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# Club News

## Forest of Galtres Golf Club

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Newsletter 2

October 2002



**Welcome** to the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of Club News. We received several positive remarks about the first edition, so the hope is to continue to produce Club News in future, maybe three times each season. The club also has its own web-site, which will be updated regularly throughout the winter months. New in this edition is "all about ..." which takes a detailed look at one of FOG's members and reveals one or two things you might not know ..... Once again, Happy Reading. *John Place, Captain 2002*

### Club Results

#### Procter Cup

Bob Bailey 44pts

#### Men's Invitation Day

Trevor Boddison & Mick Atkinson (& Easingwold guests)

#### Club Championship

Gary Carbutt 78 and 79

#### John Riley Rabbits Trophy

Sam Enwright 67 (16 handicap)

#### Summer Knockouts

**H'cap Singles:** Terry Nicholson

**Scratch Singles:** Trevor Boddison

**Doubles:** Pete Graham & Alan MacDonald

**Mixed Doubles:** Ken Reeve & Angela Darlington

#### September mid-week medal

An exceptional round of gross 70 by 7 handicapper Chris Blagden resulted in victory in the September mid week medal. The 2 under par score also set a new course record.

### Cross Trophy News

Excellent recent performances at Aldwark and Pike Hills leaves FoG a close 3<sup>d</sup>, only 6 shots behind leaders Heworth, at the half way stage of the Cross Trophy.

Bob Bailey and Mike Ward led the way coming 3<sup>rd</sup> overall at Aldwark.

The competition now takes a winter break, with the final three rounds commencing in late February

### Carbutt wins Club Championship after play-off

**5 Handicapper** Gary Carbutt won his first club championship after four years at the club by one shot after a thrilling 3 hole play-off victory against 8 handicapper and namesake Gary Wensley.

After both players tied on 157 after 36 holes, Gary Wensley took the initiative on the first extra hole securing a one shot lead on the 1<sup>st</sup>, only to see Gary Carbutt level things on the 17<sup>th</sup> hole and go onto win with a par four on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

Talking to Club News immediately after his victory, a relieved Gary described the high pressure of the event, the likes of which he had not experienced before. Recovering from a "bad" outward 42, Gary recovered to record a one-over par 37 on the inward nine to post a 79. And followed this up with a 78 in the afternoon - despite having an out of bounds at the 10<sup>th</sup> hole.

Runner-up Gary Wensley, in his first year at the club FoG, also commented on the pressure of the event and how nervous he had been especially in the play-off.

Another player who put up an excellent performance was 13 handicapper Simon Cowan. He had the lowest net score for the day (132 - 12 under par) after posting an excellent 77 after his morning 81.

### Inter-Club Matches

**Victory** at home to Heworth brought the curtain down on a successful season of inter-club matches. Five of the 6 matches ended in victory for the club - with the only defeat being away to Aldwark.

Thirty-two members played in the matches and a big thank you is accorded to each and every one of you - and especially to Bob Bailey who played in all of the matches. Several regulars maintained a 100% record - Brian Thomas and Andy Wain both winning 3 matches. However, the best record of all was John Foo, who won all four of his matches.

John will receive the prestigious John Place Trophy on presentation night on 30<sup>th</sup> November.

#### FOREST OF GALTRES WEB-SITE

For up-to-date news and views, don't forget to visit the club's brand new web-site. This can be found at [www.forestofgaltres.co.uk](http://www.forestofgaltres.co.uk)

The site includes a discussion board for you to discuss issues, sell your old driver, etc. The site will be updated frequently with news during the winter months - so don't forget to keep logging-on

### Winter League

**The Winter League** starts on 3<sup>rd</sup> November - and gives you the chance to participate in a highly competitive event during the winter.

The format has been simplified this year - to be in with a chance to win you only need play a minimum 4 games up to the end of March. You can enter at any time but the earlier you enter the better.

Full rules and the entry form are on the notice board but in summary the rules are:

- 4 BB 3/4 handicap stableford
- 4 Best scores to count
- Games must be played on a Sunday, **except** during January, February and March, when games can also be played on (non-monthly medal day) Saturdays
- £10 entry fee per pair to cover any number of games
- Prizes for top three pairs (as at the end of March - with no knockout)

So enter now, a league table to show up-to-date positions will be maintained in the locker room

## CLUB NEWS: FOREST OF GALTRES GOLF CLUB

### All About .....

*Club News includes the first of a regular feature where we find out a little more about a FoG member. This month, Club News met-up with Mick Atkinson.....*

<b>Full name</b>	Mick David Atkinson
<b>Age</b>	33
<b>Born in</b>	York
<b>Job</b>	Aerial erector
<b>Handicap</b>	8
<b>Best ever round</b>	73 gross in summer 2000
<b>Favourite hole</b>	6 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Favourite Course</b>	Sawgrass, USA
<b>Partner from hell, and why</b>	Tony Marshall, because he never shuts-up
<b>Previous Club</b>	None
<b>Ever won anything at FoG?</b>	2nd invitation day (this year) Winter league
<b>Favourite golf club</b>	8 iron
<b>Driver</b>	Titleist 975D
<b>Pre-game routine</b>	Quiet moment to allow mental preparation
<b>Ever had a hole in 1?</b>	No

*Mick told us one or two other things about himself but limited space and this being a family publication, prevented these from being included - next time maybe*

### - EGGS -

The EGGS have had a successful season in competing against senior sections from other golf clubs. A resounding 6-2 victory away to Kirbymoorside being the highlight. Plans are already afoot for next season's matches - which will include new opponents from Northcliffe GC, Scarbro.

Earlier this year, the Joe Rimmer Cup Strokeplay competition was won by Joe Rimmer himself., and Lew Brown won an American style stableford competition in August. Other successful events have included 3 club Strokeplay event and recently a EGGS Texas Scramble.

Encouraging, competitions continue to be very popular with over 80% participation.

### - Ladies -

2002 has been a busy year for the ladies section. Membership numbers have increased and, in several cases, handicaps have been reduced.

Major competition victories have included Anne Quarmby - in a highly successful joint Captain's Day - and by Debbie Martin in the Ladies' Invitation Day. FoG ladies have also taken part in a number of York Union events held further afield. Whilst not figuring in the prizes to date, success may just be around the corner.

Words of wisdom and encouragement this month come from Ben Hogan who said "A good round of golf is if you can hit about three shots that turn out exactly as you planned them"

### Junior News

The development of a talented bunch of juniors has been one of the highlights of 2002. Guided by Assistant Pro, Jeremy Thompson, juniors in the club (*pictured below*) have gone from strength to strength, winning events both home and away.



Junior league and junior club champion, Danny Newton, now playing off a handicap of 14 (having started at 28+ at the start of the year) was a monthly medal winner - as was Glen Renton, who won the September monthly medal with an impressive nett 64. Most notable of all (except for a close victory over the committee in a recent head to head match), was an "away" victory for the club in the Steve Corsley Team Trophy at the Oaks - which was won despite stiff competition from teams from across the region.

So well done to all juniors in the club - and remember, juniors are the future of the club, so please support and encourage them whenever you can

**Bar News** - the observant of you will have noticed that Pauline's place behind the bar has been taken over by the ever-popular and ever-jovial Ian Soulsby. Ian has recently taken on the mantle as club steward (good luck in your new venture Pauline) and is looking forward to meeting and serving your food and beverage needs. Ian has already introduced a range of changes to entice you - these include a new and extended menu - including hot food before you tee-off and a mouthwatering Sunday lunch menu. More changes are planned for the future - and Ian would welcome any ideas you might have. Ian's success and improving the social side of the club is however principally down to **you**. So the next time you are playing a round, make the 19th hole a must - with Ian behind the bar, you are sure not to regret it.