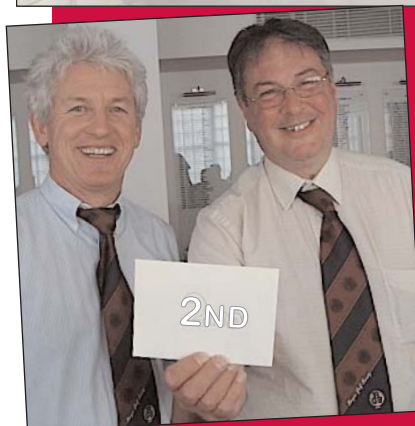




**IT'S PARTY TIME...** for this Peterborough trio scooped the prizes at Letchworth. Peter Zimmer-Smith (centre) celebrated by winning the main Eric Attfield trophy after scoring second in the Three Club. Simon Purkiss (left) made third in the afternoon, while Martyn West (right) was third in the morning.



**HOLDING FOLDING...** Steve Foster has a firm grip on second place money. And Captain Dave O'Brien also presents the Three Club trophy to Roger Bukin for the second year running



ROGER Bukin pulled off an amazing repeat of last year, while a trio of Peterborough pundits paraded the prizes at Letchworth.

The course was presented in superb condition in glorious weather, yet as usual very few could play as well with a full set of clubs as they did in the morning **Three Club Trophy**.

Last year Roger Bukin won the three-clubber with two shots to spare at Chigwell – and to prove it was no fluke he won it again with THREE shots to spare at Letchworth.

Enter the Peterborough paraders, for Peter Zimmer-Smith was runner-up with 17 points, while Martyn West sneaked

third (on countback over Graham Beetles) with 13 points.

Bucking the trend, Peter Z-S played equally well with a full set of clubs in the afternoon, winning the **Eric Attfield Memorial Trophy** with 37 points. And completing the Peterborough trio was 4-handicap Simon Purkiss with 33 points for third. Martyn West was right on their heels with 32 points (off 7), along with Harry Bracher.

Sneaking in between them was Steve Foster with 36 points for second place, while

his guest Maurice Burton topped the guest prizes with 35 points, followed by Kevin Johnson 29 points.

Three-Club guest winner was Andy Alexander (he's now joining the BGS) with 15 points, followed by Paul Jezzard 14.

Nearest pins: Ken Gordon and Harry Bracher.

**FORMER McMullen Singles KO** champion Steve Temple has surprisingly fallen in the first round.

Clive Ackerman did *Continued overleaf*



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the dastardly deed, beating Steve 4&3 at Nazeing.

In the **Pairs championship** Ken Gordon and Steve Langridge rapidly found themselves 3-down on their own course to Brian West and John McNaughton.

That was reduced to one-down at the turn, thanks mainly to Ken being only two over par at that stage. And with that kind of pressure it comes as no surprise to learn that the visitors eventually lost 3&2.

## KNOW THE RULES

PAIRS and Singles championships. Be sure to check the rules of play on the [Bengeogolfsociety.org.uk](http://Bengeogolfsociety.org.uk) website. You will also see who the "home" player is, plus all the results and pairing for the forthcoming rounds—and playing deadlines.

## UNLUCKY 13

A BUGGY crash resulted in several fractured ribs, a cracked collar bone and huge bruising for BGS member John Hobbs.

John was on a mid-week break in France, back end of May, with a dozen fellow members of Mill Green Golf Club, including Charles Wallis who amazingly escaped with cuts and bruising.

They were playing unlucky 13th at St. Omer Golf Club. "Charles and I were on a fairly steep, wet path, but when I braked the wheels locked which had us sliding even faster," says John.

Charles continued: "The next thing that I recall was heading off the cart path straight for a group of trees some five yards away at the bottom of the hill. Just before the trees the ground dropped away some 4-5ft and we 'flew' into a solid tree which halted the buggy's progress.

"I was propelled forward and found myself hanging out of the driver's side with my legs somehow wrapped around the steering column and blood pouring from a gash in my forehead. I called out to John but got no reply."

## WELCOME

...to Andy Alexander, member Mill Green, introduced by Robert Clayton. He signed up right after playing at Letchworth.



## "NEW" BAG FOR SALE

Bob Pegg, our 2001 captain, bought this carry bag for when trolleys are banned, but major spinal problems have stopped him playing at all this year – and ruled him out of ever carrying again. So make Bob an offer. It cost him £40, has double carrying straps and is 'as new'. Call him on 01992 586734

Charles went on: "Our playing partners who were ahead of us, heard my plaintive cries for help and returned to extract me from the cart. We could not see John and he was not answering our calls.

"We then heard him moaning. He somehow got propelled sideways into trees."

Green keeping staff alerted the Clubhouse who called an ambulance. John was diagnosed with a broken shoulder blade in addition to the collar bone and fractured ribs. But his big worry was NO INSURANCE!

"St Omer Hospital were very good though," says John, "because they suggested I get a UK form filled out quick and fax it to them. I discharged myself after five days, but it cost me £170 to get back home."

He went straight to QEII Hospital who reckoned his 'broken' shoulder was only bruised. And, amazingly, 70 years young John was able to visit Mill Green again two days later.

What of Charles? "I was luckier. I think I impacted the plastic windscreen and suffered, in addition to the head injury, a nasty gash just below the right knee, a badly bruised left shin and knuckles."

They must build 'em tough at Mill Green, for Charles was back playing 48 hours later.

## HOW OLD'S FOLD?

OUR next battleground is at historic **Old Fold Manor**, Hadley Green, site of the rather bloody "Battle of Barnet".

Fought on a foggy Easter Sunday over 500 years ago, it resulted in the untimely end of Warwick the Kingmaker and the reign of King Edward IV.

Part of the Lancastrian army went astray in the foggy mist and advanced along what is now the 6th fairway and finished up in Barnet. Even in those days it was difficult to get a straight drive going it seems!

Built in 1910, Old Fold boasts some of the finest greens in the county and breathtaking views – at



410ft it's the highest point on the Gt North Road from London to York.

The land was owned by the Earl of Stafford, who lived at the nearby stately home known as Wrotham Park. He was the man who decided to build a proper golf course on what is a freakish "fold" of unproductive sand and gravel among the surrounding luxuriant clay.

Crops would not grow on it, but grass certainly did. The new course was opened 98 years ago with the Earl as its first president. The earl's coat of arms still hang in the clubhouse. *Stan*

# OLD FOLD MANOR

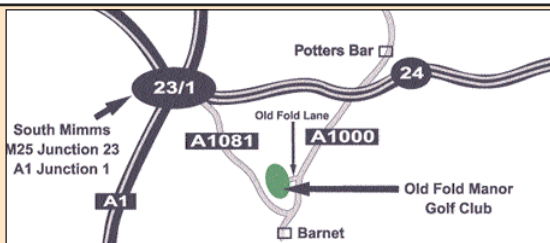
Old Fold Lane, Hadley Green, Barnet EN5 4QN

**ENTRIES:** Register to play via the Bengeo website or phone Stan Kelley on 01992 586280 (Mobile 07702 36 3611).

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

**COMPETITIONS:** Nine holes Greensome Stableford (Cup holders: Martyn West and James Zimmer-Smith) and 18 holes Singles playing for the **Dennis Sando Cup** (holder Steve Foster).

**TEE** reserved from 10.30am and 1.30pm. Play from the Yellow tees as usual.



**COST:** £65 inclusive of tea/coffee on arrival from 9.45am. Both lunch and dinner will be served in the clubhouse (cafe closed). Price includes prizes table.

**MOBILE PHONES not allowed anywhere.** Use only in locker room or inside your car.

**DRESS:** Tailored knee-length shorts with knee-length socks or short white socks are permitted.

**BUGGIES.** Six are available, so please book direct with the Pro. Let Stan know if you require someone to share.

**MESSAGES** may be left at the Pro Shop,

# Wednesday June 18

Pro: PETER McEVOY  
020 8440 7488

phone number above.

**HOW TO GET THERE:** From the M25, exit at Junction 23, South Mimms, taking A1081 to Barnet. Turn left on to A1000. Go past Hadley Common on the left. First left turning at end of Common is Old Fold Lane.

The Golf Club is ahead, entrance on the right of the building.

**From Potters Bar:** Take A1000 out of Potters Bar towards Barnet. On entering Barnet, and 30mph zone, go past King William pub on left. Last turning before the common on the right is Old Fold Lane.