NOVEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

Mighty "Ho" Malone rides his luck in the Carr LUCKY loser Keith Malone claimed the Emsley Carr matchplay trophy with a 3&2 victory over Paolo Minoli.

Keith only got into the first round as a reserve after Brian Oliver was forced to pull out with injury but he certainly made the most of his reprieve.

After overcoming Andy Glen in the

first round, he had a walkover in the second round when Hayley Barlow pulled out and then beat Garth Burden in the semi-final.

In the 36-hole final, played at Goring and Streatley, Malone was six up at lunch and then withstood a fierce fightback from Minoli to claim victory on the 34th green.

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Provisional 2018 fixtures **New Zealand (medal)** Thursday 8th March

Ferndown

Match v Northcliffe 25th & 26th March **Temple**

Monday 23rd April

Richmond

Match v The Stage Monday 30th April

Reigate Heath Captains' reunion

Thursday 10th May **Royal Mid Surrey**

Match v SEGS

TRC

Walton Heath

President's Day, TBC **Hadley Wood**

Monday 2nd July

Ashridge

Tuesday 24th July

Captain's Day

Monday 20th August **Muswell Hill**

Phil Sheldon Trophy TBC

Royal St George's

Match v LSGS

Monday 10th September The Berkshire (AGM)

Tuesday 25th September

XXVIII Wryter Cup Match v APG

France, TBC

The Berkshire

Scramble

Tuesday 13th November

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Golden Duckwort

Mail man Felix enjoys his day in the Sun

FELIX DUCKWORTH played the round of his life to claim The Sun Trophy at our Berkshire

The Mail features guru, playing off 11, came in with a stunning 42 points over the Blue Course to leave the field trailing in his wake.

After a slow start to the season, Felix has been a model of consistency, with four top 10 finishes in our events.

But, as he freely admitted, the Berkshire round was something special. "It's the first time I've ever broken 80 in my life and to do it here on a PGS day is fantastic," he said.

"It was one of those days where everything went right for me and all the putts dropped. They don't happen very often but it's wonderful when they do.'

Felix narrowly missed out on qualifying for this year's Wryter Cup, but his first place at The Berkshire is the perfect start in his

bid to make next year's team. On a perfect autumn day, the scores in Division One were truly exceptional. Andy Glen, playing off 6, was second with 39 and a resurgent Nick Jones, trying out a brand new swing, was third with 38.

Ian Woods made a welcome return to form ahead of the Royal Portrush Wryter Cup by claiming the Division Two honours with 34 points. Čraig Mackenzie was second with 32, while Kevin Price made a very welcome return to the podium with 28 points and third

Congratulations to Andy Glen and Keith Malone who romped home in the afternoon greensomes to make off with our finest silverware - the Sir George Sutton Salver.





There's still time to sign up for the Scramble - if you're quick!

WE'RE back at The Berkshire for the Christmas Scramble on Tuesday, November 14 so sign up now for our end of year party. We're trialling a

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new handicapping system this year, with each team getting 10 per cent of the total combined handicap of all four players. To book your place

How about £150,000? ...and I'll not accept another bid!

email Tim Allan (pgssecretary@ gmail.com)

And please remember to bring something we can auction – it's every PGS member's responsibility to bring at least one item! All proceeds go to the Journalists' Charity – if we don't do it, no one else will.

A huge thank you to Monty Court, who is stepping down as our auctioneer after more than 40 years wielding the gavel. We reckon he's helped raise more than £150,000 in that time, with the vast majority going to the Journalists' Charity.

Monty will be there on Tuesday and coming round with the ice bucket, so don't forget to bring at least a tenner to put in the pot!

| DAY 1 Morning foursomes | | | | | | |
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| PGS 3.5 v 4.5 APG | | | | | | |
| 1up | Dronfield & McIlgorm | L'Henoret & Gouriou | | | | |
| 2&1 | Bramley & Woods | Pont & Geslin | | | | |
| 1/2 | Allan & Lewis | Payet & Mulpas | 1/2 | | | |
| | Lee & Hewer | Brehier & Meyer | 3&2 | | | |
| 2&1 | Nickless & C Stevens | Aragon & Largillier | | | | |
| | Brook & Minoli | Michel & F Stevens | 6&5 | | | |
| | Glen & Malone | Schneider & Baraise | 5&4 | | | |
| | Hancock & Javed | Scimeca & Houles | 3&2 | | | |
| DAY 1 Afternoon fourballs | | | | | | |

| PGS 5.5 v 2.5 APG | | | | | |
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| 4&3 | McIlgorm & Lewis | L'Henoret & Geslin | | | |
| 1/2 | Dronfield & Woods | Gourious & Mulpas | 1/2 | | |
| | Bramley & Lee | Aragon & Brehier | 2&1 | | |
| 1up | Allan & Hewer | Payet & Largillier | | | |
| 7&6 | Brook & C Stevens | F Stevens & Meyer | | | |
| 2&1 | Nickless & Malone | Michel & Schneider | | | |
| | Minoli & Javed | Pont & Baraise | 2up | | |



| | DAY 2 Singles | | | | | |
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| PGS 7.5 v 8.5 APG | | | | | | |
| 4&3 | lan McIlgorm | Frederic Stevens | | | | |
| | Chris Stevens | Alan Geslin | 4& | | | |
| | Steve Lewis | Remi Meyer | 5& | | | |
| 1/2 | Nic Brook | Jean Marc L'Henoret | 1/2 | | | |
| 6&4 | lan Woods | Arnaud Mulpas | | | | |
| 4&3 | Dylan Dronfield | Remi Gouriou | | | | |
| | Jonny Bramley | Jean Louis Aragon | 38 | | | |
| 1/2 | Brian Lee | Didier Langillier | 1/2 | | | |
| 3&2 | Tim Allan | Giles Payet | | | | |
| | Rob Hewer | Jean Jacques Brehier | 1u | | | |
| 1/2 | Bryan Nickless | Guillaume Michel | 1/2 | | | |
| | Colin Hancock | Romain Schneider | 3& | | | |
| | Keith Malone | Guillaume Baraise | 1u | | | |
| 1up | Andy Glen | Francois Scimeca | | | | |
| | Paolo Minoli | Damien Houles | 3& | | | |
| 1up | Khalid Javed | Ludovic Pont | | | | |

Overall result PGS 16½ APG 15½

Captain Bubbles is flying high at Royal Portrush

CAPTAIN Jonny Bubbles Bramley led his PGS team to a thrilling Wryter Cup victory at the magnificent Royal Portrush Golf Club.

Andy Glen clinched the vital point to take us to the winning line, beating Francois Scimeca on the final green, before Khalid Javed ensured an outright victory by beating Ludovic Pont in the final match.

The PGS team, battling one of the toughest

and frequent heavy showers, kept their nerve superbly over two days of slow, intense competition.

Bubbles said: "It was a privilege to captain such a great team, both on and off the course. They were simply fantastic."

The PGS owes a huge debt of gratitude to everyone at Royal Portrush - especially 'the boss' Wilma Erskine - for their wonderful

hospitality over the three days we were there.

An emotional Ian Woods, who conquered his demons from two years ago when he had a putt to win the Wryter Cup, was reduced to tears as he was awarded the Vic Woodman Trophy.

The PGS now leads the annual series 14-13, having retained the trophy we won in Le Touquet last year.



EIGHTH MEETING: TUESDAY, 14th NOVEMBER THE BERKSHIRE

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COMPETITION

Texas Scramble shotgun start at 9am on The Red course. 10% of combined handicaps

Our Auction in aid of the Journalists' Charity takes place after the prizegiving. Bring an item!

DRESS CODE

Jacket and tie in the clubhouse.

COST

£85 per golfer, includes golf and the

finest golf club lunch ever! Pay online acc 40749648 sort code 204141.

ENTRIES

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

PRIZES

First three teams.

Messages can be left at reception on 01344 621 495.

HOW TO GET THERE

By Train (The Scramble's Express)

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 - 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.

POSTCODE for satnavs



WINNING PGS TEAM: Jonny Bramley (captain), Tim Allan, Nic Brook, Dylan Dronfield, Andy Glen, Colin Hancock, Rob Hewer, Khalid Javed, Brian Lee, Steve Lewis, Keith Malone, Ian McIlgorm, Paolo Minoli, Bryan Nickless, Chris Stevens, Ian Woods.