



EB Update-Saturday, 23rd September 2017

The Latest on ...

Graeme's – Lloyd has not received any further news from Gail so "No news being good news" we believe that Graeme's rehab is progressing well

Tommy – Continues his amazing improvement. Looks like we are going to lose him and Valerie for sure when they go off to the USA in November for their annual sojourn. Great work Tommy and relief for Valerie.

Terry – Good to see you on Tuesday again. Keep coming and brightening up our Tuesday mornings

Bridget – Continues her recovery until the careful guidance of Patrick

Away on Trips

Welcome back to Kevin who has over 2,000 photos and mountains of tales to share. We are all looking forward to hearing (some) of these.

Events Timeline

Sept. 26 Tues.	1	Stableford Competition	
Sept. 29 Friday	10	Captain Friday's Comp.	End-of-September Dinner @ GGC

End of Month Dinner - September

Please let Kevin know on Tuesday if you plan to attend.

Birthdays

No more for this month but thanks to Andrew for his son's delicious Samosas and for Brian's sandwiches last Tuesday

GGC EB Trophy

The annual EB Trophy is due in two weeks. This is the 18 Hole competition played on a Tuesday for which the EB's provide the sponsorship of \$100. Recognising this contribution the Club allow any EB 9 Hole member to play 18 holes. Laurie has already made block bookings, 16 slots, for the EB's to Tee Off on the back 9 starting around 11.00 am. If you wish to play 18 holes please let Laurie know on Tuesday so that he can finalise the arrangements.

It is worth noting that, with the absence of 'Festive Week', this is the only opportunity that 9 Hole members have to play an official club 18 hole competition.

Feed Back

Lloyd would appreciate your feedback on EB issues. We would welcome positive feedback as well as any critical comments as it helps to know what members believe we are doing well and what they most enjoy.

Captain Fridays Reports

Captain Fridays Reports can be found on the EB Facebook Page

EB Handicaps Proposal

There have been some discussion over recent weeks that the current EB handicapping arrangements are not penalising top scores enough and poor play is taking too long to recover.

Now that we have switched exclusively to the new computer programme we have much more flexibility to 'fine tune' the system so members are requested to consider the following possible changes;

Firstly the current system:

Stableford Points	Handicap Adjustment
21 & Higher	+ 1.0
20	+ 0.5
19	+ 0.2
18	No Change
17	- 0.2
16	- 0.2
15 & lower	- 0.3

Suggested Alternatives:

Stableford Points	Handicap Adjustment Alternative 1	Handicap Adjustment Alternative 2	Handicap Adjustment Alternative 3
28 & Higher	- 2.0	- 2.0	- 2.0
27	- 1.8	- 2.0	- 2.0
26	- 1.6	- 2.0	- 2.0
25	- 1.4	- 1.7	- 2.0
24	- 1.2	- 1.2	- 2.0
23	- 1.0	- 1.1	- 1.6
22	- 0.8	- 0.8	- 1.2
21	- 0.6	- 0.5	- 0.8
20	- 0.4	- 0.3	- 0.4
19	- 0.2	- 0.1	- 0.2
18	No Change	No Change	No Change
17	+ 0.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
16	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
15	+ 0.3	+ 0.3	+ 0.3
14	+ 0.4	+ 0.4	+ 0.4
13	+ 0.5	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
12	+ 0.6	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
11	+ 0.7	+ 0.7	+ 0.7
10	+ 0.8	+ 0.8	+ 0.8
9	+ 0.9	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
8 & Lower	+ 1.0	+ 1.0	+ 1.0

As can be seen it is now possible to build into the programme more gradual changes but ones that can increase to higher limits. This means that really good scores would bring handicaps down quicker and really bad scores would also enable quicker recovery.

Alternatives 1; 2 & 3 are the same for lower scores but have an increasing rate of penalising higher scores i.e. Alternative 3 reaches +2.0 at 24 Stableford points rather than 26 (Alt 2) or 28 (Alt 1).

Any changes will be based on the preference of the majority so please give this matter some thought before Lloyd brings it up for discussion.

Some More Golfing Anecdotes:

“Golf does strange things to other people too. It makes liars out of honest men, cheats out of altruists, cowards out of brave men and fools out of everybody”.

Milton Gross – From 18 Holes in my Head

“Golf is like a love affair: If you don't take it seriously, its not fun: If you do take is seriously, it breaks your heart”.

Arnold Daly

In prehistoric times, cavemen had a custom of beating the ground with clubs and uttering spine-chilling cries. Anthropologists call this a form of primitive self expression. When modern men go through the same ritual they call it Golf”.

Anon

“Old age and cunning will always beat youth and skill”.

Anon

