



# HENLOW GOLF CLUB



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## **CAPTAINS BLOGG – 17<sup>th</sup> Nov 2009**

### **Dear Members;**

News Good news from the Golf Club; Imperial Groundcare (Martin Huckle) and Defence Estates are in the final stages of contract negotiations which will guarantee the future of the Club for at least another five years. Unfortunately, the ground rent has increased which has led to a slight rise in annual subscriptions but they still represent tremendous value for money. Unless you want to pay in excess of £1000.00 a year there is not a course in the area that can touch Henlow. I'm personally pleased for Martin as he has invested heavily in new groundcare equipment (Greens Mower, Fairway Mower, Semi Rough Mower) this year and we can now look forward to seeing the benefit.

Competitions Continue to be well supported; I was pleased to present the competition committee proposals for next year's competitions last weekend (after Texas round 2). The changes were favourably received and will be implemented.

Recent winners are:

Seniors Championship – Chris Harwood on countback from Bart Thaneja - 66 Nett with Tom Kennedy third on 68 Nett

November Stableford – Mick Barrow - 41 pts with Julian Sheppard second on countback from Gordan Rimmer – 37 pts

Winter Texas Scramble Round 3 – Team D (Les Welsh, Gordon Rimmer, Dave Kirtley, Garry Pratt) – 43pts

Winter Texas Scramble Round 4 – Team D (Les Welsh, Gordon Rimmer, Tom Kennedy, Garry Pratt) – 51pts

Seniors Awayday at Aldwickbury GC – Bart Thaneja – 35 pts with Dave Stevens second on countback from Mick Barrow – 34 pts

Seniors Player of the Year – Paul Bardell with Graham Byatt second and Brian Hare third

Congratulations to all of the above and following my request in the last Blog to give the rest of us a chance thanks to Texas Team B for not scoring in excess of 50 pts at each of the last two scrambles. The Seniors had a good end to the season with an excellent day out at Aldwickbury; where Bart Thaneja recorded a victory (well done Bart) but Tony Brown spectacularly had a hole in one at the 14<sup>th</sup> – which unfortunately he never knew about until he picked the ball out of the hole - it's a blind green. That's the way to play! Twenty four players represented the Seniors during the season, led superbly by Brian Hare - well done to one and all.

Forthcoming competitions: 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Captains Two-ball, bring a bottle for prizes, £2 entry fee to Captains charity. 29<sup>th</sup> Nov - Winter Texas Scramble Rd 5, 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – December Stableford, 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Winter Texas Scramble Rd 6, 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Turkey Trot. Entry lists have been posted, please put your names down.

Yours in golf

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