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**West** - Well done to Gordon Sangerste from Cathlín Braes in winning the HIRAIGA National Championship. What a brilliant year he’s had winning this and the Scottish National. It’s brilliant to see somebody who has real talent although it means the rest of us need to get our act together and practice!

**West** - To Fraser Ross, everybody is thinking about you after the passing of your father. The section’s best wishes go to you and your family.

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**Ayrshire** - Section patrons award winner is Gregor Wilson of Turnberry Hotel Golf Course. Congratulations to him - the Section Committee hope he enjoys the Harrogate experience.

**Results**

**North** - Autumn outing at Edzell went very well and our thanks to the Course Manager Graham Mackie and his team for a great day and a fantastic golf course. Results: Nearest the pin at 14 Gary Tough Montrose Links; Trade Winner Gareth Rodgers Souters; Committee trophy Ross Macroe Turriff; Apprentice trophy Jack Craig from Royal Aberdeen; Veterns winner Roy Donald Oldmeldrum; Sweep Winner Mike Braidwood Royal Aberdeen; Class 3 Brian Cocker Alyth; Class 2 Mike Braidwood Royal Aberdeen; Class 1 Simon Hoy Royal Aberdeen. The big prize on the day the scratch was won by Gary Tough Montrose Links. Mark Main Memorial Trophy (best nett) Mike Braidwood Royal Aberdeen so well done to all the winners.

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The scoring was good on a windy day with Scott Corrigam (Erskineburn GC) lifting the Scratch Winners trophy with a 74. The 1st class winner on the day was Phil Butler (Murrayfield GC) with 35 points, 2nd class winner Robbie Murdoch (Dundas Parka GC) 34, 3rd class winner Alan Campbell (Kircudbright GC) 27, best nett went to Sean Cunningham (Mortonhall) GC 75 nett. Patron winner was Jim Darling (Aberdeen) 31, guest prize went to Lindsay Muir (Dundas Parks GC) 35. Nearest the pin winner was John Young (Regional Administrator) and longest drive went to Stuart Ferguson (Dundas Parks GC).

**West** - The prize winners at Eastwood; Scratch Gordon Sangarter gross 70; 1st class winner John Brown 36 points, Runner up Stuart Taylor 35, 2nd class winner Bryan Ramsey 32, Runner up John Young 31, 3rd Bruce Cruickshanks 29; 3rd class winner Robert McDougall 34, Runner up Stephen Shemam 33 points, Third Michael Maiton 30. Nearest the pin Jack Bradshaw, Visitors prize Robert Hart, Longest Drive Alistair Reid.

35 people attended and enjoyed the event which is a better turn out, it was nice to see a few different faces.

**Ayrshire** - Autumn Golf Outing at Prestwick St Nicholas Golf Club.
The Section would like to thank the Captain and Committee of the club, thanks also to John and his staff for the excellent condition of the course. Results: First Class 1 Peter Boyd, 2 Ian MacDonal, 3 Derek Guthrie; Second Class 1 Duncan Gray, 2 Davy McIvor, 3 Andrew Wernworth. Harry Diamond Trophy winner with best combined Spring and Autumn outing score - Duncan Gray.

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- **Essex** - Ben Scrivener is still waiting to hear from those seeking further education. For more information please contact Ben at gijmunchy@hotmail.com

- **London** - The London Section education day is at Oaklands College, Welwyn Garden City, on 18 February. Next year’s golf events will be at Northwood (Spring) and Hendon (Summer), dates to follow.

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- **South West** - At pres there were two remaining places on the chainsaw certification course at Bath GC at the end of November to cover maintenance, cutting and medium tree felling. To quote Paul Heavey and be safe and legal Contact Paul Worster for your place. paulw@mgnew.co.uk

- **South Coast** - AGM and half day seminar free to all that can get there at Wello GC on 13 November. Speaker is Mark Hunt from Headland. Arrive by 9.30 includes a light lunch. Golf in the afternoon is optional, contact the secretary at Wello if you want to play. Please let Alex know of numbers on southcoastsecretary@gmail.com

**News**

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- Daniel Crocker - Worlbury Golf Club, Karl Salsal - Sherfield Oaks Golf Club, John Say, Alex Forrrister - Test Valley Golf Club

**South Coast** - Next Golf is the Turkey Trot at Weyhrook Park GC on 10 December. A change of address to send your cheques this time: T Gadd, Cherry Trees, Lyminston Road, Miltford-on-Sea, Hampshire SO41 0QH Cos for the day and 3rd and the format in Texas Scramble so get together in teams of 3. Contact me on greenkeeper@bigga.co.uk

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South East

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Events Coming Up

Susses - Our next event is the Turkey Trot which will be held at Worthing GC on 29 November. Please contact Pete Smith if you want to enter on 07748 776761 or on pds1@btinternet.com. Please contact me with anything of interest for future articles.

Essex - Next golf day is at Colne Valley GC (Please note the change of venue) Tuesday 3 December. AGM & Christmas team event, 605 per team of four, Jacket and tie please for the evening meal and prize presentation. The AGM precedes the golf at 9am and we would like all members to make an effort to attend. The position of Chairman and three committee members are due for election/re-election, nominations please to myself at essesbigga@talktalk.net. Entries to Antony Kirkman at “Mayfair Golf Club” Bakers Lane, Colchester, Essex, CO3 4AU or antl61@btinternet.com by Wednesday 27 November please.

Esses - Ben Scriver is still waiting to hear from those seeking further education. For more information please contact Ben at gingermunky@hotmail.com

London - The London Section education day is at Oaklands College, Welwyn Garden City, on 18 February. Next year’s golf events will be at Northolt (Spring) and Hendon (Summer), dates to follow.

London - Next is the Xmas tournament at Verulam GC on Thursday 12 December, so let’s all get together after a year’s work and play some golf. Also it’s our AGM. Please return your entry forms.

Surrey - Regional Conference 19 November at Hadlow College. Speakers include Henry Bechler, Gareth Roberts, John Ross, William Swan and Alec and David Machinole. CPD points are available for attending.

Surrey - Guildford GC Turkey Trot 6 December. BBIGGA members and club officials are invited to attend an AGM Surrey Section. Walton Heath GC Regional Dinner confirmed to be held on March 7 2014.

News

London - Matt Plasted has recruited 5 new committee members: Wes Walker Northwood, Martin Smith Porters Park, Chris Carpenter Verulam, Kevin O’Neill Mussel Hill and Andy Wright Oaklands College have all joined.

Movers & Shakers

Surrey - Gary Oghy has at last been moving and shaking in his new Audi A3 after a few near misses.

Results

Sussex - 32 attended the Sussex section’s event on 20 September at Beaufort Park GC. The course was in lovely condition and thanks go to Erle, Glen Je and Brian. We were very well looked after including an unexpected BBQ at the 9th - so good it took its toll on some of the scores! A very enjoyable day spent with good friends.

Results: 1 The Green Team 87pts, 2 Bogborough 86, 3 Hassocks 82. Longest drive Mark Harvey. Nearest the pin in two Matt Hutchinson. Nearest the pin, Gordon Bell. Many thanks to all of the sections and sponsors again for their support and also to Pete Smith for all his organisation.

Esses - Braintree Golf Club was the venue for our Autumn Trophy, and what a day we had, great weather and the golf and course were a real treat. Thanks to Martin Guy, John Barnard and his team plus the Club Captain John Still and Greens Chairman Mick Parfmenter. Results: Blind Pairs 1 Lain Springett & Wayne Wilson, 2 Andy Cracknell & Steve Croadles. 1 Greenkeeper Darren Shuttle 37 pts, 2 Greenkeeper James Crosdale 25 (countback), 3 Greenkeeper Lain Springett. 25. Trade Steve Crosdale 43, Guest Rob Gallay 41. Nearest Pin 7th James Taggart, Nearest Pin 14th Gary Mason. Congratulations to Stuart Rogers on winning the BBIGGA Challenge Plate on Day Two of the National Championships, and to Anthony Kirkman for the Longest Drive on Day One.

Surrey - Windsfleld Park GC hosted the Cresta Cup on 24 September. 1 Dan Norsworthy, 2 Danny Murray, 3 Graham Keller, Longest Drive Big Les Howkins and Nearest Pin and longest traveler Andrew Corner. Thanks to Dave Langheon for preparing first class surfaces and all the staff at Windsfleld Park GC.

Surrey - The Surrey Bowl final held at Fodsills GC on 1 October featured an exciting matchplay finale. Ian Morrison and Scott Murray edged past Marc Rainsbeck and Grant Headley on the 18th. Roger Tydeman organised this event with military precision. Thanks to Fodsills GC for hosting.

Surrey - Hanley Common GC hosted the Trade v Greenkeepers. Captain Oghy started on this occasion and it finished Trade 2 Greenkeepers 4.

Thanks to Sponsors

Surrey - Thanks to Surrey Bowl sponsors Winchester Garden Machinery.

Welcome New Members


South West

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Events Coming Up

South West - It’s almost raffle time! This year’s South West Section Christmas Tournament will be held at Osprey Downs GC on 19 December, don’t miss your chance for a day full of fun, food and festivity topped off by the almost world famous Christmas raffle, as always in aid of a local charity.

South West - At press there were two remaining places on the chainsaw certification course at Bath GC at the end of November to cover maintenance, cross cutting and general knowledge. To quote Paul He sal and be safe! Contact Paul Worster for your place. paulw@nhs.net.co

South Coast - AGM and half day seminar free to all that can get there at Welford GC on 13 November. Speaker is Mark Hunt from Headland. Arrive by 9.30 includes a light lunch. Golf in the afternoon is optional, contact the secretary at Welford if you want to play. Please let Alex know of numbers on sectionssecretary@gmail.com

Results

South Coast - Autumn Tournament held at Meon Valley GC. Great course thanks to Phil Walker and his team. Results: 1 Rob Mabb Weymouth 36 pts, 2 Pete Corriss Weymouth 35, 3 Rod Byng 35. Lowest Driver Derek Cunliffe, Nearest the pin Big Bill Ridgley.

Thanks to Sponsors

South Coast - Rigby Taylor for sponsoring our Autumn Tournament

South West - Special thanks to all of our Section Patrons for their ongoing support: Ecolfid, Greensman, Brittech, Headland Amenity, Countryside and Farmura.

Welcome New Members

Daniel Crocker - Worlebury Golf Club, Karl Skasal - Sherfield Oaks Golf Club, John Say, Alex Forristal - Teal Valley Golf Club