52 society numbers, but did not tell us first – the result: a huge phone bill and a lot of disappointed would-be players. Fortunately, Ufford GC were able to take some of the overspill, for which we were most grateful.

With all that behind us we set off round Lyn Arbor's track, which was in superb condition, and fielded two handicap sections: First in 0-15 was Dave Wilkinson (Cromer) with 36 pts, 2nd Peter Howard (Aldeburgh) with 34 pts and 3rd Roger Plummer (Cromer) with 32 pts. In the 16-26 section Steve Freeston (Eaton) was first with 37 pts, followed by Steve Piggott (Cromer) on 33 pts and Dave (HG) Wells (Stockbrook Manor) on 29 pts. Stockbrook Manor: Where's that? Billericay! The guest winner was Ron Maldstone (Eaton). Who said Cromer crabs don't come inland! (you want dinner on your lap!).

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