

OLD TAUNTONIAN GOLFING SOCIETY

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Dear OT Golfer,

A Very Happy 2017 to you all.

I'm glad to let you know that our policy of subsidising school players and younger OTs is beginning to pay off. Numbers at our Society Meetings have increased and in the Halford Hewitt our team reached the Plate semi-final for only the third time ever, losing 1-2 to The Leys. Please remember that we offer completely free golf to all TS pupils in the Thone Cup and the Rose Bowl and free green fees to all OTs under 25 in all OTGS events.

It appears that the OTGS is now the only active year-round OT sports association remaining so it is surely incumbent on us to keep it going. Please help not only by recruiting but by persuading our known decent golfers to take part in the important events. Richard Norris, the Hon. Treas., continues to manage our financial affairs well. There was a small loss this year but that was almost entirely due to our gift of golf clubs to TPS. I'm afraid that once again subscriptions are down but donations are up. As you know we do not insist on a subscription before you can play, indeed all are welcome, but if you feel that you could contribute to the Society it would be much appreciated. The running costs of the competitions side of the Society are considerable (over £1200 pa). Many thanks to the 20 who subscribed last year. If you feel able to contribute please do so by sending your contribution to Richard Norris, 26 Sutton Court, Chiswick, London W4 3JE (from whom direct debit forms can be obtained).

EVENTS 2017

Society Meetings (all welcome)

7.3.17(Tu)	Invitation meeting	Swinley Forest	David Murrell
7.5.17 (Su)	Thone Cup	Taunton+Pickeridge	Hugh Todd
21.5.17 (Su)	Fairwater Cup	St. George's Hill	Richard Willacy
17.6.17 (Sa)	AGM and Reunion w/e	TBA	Clive Large
18.6.17 (Su)	Match vs School	Oake Manor	Clive Large
26.6.17 (M)	Old Honitonians	Oake Manor	Richard Jowett
1.10.17 (Su)	Rose Bowl	Oake Manor	Hugh Todd

Scratch Competitions (Bona fide OTs only)

24-26.3.17(Fr-Su) incl. practice	Brent Knoll Bowl	Burnham+Berrow	Richard Willacy
4-9.4.17(Tu-Su) incl. practice	Halford Hewitt	Deal/Sandwich	Richard Willacy
7.5.17 (Su)	Grafton Morrish (qualifier)	North Hants	Richard Willacy
21-24.6.17 (We-Sa) incl. practice	Cyril Gray (over 50)	Worplesdon	David Morgan
28.9-1.10.17 (Th-Su)	Grafton Morrish (event)	Brancaster/Hunstanton	Richard Willacy

I really hope that you will be able to play in some of these events. Don't wait to be asked! Please contact the Match Managers direct (details below).

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With all good wishes for 2017,