



Oxfordshire County Girls

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Oxfordshire County Ladies Squad v. Tadmarton Men's Scratch Team Sunday 1st March



The first County squad match took place at Tadmarton Heath golf club, against their men's scratch team. The day started off sunny but blustery and there were some heavy rain showers towards the end.

The match format was five foursome pairs and leading the way for Oxfordshire were **Kath O'Connor and Sam Round**, both were Tadmarton members as juniors and were also past Oxfordshire champions. This pairing went on to win their match 4&2.

The other pairings unfortunately lost their matches but they were up against strong opposition and weather!

We had five junior girls taking part in this match format, **Sally Ayres, Caitlin Shaw, Amy Boote, Elisha Gujral and Victoria Hart**.

The girls enjoyed the day despite the result and it was all good experience for them in the run up to the start of the season. **Thanks to Sarah Arnold (1st Team Captain) and Karen Pollard (2nd Team Captain)** who invited the girls to play in this event and thanks to Tadmarton Golf Club for hosting the event.

Report-Jacqui Shaw





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Oxfordshire Girls v Kirtlington and Tadmarton Heath Boys



A cold & windy Kirtlington hosted the inaugural match between the County Girls and the combined Boys team from Tadmarton & Kirtlington. Two very evenly matched teams played in four ball better ball format with the girls emerging as deserved winners by 3 matches to 1. The match results were as follows:

| Oxfordshire Girls | Result | Kirtlington & Tadmarton Heath Boys |
|------------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| Sally Ayres & Elisha Guiral | Won 2&1 | Gregor McKenzie & Ollie Jones |
| Victoria Hart & Issy Edwards | Won 2&1 | Jamie Hawkins & Henry Embers |
| Caitlin Shaw & Jess Ramsey | Lost 5&4 | Joel Smith & Declan Kip |
| Amy Boote & Brydie Stacey | Won 3&2 | Sean Baker & Josh Edwards |

All the matches were keenly contested and enjoyed by all the players; even in defeat the lads thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thanks must go to Kirtlington GC for hosting the match and to Jon Edwards and Steve Boote for organising the match. Next year it will be Tadmarton's turn.

Report-Jacqui Shaw



The Boddington Trophy-2014

Every October at the finish to the golf season, we discuss as a junior committee which junior made the most improvement over the year and last October we decided it was **Amy Boote (Tadmarton)**. Amy dropped her handicap from 19 to 11 over the year; she was Nett Champion in BB&O Girl's Championship at Henley last April and was then nett Champion at our Girls Championship in May at Badgemore Park.

She also made the cut for the Abraham Trophy finals which were held at Copt Heath Golf Club last July; coming 7th out of 20. This is a national competition which attracts entries from all over the country.

We usually present this trophy to the winner in November at our Nicola Sparks competition but Amy was on holiday then but we were finally able to present her with the Boddington Trophy on Sunday 22nd March at the BB&O Team Stableford competition held at Sunningdale Ladies Golf Club, Berkshire. This was presented to her by our County 1st team Captain Sarah Arnold. Well done Amy!

Report - Jacqui Shaw



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BB&O Team Stableford
Sunningdale Ladies Golf Club, Sunday 22nd March 2015



The annual Team Stableford which is hosted by Sunningdale Ladies was held on a beautiful sunny spring day. The team consisted of **Sally Ayres, Amy Boote, Victoria Hart, Caitlin Shaw (Captain) Elisha Gujral, Isabel Edwards, Sophie Her-ring** and the playing reserve was Jessica Ramsey.

This is a very attractive parkland course and is described by the golfing legend Peter Alliss as "quite magical". Although this is a short course, the longest hole being 328 yards, it is very challenging; the main thing to avoid is the heather which can be punishing for those who end up in it!

Although there are 7 players in the team only the best 6

scores count. This was Berkshires day winning the Team Stableford with 221 points; the prize for the Individual Stableford was won by Cathrine Sturrock with 44 points, one of their team. Buckinghamshire got 197 points and Oxfordshire 195 points. A special mention must be made to Jessica Ramsey, Oxfordshire's playing reserve that got 43 points but unfortunately she was not eligible for the competition.

This competition has been running since 2002, thank you to Sunningdale Ladies for continuing to host this event.

Report by Sue Barguss, Team Manager

County Girls' Spring Meeting Drayton Park Golf Club, Sunday 30th March 2015





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County Girls' Spring Meeting, Continued



The County Girls' Spring Meeting was held at Drayton Park on 20th March. It was a blustery day with a chilly wind but, thankfully, it stayed dry. The course was in very good condition and, whilst it was rather a small field, all the girls had a great time.

7 girls played in the 18 hole competition and 8 in the 9 hole competition which was played from forward tees. Congratulations go to **Ellie Phillips from Drayton Park** who won the Trophy with an impressive 41 points. The runner up was **Jessica Ramsay from Oxford Ladies Golf Club** with 37 points.

In the 9 hole Competition the winner was **Lauren Hilditch from Henley** with 24 points. **Grace Boag-Matthews from North Oxford** just missed out on second place, she also had 24 points but Lauren had a better back 9.

Thank you to all the girls who played and to the parents and grandparents who brought them and stayed to support them. Finally, I'd like to thank Drayton Park for hosting the event and to the ladies from the club who gave up so much of their day to help with the competition, especially Ladies' Captain, Penny Tucker who, accompanied by her 4 year old granddaughter Evie, started the girls, walked with one of the 9 hole groups and stayed to present the prizes.

Report by Suzy Smith





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BB&O Girls Championships -2015
Buckingham Golf Club on Thursday 9th April



The BB&O Girls Championships were held at Buckingham Golf Club on Thursday 9th April.

Unfortunately the event clashed with both the Berkshire and Oxfordshire Ladies County Championships and a number of girls were also playing away at the Scottish Under 16 Championships, so numbers for this event were down compared to previous years.

There were 7 girls playing in the 18-Hole Medal competition and 8 girls playing in the 18-Hole Stableford.

The weather was beautiful and the course was in good condition.

The winner of the BB&O Championship was Shamiso Hatchard (Woburn) with a gross 78, playing off 3.

The winner of the BB&O Nett Championship was **Jessica Ramsay (Oxford Ladies)**

with a nett 62 (9 under handicap). Jessica has been playing very well recently and this will be the third time she has cut her handicap in the last couple of weeks.

Isabel Edwards (Kirtlington) came 2nd in the Nett competition with a nett 72.

The team trophy was won by Oxfordshire for the 3rd year running and as I have picked the team over the past 3 years, they may also have had a little bit of Irish 'Charm' to help them on their way. Well done girls!

The team was **Jessica Ramsay, Isabel Edwards and Sophie Herring**, the best two nett scores from team of 3. We had an impressive team total of 134.

In the Stableford Competition, **Rosie Kim (Richings Park)** scored 38 points to win the competition, with **Lizzie Rosen (Henley)** 2nd with 36 points and Shannon Holt (Flackwell Heath) beat **Ellie Phillips (Drayton Park)** on C/B to win 3rd place with 32 points.

Report-Jacqui Shaw CJO





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County Match – Oxfordshire vs. Berkshire
Bicester Hotel, Golf and Spa – Sunday 19th April 2015



The format for our matches against Berks and Bucks has changed again for this year. We are having a home and away match against both counties, one of the matches will be a scratch match and the other a handicap match. Our match at home against Berks on the 19th April was a handicap match.

Although we have been having excellent sunny weather this match was held on a cold grey day. The team consisted of **Isabel Edwards (captain on the day)** **Sophie Herring**, **Brydie Stacey**, **Mairi Weir** and **Lauren Berry**. This was Lauren's first match with us, she played well and we look forward to seeing her at future matches. We should have had **Keely Harding** as the playing reserve but unfortunately Berkshire lost a team member due to illness and they did not have a playing reserve. This was very disappointing for Keely who had been looking forward to playing and had turned down a club competition so that she could be part of our team, our apologies Keely.

The result of the match was 1 up for Oxfordshire; we won 2 matches, halved 2 and lost 1

Our chosen 3 girls won us 5 points and Berkshire's chosen girls won them 4 points. These points go towards the Berks, Bucks and Oxon team format qualifier for the handicap part of The Midland South Team Finals which is held in September.

This is the first time we have had a match at Bicester Hotel, Golf and Spa. The girls enjoyed the course, being accurate is a key essential for playing this course as 16 holes did have water in some way or another, if it is not in the form of ponds and lakes there were plenty of streams and ditches, an excellent course for learning all about water hazards and gaining relief from them.

Thank you to Bicester Hotel, Golf and Spa for hosting this match, I am sure we will be coming back to play your interesting course in the future.

Report by Sue Barguss, Team Manager



Oxfordshire County Girls

County Match – Buckinghamshire vs. Oxfordshire
Gerrards Cross Golf Club – Saturday 25th April 2015



Our scratch matches against Buckinghamshire was held at Gerrards Cross Golf Club which is a delightful parkland course with extensive wooded areas, the spring blossom added a contrasting colour against all the new green growth. It is an undulating course with plenty of uphill and downhill lies.

The team, in handicap order comprised **Amy Boote, Elisha Gujral, Caitlin Shaw (Captain) Jessica Ramsey** and **Isabel Edwards**, the playing reserve was **Keely Harding**

By the time we were ready to tee off news came through that one of the Bucks team was not going to be at the match leaving Jessica with no one to play against, so we had won one game before the match started! Phil Shaw (Caitlin's father) came to the rescue and managed to hire a set of clubs, normally the Pro shop only hires clubs out to members, and he and Jessica played a match which Jessica won. Our thanks go to Phil as it would have been very depressing to send Jessica

home when she and her father had given up the day for her to play in this match. The Bucks organisers were obviously very embarrassed about the situation that had arisen, but it was not their fault.

Playing a scratch match against Bucks is always hard for the Oxon team as we do not have any low handicap players. Amy off 10 and Elisha off 11 found this to be the case when they were up against players with a 2 and 3 handicap. The only match we had won was Jessica's which was by default.

The result of this match was **Bucks 3½ - Oxon 1½**

Thank you to Gerrards Cross Golf Club for hosting this match, the Oxon girls enjoyed having the opportunity to play on this course.

Report by Sue Barguss, Team Manager





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Play Days at Kirtlington Golf Club



Play Days started in January this year and have taken place whatever the weather . Fun has been had by all and new friendships established. Newcomers have obtained a County handicap by playing three rounds, all attempt to improve on their best previous score on the course and receive a County logo ball if they achieve this, others enjoy a game of golf with other girls. Newcomers are welcome so bring your friends along to have some fun.

Report by Jenny Ward / Tim Merritt





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Play Days at Kirtlington Golf Club, Continued



Oxfordshire Ladies' County Golf Association

PLAY DAYS FOR NOVICE GIRLS 2015

KIRTLINGTON GOLF CLUB

JUNE 28TH. JULY 26TH. AUGUST 23RD. OCTOBER 4TH. NOVEMBER 15TH.

Meet 1pm.in the Conference room. Finish about 4pm.

A chance to play the 9-hole Blenheim course.

Girls will play a friendly round under supervision and any girl, of whatever standard with an interest in golf, is very welcome. In addition to supervised play there will be a stableford competition for girls of any standard.

For girls without a Congu handicap there is the opportunity to gain a County Handicap

Entry fee £5 payable on the day

Kirtlington Golf Club
Oxfordshire OX5 3JY

For more information or if you intend to come please contact-
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jennyservoz@aol.com or call on 0118 9724542

Any parents volunteering to help with marking cards will be very welcome.



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Junior Girls Championship

Thursday 28th May 2015, Hadden Hill Golf Club

Midland South Girls Championship

Friday 14th August, North Oxford Golf Club



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