EIGGA's hospitality marquee at the Open Championship was a resounding success. Our picture sequence shows (below) Mr and Mrs Joe McKean and SIGGA and EIGGA members admiring the association and Greenkeeper flags; storm clouds gathering and Michael Coffey (Greenkeeper), David Jones (Ipswich) and Bill Lawson (Heswall) in conversation.

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The branch was greeted by rain for its Farmura Trophy fixture at West Hove. However, things brightened up and, half way round, we were entertained by a display of the Red Arrows over Brighton.

The result was a win for R Tingey (Holtye) on the back nine over A Barnet (Pyecombe) on 39 points, while D Lumbey, representing SISIS, finished third with 38 points. The best guest was B Ayling on 40 points.

Haywards Heath was the venue for the Sussex Cup and Tony had the course in great shape. Victory went to A Hale (17) with a net 65, followed by M Butrymowicz (24) on 70 and R Tingey (12) three shots further adrift. The best gross score was A Mackay's 84, while D Nicol (12) was the leading guest on 75.

For the third year running, Sussex lost the county match against Surrey. Played at Ifield, Surrey amassed 384 points against Sussex's 319. D Lenham and C McMillan (both Sunningdale) scored 80 points each for the visitors. As usual, Lionel had the course in immaculate condition.

The autumn tournament, for members only, takes place at Willingdon on September 22 – the closing date for entries is September 12.

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