

T'was the Run-Up to Christmas



Horsham Seniors have not played any league matches in December and with the uncertainty of which Tier the course may find itself in on any given day, the Winter League matches have been put on hold for the time being. Throughout December the wet and windy weather has been thoroughly enjoyed by the resident ducks and moorhens on the pond on the fifth hole! However the heavy conditions haven't stopped the Seniors getting onto the Golf course to enjoy their weekly competitions.

The first two day Seniors competition was a Turkey Trot Stableford Qualifier the first prize was won on the Tuesday by Bob Andrews on 37 points. Second prize went to Martin Jesty on 35 points and third prize was won by David O'Flynn with a score of 34. The Wednesday saw Tad Paluchowski as the winner of the first prize with 36 points, second prize was won by Will Pitt with 35, and third prize went to Alan Butt with 34 points. The winter conditions did not deter Mark Smith from scoring a great Hole in One on the third hole, congratulations to Mark. Christmas Jumpers and hats were encouraged and a socially-distanced home-made mince pie and hot drink were welcomed by everyone as they came off the course.



The following two day competition was a stroke play Texas Scramble with Shaun Moloney, Chris Meredith, Bob Andrews and David Mellor coming in first on Tuesday with a nett score of 59.5. The team coming in second, and playing as a three ball, with a nett score of 60.3 were Martin Jesty, Nigel Jerome and David Bingham. On Wednesday the competition was won by Trevor White, Len Coutts and Derek Shadbolt with a nett score of 58.4. Denis Wright, Steve Lane and Don Johnston came in second with a nett score of 60.7.

The last competitions before Christmas were a Fourball Better Ball for the Tony Laker Trophy on the Tuesday and a Stableford non-qualifier on the Wednesday. The Tony Laker Trophy was won by Nigel Jerome and David Mellor with a score of 47 points, second were Martin Jesty and Bob Andrews on 44 points and third were Will Pitt and Chris Frogley with 41 points. Bob Andrews (on the right) won the Tuesday Turkey Trot with Martin Jesty (on the left of the picture) coming in second, as a pair they came in second in the Tony Laker Trophy competition. The Wednesday competition was close, won by Alan Butt on 34 points, Mark Smith came in second with 33 and Tad Paluchowski was third with 32 points. This was the last competition for the seniors before Sussex was placed in Tier 4, Lockdown 3.0.

