



WESLEY GOLF SOCIETY NEWSLETTER 29 MARCH 2023

PINE RIDGE GOLF DAY

This is the first outing for 2023 sponsored by Peter Hill-Cottingham. We had 13 dedicated golfers braving rain for the day. The format for the day was a Stapleford teams of 3 with the best 2 scores out of 3 counting on each hole to win the Team's trophy. The winners were:



Team Prize (with 81 points) - Dawn Ledgard, Michael Blick, Chris Smith



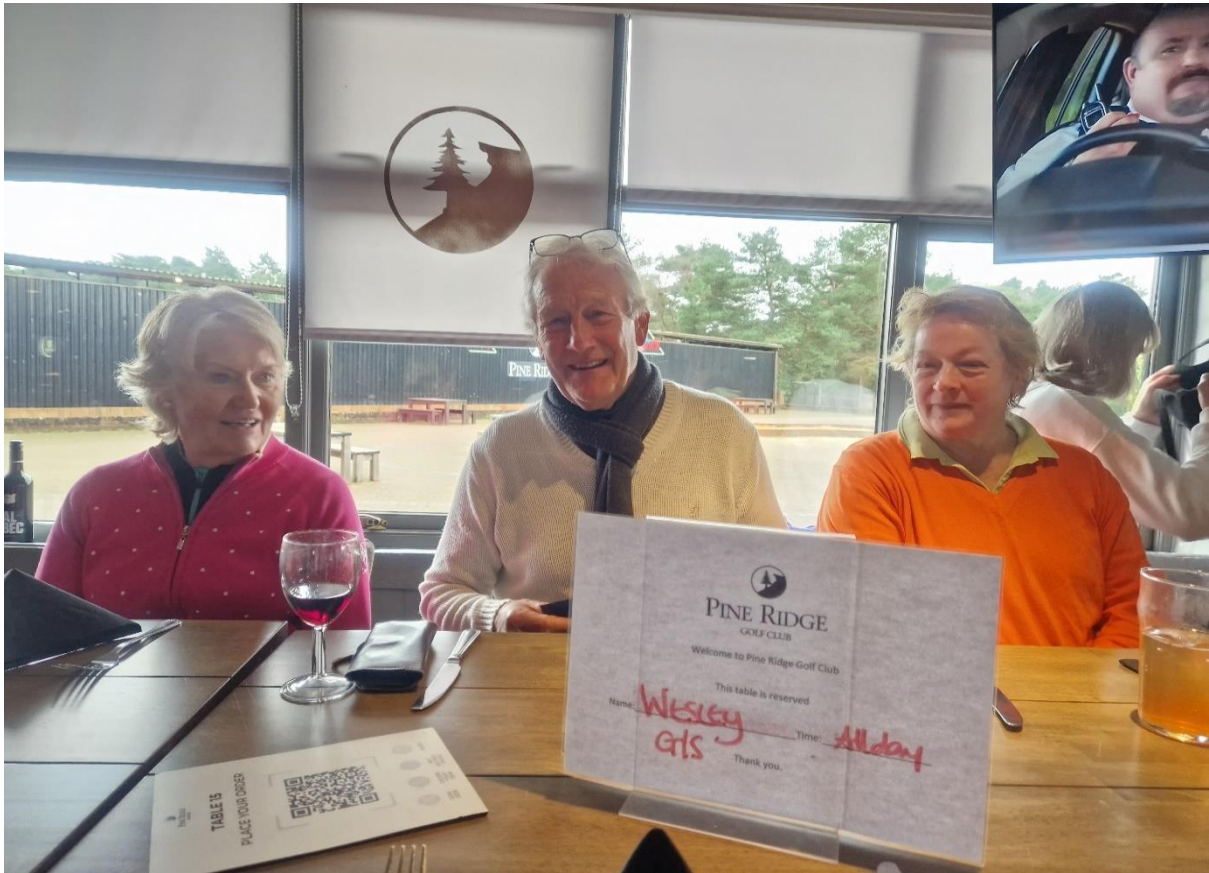
Men's longest drive - Peter Hill – Cottingham

Ladies longest drive - Eileen Paddick

Nearest the Pin - Jim Barron

Despite the wet weather, the course was in good condition and the lunch of Lasagne with salad was delicious.

Thanks to our sponsor Peter Hill – Cottingham



Members and guests enjoying their drinks waiting for lunch to be served.

NEXT EVENT

Richings Park Golf Club is our next event on Wednesday 19 April 2023. This event is sponsored by Maureen and Jim Newport.

This will be an 18 hole event in the usual format of 3 ball groups. The first tee time is 09.38 am. Coffee and bacon rolls will be available beforehand.

It is Stapleford scoring off full Wesley handicaps with nearest the pin and longest drive competitions.

There will be a meal to follow.

If you have not already done so, please complete the booking form on our website.

Guests are welcome.

Members No Longer With Us

It is with great sadness that I have to notify you of the death of two of our inaugural members – Alex Smith and **Alan Kendon**. They were both members of Methodist Church in Maidenhead. Our sincere condolences to their families.

The Birth of the Wesley Golf Society as told by Sid Barker

Early in March 1998, Stan Fenner, **Alan Kendon**, John Shoemsmith and I had a rotten golfing day at Castle Royle Golf Club and were drowning our sorrows in the Old Devil Inn along the Bath Road. In our sorrows we hit on the idea to start up a Golf Society of our own and Stan Fenner then said to John "you can be Treasurer" - to me he said "you can be Secretary" to Alan he said "you can be a member and I'll be Captain" - or words to that effect. We decide there and then to call it The Wesley Golf Society due to our association with the Methodist Church. We played our first 9 hole match in July of that year at Huntswood with 9 players and at our second visit (with 20 players) to Huntswood in October Alan Kendon was the winner ! He has been a faithful member since that time until ill-health overtook him in these later years.



John Shoesmith, Alex Smith and Joe Osunsanmi