

THE 'RIDGE' REPORT

March 2023



NEWS FLASH

Congratulations to Tim Braybrooks and Ross Sheehy who won the Bates Cup in 2022. As winners of this Foursomes competition, they have been entered as the club's representatives into the Daily Mail Foursomes. Good luck Tim & Ross.

SUMMER KNOCKOUTS

The sign-up sheets for the above have been sent out by email. Closing date for entries is Sunday 26th March.



CAPTAIN'S COMMENT

Welcome to this newsletter that I would like to produce on at least a quarterly basis to help keep you up to date with news in the Men's Section. In this first edition, I would like to introduce myself having taken over the role as Club Captain on 11th February.

I have been playing golf for over 40-years although largely as an occasional hobby while working full time and raising a family. Now retired, I am now able to devote more time to this great but often frustrating game. I joined Chartridge 5-years ago and I am passionate about the club. Chartridge offers me everything I was looking for, a fantastically challenging course and great company amongst like-minded people.

I am looking forward to a great year at Chartridge, I hope to play with as many of you as possible. I am normally up on Tuesdays, Thursdays and weekends. Please come and say hello, I may even buy you a drink. If you have any questions, then please get in touch at cpgcmen@gmail.com

CAPTAIN'S CHARITY - 2023

My nominated charity is 'Mind Buckinghamshire'. This mental health charity serves the people of Bucks with essential support services including crisis support where necessary. The charity also raises awareness with young people through education. I will be organizing several fund-raising initiatives this year which will include fun games, raffles and hopefully an auction. If anyone would like to sponsor or donate a prize I would be interested to hear from you. I am aware it is a difficult time for everyone with money being so tight. We have a fantastic history of giving generously at CPGC and I would only ask that you do what you can.

Don't forget there is also the Captain's Bunker on the 17th. If you find yourself in the bunker, then please put your 50p in the refurbished Captain's Head.



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

A decision was made earlier this year not to print club diaries, the cost of doing so had increased to an unacceptable level particularly when a substantial percentage of printed diaries were not used and subsequently thrown away. There is a list of dates for the main competitions on the noticeboard in the men's locker room, also a print of the calendar for the full year. In addition, details of forthcoming events will be published on the CPGC App under 'Events'.

The President's Cup – Saturday 22nd April

Els for Autism Charity Day – Friday 28th April

The Celebration Cup – Monday 29th May

Club Championships – Sat Sun 10th & 11th June

SCORECARDS

There is a specimen scorecard next to the computer showing the information that should be on a Competition card. Please assist the Committee by fully completing scorecards. There is no need to submit a paper card to the Committee for a General Play round.



'Useful Information' in the locker room

There is a white binder in the locker room that contains clarification on some rules, an updated copy of the Men's Competition Rules and details of all competition formats, entry criteria and handicap allowances.

CHILTERN BREAKFAST LEAGUE (CBL) & HILLMAN TROPHY

CPGC Men have entered a team into the two events above. The CBL is a home and away fixture in a league against four other clubs. This year we are in a league with Wycombe Heights, 3-Locks, Princes Risborough and Waterstocks. Matches are Fourball Better Ball format with each club putting out a team of 12-players. The winners and runners up in each league play in the finals in September. Andy Caple is the CBL Team Captain.

The Hillman trophy is a knockout competition run by Berks, Bucks & Oxon Golf (BB&O). Those teams knocked out in the first rounds get to play in the 'Plate' competition. The format is singles matchplay with teams of seven. Three of the players must be single figure handicappers and the other four up to a maximum HI of 20.4. Last year we made it through to the third round. Our first match is against Burnham Beeches G.C at home on 18th March. Team captain is Bruce Smith.

If you are interested in playing club matches, speak to one of the captains. Handicap restrictions may apply.

'ELS FOR AUTISM' CHARITY GOLF DAY – FRIDAY 28TH APRIL

Tom Roca is organizing the above which will be a Florida Scramble (Teams of 4). Bacon rolls, tea & coffee beforehand and a BBQ afterwards before the prize ceremony. The entry fee is £35 for members and £50 for non-members. Eric has circulated a sign-up sheet for this by email. Please support this worthwhile cause if you are able.

MEN'S COMMITTEE

Mark Quinnell – Captain

Bruce Smith – Vice Captain

Aidan Barnwell - Secretary

Paul Smart – Treasurer

Mike Trotter – Competition Sec

John Duncombe - Handicap Sec

Andy Caple – CBL

Stu Pullar – Associate Member

Padraig Delaney – Associate Member
