



**Captain:**  
**CRAIG**  
**CASWELL**

**Next meeting:**

**JOHN**  
**O'GAUNT**

**Wednesday**  
**June 13**

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## **FIXTURES 2012**

**Thursday May 3**  
**CREWS HILL**

**Wednesday**  
**June 13**  
**JOHN O'GAUNT**

**Wednesday**  
**July 11**  
**WHIPNADE**

**CAPTAIN'S DAY**  
**Wednesday**  
**August 15**  
**TOOT HILL**

**Wednesday**  
**Sept 26**  
**ASPLEY GUISE &**  
**WOBBURN SANDS**

**Thursday October 11**  
**CREWS HILL**

**Wednesday**  
**Nov 7**  
**LETCHWORTH**

**Friday December 7**  
**XMAS SCRAMBLE**  
**EAST HERTS**



**THREE CLUBS BETTER THAN 14... Dan Todd (above) and Steve Temple (left) would say so, for they both scored 18 points for nine holes at Crews Hill. Dan lifted the trophy on countback, but chances are that they wouldn't have done so well with a FULL set of clubs!**

A WATERLOGGED course forced us to postpone our Crews Hill fixture for one week – but more heavy rain on the day meant our afternoon round had to be abandoned.

We played the morning round in fine, sunny weather, but after lunch the heavens opened yet again. The lead group completed 12 holes, before the greens flooded big time.

The day started so promising, for we enjoyed sunshine for the nine-hole morning **Three Club trophy** event.

Dan Todd claimed the trophy, but only after a countback. He scored 18 points, edging out Steve Temple – amazingly good scoring

with just two clubs and a putter. (What a pity we were unable to compare how they would have got on with a full set of clubs in the afternoon).

Robert Clayton was third with 16 points, while Steve Campbell not only won the guest with 13 points, but also drew the lucky ticket for a free day next time – but that'll mean persuading Nick MacDermott to invite him again!

Alas,

having all come in two-three hours early in the afternoon, the caterer was unable to speed up the ovens for our carvery evening meal. And not wanting to hang around that long, most players made an early departure.

But the good news is that Crews Hill promptly agreed to our suggestion that we return on Thursday October 11, making *no charge for the golf* for all those who were rained off the course.

ALAS, at the time of writing this, only one match has been played in either the Singles or Pairs knockouts.

That is in the **McMullen Singles** championships in which new member Bhupi Patel lost the first four

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## **PLAYER OF YEAR**

*Your best FIVE scores out of eight to count, so you can miss three and still win*

NO change here because the singles at Crews Hill was rained off. That means Gary Sando still leads the pack with two fine performances, adding up to 46 points. And right on his heels is Phil Greenwood who also recorded joint second place at Brookmans Park. But there's still events to go – and being able to drop your three worst scores can reap huge dividends of course.

	A	BP	Tot
Gary Sando	22	24	46
Phil Greenwood	19	24	43
Harry Collins	24	14	38
Colin Andrews	13	24	37
Brian West	15	19	34
Roger Butcher	13	20	33
Ken Gordon	25	6	31
John Mac	19	11	30
Robert Clayton	10	19	29
John Hare	0	25	25
Dan Todd	0	24	24
Craig Caswell	15	9	24
Terry Fuller	23	0	23
Michael Bench	22	0	22
John Tass	22	0	22

## **NEW DATE**

Note Thurs Oct 11 in your diary. That's when we return to Crews Hill to play for the Eric Attfield Memorial trophy



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-holes to Colin Andrews at Mill Green. But then turned it all around to win 3&2.

**Rules** for the knockouts are on the website, where you should note that three dates must be given to opponents (so no excuses for being KOD because you didn't read them).

## IVAN PETTIT IN HOSPICE

THIS time last year Ivan Pettit had just made his best-ever score of 42 points to win our Anniversary Cup at John O'Gaunt. But sadly I have to report that Ivan is dangerously ill.

Ivan (pictured) is being looked after in



a hospice in Ware.

Partnering John Tass, he also won the **Greensome Cup** which we play for again on June 13 at John O'Gaunt.

I only found out today (June 1st) following my visit to Westgate Care

Centre, Ware, that Ivan, 70, was diagnosed with brain cancer in December.

It was located behind his eyes, but the cancer was far more extensive than they thought – the operation left him almost blind.

His son, Dean, tells me: "He's only got a couple of weeks now. The surgeon admit-

ted that they should never have started."

*Stan*

## NO GIMME

The BGS does NOT allow 'give me' putts. So please be sure to putt out everything – unless you can no longer score any points of course.

## CONCORDE PAIRS

Stv Langridge Ken Gordon VERSUS David Grainge & Peter Waters	Winners VERSUS Brian West/J McNaughton  Gwyn Ellis/Robert Clayton VERSUS John Mac/Bob Pegg  L Bembrick/Jamie Caswell VERSUS Colin Andrews/Bhupi Patel  Phil Grenwold/Stan Kelley VERSUS Stv Temple/Craig Caswell
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## McMULLEN SINGLES

Stv Langridge VERSUS Gary Sando  Bhupi Patel VERSUS Colin Andrews  N MacDermott VERSUS Peter Waters  Stan Kelley VERSUS Steve Temple	VERSUS Bhupi Patel         VERSUS  Jamie Caswell VERSUS Phil Greenwold  Leigh Bembrick VERSUS Craig Caswell
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Remember, check on the website for who is the 'home' player



**WHAT DO I WIN..?** Stephen Campbell, guest of Nick MacDermott, was somewhat puzzled to learn that his winning ticket meant that next time he plays it'll be free. But he first has to get Nick to invite him!



Clubhouse looking back from Putting Green

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## Wednesday June 13

**ENTRIES** seven days in advance please. Book to play via the Bengeo website (see Page 1) or phone Stan Kelley 01992 586280 or 07702 363611  
Cancellation rule: Minimum £20 penalty (full cost at some courses) for cancellations within 3 days of event

### COMPETITIONS:

**Morning:** 11 holes on the Carthage course for the **GRENSOME CUP** (holders John Tass/Ivan Pettit).

**Afternoon:** Play the John

O'Gaunt course 18 holes Singles Stableford for the **DENNIS SANDO CUP** (holder: Steve Temple).  
**MEET** from 8.45am for coffee and bacon rolls. First tee reserved from 9.30am and again at 1pm. Play from the yellow markers.

**COST:** £75 (we subsidise this one) includes prizes both morning and afternoon, coffee and bacon rolls on arrival; lunch; carvery dinner (vegetarians please advise); plus ball sweep, Eclectic and even the

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** only permitted in the car park).  
**BUGGIES.** £20 per round. Talk to pro for a price for 27 holes.

**HOW TO GET THERE:** John O'Gaunt Golf Club is located on the B1040 east of the A1, between the Biggleswade and Sandy Junctions.

