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CHAMPIONSHIP TOUR 2011

Year 12

Hello boys and girls,

Yes, I know, the newsletter is late again.....so shoot me, I've been busy!

It's the penultimate round of this years Championship, round 7, and our first visit to the very posh Portal Golf and Spa Premier Course. With shoes polished, shirts pressed, clean shaven and hair done (yes, and the guys made an effort too!), the 36 strong throng (I like that!) descended fired up for the daunting challenge ahead....yes, tackling the famous Portal bacon bap. With it's three slices of finest back bacon on a large white bun,,,,,oh sorry, I really should mention the golf!

Out onto the course. The Premier course is quite a challenge on the best of days, but in the high wind....yikes! Long, hazardous, loads of water, loads of trees, loads of bunkers but at the same time beautifully presented with stunning views.

The elements pegged most of the scores, with one or two exceptions. The results are as follows (positions at least....no scores, hee hee!)

Dave Edwards winning on Back 9 count back from Steve Howe, Derek Briggs coming in second and closely behind were Christine Lightfoot, James Buchanan and Mike Jones.....well done to all, and say goodbye to your handicaps for your efforts!

Dave wins a voucher for complimentary 2-ball courtesy of Andrea at Portal to whom we are grateful.

Our Leading Lady was Christine whilst our Bandit was Steve Howe!!

Our regular NTP/LD prizes were won by....

Longest Drive (2nd) – Mark Sargeant

Nearest the Pin (5th) – Bob Lindsay

Ladies Longest Drive (13th) – Christine Lightfoot

Longest Drive (14th) – Julian Osborne

Nearest the Pin (15th) – Christine Lightfoot

Nearest the Pin (17th) – Nigel Leese

Our sincere thanks to the lovely Andrea, Portal's Events Manager, for her efforts in accommodating us and making our visit such a pleasant one Also thanks to all the staff for their efforts....including the chef responsible for the bacon butties!

Lastly, the Presentation Dinner on 22nd October at Portal Golf Club. It would be great if you could confirm to me your intention to attend what is the climax to another great season, and a great night out too!

Please feel free to invite who you like, friends and family, relatives....anybody you like really, the more the merrier.

Phew, that's it! See y'all at Frodsham on 8th October for Round 8, and our illustrious leader Martin's last one at the helm ☺.....go on, let him win!

TTFN.

In His name,

Mark.