

# Bengeo Golf Society

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## Hi all

Captain Robert Clayton was sporting the biggest grin at Abbotsley, because finishing 4th saved him £28.

Why? Because Robert has a wager with everyone: "Beat my score and I will pay £1 into my charity, but if you don't then you pay the £1."

Robert's contribution was just £2, for only two out of the field of 30 beat his 36 points.

Those two 'escapees' were Damien Turley, winning his second trophy of the season, and Rob Groves, both scoring 37 points but separated on countback.

Damien, who got cut three points for winning the Spring Plate at Ashridge, is slashed a further three (down to 22) for adding the **Dennis Sando Cup** to his trophy cabinet.

He got off to a bad start by blobbing the opening hole, t h e n

## PHILECLECTIC

Leaders in the Eclectic are Steve Temple and Stan Kelley 45 points, Charles Wallis 46, Richard Fobbester 47, Roger Bukin 49, Damien Turley 53 and top man Phil Greenwold with 54.

blobbed another on the back nine.

Runner-up Rob Groves lost on countback because his two blobs were both on the back nine. But he did have the consolation of winning Group 2 (handicaps 13-20).

However, Simon Purkiss's 36 points off a handicap of just 3 was very impressive.

It comfortably topped Group 1, which means Simon now sports a loading of three shots.

Nearest pins: 9th - Peter Waters; 13th - Paul Breen (guest of Simon Purkiss).

Gary Sando's guest Chris Simmons not only won the guest prize (with 35 points) but they also combined forces to win the **Greensome Cup** with 22 points for the nine holes.

Three pairings then tied on 20 points, with Bob Pegg and Mike Tucker getting the verdict for second place on countback, followed by David Grainge and Roger Bukin, then Colin

## THIRD TIME LUCKY!

Steve Langridge struck lucky for the THIRD time at Abbotsley – by winning the free day at our next venue, Saffron Walden, Thursday July 2.



**SOME YOU WIN...** Gary Sando's 33 pts was just short for his father's memorial trophy, but he made up for it by winning the Greensome Cup with guest Chris Simmons (right)

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**DOUBLE TOP...** Damien Turley (left) clinched his second trophy of the year, chased hard by Group 2 and Group 1 winners Rob Groves (centre) and Simon Purkiss with 36 off 3.

Andrews and Massimo Dentice.

## Concorde Pairs Champs, 2nd round:

Rob Groves and Brian Reid lost 3&1 to Craig Caswell and Steve Temple at Canons Brook. "We strug-

gled to match Craig's big hitting and Steve's unerring accuracy and super putting," groaned Rob. "Craig hit the biggest drive I've ever seen on the par-5 sixth."

Three holes down with four to play, the Canons pair hit back with Brian winning the 15th. The 16th was halved in pars which made it

dormy.

"But we self destructed on the 17th," confesses Rob, "me losing my drive into the trees and Brian hitting the water with his second shot."

In the **McMullen Singles championship** Clive Ackerman beat John Tass 6&4 at East Herts.

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## COMPLETE MUPPET...

...is donating prize money to Captain's charity –Back Page

**STILL TO COME...** Thursday July 2 Saffron Walden .... Thursday August 6 John O'Gaunt... Wednesday September 2 Aspley Guise.... Sun/Mon Sept 27/28 De Vere Dunston Hall Hotel, Norwich.... Monday November 2 at Gog Magog.



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New member Kevin Johnston bt Craig Caswell 5&4 at Canons Brook, while I (Stan Kelley) went down 2&1 to John Richardson at Abbotsley

**SAFFRON WALDEN** are giving us the same great **£10 reduction** we've enjoyed for the past three years, which means we are able to peg the price to just £61.

That price is all in anticipation of a big BGS turn-out of course (here's hoping I didn't lie?)

Saffron Walden was formed way back in 1919. It was then only 9 holes and 2,210 yards, until more land was acquired in 1929.

It then was re-vamped with the help of six times Open champion Harry Vardon (he of the Vardon grip), but despite the re-vamp it was still only nine holes.

In those days very few people played golf (how amazed would they be now?) so the fact that it was still only 9 holes suited demand at the time.

However, in 1968 additional land was acquired from the adjacent Audley End estate (see our picture) and the course eventually extended to 18 holes by 1975.

Today the course is a picturesque and challenging 6,600 yards and rated the toughest in Essex,

*Stan*

### CHARITY WINS

"I will be donating my £20 prize money from Abbotsley to the captains charity for being a complete muppet," says Rob Groves, pictured Page 1.

"I shot the best front nine holes I've ever played (24 points) but failed to go on and win the trophy."

Capt Robert will be pleased though!

## PLAYER OF THE YEAR

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Your best FIVE scores out of eight to count, so you can miss three events

	AP	BP	NM	AB	Total
Damien Turley	25	23	17	25	90
Rob Clayton	23	19	14	23	79
Steve Temple	16	20	22	11	69
Stan Kelley	24	22	22	-	68
Phil Greenwold	16	25	25	-	66
Rob Groves	21	-	18	25	64
David Grange	19	15	-	19	53
Gary Sando	-	14	17	21	52
Craig Caswell	23	8	9	11	51
Bob Pegg	16	19	-	15	50
Roger Bukin	-	19	23	2	44
Massimo Dentice	-	-	20	19	39
Scott Ruskin	19	19	-	-	38
Richard Fobbestor	4	14	1	19	38
Steve Langridge	4	14	12	8	38
Andy Alexander	10	-	24	-	34
Brian Reid	1	14	2	13	30
Peter Waters	1	-	9	19	29
Graham Beetles	-	8	12	8	28

TWO victories, at Ashridge and Abbotsley, puts Damien firmly at the top of the table. But Phil Greenwold is right up there with him after scoring 25-pointers at both Brooksmans Park and North Middlesex.

This is only half-way through the season though – and three scores get discarded.

# SAFFRON WALDEN GOLF CLUB

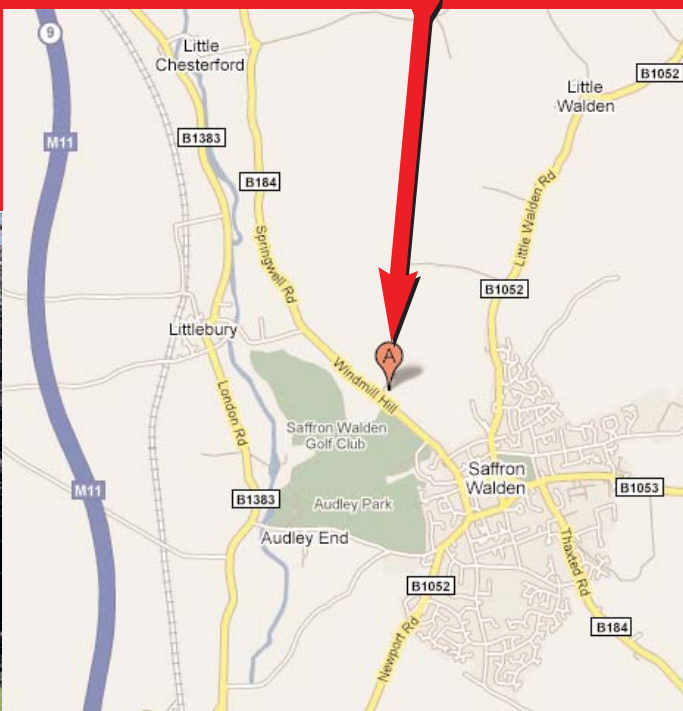
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## Thursday 2 July

**SOME GARDEN...** the 5th at Saffron Walden, once part of the gardens laid out by the legendary Capability Brown for Audley End House, seen in the background.



**ENTRIES** seven days in advance please. Book to play via the Bengeo website or phone Stan Kelley on 01992 586280, mobile 07702 363611. Cancellation rule: Minimum £20 penalty (full cost at some courses) for cancellations within 3 days of the event

**COMPETITIONS:** *Morning* – 9 holes 4BBB Pairs playing for the **APHID PAIRS** (holders: Bryan Ruskin and Richard Smith).

*Afternoon* – 18 holes Stableford playing for the **AUTUMN CUP** (holder: Richard Fobbestor).<sup>6</sup>

**MEET** from 9.15am for coffee.

First tee reserved from 10am and again at 1.15pm. Play from the yellow markers.

**COST:** £61 includes prizes morning and afternoon, coffee on arrival, lunch and carvery dinner (vegetarians please advise) plus ball sweep and gratuities for waitress service.

**DRESS:** Shorts should be full length and worn with either full knee-length socks or short white socks. Jackets 'n' BGS ties are a must for dinner as usual.

**MOBILE phones** not permitted on the course or in clubhouse. Phone messages accepted at pro shop (as above).

**BUGGIES.** £25 18 holes, £40 for 27 or all day. Electric trolleys £8 per round.

**HOW TO GET THERE:** *Make sure you take the correct exit from the M11, as follows...*

**Northbound from M11**  
Driving northbound on the M11, exit at junction 9 (A11) towards Newmarket. At the roundabout turn right and follow the B184. At the next 3 roundabouts take the second exit signposted Saffron Walden. Continue forward onto Windmill Hill, towards Saffron Walden. At the bottom of the hill take the first right turn into New Pond Lane, followed

by the next right; to the Club.

**Southbound from M11**  
Driving southbound on the M11, exit at Junction 10, take the first exit signposted A505 (Saffron Walden & Newmarket). At the second roundabout (McDonalds restaurant) turn right onto A1301 (Saffron Walden). At the third roundabout continue onto B184 (Saffron Walden). At the next 2 roundabouts take the second exits signposted Saffron Walden. Continue forward onto Windmill Hill, towards Saffron Walden. At the bottom of the hill take the first right turn into New Pond Lane, followed by the next right; this is the Club car park.