Ian McPherson** & **Geoff Seed.**

Ladies Challenge Cup

In a similar 'revenge' match **Linda Wallace** & **Cathryn Leftwich** did battle in the premier ladies' final. **Linda** was the eventual winner.

TOP DOG TROPHY

This prestigious Trophy reflects consistency, with points awarded during the year over 8 major competitions. This years winner is **Simon Belcher.**

OTHER RESULTS

5th October Medal

Men Winner **Paul Grand** net 62 R/U **Barry Carey** net 64 Lady **Sheena Harrington**

12th & 19th The International

Winning Team - England 278 Points
Runners Up - Ireland 275 Points
1st Overall Man John Collender
1st Overall Lady Janet Fox

Victorious Team

Barry Carey John Collender
Charlie Cook Bob Lovejoy
George Martin Dave Parkinson
Janet Fox Julie Smith

Longest Drive: Dave Cahill

Nearest the Pins:

1) Jim Wooldridge 3) Peter Harrington10) George Martin 13) Julie Smith

26th October Committee vs Members

Charlie's 'Committee' Team overcame the 'Members' this year, though it should be noted that due to Committee absentees, the majority of his players came from the 'members'.

2nd November Medal

Men Pat King Net 65 R/U Andrew Maxwell-Scott Net 66

Lady Sonia Inniss

9th November Irons only Sweep

Dave Parkinson33 PointsToby Hunt32 Points

Marking the Cards

The Committee have recently agreed that in future cards will **not** be marked by simply swapping with your marker, but the cards are to be rotated in the fourball, i.e the person who's card you are marking is not the same as the person who is marking yours..

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

ACE for Mrs. H!

There was a fine start to her round on 30th November for **Sheena Harrington**. Sheena chose a 6 iron and crisply struck the ball straight into the hole for a 1!

Winter Competition well underway

Some excellent scores have already been recorded in this years event. Notably **Ian Smith & Kerry Sargeant** with 44 & 41 points respectively in the first round.

In the second, Richard Tate carded a 42;
Stuart Kendall & Peter Harrington had 44's in the third.

Remember, the best 3 scores from 8 win the cup, so with 5 rounds left, the competition is still wide open.

See the Board for the remaining dates.

7th December Medals

Men Peter Harrington Net 65 on back 9

Paul Grand Net 65

Lady Julie Smith

NB See Overleaf for the complete **MAJOR WINNERS**, we look forward to seeing you all at the Dinner Dance.

The Annual General Meeting at Aboyne Hall - See AGM Papers to be issued shortly for full details.

This is your chance to air your views.

Rather than criticising your committee have you thought about joining the Committee? Paraphrasing JFK, ask not what your club can do for you, but what **you** can do for your club!

The closing date for nominations and proposals is **Sunday 4th January 1998**, please forward these to the Secretary, Julie Smith.

Articles Wanted!

The paper is hopefully read by most of the membership and all members are welcome to contribute with views, anecdotes or gripes in this forum. It would help us if you could provide 'copy' for inclusion in the next issue.

See Tim Fox.

FORTHCOMING FIXTURES

The Christmas Quiz - Dave Williams

A Quiz to keep you busy over the Festive Season.

It's simple, just fill in the missing words. E.G. 12 $\underline{\mathbf{M}}$ in a $\underline{\mathbf{Y}}$ = 12 $\underline{\mathbf{M}}$ on this in a $\underline{\mathbf{Y}}$ ear.

The Quiz is set out as a 36 Hole Golf Tournament, except that the highest score wins.

The Prize is a **free** ticket (worth £25 to the dinner dance).

In the event of a tie (after calculating the back 9 etc) names will be drawn from a hat.

Entries to Dave Williams by Sunday 11 January 1998

FIRST ROUND (correct answers: front 9 = 1 point. Back 9 = 2 points)

1)	18	H on a GC	
2)	13	BD	
3)	3	$\overline{\mathbf{W}}\mathbf{M}$	
4)	2001	a <u>SO</u>	
5)	39	<u>S</u>	
6)	7	W of the W	
7)	57	$\overline{ ext{HV}}$	
8)	1906	E in SF	
9)	1	O the E	
10)	1963	YPKA	
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11)	13 5	LM in a Y	
12)		V in the A	
13)	19th	NB (RS)	
14)	1876	B of LBH(USA)	
15)	50	S on the AF	
16)	12	LaL(TD of C)	
17)	9	C of QV	
18)	6	W of H the E	
			Total Points Back 9

SECOND ROUND (Correct Answers :Front 9 = 3 Points. Back 9 = 4 Points)

1)	7	C in the S			
2)	3	BF (BBBS)			
3)	4	M in a Q			
4)	0	R in a M O			
5)	2	G of V (WS)			
6)	5	S on a P			
7)	1992	OGH in B			
8)	50	W to LYL (S&G)			
9)	3	PC (BYR)			
			Total Points Front 9(Round 2)		
10)	9	P in the SS			
11)	7	P for a BB in S			
12)	1954	<u>FFMM</u>			
13)	37	AHBT (C)			
14)	24	TZ of the W			
15)	36	SP for a NPR			
16)	11	SF on the BS			
17)	2	T in the ABR (0&C)			
18)	1680	<u>DBE</u>			
			Total Points Back 9(Round 2)		
Nam	e)				
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			Total Points out of 90		

Crossball Puzzle

I would like to thank George Martin for the last crossword which was clearly the most difficult and obscure yet! Only one member actually returned a completed puzzle - **John Sowter**. I must apologise for not recognising this feat in the last issue, when we had not time to include a crossword; I was trying to rush out the paper a bit too quickly! John receives the usual 3 golf balls. Well done.

This puzzle I'm sure will be a lot simpler, so I expect to see loads of entries, ha ha! Remember, 3 top grade balls to the first correct entry out of the hat before the next issue.

1.	Just the method we strive for	(7)	
2.	Of the Burro on the Alien	(5)	
3.	Feline Clubs?	(5)	
4.	Dramatic instruction by a bogey	(4,2,3)	
5.	Of a new man, or Swedish woman?		(10)
6.	Annoyed at the start?	(4,3)	
7,9.	Beached, broken, nay, sidle.	(5,3)	
8.	Like the bird's behind!	(6)	
8(D)	An altered eastern demand.	(7)	
10.	Untidily clad hare's forename.		(4)
11.	Sound pacific win starts this player. (5)		
12.	Like the notice to appoint.	(6)	
13.	Poor, crassly rude, and very loud player.	(6)	
14.	Always remembered how many more dollars	S.	(3)
15.	Has changed on oriental ships for reflection	(7)	