



## Results this week at West Berks

### Chloe wins midweek medal

Chloe Somerville won the ladies' September midweek medal on Tuesday with a score of gross 108, net 71. There was a three-way tie on net 72 between Renee Wheeler gross 93, Jane Wilmore gross 106 and Carol Sparvell, gross 101, decided in that order on count-back.

Chloe is a new member and her grandfather and golf mentor is non other than West Berks' doyen and five-time senior champion, Tony Coventry.

Despite this Chloe is proving to be a very popular and successful new member of the ladies' section. We wish her well.

### James wins in midweek

James Cameron won the men's midweek stableford on September 17 with 38 points. Stephen Fisher was a point behind in second place while Alexander Anderson was third with 35.

### Geoff on count-back

Geoffrey Dominy took first place in the Saturday stableford on September 19 with a splendid 42 points relegating Chris Terrett to second place on count-back.

Count-back was also required to separate a tie for third place on 39 points with Andrew Morton edging Jason Challis out of the prizes.

### Gillas is underway

You don't have to look out of the window or feel the chill and dew of the early mornings to know it's autumn. It has to be because it's Gillas time again.

On Saturday Pat Treacy and Ann Davies both got off to a great start in the first of three rounds of the ladies' competition to share the lead on 40 points. Pat took first place on the day on count-back while Gale McAuley took third spot on 36 points.

The ladies will play Round 2 on Saturday October 10 and they will then take the best of the two rounds into the final to be played on Saturday 17.

### It's Carl's Crawford

Yesterday (Sunday) Carl McCartney won the Crawford Cup, a blue tee medal open to all players that have played to CSS or better throughout the year.

The 11-handicapper recovered from a slow start with two double bogies on the front nine with a two over par back nine



Carl McCartney Crawford Cup 2020

to return gross 82, net 71. Rob Griffiths with gross 91, net 72 took second spot while Bob Ekins gross 89, net 74 beat Simon Barrie, 88, 74 on count-back to claim third place.

## Captain's Charity Day

Sunday September 27

NEXT SUNDAY is Captain's Charity Day. The event is a pairs, four-ball, better ball competition open to men and ladies to be played off white and red tees with handicaps of 90% for men and ladies +1 then 90%.

Double pins on 6th and 12th (two scores to count)

Longest drive and nearest pin prizes for ladies and men

Entry fee: £10 a pair that includes bacon roll and coffee

You are requested to bring plenty of cash for the entry fee, raffle and the numerous fines that you will no doubt pay promptly and in good grace for this year's chosen charity, Sobell House Hospice.

To keep congestion to a minimum, registration is outside and we ask you to clear the clubhouse quickly after your coffee and bacon roll.

*Remember - we are supporting a great cause!*

### Sobell House Hospice

*Sobell House is a wonderful charity that supports patients with life limiting illness, providing end of life care and support for their families.*

## Mind how you go!

THIS IS a request to all buggy drivers and trolley users to think very carefully when you plot your way around the course.

There has been an increasing number of reports of golfers driving buggies and trolleys around the side of bunkers and too close to the greens. This is a double whammy in that it will certainly cause undue wear and tear to the course and can also be dangerous to both buggy and trolley users.

Please! Walk or drive a little further and definitely save the course and maybe save yourself.

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Chesty chooses

WBGC fixtures for October

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## Countdown to WHS

THERE ARE just six weeks before WHS is implemented.

To help you understand the new system two new items have been added to the WHS section on the WBGC website. These are:

(i) A link to an explanatory video covering **Playing Handicap**. This describes how your handicap index is converted to a playing handicap depending on the course and tees you play from and the format of the round.

(ii) An introductory video that explains the new system and the rationale behind its introduction.

All good stuff – be sure to check it out.

### A question answered

TTNB was contacted by a member at WBGC who would prefer to remain anonymous but was concerned that he did not have enough scores from which to calculate a correct handicap index. He had read the Member Update issued on September 11 that says;

'The new World Handicap System (WHS) starts 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Then your 'Handicap Index' will be calculated from your best 8 scores out of 20 games within the last 2 years.'

Having checked the information from the EGU he queried this ruling.

TTNB contacted our handicap secretaries and they explained that the scores do not actually expire but to maintain an **accurate** handicap it is **recommended** that players should return at least 20 scores over a two year period. Obviously the more scores you submit and the more recent they are the more accurate and fair your handicap index will be.

**For all you need to know about WHS go to:**

[www.englandgolf.org/whs](http://www.englandgolf.org/whs) and/or

[www.thewbgc.co.uk/world-handicapping-system](http://www.thewbgc.co.uk/world-handicapping-system).



TTNB asked Graham (Chesty) Miles which competition did he consider to be the most important at the club and while he was at it to pick the best picture taken so far this year.

*Picture above shows Graham Miles with the trophy for the 2020 men's senior matchplay competition.*

It's our fault, we shouldn't have asked. Will we never learn?

## WBGC fixtures to the end of October

### September

Fri 25 Men: Midweek Stableford (W)

Sat 26 Men: Stableford

Sun 27 Captain's Charity Day

Wed 30 Men: Midweek Medal (W)

### October

Sat 3 Men: Stableford

Ladies: Monthly Medal

Sun 4 Men: Monthly Medal

Seniors' Championship

Mon 5 Seniors: Medal (Y)

Tue 6 Ladies: Monthly Stableford

Fri 9 Men: Midweek Stableford (Y)

Sat 10 Men: Stableford

Ladies: Gillas Cup Rd 2

Sun 11 Men & Ladies: Corbridge Air Amb Cup

Tue 13 Men: Midweek Stableford (W)

Seniors v Ladies Chris Green Trophy

Sat 17 Men: Stableford

Ladies: Gillas Cup Final

Sun 18 Men: Gillas Cup R1

Tue 20 Ladies: Midweek Medal

Wed 21 Men: Midweek Stableford (Y)

Fri 23 O'Connell Cup

Seniors AGM

Sat 24 Men: Stableford

Sun 25 Men: Gillas Cup R2

Mon 26 Men: Midweek Stableford (Y)

Tue 27 Mixed: Midweek competition

Sat 31 Men: Stableford

Ladies: Winter League