

Bengeo Golf Society

Captain: ROBERT CLAYTON



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PUTTING OUT... The 18th at Brookman's Park, a lovely finishing hole with grand staircase leading to the 19th



CLARET TO CLARET... New member Phil Greenwold polished off our claret jug at Brookman's Park, while Steve Temple cradles more claret for winning the mid handicap section. Above: Charles Wallis not only won the 20-28 handicap group, but also picked the winning ticket for a free day at North Middlesex.

MILL Green captain Phil Greenwold could hardly wish for more... He's won the claret jug.

No, not The Open, but Bengeo Golf Society's Bill Manton memorial claret jug.

Despite superb sunny weather, Phil was the only man to play to his handicap at Brookman's Park, scoring 36 points off 8.

Winning Division Two is Steve Temple with 32 points, while Charles Wallis topped Division Three (20-28) with 35 points.

Just out of the prizes

were Damien Turley 34 points, Dave Morris and Stan Kelley both 33.

Guests: Bob Turner 33 points (Charles' guest).

Nearest Pins: 6th, Graham Beetles; 15th, Scott Ruskin.

SOME 30 players paid £1 into captain Robert's charity after failing to beat his score of 31 points.

But that also meant that Robert donated £1 for everyone who **did** the dirty deed-beating him.

18th...
 ...among the most attractive in the land.
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WELCOME..

...to new member John Hare, an 11-handicap member of Brampton Park, introduced by Graham Beetles

WARNING

Look up the website to see the Rules of Play – and note (a) that the first round has to be played by **May**

15 and (b) the home players must give opponents **three** dates in three separate weeks.

An (*) denotes home players, so choice of venue.

SINGLES DRAW: *John Richardson v Stan Kelley;

*David Grainge v Colin Andrews;

*Kevin Johnston v Craig Caswell; *Phil Greenwold v Bye;

*John Tass v Clive Ackerman;

*Peter Waters v Damien Turley;

*Steve Temple v Gary Sando;

*Andy Alexander v Robert Clayton.

PAIRS DRAW: *Peter Waters & David

Grainge v Tony Sando & Richard

Fobbester; *Marty West & Simon

Purkiss v Bye;

*Phil Greenwold & Andy Alexander v

Barry & Scott Ruskin; *Robert

Clayton & Gwyn Ellis

v Chris Murray & Stan Kelley; *Brian Reid &

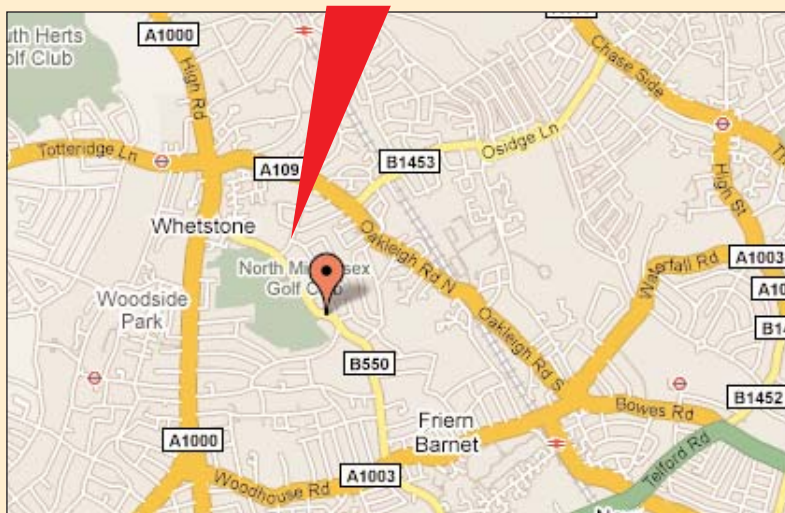
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EXTRA
 trains had to be laid on because 10,000 people wanted to see just two golfers play
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY... Wed May 6 North Middlesex.... Wed June 3 Abbotsley Thurs July 2 Saffron Walden Thursday August 6 John O'Gaunt... Wed September 2 Aspley Guise.... Sun/Mon Sept 27/27 De Vere Dunston Hall Hotel, Norwich.... Monday November 2 Gog Magog .

NORTH MIDDLESEX GOLF CLUB Wed May 6

Friern Barnet Lane, N20 0NL Pro: Fred George Tel 020 8445 3060



ENTRIES seven days in advance of the event please (**Limit of 36 players**). Email or ring Stan Kelley on 01992 586280 (Mobile 07702 363611)

Cancellation rule: Minimum £20 penalty (full cost at some courses) for cancelling within 3 days of event.

NOTE: Changing room code is 5454

COMPETITIONS: 10 holes Singles Stableford playing for the **Three Club Trophy** (holder Roger Bukin). Take only your putter and two clubs on to the course.

1st tee reserved from 10am. Play from **WHITE** tees.

Afternoon: 18 holes Singles Stableford playing for the **Eric Attfield Memorial Cup** (holder: Craig Caswell).

Tee off from 1pm, again from the **WHITE** tees.

COST: Coffee and bacon rolls (from 9.15am), lunch, dinner, waitress service, raffle and prize table – the lot for £69

BUGGIES: None available but they do electric trolleys at £5.

HOW TO GET THERE: It is situated five miles south of the M25 Junction 23 between Barnet and Finchley.

'...Short but she's a real challenge'

(ARE YOU UP FOR IT?)

North Middlesex Golf Club was built in 1905 by the great Willie Park Junior (see below).

The course is set in only 74 acres of beautiful parkland, so is just 5,625 yards long with a par of 69. But don't take liberties, for it boasts many attractive water features and lots of mature and elegant trees to make it a real challenge.

The Greens are renowned in North London, not only for their excellence but also for their speed and difficulty. There are some holes on which members NEVER give a putt!!

The 18th hole, which is a demanding par 3, is among of the most attractive in the land – with the Clubhouse making a beautiful backdrop.

It is situated five miles south of the M25 Junction 23 between Barnet and Finchley and is just five miles from the City of London and the West End.



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Robert Groves v Gary Sando & Roger Bukin; Steve Temple & Craig Caswell v Bye; *John McNaughton & Brian West v Damien Turley & Clive Ackerman; *Phil Houston & John Richardson v Bye

BID FOR PRIME SPOT AT SPURS

CAPTAIN Robert boosted his charity fund by £57.80 at Brookman's Park. That's makes exactly £130 so far. But he hopes to 'score' quite a bit more by auctioning a prime site ticket for the **Spurs v. Man City** on Saturday May 16.

"I have a season ticket in the Lower West Stand at Tottenham, right by the player's tunnel," explains Robert, "nice and close to Harry to give him some words of advice!!"

Kick off is at 3.00pm. The ticket will go to the person who puts in the highest bid by the end of our meeting at North Middlesex – **so get your bid in now** if you are not going to North Middlesex.

"The money will be added to my charity fund for The Sarcoma Trust – in memory of a lovely lady who died last year from this aggressive type of cancer. She was just 25 and lost a very courageous two-year battle," Stan adds Robert.



WILLIE PARK Jnr (1864-1925) Born Musselburgh, Scotland

10,000 turned out to watch a challenge match between Willie Park Jnr and Harry Vardon – an amazing number for 110 years ago. More later.

Park was not only a golfing great, but also one of the greatest golfers and course designers of the last century. His story and the story of his father, Willie, and uncle, Mungo, are an integral part of golf's heritage.

Park was fortunate to be born the son of Willie Park Snr who was one of the most prolific golfers of his time. His father won the Open four times and had a successful ball and club making busi-



ness. Park carried on in his father's footsteps and won The Open in 1887 and 1889. His long game was sometimes poor but he had an excellent short game which, more often than not, brought him victory.

In 1899, he played Harry Vardon in a challenge match at North Berwick. Extra trains had to be made available because the match attracted a crowd of 10,000, necessitating.

He successfully saw the family ball and club making business through the transition from 'featherie' to 'guttie' golf balls. And as golf's popularity grew with the spread of

the railways, Park managed to establish a lucrative export trade. In 1886, he published *The Game Of Golf*, the first complete book on golf by a professional.

However, Park's enduring legacy is the collection of excellent golf courses which he designed and built around the world.

He was a pioneer of parkland courses at a time when golf courses were traditionally built along the coast. Park designed approximately 170 courses in Europe, America and Canada – no mean feat considering transport limitations in those days. But apart from North Middlesex, then Sunningdale must rate his best this side of the 'pond'.