

# High Elms Golf Club



## Men's Section News

Date - Sunday 9th Feb Remember our club AGM is Tuesday 18th Feb @ 7pm

### Course Matters

I am sure you will all agree with me that **Peter our new head greenskeeper** has made a significant difference.

The matters that you asked me to raise were...

**4th Green Progress.** - Work is virtually completed. Drainage channels have been repaired using hand tools to minimise damage to turf and ensure fast recovery. This year an additional 50% of sand will be added to the greens, and more regular hollow-tinning will take place to enhance drainage.

**1st & 10th Pin Positions** - In future the green keepers will aim to avoid unfair locations.

**Pathway from 12th to 13th** - A better solution will be found to improve safety

**Shoe Cleaner** - Acknowledged that a solution is needed. Looking to tarmac the area and consider Keith Reeds suggestions.

In addition Peter stated they will continue to **cut back low level trees** around tee boxes. This will aid recovery and air flow for drainage.

The **fairways** have been hollow-tinned to enhance drainage and this will continue.

It really is refreshing to hear Peter's passion to enhance our beautiful course, and how he has embraced your positive questions.

**Well done and thank you Peter & team.**

### Weekend highlights

No play on Sunday.

Lee's birdie on 1st draws him level with Tim.

Mark P & Keith closing in. Brad, myself & Mark C closed the gap on

Andy H. Paul S now within 2 of Will & Mike. Craig & Vic 42 pts. Four 2's out of 34 players.

**Great to welcome 7 more new members too.**

### Eclectic Leaderboard

#### **Category 1&2 (0-12)**

Tim & Lee 60

Frank 61

Mark P & Keith 64

#### **Category 3 (13-20)**

Andy H 64

Carl, Matt & Brad 65

Mark C 66

#### **Category 4+ (21+)**

Will & Mike B 73

Paul S 75

Steve Dowsett 76

### 2019 Prize Giving - 7pm Weds 26th February

Nigel has booked The New Inn, in Hayes for this evening of celebration. This will be a great evening and a great way to say thank you to Nigel for all his hard work in 2019 as our Captain.

### Captain's Drive In - Sun 15th March

Book your place now...

Please join me for the ceremonial event which is just 2 days before St Patricks Day.

I will therefore add an Irish twist to the day. Feel free to



wear something with an Irish twist.

Cost just £12 (£8 food, £1 gratuity, £3 prizes)

Shotgun start - 8:30am (register by 8:00am)

**Winners will be invited to join me at Woodhall Spa, the home of England Golf.** Prizes for

handicaps 0-14 & 15+, nearest the pin on all par 3's, longest drive & nearest in two. **My charity this**

**year is Mental Health UK, for very personal reasons. ... To enter credit HEGC Men's acc 40-35-30 21666800.**

### Upcoming Events

Every weekend 'Winter Eclectic'

18th Feb Club AGM at 7pm HEGC upstairs

19th Feb London Scottish Open (sold out)

7th/8th Mar March Medal

**15th Mar Captain's Drive In - Entry £12**

**5th June \*Shire Bowl - Entry £70**

**Credits to HEGC acc 40-35-30 21666800**

*\* £20 deposit is required for the Shire Bowl to guarantee your place, as spaces are limited.*

**Summer Knockouts** closing date 22nd March

Summer knockout is Singles Match play, John Baker is head to head Stable-ford, Under 12's is actually max 13.9 & Alan Hodgson Pairs is 4BBB 90% of difference in handicaps.

**Enter now ...Just ping me an e-mail or text**