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Pictures: IAN McILGORM

BUBBLE WRAP:
Rob Hewer,
John Quinn
and Nic Brook
triumphed on
captain Jonny
Bramley's day at
Wyke Green

Next up...
**THE
BERKSHIRE**
TUESDAY
26th SEPTEMBER
followed by
the AGM

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Quinncredible!

It's all Wyke now for king John

SOUTH coast agency magnate John Quinn marked his debut PGS season with a sensational victory on Captain's Day.

The former owner of Solent News stormed round Jonny 'Bubbles' Bramley's home course Wyke Green to score 39 points and leave the field trailing in his wake.

The Osterley course might look short on paper but it definitely sorted the men from the boys - Quinn, playing off 22, was the only player in the 36-strong field to better his handicap.

As skipper Bubbles freely admitted, Wyke is anything but tranquil. But Quinn shrugged off the distractions of the M4, the Piccadilly Line, a deafening jack hammer and the Heathrow flight path to claim the coveted Billennium Bowl.

Quinn said: "I'd been away playing with my family over the Bank Holiday weekend so that obviously got me into form.

"It was one of the best rounds I've ever played and I must have used up all my luck in the morning.

"Felix Duckworth, who I partnered in the afternoon, would agree as we scored about 24 points between us after lunch and he contributed 23 of them!"

Quinn, who is so serious about his golf that he belongs to two



CAPTAIN BUBBLES WRITES...

A DECENT turnout of 36 golfers encountered sultry conditions at Jonny 'Bubbles' Bramley's Captain's Day at Wyke Green.

It proved an exacting test of golf. This was despite a liberal dosage of beverages provided by Bubbles after the 7th and 9th holes, including the obligatory 'bubbles', his own label beer and some 10 year-old Bushmills whiskey in anticipation of the Wryter Cup at Portrush.

The intense competition for places in Bubbles' team, with four players making some last-gasp moves up in the standings, resulted in an unprecedented 4-way tie for the final qualifying place. After some intense head-scratching a count-back system was employed to determine the final qualifier, captain's picks, plus first and second reserves.

Commiserations to those who just missed out, and the best of luck to those who travel to Portrush to defend the Cup won so emphatically by Jono Baker's team last year in Le Touquet.

clubs, coped brilliantly with the tricky west London course, while others struggled.

His closest rivals in Division Two were Chris Stevens and Cornelius Bohane, both a full five points adrift in second and third places respectively.

In Division One, Alex Livie - also in his PGS debut season - took the top prize with 35 points, just one clear of Bryan Nickless in second and Rob Hewer in third.

Hewer was in sparkling form all day, helping Nic Brook to 33pts and glory in the afternoon 'three clubs plus putter' nine-hole competition.

That was good enough to push Ian McIlgorm and Jeremy Thompson into second place on 32, with Livie and Nick Jones third on 29.

Chester Stern made a welcome return to the winner's enclosure, by taking the Harold Lewis Weight for Age trophy by just half a point from Patrick Eagar and Bryan Nickless.

Remaining 2017 fixtures
PGS v LSGS
Royal St George's
Monday 25th September

PGS v APG
XXVII Wryter Cup
Royal Portrush
1-3 October

Annual Dinner

Dukes Hotel
Friday 10th November

The Berkshire

Scramble & auction
Tuesday 14th November

WYKE GREEN RESULTS

Division One 1st Alex Livie 35pts,
2nd Bryan Nickless, on countback, 34,
3rd Rob Hewer, 34.

Division Two 1st John Quinn, wins the
Billennium Bowl, 39pts, 2nd Chris
Stevens, on countback, 34, 3rd
Cornelius Bohane, 34.

Chester Stern won the Harold Lewis
Weight for Age trophy.

3 CLUB 1st Rob Hewer & Nic Brook,
33pts, 2nd Ian McIlgorm & Jeremy
Thompson, 32, 3rd Alex Livie &
Nick Jones, 29.

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SIR EMSLEY CARR MEMORIAL TROPHY

Former secretary Paolo Minoli and lucky loser Keith Malone will go head to head for the Sir Emsley Carr matchplay knockout trophy. Keith, who only got into the draw as a

last-minute replacement for the injured Brian Oliver, beat Garth Burden at North Hants in his semi-final. Paolo saw off serial optimist Colin Hancock in his semi.



Keith Malone 14	Keith Malone	Keith Malone	Keith Malone
Andy Glen 6	Hayley Barlow	Garth Burden	
Craig MacKenzie 21	Chris Stevens	Colin Hancock	
Hayley Barlow 9	Garth Burden	Colin Hancock	Paolo Minoli
Chris Stevens 18	Colin Hancock	Nic Brook	
Ross Slater 8	Steve Lewis	Paolo Minoli	
Lee Smith 10	Paolo Minoli		
Garth Burden 16			
Colin Hancock 19			
Ian McIlgorm 13			
Nic Brook 13			
Nick Jones 11			
Peter Dazeley 12			
Steve Lewis 12			
Paolo Minoli 13			
Jono Baker 15			

Wryte close finish for Royal Portrush places

CAPTAIN Jonny 'Bubbles' Bramley's Wryter Cup team was only decided after one of the closest finishes in PGS history.

After the final qualifying event at his Wyke Green course, four players were tied on 24 points - but only one could have an automatic place in the team. That went to Rob Hewer, whose blistering performance at Wyke was good enough to earn the place on countback.

The full team to face the French

Notice of the AGM

OUR annual meeting takes place straight after The Berkshire prize-giving. It's open to all members and if there's anything you think should be on the agenda please contact secretary Tim Allan at least seven days before.

at Royal Portrush from October 1-3 is: Jonny Bramley, Khalid Javed, Steve Lewis, Dylan Dronfield,

Bryan Nickless, Chris Stevens, Andy Glen, Brian Lee, Ian Woods, Nic Brook, Rob Hewer, Colin Hancock, Ian McIlgorm, Paolo Minoli, Keith Malone and Tim Allan.

They'll be doing all they can to retain the trophy won in Le Touquet last year and avenge the memory of the losing 16-16 tie at Portrush in 2015.

Can anyone catch Khalid?

THERE'S still plenty to play for at The Berkshire, with two season-long trophies as well as the prestigious Sir George Sutton Salver and Sun Trophy to be won.

Khalid Javed leads the rankings for both the John Gordon putter and the Trow Stern, but can still be overtaken in the final qualifier.

Steve Lewis, Alex Livie and Paolo Minoli also have a chance to top the golden putter table, while secretary Tim Allan might still shake things up in the Trow Stern.

Good luck to all the contenders!

WRYTER CUP

Three best finishes from seven qualifying meetings Sept-Aug. Final table. Club hcps

Khalid Javed	6	1	1	8
Steve Lewis	3	1	5	9
Keith Malone (Q)	2	5	3	10
Dylan Dronfield	6	2	9	17
Bryan Nickless	7	5	5	17
Jonathan Bramley (Q)	3	11	5	19
Chris Stevens	10	8	2	20
Andy Glen	6	10	6	22
Brian Lee	11	7	4	22
Ian Woods	5	11	6	22
Nic Brook	4	8	11	23
Chris Cutmore	18	3	2	23
Rob Hewer	1	20	3	24
Tim Allan (Q)	5	8	11	24
Paolo Minoli (Q)	14	4	6	24
Colin Hancock (cap pick)	1	9	14	24
Peter Solomons (reserve)	8	13	3	24
Alex Livie (reserve)	9	8	7	24
Felix Duckworth	8	7	10	25
Adam Hunt	9	4	12	25
Patrick Eagar	4	15	8	27
Paul Trow	4	2	21	27
Nick Jones	12	7	9	28
Lee Smith	12	10	7	29
John Quinn	12	17	1	30
Neil Bennett	10	4	22	36
Ian McIlgorm (cap pick)	16	11	16	43

JOHN GORDON PUTTER

Three best finishes from seven qualifying meetings Mar-Sept. Places after 6 qualifiers. PGS hcps

Khalid Javed	5	1	2	8
Steve Lewis	3	1	10	14
Alex Livie	9	4	2	15
Keith Malone	3	5	8	16
Felix Duckworth	7	3	9	19
Andy Glen	6	10	5	21
Paolo Minoli	4	2	26	32

TROW STERN TROPHY

Points totals accumulated in the Stableford meetings from Apr-Sept. Places after 5 qualifiers. PGS hcps

Khalid Javed	37	32	39	37	28	173
Tim Allan	37	31	30	34	32	164
Ian Woods	25	30	25	28	33	141
Alex Livie	35	34	31	-	35	135
Andy Glen	35	-	36	32	30	133
John Quinn	34	-	30	30	39	133
Steve Lewis	44	31	-	26	31	132
Felix Duckworth	35	34	-	34	27	130
Lee Smith	-	31	33	35	29	128
Paul Trow	-	33	37	27	29	126
Bryan Nickless	28	27	35	-	34	124

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SEVENTH MEETING: TUESDAY, 26th SEPTEMBER

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COMPETITIONS

MORNING: Singles from 8am in threeballs on The Red course.
AFTERNOON: Greensomes on The Blue course from 1:30pm.
HOLDER - Singles: Rob Hewer defends the Sun Challenge Trophy (right), while Jamie Weir and Adam Hunt were the 2016 winners of the Sir George Sutton Salver.

The AGM will follow the prizegiving.

DRESS CODE

Jacket and tie in the clubhouse.



COST
£110 per golfer, includes golf and the best lunch ever!
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ENTRIES

Send to Tim Allan, on 01494776914. Or you can email Tim at: secretary@pressgs.co.uk

PRIZES

First three in Div 1 and Div 2.
First three pairs in the afternoon.

TELEPHONE

Messages can be left at reception on 01344 621 495.

HOW TO GET THERE

By Train

Five minutes in a taxi from Ascot stn.

By Car

APPROACHING FROM M4 (WEST)

Leave at exit 10 on to A329(M) to Bracknell. Take A322 (Bagshot); look for sharp left-hand turn onto A332 (Ascot). The Club is about half a mile on the left.

APPROACHING FROM M4 (EAST)

Leave at exit 6 on to A332 (Windsor - Ascot). After leaving Ascot Race Course continue over the roundabout. The Club is about 2 miles on the right.

APPROACHING FROM M3

Leave at exit 3 on to A322 (Bagshot

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- Bracknell); look for the right-hand lane - A332 (Ascot). The Club is about half a mile on the left.

APPROACHING FROM A30

Turn left at Cricketers Arms (Bagshot) onto A322, look for the right-hand lane - A332 (Ascot). The Club is about half a mile on the left.

APPROACHING FROM GUILDFORD

Follow A322 (Bagshot - Bracknell); look for the right-hand lane - A332 (Ascot). The Club is about half a mile on the left.

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