



LANCASHIRE SUPER SENIORS' GOLF TEAM

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TALKING SENIORS' GOLF: SEPTEMBER 2021

The Newsletter of Lancashire Super Seniors

PETER HAMPSEY:



Standing shoulder to shoulder with Keith Gardner, Peter, as Heysham GC Seniors' Match Captain, joins Keith and Dave Harrison together with his club colleagues before they tee-off in the 2019 match

Colin Crumlin pays tribute to Peter:

So sad to hear of Peter's passing I've sent my condolences.

Although Peter worked for the company for several years I didn't get to meet him very often. I would see him at our quarterly Staff meetings and sometimes on my once a month site visits. He was a very experienced Works manager and a senior member of his team.

He was highly respected by his area Director and peers.

Having a really calm demeanour as well as a strong driving presence he was appreciated by all who came in contact with him during the cut and thrust of the large projects he worked on.

He also had that rare talent of forming relationships with our Clients which was invaluable during the difficult times of any construction project.

It was always refreshing to speak to him

as he upheld all the proven traditional values that contributed to the companies success and he was a shining example to the younger members of his team.

As you know he loved his golf and what a classy player.

My only regret is I only got to play with him the once.

Its amazing how your characteristics however expose themselves on the links and Peter was no exception as he was the consummate gentlemen on and off the course

Colin

From Terry Pottage:

My commiserations to you and all his family and friends, he was a real gentleman and it was a pleasure to have known him. RIP Peter

Terry Pottage

From Clive Wilson:

I'm so sorry to hear this news, I played golf with your father many times and apart from him being a great golfer, he had a great sense of humour and a glint in his eye that always made me laugh. Deepest commiserations.

Regards

Clive Wilson.

From Keith Hick:

I know I speak on behalf of all who knew Peter, irrespective of golfing or work connections, to convey our collective sincere condolences for the loss of your father. I first came to know Peter in 2007 during my first year as a County Senior. Since those seemingly far-off days, each year saw us share memories of times and people we knew during our respective careers in the world of Civil Engineering.

Peter's unflinching help in later years as our Super Seniors evolved helped smooth the way as his enthusiasm, personality and warmth of character shone through. The late Keith Gardner and myself owe Peter a huge debt of gratitude and, without doubt, part of Peter's legacy is the ongoing success we enjoy today.

Peter will be remembered with warmth and my thoughts and prayers are with yourself and family.

Best regards,

Keith

From Allan Harrison:

I am sorry to hear of your very sad loss.

I had the pleasure of playing golf with your Dad twice this year, and besides him impressing me with his golfing skills, in the short time I knew him you couldn't not be impressed with him as a person.

My sincere condolences to you and your family at this very sad time.

Kind regards,

Allan

...and sadly, barely a week after Peter's passing, came the news of another loss:

LINDSAY GROVES:

Clive & Keith

It is with much sadness that I want to inform you that Lindsay Groves passed away suddenly last night.

You may be aware that he suffered a heart attack on New Year's Day and, along with contracting Covid while receiving treatment, he struggled to build up his strength. He soldiered on and managed to reduce his Handicap Index in his last nine rounds to 10.4.

He turned 68 years of age earlier this month, which is too soon to bid us farewell.

Best regards

Alistair Hargreaves

LANCASHIRE SUPER SENIORS 2 BOLTON GA SENIORS 10:**Hart Common GC; Monday 6th September:****Team Captain, Clive, reports on the match:**

A warm welcome awaited us at Hart Common Golf Club on Monday 6th September and the two teams set off in in glorious sunshine and a very warm 27 Degrees. The first match out was Allan Harrison and Paul Stanley for LSS against Billy Bromilow and Norman Fletcher for the Bolton Golf Association. The only win of the day for the LSS team came from this match with Allan and Paul winning 3&2. all the other matches were fairly hefty defeats for LSS apart from the last game of John Howard and Kevan Marden against John Conroy and Peter Nicholson who only lost on the final hole. We can only assume the losses were down to steady play and local knowledge by the home team. As well as halfway drinks provided by the host team we were treated to a hearty

buffet following the match. a big thank you must be given to Clive Hastie for making all the arrangements for the day and to Peter (the owner of Hart Common) for giving us courtesy of the course which all agreed was great venue for the match with fast and true greens and fantastic views.



Clive Hastie joins left to right: Paul Stamley; Allan Harrison; Bill Bromilow; Norman Fletcher on the first tee

PALATINE TROPHY: Davyhulme Park GC;

Thursday 9th September:

Winner of the Palatine trophy.....Allan Harrison gross 37pts

Runner upClive Appleby gross 32pts

Winner best net and Palatine Map.....David Lomax Net 40pts

Runner up net.....Rory Callan Net 38pts

Best front nine net.. 2 way count back..Terry Pottage

Best back nine net 5 way count back.....Andy Tiso

Winner best nett Davyhulme memberDomonic Connor...40pts

Although the numbers were down on previous years quality rather than quantity won the day. Congratulations to Allan Harrison on a great score of 38pts playing off 1 handicap and winner of the Palatine trophy with a gross score of 37pts. Congratulations to David Lomax, holder of the palatine map for 12 months with a score of 40pts.

A huge debt of thanks go to Doug Craig for starting us off on the first tee and to Domonic Connor (senior organiser), Nader Naimian (seniors Captain) and David Marsden (club Secretary) without who's help and support the event could not have gone ahead. As always we were treated to a great day by the members of Davyhulme Golf Club, the spiritual home of Lancashire senior golf, and well looked after by Warren and his team of bar staff/caterers. The weather just about held up as within 30 mins of the last group putting out on the 18th green the heavens opened up and within 10 mins the greens were flooded and unplayable.

Clive Appleby



Clive Appleby presents Allan Harrison with the Palatine Trophy



David Lomax receives the Palatine Map for the best net score from Clive Appleby

LANCASHIRE SUPER SENIORS: 2 SILVERDALE GC SENIORS: 10 **Tuesday 14th September:**

Match Captain, Ian Cunningham reflects on another splendid day at Silverdale:

Hi Keith, not a lot more to add to what has already been said by your good self, maybe we should give a big thank you to Rob Hollingworth and his team for the welcome they gave us and thank them for the way the games were played in a fantastic sporting way, both you and I had a great game with Ian and Brian, played with good sportsmanship and in a friendly manner, and thank everyone at Silverdale for the catering etc, and the excellent condition of the charming golf course, although the result sounds like a good licking it didn't reflect on how close all the games were.

Regards Ian



Replete after an excellent evening meal, the two teams assemble outside the club house

...Keith adds: Once again, Silverdale did us proud with a course in superb condition, excellent catering and a welcome worth travelling many miles for – even allowing for temporary roadworks detours! Even the weather played ball as we set off the sun shone and each match was keenly contested. Host club members Ian Rigg and Brian Gibb proved a tough nut to crack for Match Captain Ian and Keith, racking up 3 birdies in the last five holes to win on the 17th. As Ian said, the result didn't reflect four matches going to the 17th or 18th, with Steve Daynes/Paul Thomas and Paul Bennett/Clive Wilson eking out halved matches

22nd September;

Match Captain Alan Swift reports:

Arriving at Clitheroe GC to be greeted by good weather, bacon baps etc – what more could you ask for?

Teeing-off first was Clitheroe GC Captain-Elect Nigel Clowes and playing partner Peter Catclow against LSS Match Captain, Alan Swift and Rory Callan. Alan left his trolley wheels at home* – and his game – so it was up to Rory who did his best, but even Rory failed to prevent a 2&1 defeat. In game 2 Chris Rogers and Clive Appleby came away with a good 3&2 victory.. Game 3 saw Keith Hick and Archie Crick on the wrong end of a 4&3 loss, Game 4 saw Mal Morton and Paul Thomas secure a really good one hole win. Game 5 with Peter Darlington and John Howard contesting a very close match, only to lose on the 17th. Match 6 brought the formidable pairing of Terry Pottage and Clive Wilson together, but it wasn't to be and they suffered a 3&2 defeat.

So, the match result was Clitheroe Seniors 8 LSS 4 – a fully deserved win for the hosts.

A superb meal followed with both Match Captains 'singing for their supper'. Being LSS Match Captain for the day, I singled out LSS Team Captain, Clive Appleby, who has worked tirelessly during the whole season, sometimes in very trying circumstances..

Long may LSS continue and many thanks Clive, from all the team who played today.

Alan Swift



The two teams, with Match Captains Nigel and Alan centre foreground, assemble outside Clitheroe GC's club house

*Keith adds a postscript to Alan's report as follows: Quote of the day undoubtedly came from Rory in remembering his Services days when, before going ashore, he ran through a well-rehearsed check-list as follows: "Money, wallet, spectacles, testicles"!

2021 END OF SEASON COMPETITION: Ashton-in-Makerfield: Monday 27th September:

As Keith reports, we concluded the 2021 season in some style:

Torrential rain greeted everyone upon arrival, with some suffering traffic delays en route. However, as an optimistic lot, we scoffed the bacon baps, drank our tea/coffee and donned waterproofs. Yes, it rained to begin with but, and it was a big but, somebody upstairs turned off the tap and – what a difference! Ashton was in sparkling condition and the scores reflected the playing conditions and greens – all excellent. Host Club Captain, Ian Glover, was on hand to greet us and we even had time to say, "Hello" to the current County Seniors' Champion and host club Secretary/Manager, Garry Lacy.

Malcolm Evans had done the spadework to ensure the day went without a hitch Apart from the golf, highlight of the day was the attendance of County President, Harry Tunnicliffe. Well on the way to recovery from a fractured hip, Harry joined us for the evening meal and shared some of his experiences over the past couple of eventful years.

Ian Glover formally welcomed LSS, expressing his delight we had enjoyed a splendid finale to the 2021 season, adding how pleased Ashton were to host the event.



Day winners Paul Bennett and David Lomax flank Ashton-in-Makerfield GC Captain, Ian Glover (centre right) and LUGC President, Harry Tunnicliffe (centre left)

Prize winners: **First:** **Paul Bennett & David Lomax:** **42 points (ACPO)**
 Second: Andy Tiso & Mark Holland: 42
 Third: Ken Stafford & Kevin Ayre 41 (ACPO)
 Nearest the Pin: Andy Tiso

The opportunity was also taken to invite several new additions from St Annes' Old Links, Ashton and Haydock Park GCs to the LSS squad for a 'getting to know you' game and chat.

As is customary at our season finale, the floor was opened for a general discussion upon the direction of LSS and conduct an impromptu season review. Apart from a few minor format tweaks, the main topic centred upon the handicap match formats, including:

- Reverting to 75% difference
- First 3 games played off scratch; second 3 on handicap (as used successfully at Davyhulme Park this year)

Concluding the day, Keith paid fulsome praise to Clive and Jeff Clements for stepping so effectively into Keith Gardner's shoes, ensuring LSS has enjoyed a seamless O&M transmission.

2021 FIXTURE LIST:

2021 LANCASHIRE SUPER SENIORS MATCHES & EVENTS:

Match No	Date	Match	Venue	Mgr	Results:
1	11 th May	Heysham Seniors	Heysham GC	JVC	5-7
2	17 th May	Southport & DGA Seniors*	Southport Old Links GC	KCH	6-6
3	25 th May	Formby Hall Captain's Team*	Formby Hall G&CC	KCH	3-9
4	17 th June	Davyhulme Park Seniors	Davyhulme Park GC	KCH	7-5
5	21 st June	NWMGA*	Worsley GC	JH	7-5
6	5 th July	Pre-season get-together	Stand GC	JVC	n/a
7	15 th July	Bentham GC Seniors	Bentham GC	KCH	1-11
8	22 nd July	Isle of Man Super Seniors* (Irish Sea Golf Challenge Match)	Heysham GC	JH/PH	Cancelled (C-19)
9	26 th July	South Lincs GA seniors*	Ashton in Makerfield GC	JVC	6-6
10	3 rd August	Formby Seniors	Formby Golf GC	KCH	5-7
11	9 th August	Morecambe GC Seniors	Morecambe GC	JVC	Cancelled (C-19)
12	16 th August	Cumbria Super Seniors*	Penrith GC	JH	4-8
13	24 th August	Denton GC Seniors	Denton GC	JVC	2-10
14	6 th Sept	Bolton GA Seniors*	Hart Common GC	JH	2-10
15	9 th Sept	LSS Palatine Trophy	Davyhulme GC	KCH	n/a
16	14 th Sept	Silverdale Seniors	Silverdale GC	JVC	2-10
17	22 nd Sept	Clitheroe GC Seniors	Clitheroe GC	JVC	4-8
18	27 th Sept	End of season competition	Ashton-in-Makerfield	KCH	n/a

* Scratch match

Best regards and happy golfing,

Keith Hick
Secretary

5th October 2021

Clive Appleby
Team Captain