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A New Era



It has been with great sadness amongst many of us of all nationalities, to have learnt that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, a cherished Sovereign, passed away peacefully on the 8th September 2022 at Balmoral at the age of 96, after a lifetime of dedicated service to the people of the United Kingdon and the Commonwealth and to have shared in the period of commemoration and mourning of her life's achievements as she lay in state at Westminster Abbey, upto he private funeral at Windsor Castle. The Queen ruled for longer than any other Monarch in British history, becoming a much loved and respected figure across the globe.

King Charles III, the 62nd British monarch to serve over the past 1,200 years, ascended to the throne on September 8, 2022, following the death of his mother, with the official proclamation taking place on September 10 at St James's Palace. His Majesty has taken a keen and active interest in all areas of public life for decades and has worked closely with many organisations, publicly supporting a wide variety of causes relating to the environment, rural communities, the built environment, the arts, healthcare and education – topics very relevant in today's world.

Long live the King

About September's Golf

Ahhhh ... how time drifts as I release this newsletter a tad later than my own mid-month target.

This month we celebrated the Ernst and Young Trophy. Sadly, though I was unable to attend, with Håkan taking up the reigns and hosting the event on my behalf. This gave both of us an opportunity to set up the foundations of handing over for next year as we both sat poring over the registrations for the event and putting together the final draw. It also gave me a chance to identify the gremlins in the computer system that need to be resolved before I hand it over to him and his Vice Captain. More of that later!

The Ernst and Young Trophy

HOLDER OF THE 2021 TROPHY: Mark Dawson

A Bit of Background

This is the tenth year of the Ernst and Young Trophy and marks a return to Stableford Stroke Play. We are very honoured and priviledged to have Ernst and Young support this tournament and on behalf of all members of the RBCGS, we extend our thanks to Joao Alves for this sponsorship. Sadly, as Joao signalled in an email, we hold the tournament just after the summer break and in today's world, this clashes with a period of high workload for all members and partners of Ernst and Young. But Joao extended his best wishes to us all for a successful event.

Ernst and Young

Ernst & Young provides audit, tax, business risk, technology and security risk services, and human capital services worldwide. The company, one of the Big Four accounting firms, dates back to the early twentieth century. Scotsman Arthur Young and American Alwin Ernst founded their separate companies in 1906 and 1903, respectively. The companies merged in 1989. Today the company employs over 200,000 people and operates in over 150 countries.

The Tournament

The competition saw a bumper 43 registrations for golf and 41 for lunch. We were able to fill 13 of the 14 tee-offs designated to the tournament, which exceptionally, thanks to the approval of Plage S.A. started at 07:28 rather than 07:36 to allow us to get people into lunch at 13:45.

The Results

Top Performer Prizes

This tournament was a very high scoring tournament on a handicap allowance of 95%. Congratulations go to Camille Béraud, who took the 1st prize with 37 Stableford points, followed by Ewan who came in with 36 points, beating Dhru Thapa also on 36, on the back 9 into 3rd position. Elizabeth led the 35-point peloton in 4th position, beating Kate, Chris, Keith and Richard Evans on the back 9. The tournament prizes went to Camille, Dhru, Kate, Chris, Richard and finally Paul Guérault, who topped the 34-point cavalry.

Prize	Player	Handicap	Out	In	Total	Order of Merit Pts
1 st	Camille Béraud	27	18	19	37	7
	Ewan Rankin*	16	17	19	36	6
2 nd	Dhru Thapa	6	18	18	36	5
	Elizabeth Barker*	22	13	22	35	4
3 rd	Kate Scheier	18	16	19	35	3
4 th	Chris Goulding	16	18	17	35	2
	Keith Potter*	17	20	15	35	0
5 th	Richard Evans	22	21	14	35	0



6 th	Paul Guérault	21	13	21	34	0
Newstead	David Wright	27	14	19	33	1
Cowbell	lan Yarwood	13	15	11	28	0
Cowbell Corrected	Werner Langlitz	16	10	10	20	0

*Unable to attend lunch

The Individual Skill Performances

Håkan and I had jointly tried to identify a new challenge that would test players skills rather than their strength for the Nearest the Pin prizes. These were:

- a) Ladies Hole 3 in 2
- b) Men off Yellow Tee Hole 15 in 2
- c) Men off the Red Tee Hole 15 in 2

And we failed ... except for Håkan himself who did land his ball on the 15th green in 2 to take the Nearest the Pin in 2!

The Birdie Performance

Once again, Dhru Thapa has linked his game to the consistent delivery of birdies in all our tournaments, bringing in his second hat trick of the year on holes 6, 10 and 12 and his total for the season to 12. Alistair brought in a brace on holes 12 and 14, while John Philips, Duncan Barker and Ewan Rankin all brought in singles, with John's coming in on Hole 5. Wow!

Alistair and John will receive a bottle of wine at the next tournament having accumulated a total of 6 and 5 birdies respectively.

Now to Digital System Problems and Unintended Consequences.

I have computerised all our results for last years and this year's tournaments. But it seems still to be a beta version. For that reason, Conceição and Miranda, who separately input the scores into the FPG datagolf database and run the Eclectic scores, are integral to pulling results together.

When I handed Håkan the RBCGS system, two minor issues with big unintended consequences caused some minor flutters during the tournament.

Firstly, a data entry error for David Wright put him at the top of the podium, which Conceição's results didn't confirm – so we fell back to the fpg entry results.

Secondly, I have an affectation for colour in my data tables. In creating the EYT tournament results, I had copied a previous tournament of 36 players as the base for the EY trophy tournament, but I had left some manual colouring on the final results table. Håkan took this manual colouring on the table to have been automatically generated to deliver the results – but they weren't. So, he tried to give Gavin the Newstead Prize, but Gavin had left early and has a handicap lower than the Newstead trophy floor of 26. David Wright is the rightful winner and I have notified him. And then lan got, probably to his surprise, the Gordon Young Cowbell prize, with the colouring on the table from the previous match fell on his name. It should have gone to Werner, in his first tournament back from his Paris summer adventures. I will as in earlier *mea* culpe moments extend a bottle of wine and a sleeve of golf balls to Werner and if he wishes a supplementary certificate for a great half hour with Gordon Young to pull back his game to where it belongs. Of course, we are all expecting Ian now to make a quantum jump down the handicaps into the teens armed as he is with the tournaments Cowbell award.

Lunch

After the competition, 41 players, partners and spouses enjoyed a chicken in curry sauce on the veranda leading up to the prize giving which saw Maria and Hakan work together to get the prizes to you all.

Thanks, and Tributes

Firstly, my personal big heartfelt thanks go to Håkan for hosting the Ernst and Young Trophy in my absence and delivering a successful and memorable tournament.

We both thank Tom Scheier enormously again for all the photos he takes at these events and once again for this tournament

Our thanks are owed to all those who lost a golf ball or three and have paid or owe Brenda for their losses at the next tournament.

Thanks to Dhru and Maria for helping Håkan pull the results together for the tournament.

Thanks also to Rui for holding the bar together and to Mario at the restaurant and his team for an enjoyable feast to say farewell to summer.

Thanks, are also owed to Miranda Thomas for running the Eclectic scores and the Conceição for putting our scores into the FPG DataGolf system and verifying our results. On the Eclectic scores, I owe Miranda two sets of results from the RBC Cup and the Victoria Seguros Trophy to get the latest picture, so these will come onto the Notice Board next week.



The Ernst and Young Tournament – Photo gallery

Stableford Net Individual								
Tournament	ERNST & YOUNG TROPHY				Date	7-set-22		
Course	Estoril Championship Course							
Pos	Player	Home Club	HCP WHS	Playing Handicap	Stableford Nett	Front/Back	Prizes	Birdies
1	Camille Béraud	Estoril (004)	26.8	27	37	(18:19)	1st	
2	Ewan Rankin	Estoril (004)	18.3	16	36	(17:19)		1
3	Dhru thapa	Orizonte (149)	7.6	6	36	(18:18)	2nd	3
4	Elizabeth Barker	Oitavos (083)	21.9	22	35	(13:22)		
5	Kate Scheier	Estoril (004)	17.9	18	35	(16:19)	3rd	
6	Chris Goulding	Estoril (004)	21.3	16	35	(18:17)	4th	
7	Keith Potter	Estoril (004)	18.9	17	35	(20:15)		
8	Richard Evans	Estoril (004)	27.5	22	35	(21:14)	5th	
9	Paul GUÉRAULT	Estoril (004)	23.4	21	34	(13:21)	6th	
10	Gavin Trechman	Estoril (004)	25.6	20	34	(14:20)		
11	Duncan Barker	Oitavos (083)	14.1	12	34	(18:16)		1
12	Steve Deighton	Estoril (004)	23.9	22	33	(13:20)		
13	David Wright	ACP Golfe (103)	29.6	27	33	(14:19)	Newstead	
14	Selwyn Kennard	Estoril (004)	28.9	27	33	(15:18)		
15	Alistair Ferguson	Estoril (004)	13.3	11	33	(15:18)		2
16	Agneta Löventorn	Estoril (004)	21	21	33	(16:17)		
17	Nicky Wilton	Estoril (004)	30.7	31	33	(17:16)		
18	John Philips	Estoril (004)	15	13	33	(18:15)		1
19	Nick Kirk	Estoril (004)	33.8	32	32	(14:18)		
20	Sally Buxton	Estoril (004)	20.9	21	32	(16:16)		
21	Hervé Coiquaud	Estoril (004)	26.5	24	31	(13:18)		

22	Håkan Karlén	Estoril (004)	29.5	27	31	(13:18)	NTPMY	
23	Hans ludolphi	Estoril (004)	27.4	21	31	(15:16)		
24	Ron Goddard	Estoril (004)	11	9	30	(13:17)		
25	Yolande Macey	Estoril (004)	31.9	32	30	(16:14)		
26	Derek McIvor	Estoril (004)	31.4	29	29	(12:17)		
27	Richard Macey	Estoril (004)	29.3	27	29	(16:13)		
28	David Thomas	Estoril (004)	24.9	23	29	(18:11)		
29	lan Yarwood	ACP Golfe (103)	24.8	23	28	(13:15)		
30	Matthew Krystman	Estoril (004)	36	34	28	(17:11)		
31	Mats Löventorn	Estoril (004)	23.1	21	27	(13:14)		
32	Sakiko Takeda	Estoril (004)	25.6	25	27	(16:11)		
33	Rosemary Ellvers (G)	International	25	25	26	(12:14)		
34	Kjelle Norling	ACP Golfe (103)	33.6	31	25	(13:12)		
35	Bruce Dawson	Estoril (004)	29.4	23	25	(13:12)		
36	Philip Docherty	Estoril (004)	22.1	20	25	(14:11)		
37	Bill Buxton	Estoril (004)	36	30	23	(9:14)		
38	Adi Hüttl	Estoril (004)	36	30	23	(13:10)		
39	Carol Rankin Mason	Estoril (004)	34.5	28	21	(7:14)		
40	Tom Scheier	Estoril (004)	32.6	30	21	(11:10)		
41	Werner Langlitz	Estoril (004)	17.9	16	20	(10:10)	COWBELL	
42	Gillian Goya	Estoril (004)	35.1	35	18	(5:13)		
43	Max Zimmerli	Estoril (004)	36	30	17	(8:9)		

The Order of Merit Results to Date



THE ROYAL BRITISH CLUB GOLFING SOCIETY

Results to the ERNST & YOUNG Trophy

ORDER OF MERIT RANKING

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NUMBER OF BIRDIES

NAME	PRIZE WINNE R POINTS	NAME	MATCH WINNE R POINTS	NAME	No. OF BIRDIES
Chris Goulding	20	Chris Goulding	28	Dhru Thapa	12
Steve Deighton	17	Agneta Löventorn	12	Alistair Ferguson	6
Kate Scheier	14	Kate Scheier	11	John Philips	5
Richard Evans	13	Ewan Rankin	10	Ewan Rankin	4
Agneta Löventorn	11	Steve Deighton	9	Chris Goulding	3

Eddie Leitao	11
Dhru Thapa	10
Camille Béraud	7
Jan Van Boetzelaer	7
Richard Macey	7
Fernando Oliveira	6
Nicky Wilton	6
Richard Keech	6
Rüdiger Wrobel	6
Tom Scheier	6
David Gray	5
Ian Yarwood	5
Nick Kirk	5
Teresa Negrão	5
Duncan Barker	4
Yolande Macey	4
Bill Buxton	3
Kjelle Norling	3
Mark Dawson	3
Julie Brown	2
Paul Guérault	2

Richard Evans	9
Alistair Ferguson	9
Dhru Thapa	8
Eddie Leitao	7
Camille Béraud	7
Richard Macey	7
Jan Van Boetzelaer	7
Hans Ludolphi	7
Richard Keech	6
Nicky Wilton	6
Rüdiger Wrobel	6
Tom Scheier	5
Teresa Negrão	5
Kjelle Norling	5
David Gray	4
Nick Kirk	4
Elizabeth Barker	4
Ian Yarwood	3
Bill Buxton	3
Fernando Oliveira	2
Julie Brown	2

Richard Macey	3
Richard Keech	3
Ron Goddard	3
David Gray	2
Duncan Barker	2
Kate Scheier	1
Agneta Löventorn	1
Jan Van Boetzelaer	1
Tom Scheier	1
Nicky Wilton	1
Kjelle Norling	1
Paul Guérault	1
Håkan Karlén	1
Werner Langlitz	1
Mats Löventorn	1
Keith Potter	1
Denys Stormont	1
Gavin Trechman	1
Steve Deighton	0
Richard Evans	0
Eddie Leitao	0

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Ron Goddard	2	Håkan Karlén	2	Camille Béraud	0
David Wright	1	Duncan Barker	1	Fernando Oliveira	0
Håkan Karlén	1	Keith Potter	1	Rüdiger Wrobel	0
Hervé Coiquaud	1	Yolande Macey	0	Nick Kirk	0
Selwyn Kennard	1	Mark Dawson	0	Teresa Negrão	0

Club News

Scorecards

Hakan has reached out to you all for your help in submitting a clear scorecard for us to put into the computer and for Conceição to put into the datagolf system. With the new WHS system and changing player handicaps, we do see mistakes in the Stableford points. And these mistakes do lead to misunderstandings. So please help us out and:

- 1. Put your own gross score only into the far-left column
- 2. The marker to put his/her gross score only in the far right column
- 3. If you really want to put your Stableford points down, use the middle two columns but we tend not to use them
- Mark your score in copperplate handwriting ⁶⁹
- 5. Finally, cross check your scores before signing the card. After you have signed the card that's the score that counts.

Autumn Calendar

We now enter the Autumn series of matches and competitions.

Our next tournament is the Peter Dawson Bowel sponsored by Mark Dawson of Garland. This will take place on 12th October 2022, the 5th being a public holiday. The registration form will come out this weekend.

On the 26thOctober, we then have the TRISOC competition. I have enlisted a full team of RBCGS campaigners to take on a highly motivated TAGUS team and a challenging PINGS team. But I do need some reserves in case stuff happens which it always does.

On Tuesday 8th November, we have a great opportunity to test our golfing skills at the Lisbon Sports Club. As I mentioned in last month's newsletter Estoril could not easily accommodate a date change, so I approached Lisbon Sports Club for 14 tee-offs and lunch, which we have. I will be working to deliver this competition: green fees and lunch for members for around €45.00, but I will be looking at €60.00 for guests.

Out of these two matches we will identify the Silver Jubilee Plate award. This is co-sponsored by Garland and Rankin Brothers and Sons and is awarded to the player whose delivers the highest aggregate Stableford score from both the Peter Dawson Bowl and the Rankins Brothers and Sons Trophy.

Finally, this leads us to the last tournament on the Calendar, which is the Presidents Baffy and d'Arcy Orders Cups on the 7th December 2022 with our end of year Gala dinner at the Miragem.

Have a great month!

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