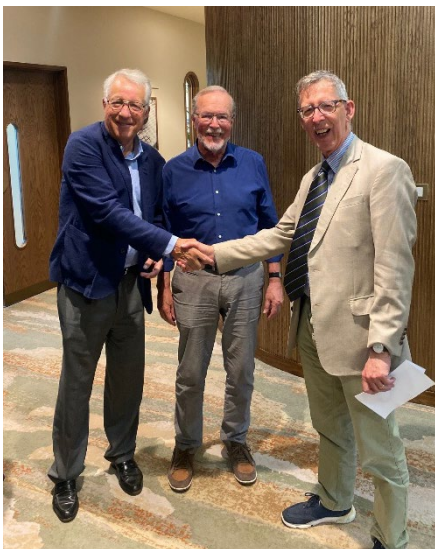


# Senior Men's Golf Chair's Report – 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025



I am writing this immediately after our busiest summer event – the Seniors Invitation Day. The weather was perfect and despite a slightly disappointing turnout it was a most enjoyable event both in terms of golf and food. We were well fed and watered. Thank you Patsie and the F&B Team and Matt and Oli for their organisational skills and good humour.

Although there were a number of red flags generously placed on the greens the course was challenging. Nigel Brown and John Cardwell were clear winners with 42 points – Nigel was in inspiring form. John Tyrwhitt and his guest Graham Davies were runners up with 39 points. Third were Gilbert Ellacombe and Nigel Hinshelwood with 38 points. Tim Frostdick won both nearest the pin and longest drive.



## May and June results

The experiment of having a shotgun start for the Grail on 28th May was, in my view, a great success. As it was held in half term week traffic was lighter than usual so the early start was not too inconvenient for those who have a distance to travel. We had over 50 players and an opportunity to socialise over lunch with most of the players. I was also able to award the trophy as the attached picture shows.





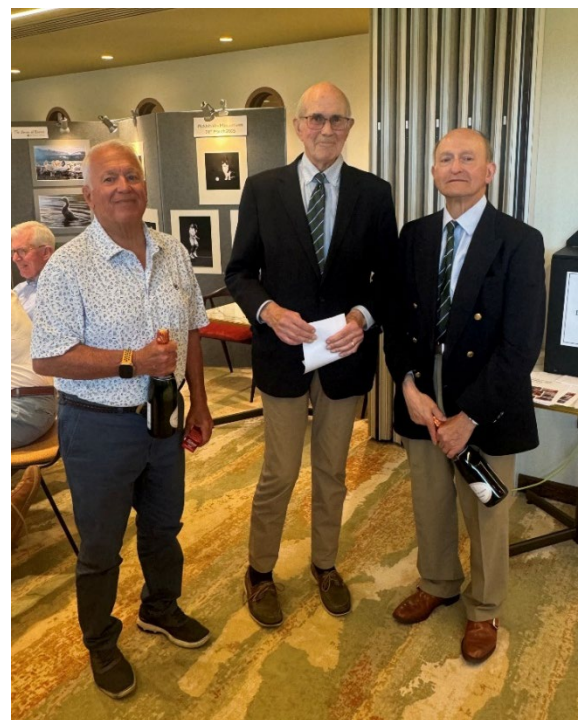
Congratulations to Stephen Branton-Speak winning with 40 points. Nicholas De Wasseige was second with 38 points. Tim Russell was third with 36 points (countback) and David Bouch was fourth with 36 points. It was good to see Stephen at Coombe Hill in our match on Monday even if he was playing for the hosts.

I will not say much about the Spring Medal for obvious reasons except to congratulate Roy Martin for his excellent gross score of 73 spoilt, he told me, by a double bogey on the last. The winning gross scores were as follows: in first place Nicholas Brown 67, second Neil Symons 69 countback, third Roy Martin 69 and fourth Quentin Robey 71.

On 21st May David Bouch, Kevin Doyle, Ian Taylor-Restell and Martin Waller won the Joker competition with a 4-ball adjusted 92 Points.

There was also The Senior 80's Open 2025 which was won by Andrew Guest with 38 points. The best Non-Member was David Mills from Richmond Golf Club with 37 Points.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the matches played over the last six weeks. There have been some one-sided results both in the individual games including a 10/8 loss and a number of 8/7 and 7/6 wins. We have won one home match 6-0 and lost away 0-6 in another. I cannot resist mentioning one opponent who had a net 57 at Leatherhead about 50 Stableford points with no 6s on the card until the 17th! Suffice to say we lost that game.



## **Forthcoming Events**

We are holding both the June and July Grails earlier than usual because of the works to four of the greens in July. You may well have noticed GUR and the preparation of temporary greens over the last few weeks.

**Nicholas Brown, Senior Men's Golf Chair**