



Wagsmag



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Wags members overcome mental stress!

Players in the recent Bertie Brown Cups competition coped manfully with an unusually high degree of mental pressure .

First, came the taxing format of Fensomes, Whose turn is it to take the second shot?

Then the 6th hole start, plus the need to enter the score on the correct line.

Then a further challenge. With the 3rd hole out of play due to irrigation work, all managed the route from 2nd green to 4th tee - without a map.

A source close to the Wags Captain said: *'Golf is a challenge anyway without all this. The Wags rose to the occasion. What a fine body of men!'*

Welcome, Judy

The Wags offer a warm welcome to our new Club General Manager, Judy Barker.

Judy has wide experience of a members golf club having completed many years at Bishops Stortford G.C. She is also a director of the Golf Club Managers Association.

The Wags look forward to working closely with Judy.



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Weekend

Sandy Lodge is making plans for this great royal milestone.



Who's Who?

Who are the trio above whose parents had so often to say 'Want A Good Smack?' But don't they look angelic!

Not surprising that they became pillars of the Wags community!

Outline thoughts are as follows:

Friday 3 June

A family golf afternoon.

Saturday 4 June

Golf: The Jubilee Trophy Evening: Jubilee Party with a live singer, food & dancing.

Details to announced in the near future.

Results

WAGS COMPETITIONS

16 Mar Scramble

Cancelled - bad weather

6 Apr. President's Prize

Adrian Paterson 36 pts

13 Apr Bertie Brown Cups

Adrian Paterson &

Tim Warren 37 pts (ocb)

WAGS MATCHES

30 March Porters Park

Lost 3½ / 2½



The National Trust's Mottisfont Abbey in Hampshire has recently been staging an exhibition of old cartoons. This one by Frank Reynolds (1876-1953) depicts a weary old gent (note the jacket and waistcoat) entering the clubhouse and the caption reads *'Golfer (very much off his game) "one round nearer the grave"*

Even your Captain's discontent with his game doesn't go that far! A pint of Draught Guinness usually restores a happy smile.



This month's issue of **Wagsmag** is dedicated to the memory of the late Bill Broadhurst who died on 30 March aged 100 years.

A tribute to his full and varied life is featured on the Wags website.

Tommy's Tale

Our Super-Wag, Tom Ramage has been known, on the odd occasion, to engage us in a story. Now he has another recent one to tell us in which he discovered that the warmth of human kindness and honesty is still to be found, and with a surprising link.

Here is the story in his own words.

I went for a walk and to take pictures at Stockers Lake at the far corner of the Rickmansworth Aquadrome.

After resting on a park bench for 5 minutes, I then walked back to my car , when I realised I had left my camera bag on the park bench!

I returned to the park bench but there was no sign of the camera bag. Over the next few days I tried the café, the council, both Rickmansworth and Watford police stations, all to no avail. I had resigned myself to the loss of a camera lens, a 2x converter, 2 spare batteries and 2 spare memory cards.

In true Wags fashion I picked myself up dusted myself down and got on with it, The next week I went back for another walk round Stockers Lake and saw a sign posted on the fence "Did you lose a black camera bag? I found one, call Andy on -----"

I called and he told me to stay where I was and he would come to Stockers Lake and find me. He did and returned my camera bag even refusing a reward that I offered him.

(All good but here's the surprise)

He asked me if I had travelled far and I told him from South Oxhey and asked him if he knew where it was. He said he did as he used to live in Hampermill Lane. I told him I was a member of Sandy Lodge and this is where the story gets interesting!

*He asked me if I had ever heard of The Wags of Sandy Lodge! I told him I was the captain for the previous 2 years and he told me his father was a Wag: - **Jimmy Graham**. I told him he was a credit to his father and asked if I could take his picture to put in the Wags magazine.*



*Andy Graham
Camera Bag (and contents)
saviour!*