

Outing Report: 7th Outing – Hazlemere GC, High Wycombe 12/08/16

Our seventh outing was a first time visit to Hazlemere GC where Steve Simpson is a member. Our turnout for this outing consisted of 15 members and 5 guests.

We decided that we would have a group photograph prior to teeing off, and duly notified all players beforehand, but some still needed some extra time getting ready for the camera (Bill Fenn)

The panoramic view of the course from the 1st tee was very impressive, however the first green was out of sight due to the long downhill fairway. This tee shot was quite daunting and our Captain, Martin Cole let nerves get the better of him and he failed to progress past the ladies tee. This led to some animated amusement amongst the groups.

We provided a notebook to a committee member in each group to try and capture some highlights and lowlights of the day's play, the following comments were provided.

- Nigel Croxford lost control of his electric trolley on the first hole, when it ran away down the hill, Sam Bates tried to stop it and nearly got run over.
- Colin Shaw scored a two at the par 4 first hole.
- Jim Wilson birdied the first hole after driving through the green and playing his second shot from behind a tree.
- Some confusion at the 2nd tee, which Bill Fenn and Jim Bridges found difficult to locate
- Lou McDonald got a par on the 5th hole after a series of 4 blobs
- Liz Lei, attending her first outing, lost her ball on the 6th hole, only to find out later on the putting green that John Johnstone had inadvertently played it.
- Dave R Brown reckons he found some wind at the 8th hole, and Jim Bridges forgot to count his shots, not sure if these actions are related
- 8th hole - Martin Cole took 3 shots to cover 100yds
- Steve Simpson's guest disappeared to the bar after the 9th hole
- Nigel Croxford lost control of his trolley again on the 9th.
- Vince Lei's tee shot narrowly missed Colin Shaw's head at the 10th
- Don Kelly ran his buggy over Liz's ball on the 10th
- The 1st group led by Martin Cole had 2 near misses from "good drives" by the following group on the 10th, conversations took place and the issue was sorted.
- 11th hole - Martin Cole hits a good tee shot 8ft from pin but two putts for a par, missing out on a two.
- 13th hole – Same Bates took 4 shots to cover 100yds
- 14th hole – Martin Cole lost the same ball twice – blob.
- Andy Giles hit his first poor shot of the day on the 16th hole and lost his ball
- Jim Wilson had a meltdown on the 18th, 1st shot lost in trees, 4th shot into bunker from 4yds, 5th shot still in bunker, 6th shot into lake and several clubs thrown at golf bag and trees.
- Colin Shaw's brother attended his first Society outing as a guest.

The Stableford competition for the Silver Jubilee Cup was won by Andy Giles with 37 points, from a 14 hc and the runner up was Bill Fenn with 34 points from a 12 hc.

Colin Shaw managed to score a 2, and duly picked up a pretty sum which had rolled over from the previous outing.