

Paddy's Prattle 31 May 2022

A lovely sunny Saturday welcomed the finalists of the Watson Cup and Newton Trophy. Four strong pairs teed off, and when the dust settled, Chris Lovelock and Greg Fleming were proud recipients of the Watson Cup and Pat Turton and Paddy Bradford held the Newton Trophy aloft. Chris and Greg were a bit too consistent for Steve McCloy and Stephen Lee and finished with a comfortable win. The Newton trophy was a ding dong game though with all four players taking active parts at various times and it was very much in the balance until a late surge by the two Pats finished the game on 17. Well done to everyone who took part in all the rounds. Top score in the Par round was Darren Peace with a 4 up on countback from Jordy Bird. More on Jordy later!

This week we have club champs qualifying round 3. Stroke play off the Blue tees. Pop along and have a go at the course when it's baring its teeth. This is also an RMF Silva Cup scorer.

Then on Monday we have the White trophy a mixed day, meeting at 11.30 for 12noon start. This will be a pairs combined stableford, so come on down and join the fun.

We had pennants last Sunday with mixed results. Davo's Redpath team got a late call up to play Tinwald at Tinwald and they came through with flying colours Blair and Seb both had top wins with Seb shooting a gross 73. Richard Mc turned 5 up with 7 to go into a solid half, and you all know what Davo's result will have been. Well done boys.

In the Patterson, the tide has turned, the Old Dogs mutiny has been averted with a great win over a very strong Point team. Greig, Bruce and Paddy won with heads held high. Whereas Tim failed to give a 12inch putt on the last for a half, his opponent was so shocked with the underhand tactics that he missed the putt and gave Tim the win. Still, as the captain I love the win at all costs attitude.

The young pups however are starting to flounder with their second loss on the bounce against a very average 5 man Geraldine team. Saying 5 man team could be a stretch as one of them was an 8 year old schoolboy. Of course, as luck would have it, it fell on Jordy to play him. I would like to say it was a close game, but alas, Jordy got smashed by the younger pup. When I asked the youngster why he had been so ruthless, he told me that he had to finish the game early as it was past his bedtime!

Joking aside the young chaps name is Thomas Clayson playing off an 11 handicap at 12 years of age, he is certainly one to watch for the future. Hard luck Jordy. That will do for now. Good golfing.