

2018 AGM Section Reports

South Winchester Golf Club

2018 Club Captain Report for the Annual General Meeting on Friday 23rd November 2018

To my fellow South Winchester Golf Club Members

It's hard to believe that a mere 2 years ago, Steve Barney asked me to be his vice-captain. I was both honoured and surprised on Steve's approach but had no hesitation in accepting the role. I've been a member of the club since 2003 and wanted to give something back to the club that I love playing at, and which forms a significant part of my social friendship group and enjoyment.

When you're asked to take on this role, particularly following in the footsteps of great past captains, it can be a daunting challenge. My immediate thoughts / concerns were: -

How do I follow that?
How's this going to work?
How long will it take for them to realise their mistake?
Will I mess this up?
What do I know about Captaining a golf club?

Steve B gave me the best piece of advice – 'Mac, enjoy yourself, bring your style to the job, and represent ALL members'

That really resonated with me, the mantra for my captaincy year would be about inclusion.

My 2018 captaincy goal would be - include, listen to, act upon and represent to the best of my ability all Club sections.

I hope I have served you well in this respect.

Prior to the taking up the role I thought I knew most members. How wrong was I.

A real privilege of serving you has been to meet so many new friends and members and to truly understand the workings of our club.

The gift of Captaincy - as the **ONE**, you get to meet and bond with the **MANY**.

2018, our 25th Anniversary, saw many changes both off and on course.

OFF COURSE

Richard Adams completed his first year as General Manager. Richard, congratulations on a successful year at the helm. Hopefully the first of many. The building refurbishment is fresh, modern and an enjoyable place to be. The décor, competition boards and new trophy cabinet give our club something to be proud of. The appointment of new staff has strengthened our event, bar and catering facilities and in my opinion, we have a great staff team in place. It's been a pleasure working with you and the staff.

GDPR and a newly introduced web site have been a challenge, causing difficulties and issues with membership communication. However, I'm confident the remaining technical issues will soon be resolved and, from what we know and see from improvements already implemented, the system will be of great benefit to the club, acting as communication platform gateway and document repository for our members.

The new World Handicap System was introduced, smoothly and expertly by Malcom Berryman and the committees.

Preparations and plans for the new 2019 Golf Rules are well underway and will be a major feature in the coming year, with many events, blogs, communications and videos planned.

ON COURSE

Our head greenkeeper Kevin Tigg departed in the summer and was replaced by Peter Varley. Peter joins us with many years' experience at Crown courses and we wish him the very best in his new role.

Kevin would have been proud to see that, despite the unusually prolonged hot spring/summer, 2018 saw the course play in the best condition I can recall. Whilst most courses suffered substantially in the 'drought' conditions, SWGC remained relatively green and highly playable. Many a visiting team looked enviously upon our course, enquiring how we managed to keep it so well and wondering why their own suffered by comparison. Top marks to all.

Improvements to the driving range and facilities were much appreciated.

Bunker and course changes were implemented, causing discussion and divided opinion amongst the members. We all recognise that change is constant and inevitable. The key to implementing good change is clear consultation and communication with all concerned. Communication is a topic I'm passionate about and one which we have room for improvement.

Ready Golf was promoted, encouraged and implemented throughout the year. SWGC even made a national TV appearance on Sky Sports in the summer, being recognised and

congratulated as the model club for the introduction of Ready Golf and Inclusivity for all players. Way to go SWGC!

Sadly, our year took an unexpected turn for the worse when the dreaded Rooks descended upon us late Autumn. Their love of the Chafer grub wrecked carnage on our beautiful course. Repair work is underway, and this should continue to be top priority for the remainder of 2018 and 2019, with all avenues being explored.

Our upcoming challenges for 2019 include: -

Rooks, rooks, rooks

Continue **Ready Golf** and ways to speed up play

Effectively communicate the **2019 New Club Rules**

Implement **course** and **club changes** to include & encourage golfers of **all abilities** to play on our wonderful course.

Reflection

When I reflect back on my captaincy year there are many, many moments which bring me to a smile. Some of my cherished moments are: -

Captains Drive In – kilt swishing and tartan bonnets donned, where the fun begins
Hangover Classic – held on 1st Jan 2018, 3 hours sleep and somehow managed to win it!

Burns Night Ceilidh – a lovely evening, dancing the night away at the club , Strip the Willow will never be the same!

Lady Captains Day – a lovely day, for a lovely Captain, Jane O, and England qualify for the World Cup semi-finals!

Club Captains Day – another wonderfully hot day which is etched in the memory forever.

Triangular – despite winning at 2 of the 3 courses we came last! Peter, one to win next year!

25th Anniversary Invitational Event – a brilliant day hosted by Crown, Richard and the team. More of these please.

Charity Dinner – a great fun, emotional evening.

With your support, we raised a fantastic £10K in support of our nominated charity, the National Children's Choir of Great Britain. A small section of the choir children came to sing for us at the Captain's Charity Dinner, with an emotional Irish blessing 'May the Road Rise Up to Meet You' being sung as tribute to our lady captain, Jane O'Hara.

None of the above would have been possible without you and my heartfelt thanks go to: -

Captains

Jane O'Hara – my superb 2018 lady Captain

Lindsay Dolphin -our 2019 ladies Captain

Roger Clark – 2018 Seniors Captain, keep snapping those penguins.

Bob Banham - 2019 Seniors Captain

Michael Williams – 2018 Junior Captain

Peter Tubb - 2018 Men's VC and upcoming 2019 Club Captain. Pete you've been a fabulous VC, friend and support. It's been a privilege working with you and I know the club is in safe hands.

Committee Members

Malcolm Berryman - Handicap Secretary, guru, fab minute taker

Jeremy Dolphin - keeping the books balanced and curtailing my spending desires!

Roy Stanger - so ably leading the juniors and keeping them in line

Neal Apps, - Competition Secretary .. can't do it without you bud.

Nick Tout – Communications officer, for staying sane during our crazy challenges.

Kevan Walsh - bringing the A team to the A team.

Stephen Parret - for supporting Peter T so well.

Steve Barney – 2017 Club Captain , all round great chap and my go to guy.

Competition Organisers

Andy and Ben Bradshaw, Ken Hooper, Kevin Watson, Ali Cheyne, Paul Kille, Steve Gibbs

Club Staff

Richard, Joanne, Jo, Mo, Kevin, Peter, Josh, Richard, Lewis, Dan, Holly, Ella and all.
Mr Adams you have an excellent team.

My beloved wife, **Kate McCallum**, a true saint .. you have me back now!!!!

Finally, to you the **MEMBERS**, a great big thank you for putting your faith in me!

It's been emotional!

Stevie McCallum
Club Captain 2018

Lady Captain's report 2018 AGM

Friday 23rd November 2018

Well what a year!! Before writing this report I looked back on previous captains' reports, they nearly all mention how quickly the year goes and they are right. It has flown by, I would be lying if I said I have enjoyed every minute but I have probably enjoyed 99.9% of the time. I have transferred some of my skills of organising ten and eleven year olds to organising people who are slightly older and really enjoyed it, my typing speed has improved and I have learned to play golf (not always that successfully) after having ten conversations and dealing with numerous post-its that I have written to myself.

The weather plays such a huge part in golf and we have had quite a year, starting off normal wet and windy but playable, graduating to the coldest weather I have ever experienced in the UK. No spring that I can remember but straight into the hottest summer since 1976 followed by a glorious autumn. We have not had to cancel anything due to adverse weather which has been a huge relief.

I would like to give my thanks to the Crown Team who have given me nothing but their full support this year, from the boys in the Pro shop, Sam and his lessons, Richard and Jo Tomey always on hand to make bookings and go that extra mile to make our big occasions go smoothly. The bar and kitchen staff led by Jo Burt who are always really helpful and cheerful. The green keeping staff led by Kevin and now Peter have this year given us a course that we can be truly proud of as witnessed by the many positive comments I have received this year from visiting players.

The highlight of our golfing year was Tricia Cameron and Jane Pascoe winning the Knight cup (a foursomes competition that 50 teams entered), our first piece of county silverware for quite a long time! Really, really well done. The Hayling Trophy campaign started and continued in the depths of winter, our intrepid team played in the coldest conditions on some of the toughest courses eg Hayling Island and always came away smiling though not always with the results we would have wanted. This year the organisers have said some of the matches can be played before Christmas which I think is a very sensible decision. Our Stoneham team played ten matches in all and only lost out on winning the group by one point, we are so near. We have a large group of ladies who want to play in this and I am sure we will have success in the near future. The Annodata (replacing the Mail on Sunday) was entered for the first time and resulted in some very satisfying wins over our local rivals, Royal, Hockley and Romsey before being knocked out on the only wet day of the summer to a very youthful team at Ferndown. The friendly matches continue to be a great way to play new courses as well as experience competitive match play golf. We continue to attract new ladies to play in these fixtures. I would like to thank Lindsay for organising these fixtures and to everyone who took part this year. I would like to record my sincere thanks to the team captains; Jane Payne ably assisted by Claire Branford for Hayling; Lorraine Morgan for Stoneham, Carolyn Robinson for the North Hants Team and Jane Fenner for Annodata, Knight cup and Legg Bowl, for all their hard work and patience. I am very excited about next year's campaigns and wish all the captains, caddies and players the very best for another great season in 2019.

Our section continues to be really well supported which can be seen best in our mix-in days including the Spring and Autumn lunch where the volume of chatter over the meal is

sometimes quite deafening. The coffee morning was a huge success this year and it is always great to see all of you around to help our visiting ladies enjoy our course. The Hampshire Division 2 meeting was held at South on 11th September, 60 ladies came from all over the county and enjoyed the course and the food. It was great to be able to show the club and course off and to raise the profile of the club in the county. It was such a success that we are holding a Junior event here next year and a greensomes event the following year.

The section has been very generous and has supported the club charity raising £1138.00 for the National children's choir of Great Britain. The Charity stableford that we ran in the summer to replace the Age Concern event raised an impressive £346.00 for Clic Sargent.

There are exciting days ahead for golf with new rules being introduced in January 2019 and the world handicapping system hopefully fully up and running by January 2020, all aimed at making the game faster and more inclusive which can only be a good thing. I would like to say thank you to all you wonderful ladies for letting me be your captain for the last year, you are the friendliest and most helpful group of people I have ever met. I could not have managed this year without my committee who have been fantastic, funny, helpful and full of suggestions and ideas. Thank you all so much for volunteering your services this year it is really appreciated. Thank you to James for his patience and sharing the laptop with me, he has decided there must be something to golf and has joined South!!! Thank you to all the general committee and especially Stevie for your help and friendship throughout the year. And finally, a huge thank you to Lindsay Dolphin who did me the huge honour of being my vice captain and in whose capable hands I will leave the section in for the next year. Good luck Lindsay.

Jane O'Hara
Lady Captain 2018

SENIORS' CAPTAINS REPORT – 23 October 2018

A YEAR OF CHANGE

As Captain I was keen to see through a few improvements to the Section and therefore grateful to the very able Seniors' Committee members for taking-on the task. We worked across many of the operational aspects of the Seniors financial transactions, roll-ups, programme, Summer Matches, Trophies, processes, membership etc.

Some change was instigated by recognition that we had now to appeal a post-war generation. In addition process changes reflected the opportunity in the form of Technology, and one policy change came from what was trending at other Clubs.

MEMBERSHIP

In the year paid-up Membership increased from 108 to **114**.

This year **13** New Members joined which really helps the **sustainability** of our Section. However it has also been a very sad year as we lost 3 popular and active Seniors.

18 HOLE ROLL-UPS

During the latter part of the year Martin West kindly volunteered to streamline the registration and tee allocation process by writing a custom application. Seniors are now given cards with printed labels personalised with tee, tee-time, competition, handicap etc.

The application saves time, frustration, and unfairness of the old manual process.

MAJOR TROPHY WINNERS

I would like to congratulate **Ron Churcher and David Clark** winning the Christmas Cup, **Ian Pond and Ralph Turner** for winning the Spring Trophy, **Derek Osgood** for winning the Stroke Play Championship **and David Dingley** for winning the Autumn Trophy. For the first time the Captain's Mashie was won by the Captain - his sole golfing success of the year!

NINE HOLE ROLL-UPS

Now in its 4th year participation in this competition continued to increase.

INTRA-CLUB - LADIES/JUNIORS

Recently John Wakeling replaced the old dilapidated NTRC Trophy with a replica claret jug. The first **winners** of this new Trophy were the **Seniors 5-3**. The Seniors took a close **second place** in the **Juniors v Seniors v Ladies** competition this year . The hotly contested result was :- Juniors **203** Seniors **199** and Ladies **196**.

PAST CAPTAINS MATCH

On July 4th the incumbent **Captain's Team were victorious** over the Past Captains Team by **56.5 to 51.5** even though Neville included some **dead ringers** in a flawed bid to mount a challenge. It was a real pleasure to meet-up with **12 Past Seniors' Captains**.

SENIORS OPEN

The Open was a great success with 72 players taking part from **30 different Clubs**. The overall visitors winner was **Ross Will** from Calcot Park Estate GC with **39**

points. **Peter Bartlett** won the Members competition with 36 points. In a post event wash-up the Committee agreed to make the **2019 Open** a Qualifier.

WINTER LEAGUE

Hockley Seniors GC won the League and for whatever reason our Seniors were a country mile away from raising a challenge. Anyway thanks to **Geoff W.** for organising the league.

SUMMER MATCHES

In the Summer Friendly Matches we played against Seniors in 13 other Clubs. Overall our Seniors were unbeaten in **55% of the 26 Matches**. Thanks to three new Match Captains there was an injection of **enthusiasm and fresh ideas**..

Changing to a **more relaxed dress code** for our Home Matches went smoothly and fitted well with this year's hot summer temperatures.

The **2018 Triangular victory went to the Royal GC**. Not only did they win at Home but they won by a similar margin away at Hockley. However our Seniors stopped them in their tracks as we **won our Home Match** and subsequently we became the **Trophy runners-up** .

CAPTAIN'S CHARITY

When we learnt that **Nigel Day** had Motor Neurone Disease (MND) it was a no-brainer that MND would be the 2018 Captain's Charity. Nigel not only endorsed this Charity but even sold his own photographic and golf equipment to kick-off the fund. Members threw themselves into the cause and as a result we were delighted to donate £1200 on the 29th July to the MND Association and more than delighted that Nigel and Eileen decide to attend the presentation. Nigel put on a brave face for the occasion which fooled us all as into thinking he had more time on his side. Sadly, just over 2 weeks later, Nigel died. With the Quiz night and donations from Tours MND benefited by £1700 in all.

COMMITTEE

I would like to thank **all** of the Committee Members, their Admin Teams and their sub-committees for their support and hard work. Their experience, professionalism, and commitment of the Committee meant we had a **dream team**. That's not to say they **always** slept through every Committee Meeting.

I would also like to acknowledge the help of the Seniors' Vice- Captain or as Bob prefers to call himself "**my wingman**".

Bob has been very supportive and often looking at an issue from a **different perspective** to a Captain who admits to having **tunnel vision** in order to get things done.

I wish Bob and his new Committee all the very best for the next year – which will be the **25th anniversary** of the Seniors' Section.

Other Special Mentions

I would like acknowledge the substantial support I have had from Club Captain **Stevie**, the Ladies Captain **Jane**, The Juniors Captain **Michael**, the **Crown Management** and all of their excellent staff. Newly recruited **Joanne** and later **Jo** were a delight to work with and made a real contribution to the success of our events and Home Matches.

Finally I would like to thank my wife, Lynette, for her loving support in agreeing a **backstop** so I could postpone all my **diy** jobs for a un-negotiated transition period.

Roger Clark 2018
Seniors' Captain
23 Oct 2018

SOUTH WINCHESTER GOLF CLUB ANNUAL JUNIOR REPORT 2018

Since our last annual report the juniors of the club have enjoyed there golfing season both at the club and at other venues.

Our results have been well above standard compared to previous years this was due to our players being more involved in their game and attending practice session.

Results

Green Jacket KO competition, 4th placed in Hampshire/IoW/CI

Good Friday Cup v Men won

Winchester Triangle Silver Medal

Club Triangle (gold) Ladies (gold) Seniors (gold)

Junior Champion Jamie Markwick

Junior Knock Out Champion Michael Williams

Intra Club Silver Medal

As the Zone Manager for Junior Hampshire golf, I selected the following juniors to start training at the end of last season at Alresford GC, Harvey Denham, Ben Jupe and James Dayeh, of these all have progressed to the Hampshire U14s squad and are regular players in that squad, with Josh Mulcahy playing in the under 16s as well.

A good number of juniors qualified for the Ivanhoe Trophy this year, but not taking any top places.

On the recruiting side we are down on numbers, but have many very young players in training under the pro staff.

At the AGM we will be saying goodbye to Michael Williams (Junior Captain) who resumes his junior status, he has become a very good club member and junior captain. Well done and thank you.

We welcome our new Junior Captain Josh Mulcahy into the chair, supported by his Vice Captain Harvey Denham .

Our thanks to all the Staff and Members of the club for there support in Junior Golf during the past year.

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Roy Stanger

Happy Golfing

**Report of the Treasurer 2018, Jeremy Dolphin for the Annual
General Meeting on Friday November 23rd 2018**

See separate documents

COMPETITION SECRETARY'S END OF YEAR REPORT 2018

The 2018 competition season has completed with all but 1 scheduled major competition running to schedule. Once again there are no problems to report.

The committee has made further work on the Competition Definition document which has been handed to SWGC management for use. The continued use of Club Score Entry computer and How Didi I Do website/application to manage competition entry is proving vital in managing competitions and lessening time spent on compiling entry lists/draws.

All Men's section and Mixed Knockout competitions continue to be run with minimal input from the Committee by Andy Bradshaw whom I thank very much. Thanks also go to Ben Bradshaw for running and updating both Blue Ribbon and Men's Order of Merit lists throughout the year.

It has been a frustrating year on the information management front with the change to Crown Golf's website management. Problems still exist in reaching all members with information on competition notices and draws. It is hoped that these issues will be rectified going into 2019. My thanks go to Nick Tout on his continued work on this front.

Many thanks go to all members of the Men's and General committee for their support throughout the year, especially in what has been a challenging time with my work commitments in Aberdeen since August which will continue through 2019.

My final thanks go once again to Club Captain Stevie McCallum and vice-Captain Pete Tubb for their support during the 2018 season and I hope I can continue to support you all for the 2019 golfing season.

Neal Apps
SWGC Competition Secretary



SOUTH WINCHESTER

Club Handicap Secretary Report to the Annual General Meeting 2018

Operation of the Handicap Committee

During 2018, about 40 new handicaps have been issued (the same as 2017). In addition, about 220 supplementary cards (up from 100 in 2017) and about 260 away scores (up from about 160 in 2017) have been accepted, where appropriate.

The Club Handicap Committee met on 8th January 2018 and quarterly afterwards, considering handicap revisions (whether upwards or downwards) for all members with active handicaps. The main consideration is whether a player's scoring record in qualifying competitions differs noticeably from the expected statistical pattern established by CONGU. It also oversaw a number of changes to the Handicapping System that were introduced from January 1st, 2018.

With over 9,000 qualifying rounds a year in the Club, we rely on a number of reports provided by the handicapping software Club V1 to help us identify these individuals. Overall we have made about 70 changes (up from about 40 in 2017) where there was a strong case and formal agreement from the Committee to do so. Members get notified personally of any change. The main reason for the change is the changes to the handicap system that came in at the start of 2018.

These changes were:

- A new Category 5 for Men and Category 6 for both Men and Women were introduced, providing for a maximum handicap of 54.0 for all golfers. Players are able to maintain a Competition Handicap in all six categories. Upward adjustment for all categories remains at 0.1 and downward adjustments for Net Differentials below Buffer Zones will be 0.5 for Category 5 and 0.6 for Category 6.
- Committees could increase handicaps above the current limits of 28.0 and 36.0, just as they will also increase above those limits automatically as a result of above Buffer Zone returns in Qualifying Competitions and Supplementary Score submissions. It is this change that led to the increased number of Committee reviewed changes to Handicaps during the year outside of the changes that occur as a result of playing in competitions. Note: the General Committee decided to keep handicap limits for Board competitions at their 2017 levels.

- In May, a single CSS Adjustment Factor was introduced in Mixed competitions so that a single CSS adjustment applied to both Mens and ladies scores.

I would like to formally thank Denise Bruss (Ladies Section) and Ian Berry (Seniors Section) for all their guidance and support in the operations of the handicap system at SWGC over the course of this year; they've been so very helpful.

New World Handicap System (WHS)

England Golf ran workshops at the end of May and last week at the Club to outline the proposals for the new system. The main features of the new system are as follows:

1. Handicaps will be based on the average of the best 8 scores from the last 20.
2. There will be a memory that prevents handicaps going more than 5 higher than it was over the previous year.
3. There will be no transitional period. There will be an overnight switch to the new handicap on a date sometime between the end of January 2020 and the beginning of April 2020 ('Switchover Date'). So calculation will look back on the previous 20 scores prior to the Switchover Date. England Golf intend to communicate what the changes are likely to mean to each player during 2019.
4. Data will be available back to the beginning of 2013 so provided there are a minimum of 3 scores in that period then a handicap will be given. Otherwise it will be withdrawn (and will require three new cards to get it back!). I.e. players will either have a handicap or they will not (there is not the concept of an 'inactive' handicap).
5. There will be no 'c' status after the Switchover Date. So a decision will need to be made by General/Mens/Ladies/Seniors Committees as to what the qualifying requirements will be for SWGC Competitions (the Rules will allow Clubs to have their own qualifying Rules).
6. There will not be 6 Categories of players after the Switchover Date however there will be an Elite Players categorisation.
7. All courses are to be re-rated according to the (US) Slope Rating System by the end of 2023. However the new WHS will require new ratings on the Switchover Date. Temporary ratings can be awarded based on an algorithm provided by USGA for those courses that are not rerated in time (however

that algorithm will require authentication of distances etc). SWGC is being rerated in 2019.

8. New handicaps will still be based on 3 cards taking 2 off the best score (very scientific! Not!) They will then meld into 'best 8 from 20' over the next 17 rounds.
9. We implemented having one CSS adjustment per competition in May of this year. The new WHS will have one CSS adjustment per day. So handicaps will be reassessed overnight regardless of when a competition is closed. CSS will be renamed Course Conditions Adjustment (CCA). The change will mean that new handicaps will be calculated overnight.
10. A new handicapping Manual is due to be available by the end of 2018.
11. 'Supplementary' scores will be renamed 'social' scores and will require the same requirements (sign in first etc . . .). See above, the CCA will take account of these scores.
12. So in future, one's 'exact handicap' will be replaced by having a 'handicap index'. This will not be the same thing because . . . when you play any course (including the Home one where the majority of scores have been gained), you will have to multiply your handicap index by the ratio of the course rating of the course being played to 113. This calculation is shown on courses that have already be re-rated when you see these A4 sheets of paper on notice boards etc. Hopefully there will be an App developed or your DMD updated to enable you to see this easily! (Imagine a shotgun start with everyone trying to find out their handicap at 8am if they'd played the day before!!)
13. There is no current requirement to add different types of golf play to produce more scores.
14. Central calculation of Switchover date handicaps will require one (and only one) CDH number. So Clubs will need to de-duplicate CDH numbers during 2019.

Implementation of New Golf rules into SWGC with effect from January 1, 2019

In the year, I was also asked to chair a sub-Committee considering the introduction of the new Golf rules with effect from January 1, 2019. The sub-Committee consisted of representatives from all sections of the Club plus course rating/refereeing experience (Alan Bailey and Steve Gibbs). The role of the sub-Committee is to ensure that all of our members understand that there are new Rules, what areas they relate

to and where they can go to find out the detail of them. The main recommendations from that sub-Committee were approved by the General Committee at the end of October:

1. Communication. A blog is being issued and all the changes are available to view on the South Winchester Website. There are also links to where videos can be seen.
2. Local Rules. Our Local Rules can be simplified to be just on the back of cards (i.e. we will not have additional ones on the Notice Board). However we currently have a large supply of cards so a special card will be made available to members and will also be on the pro-shop counter from January 1, 2019. There are no additional local rules that are needed.
3. Discretion in the New Rules. The General Committee decided not to take advantage of additional discretion in the new Rules to have either "Maximum Score" medal competitions or the new 'Alternative to Stroke and Distance' options that could have been available.
4. Introduction of new Tees. Crown are concerned that as existing members age, SWGC becomes a less attractive place for them to play golf because of the length of the course. The following two changes were approved:
 - The introduction of new purple tees someway forward from current tees that would allow new purple tee competitions;
 - A rating of red tees for Mens competitions to be introduced thus allowing Mens competitions (likely seniors' competitions) to be held using the red tees.

The purple tees positions would be based on the following principles:

- Apart from on Par Threes, the Purple Tees would be on average about 60-70 yards ahead of the Red Tees on the other 14 holes unless stated below;
 - On 4, the Purple Tee should be in front of the dip as a minimum;
 - On 5, the Purple tee to be on RHS so away from the valley;
 - On 16, the Purple Tee should be either right behind/right in front or to the side of the pond depending on where a flat tee can be identified.(Green Keeper decision)
5. Course Changes: 'Penalty Areas' (a broader definition than water hazards) have been introduced. Rules pertaining to them are broader than they were for just water hazards. As a result of the changes to the Rules the following changes to the Course were approved by General Committee:

- On 7, the Red stakes on LHS (as seen from the tee) will be moved out along the lines of the little trees and made visible. An intermediate cut of rough to be introduced from the current first cut to the new Red stake line.
- On 9, the Lake will be changed to be a Red penalty area. There is sufficient space on the other side of the lake to enable dropping should a ball hit the tree and go back into the water.
- On 15, the Red stakes around the lake will be extended back in a straight line back to the boundary fence.

We can get Hampshire Golf to run a Rules evening if we like. I will gauge interest for this over the next week or so.

Malcolm Berryman, SWGC Handicap Secretary
9th November 2018