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LETCWORTH
GOLF CLUB
Wednesday
November 5

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OUR
REMAINING
FIXTURES:

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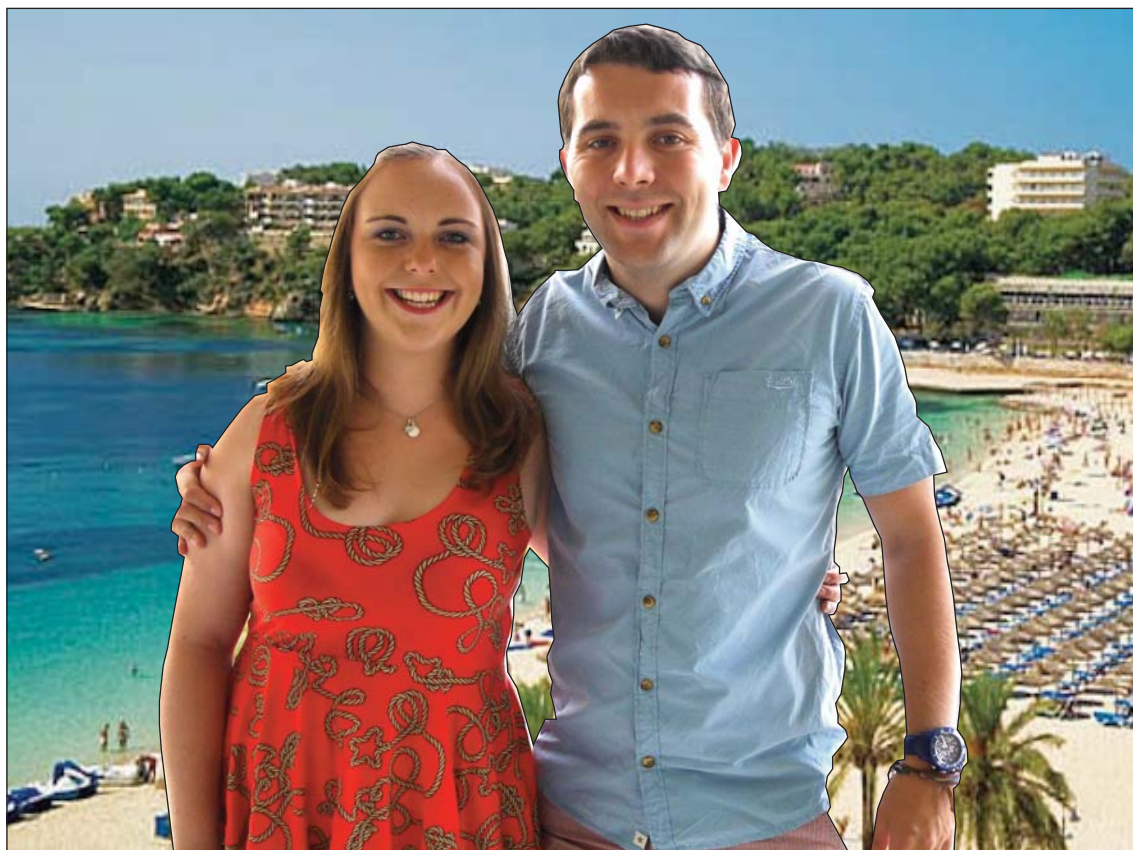
Thursday
December 4
Xmas Scramble
KNEBWORTH

BOOST FOR **CAPTAIN'S** **CHARITY**

OUR captain's charity was given a big boost on Captain's Day, when four-ball tickets (all generously donated by golf clubs) were auctioned at Toot Hill.

How much did they raise...?

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CONGRATULATIONS... to Tom Grainge. The 26-year-old proposed to girlfriend Chrissy Devonshire (24) on the beach in Majorca. Dad David Grainge says: "Proposing on the beach makes Tom clearly more romantic than his father!!"

WHAT a fab day and a fab array of prizes Richard Fobbester presented on his Captain's Day.

Amazingly, Richard managed to ensure that absolutely everyone went home with at least one prize.

Toot Hill was in tip top condition – and the hot sunshine was obviously much to the liking of Steve Langridge, for he slaughtered a big field with 40 points off 10.

Steve was the only man to beat his handicap so, as handicaps

secretary he'll have the task of cutting himself yet again (*this was his third win this year*).

Peter Waters and Chris Murray put in a rare appearance but made their mark by clinching second and third places overall, with 36 and 34 points.

But 33 points was good enough to win Div 2 for Stephen Campbell, while Div 3 went to Gary Sando for 32 points.

Just missing out was Sid Platten also on 32.

Claiming the guest

prize was our Captain's son Glen Fobbester with 34 points of 26.

Nearest pins: Hole 3: Glen Fobbester; 12th Steve Campbell; 15th Steve Temple.

Straightest Drive: Charles Wallis.

FOUR-WAY TIE

The Captain's Day crescendo proved to be our tightest event of all time, for FOUR teams came in with 60 points, while the winning four-man team managed only one better with 61 points for the 12 holes.

The crescendo was

played best two scores for the first 4 holes, then best three scores for the next 4, and all four scores for the remaining holes.

Chris Murray, Dave O'Brien, Daniel Deveney and me Stan Kelley sneaked that 61 points winner.

But with four teams all returning 60 points, it took some while to work out that Steve Langridge, Clive Ackerman, Peter Waters, Steve Nisbett got the runners-up verdict on countback.

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CHAMPION... Captain's Cup winner Steve Langridge was also presented with a pair of Footjoy golf shoes, while Div 3 and Div 2 winners Gary Sando (left) and Steve Campbell salute Steve with top drawer umbrellas.



PRIZES GALORE... no one went home without at least one prize, for there were caps, socks, balls gloves, ball retrievers and lots more to choose from.

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AUCTION BOOSTS CAPTAIN'S CHARITY

THREE 4-ball tickets raised £320 at auction at Toot Hill. And there's at least three more still to be auctioned

Sid Platten bought Mid Herts for £100; Gary Sando also paid £100 for Toot Hill, while Cannons Brook raised £120 from captain Richard.

That boosts the charity figure to £1,602 But among those still to be auctioned off are **John O'Gaunt, Saffron Walden** and **Mill Green**.

ECLECTIC

MICHAEL Bench is still riding high, but he is now joined at the top of the Eclectic by newly engaged Tom Crainge (pictured front page).

Leaders:

- 55 Michael Bench, Tom Grainge
- 53 Stan Kelly, Steve Langridge
- 52 David Grainge, Richard Fobbester
- 51 Rob Clayton, Nick MacDermott
- 50 Damien Turley
- 49 Sid Platten, Colin Andrews
- 48 Steve Foster, Gary Sando
- 47 Bhupi Patel, Steve Campbell. Steve Hickey

BIRDIE CLINCHER

ALL square after 18 holes, it took two extra holes to separate two of the semi-finalists in the Concorde Darts Pairs championship.



CLOSE CALL... the team that won the Crescendo by just one point. Chris Murray (left) also won the "Free Day" ticket, but generously gave it to the Captain to auction for his charity. His team members included Stan Kelley, Dave O'Brien and Daniel Deveney.



GOT BOTTLE... Captain Richard (centre) presented gin or whisky to Nearest pin winners Steve Temple, Steve Campbell, his son Glen Fobbester and Charles Wallis.

Steve Campbell and Nick MacDermott were still neck-and-neck against Robert Clayton and Gwyn Ellis on the 20th hole at Mill Green.

But it went no further, for Gwyn Ellis settled the issue with a brilliant birdie.

They now have to travel away for the grand final,

PLAYER OF YEAR

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

Steve Langridge's THIRD victory rockets him six places to top the table. But despite missing the last two events, Michael Bench is still right up there, only one point adrift.

But all fortunes could change on the last event at Letchworth.

	Guy	Ash	JG	MH	SW	CB	TH	Total
Steve Langridge	25	12	19	7	25	9	25	106
Michael Bench	16	25	15	25	24	0	0	105
David Grainge	19	1	24	23	17	14	16	99
Richard Fobbester	24	21	9	18	23	11	3	97
Stan Kelley	6	24	22	12	15	24	7	97
Nick MacDermott	13	23	15	17	0	25	16	96
Sid Platten	16	19	15	23	17	9	21	96
Colin Andrews	2	1	21	14	22	23	3	83
Gary Sando	2	12	19	12	0	17	21	81
Robert Clayton	21	4	15	14	0	23	1	77
Steve Temple	21	16	15	1	14	3	11	77
Steve Foster	9	1	6	24	10	15	16	74
Roger Butcher	17	1	25	0	19	0	11	73
Clive Ackerman	24	8	15	5	0	10	7	64
Bhupi Patel	0	16	2	5	21	14	5	61
Tom Grainge	4	12	0	1	19	23	0	59
Charles Wallis	19	4	1	23	0	0	11	58
Kevin Johnston	0	1	16	0	14	23	0	54
Steve Hickey	1	1	4	12	21	4	11	52
Dave O'Brien	1	16	9	7	0	0	19	52

against father and son duo David and Tom Grainge.

David also has the home draw in the grand final of the **McMullen Singles** – against me, Stan Kelley.

AND FINALLY

HERE'S another quote from a book loaned to me by Dennis Dawson, a founder member of the BGS and a former treasurer :

"I'd like to see the fairways more narrow. Then everyone would have to play from the rough, not just me."

– Seve Ballesteros

Stan

LETCHWORTH GARDEN CITY

Letchworth Lane, Letchworth Garden City, Herts SG6 3NQ

Wednesday Nov 5

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ENTRIES at least seven days in advance. 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 the event.

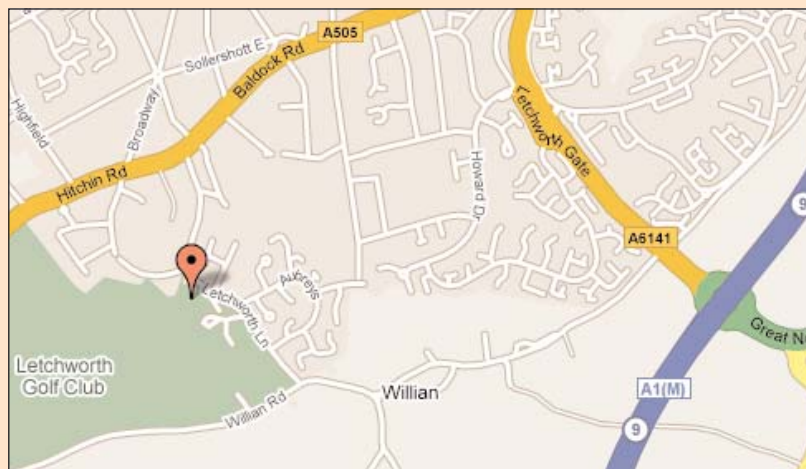
COMPETITIONS: 18 holes Singles Stableford, playing for the President's Cup combined with three-

ball Team crescendo.

Team event comprises low, middle and high handicaps. Best score first six holes; best two scores for next six, then all three scores for final six holes.

TEE times: 8.30am from the 1st tee.

COST: SAME AGAIN £45 inclusive of tea/coffee and bacon roll on arrival, and two-course luncheon. Price inclusive of prize table, gratuity, Eclectic and Ball Sweep.



BUGGIES. Four available, cost £24. Check with Stan if you need someone to share.

HOW TO GET THERE: A1 Junction 9. Don't go to Letchworth, but turn

sharp left to Willan Village for mile. Shortly past Guyfield Care Home TURN RIGHT into Letchworth Lane. Entrance is on left AFTER Letchworth

Hall Hotel.

MOBILE PHONES: Total ban. Use only in car park.

DRESS: Jacket and your BGS tie for lunch.