

Ladies' Golf Captain's Blog – 8th May 2025



Hasn't the weather been glorious? We've been basking in a mini heatwave—perfect golfing conditions and a real treat to kick off the season.

Competition highlights

Saturday 12th April – Masters Moneyball

A big well done to our top three

1st: Niels Verbeek – +4

2nd: Sara Morgan – +3

3rd: Henry Dubiel – +1

Monday 18th April – Syd Scott Mixed Foursomes

I had the pleasure of playing with Susan and William Major—what a fabulous pair! They were in great form and played beautifully together, so it was no surprise they walked away with the win.

1st: Susan Major and William Major – 68 points

2nd: Martin Abbott and Perrine Faye – 69 points

3rd: Claire Martin and Roy Martin – 70 points

Tuesday 22nd April – PING Ladies 4BBB

Great scoring all round – a fun day!

1st: Stephanie Wood and Sandy MacCaw – 43 points

2nd: Mary Barlow and Joanna Thesiger – 42 points

3rd: Sally Gesua and Jacky Simon – 38 points



Saturday 26th April – Pro's Day

Huge thanks to Ricky and his team for organising such a fantastic day – it was full of laughter and challenges, from 'beat the pro' on the 13th to nearest the pin on every hole! The 16th saw Issy Simpson smash the longest drive, and Sam's monster tee shot on 18 was a saviour for many of us (mine barely made it off the tee!). Congratulations to Cilla Harries and Sandy MacCaw for topping the leaderboard!

Tuesday 29th April – Jolleyheim Cup

What a joyful, colourful, and truly international day it was! So much effort went into costumes, flags, and the all-important colour-coded scorecards—thank you to the fabulous Jane Peel and Trish Boyington for organising.



It was a nail-biter, but England just edged it with an 8½: 7½ win. A brilliant example of what makes our Ladies Section so special.

[Please click the link here to see the photos](#)

Monday 5th May – Ladies v Men

Although the sun stayed away, and the temperature dropped it didn't stop 59 of us competing for the most important Trophy of the Year – the Ladies V Men! My playing partner Katy Preston carried me round against Justin Thesiger and Tony Bagram and we secured the win on the 18th – phew. Most of the matches were also very closely contested, but the ladies nudged ahead with a win 8½: 6½ Well played everyone.



Tuesday 6th May – Coronation Foursomes

Still rather chilly after the mini heatwave but it didn't stop 72 competitors entering the Coronation Foursomes, the winners will go on to represent Roehampton Club in the regional finals, well played.

1st: Amanda Campbell-Lambert and Lydia Roper – 39 points

2nd: Issy Simpson and Clodagh Taylor – 36 points

3rd: Jules Sanderson and Susan Sandler – 35 points

News and updates

Kyocera Team

Led by Captain Astrid Drayson, the team gave it their all at Dulwich and Sydenham. It was a close one—three matches were decided on the 18th! Result was 4–1 to the home side. Shame we don't get a return fixture—home advantage really does count!

Hicks Team

Victory against Hindhead means we're into the main draw—great job, team! Next up: Surbiton. Good luck!

Wallis and CB Teams

Best of luck to our Wallis players vs The Drift and CB vs Betchworth Park—we're cheering you on!

Captain and Pro Challenge

Oscar and I had a cracking match against Claudia Chan and Melanie Schreyer—tough competitors, too

good for us, well played Claudia and Melanie, they won, 2up. Thank you for your kind donations and remember: all challengers will be invited to the grand finale in September. Can you beat Ricky and me?

Friendly Matches

We've had two lovely home matches so far, against Richmond and RMS both resulting in 3:1 wins.

If you're interested in getting involved, do sign up on Intelligent Golf—it's relaxed, sociable, and a great way to get into match play. If you're new, Emma Angood will pair you with someone experienced to ease you in.

Eclectic

There's still plenty of time to sign up for the Eclectic! With many competitions taking place between now and the autumn, there are lots of chances to improve your score. Prizes will be awarded for both the best gross and net scores. Entry is just £5, with all proceeds going to my chosen charity, [FISH](#). Play golf and support a great cause!

Spring meetings:

- Weekend Spring Meeting – Saturday 10th May – a few spaces left, so do sign up!
- Spring Meeting Singles – Tuesday 13th May
- Spring Meeting Foursomes and Prize Giving – Tuesday 20th May – including Winter knockout presentations

We're delighted to announce a new trophy, donated by Jo Thesiger and originally from the Stage Ladies Golfing Society. It will now have a new lease of life as the Order of Merit trophy for the Over-70s. The competition will run from the Spring to Autumn Meeting and there's no need to enter—just play in the qualifying comps and you're in. Good luck, everyone!

More Dates for Your Diary:

- Captain's Charity Day – Saturday 24th May – shotgun start, teams of four
- Ladies' Invitation Day – Tuesday 17th June – sign-up now open
- Away Day – East Berkshire Golf Club, organised by Jo Thesiger – limited to 40 players

Library

We're now able to accept more book donations. Please leave any contributions under the coat rail at the side. Kindly ensure that books are current fiction, softback, and in good condition. Unfortunately, we're unable to accept hardbacks, children's books, non-fiction, or books not in English. Many thanks for your support!

Congratulations:

A massive congratulations to Oscar Isaac, who ran the London Marathon in a blistering 2 hours 49 minutes – on one of the hottest days of the year, no less. What an incredible achievement!

That's all for now – here's to more sunshine, smooth swings, and good company on the course!

Claire Martin, Ladies' Golf Captain

