# Lady Golf Captain's Blog – 4th May 2023

### **Competitions**

On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April an inaugural **Weekend Spring Meeting** took place. We had 30 ladies playing for our own new mini Claret Jug. Thank you to everyone who helped make this such a successful event, Matt and Louis in the office, Ken on the tee, Peter arranging to

have flowers on the tee box and of course all the participants! Well played Sian, you will always be the first name on this trophy.

1st Sian Bayliss37 points2nd Steffi Williams35 pts on CB

3rd Kasandra Spalding 35 pts

Last week we played a fun Greensomes competition.

1st Emma Angood and Catherine Cooper 33 pts 2nd Bridget Barton and Claire Martin 32 pts

3rd Henrietta O'Shea and Nicola Pearson 31 pts on CB

On bank holiday Monday the Syd Scott Mixed Foursomes Medal took place.

1st Dan Kershaw and Helen KershawNett 70 CB2nd Bridget Barton and Justin BartonNett 703rd Valerie Patten and Bob StorerNett 71 CB

This week we played Ping 4BBB with some good scores.

1st Astrid Drayson and Astrid Woloszczuk
 2nd Polly Lewis and Caroline Williams
 3rd Jane Peel and Catherine Cooper
 37 pts

If 42 points is enough our two brilliant Astrids will have a chance to go to the Ping National Final at Thonock Park on 4<sup>th</sup> September. Fingers crossed!

Well done to all the winners!

Next week we will play for the Annual Medal and the top four in each division will have the opportunity to play for the challenge cups on 11<sup>th</sup> Thursday. Please put an 'A' on your score card if you are available to play. The week after we have Spring Meeting, let us hope we will have a sunny day and scores to match!

# Captains' Charity Golf Day – 20<sup>th</sup> May

Please join Simon and I for this Charity Golf Day in support of both our charities, Age UK Wandsworth and SportInMind. We will start the day with tea, coffee, and pastries at 8am for a 9am shotgun start. We will play in teams of four and Members can sign up in teams or individually. £15 per player. Sign up is open from Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 07:00.

#### **Roll Ups**

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April was the first afternoon mixed roll up of the year and six men showed up to be organised into groups by Therese Swanson. Thank you, Therese. We have started these pm roll ups since the 7.30 am roll ups do not appeal to a lot of you! Next pm one is on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> at 12.30 for a first tee time of 1pm. You can find all the dates of the roll ups on IG.



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# **Friendly Match vs Temple**

On Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April Roehampton Club welcomed eight ladies from Temple GC for a friendly match. I hope they still think we were friendly after a 3.5 /0.5 loss! I hear every match was playing in good spirit and we look forward to going to Temple next year. Thank you to Claire Martin who is putting in a lot of work organising all the friendly matches for our section.

## Ladies' vs Men Coronation Match – 8th May

We now have enough players to be able to have a shot gun start. We will meet upstairs for coffee and pastries at 07:45 for a 08:30 shotgun start. We have a lovely Coronation Trophy so please ladies, get in training and arrive with your match faces on! There will be a £3 match fee for this event.

#### **Interclub Golf**

The Wallis is through to the next round by the skin of their teeth! They played Reigate Heath away on 29<sup>th</sup> April and lost 2/3 but as they had previously won 3/2 at home, they got through with just a point separating the teams. Well played and good luck in the next round.

The Pearson team played their quarter final away match against Woking on 2<sup>nd</sup> May and fought hard but suffered a 5/2 loss. The home match will be on 10<sup>th</sup> May and this great team has turned around similar losses before so I have faith in the team going yet further. I am sure Roehampton will play difficult for the visitors. Go, go, go Pearson Tigers!



We also wish Lorna Robey and Angela Atkins the best of luck for their first match in pursuit of defending their London Handicap Foursomes trophy from last year. They will play Woodcote Park home on 12<sup>th</sup> May.

Commiserations to Caroline Dewar and Tessa Ringrose who lost their second match on the 18<sup>th</sup> in the Daily Mail Foursomes against Royal Mid Surrey on Sunday.

### Women and Golf Day at Royal Mid Surrey

Ricky Pharo kindly extended an invite for a group of eight

Roehampton Club women to join a fun day at Royal Mid Surrey. We were treated to breakfast and lunch and 18 holes in between. We didn't feature in the winning golfing scores but yours truly won a pair of shoes by managing to sink a long putt in a putting contest. As you can see in the picture, I got a little bit excited! I wish I could sink a few more like that but lately I have not been able to putt for toffee!



### **Course Etiquette**

I have recently heard a lot of mumblings about slow play. No one is slow on purpose and with this thick rough it can be very hard to find your ball and when we play in three and four balls, we cannot expect to be round in three hours. But can everybody please try to do what they can. Do pick up your ball when you cannot score and try to be ready to hit your shot when it is your turn, think about where you put your bag, so you do not need to go back for it and please write down the scores after teeing off on the next hole. Unless we are playing a match, I think we should all try to do ready golf.

And don't forget to repair pitch marks, replace divots, and rake the bunkers ... and to have fun!

Enjoy your golf! Charlotta Lyckéus, Ladies' Golf Captain