

# County News 2017

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Including reports on: Presidents Day, Jean Wilkinson Semi & Finals, Mary Cole Rose Bowl, Junior County Match Days, Officials Cup, Scratch Foursomes Final and results: 2<sup>nd</sup> Team, Veterans and Juniors



## Jean Wilkinson Final – First time success for The Links, Newmarket

The Links, Newmarket claimed their first Jean Wilkinson Trophy after a tough game against Royston in the semi-final, followed by a real battle against Brampton Park in the final. The Cambridgeshire Golf Club hosted the competition which consists of seven singles matches played off scratch within three different handicap bands. The blustery wind and frequent short sharp showers made playing conditions difficult.

In the first semi-final between The Links and Royston, The Links won four of the first five matches to complete a 4-2 victory with the final match being called in as a result had been achieved.

In the other semi-final Brampton Park won the top three matches but Lakeside Lodge claimed a half in the fourth match and won the fifth match to reduce the arrears. With Brampton Park winning the fifth match to claim a 4½-1½ victory the final match was called in.

The final was a very evenly contested match. Brampton Park's Fay Allison claimed their first pointed with a 1 up victory over Edie Douglas. The next three matches were all very close but The Links won all three with Lynn Lambert

beating Linda Hall 2 & 1, Barbara Coe beat Sally Palmer by the same score and Jane Monk claimed a 2 up victory against Karen Large.

Brampton Park fought back to level the score at 3 all when Anne Gibb won her match 6 & 4 and Katie Dixon claimed her match 5 & 4.

As the fourth match between Lesley McAllister (Links) and Julie Miller (Brampton Park) was all square on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole the players went to the 19<sup>th</sup> hole where Lesley McAllister sunk a long putt to clinch her match, giving The Links, Newmarket a winning match score of 4-3.

(Photo above shows The Links Captain Marcella Tuttle celebrating success with her winning team and photo below shows Brampton Captain Ros Irons with her team)



### **Links rise to the challenge as they retain Rose Bowl**

Having won the Cambs & Hunts Mary Cole Rose Bowl for the first time in 39 years last year, the team from Links, Newmarket put in another fantastic performance to retain the trophy. The team of Marcella Tuttle, Sarah Greenall and Edie Douglas put together nett scores of 75, 73 and 74 respectively for a team score of 222 in the 18 hole stroke play competition held at St Ives Golf course.



Saffron Walden and Gog Magog were equal on 231 and it took a countback to determine that Saffron Walden had claimed the runners-up trophy by virtue of the lowest individual nett score thanks to junior player Hettie Carter's nett 71. Other members of the team were Elaine Purcell 83 and Lynda Minton nett 77.

Links Captain Marcella Tuttle said she was delighted with the team's performance and amazed that they had retained the trophy. The best individual nett score of the day was 69 recorded by Laura Todd (Ely City).

### **East Region Ladies Championship**

A very small field battled it out at the East Region Ladies Championship held on the Wandlebury Course at Gog Magog. After the morning round there was a three-way tie on gross 75 between Jade Guest (Gogs), Bronagh O'Keefe (Hertfordshire) and Ella Mason (Ely City).



The afternoon round proved to be equally competitive with Guest and O'Keefe both recording gross 75 for a combined total of 150. Guest claimed first place on countback over the back nine to clinch the East Region Championship with O'Keefe in second place.

Ella Mason finished with nett rounds of 70 and 72 for a total nett score of 142 to claim the nett prize.

The prize presentation was carried out by The President of England Golf, John Williams and County President Jacquie Richardson).

### **Marcella and Sarah take County Scratch Foursomes title**

In beautiful sunny conditions The Cambridgeshire Golf Club hosted the final of the County Scratch Foursomes competition.

The experienced defending Champions Marcella Tuttle and Sarah Greenall (The Links) faced Laura Todd and Chloe Ashman (Ely City) making their first appearance in the final. Tuttle and Greenall went straight into the lead by winning the first hole with a par. After sinking a long putt to halve the second hole they moved further into the lead with a par on the third hole. Todd and Ashman reduced the arrears when Todd chipped in on the fourth hole for a birdie.



After halving the fifth hole, Tuttle and Greenall won the sixth hole to moved back into a two hole lead. Todd and Ashman had a little luck on the seventh when their drive hit the trees but bounced out onto the fairway, whilst their opponents drive found a fairway bunker. A good third shot by Ashman finished pin high and the hole was eventually conceded. With Todd and Ashman in the greenside bunker on the eighth hole Tuttle struck a real blow as her drive finished two feet from the pin. After failing to get out of the bunker Todd and Ashman conceded the hole. Another par on the ninth hole saw Tuttle and Greenall reach the turn 3 up.

The tenth hole was halved and Tuttle and Greenall moved further ahead when they won the eleventh hole. The twelfth was halved and Tuttle and Greenall closed out the match when they won the thirteenth and fourteenth holes for a 6 and 4 victory.

(Photo shows l-r Sarah Greenall and Marcella Tuttle with their trophy)

## Junior County Match Days at Colne Valley Golf Club



Cambs and Hunts were represented by a very young team at the Junior County Match Days event at Colne Valley Golf Club. With just one single figure handicapper and five of the eight players making their debut it was a case of building for the future.

On the first day of the two and a half day event Cambs and Hunts faced the host County Essex, who fielded a very strong team. Despite four of the matches going to the 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> holes the girls were unable to secure a win and Essex won 6-0. Lucy Pepper and Anna Guest (both Gogs) and Olivia Dyson (Barkway Park) all made their County debuts.

Suffolk were the opponents on Tuesday morning. In the top two matches Ella Mason (Ely City) and Lucy Pepper both put up a determined fight but just lost 2 & 1. In the third match Morgan Tritton (Gogs) secured a hard fought win by finishing 2 up. Cambs and Hunts also secured victory in the final match as Alex Sparrow (Saffron Walden) had a solid 5 & 4 victory. Jessica Hollingsworth (Girton) and Alex Sparrow made their debut in this match.

The afternoon game against Bedfordshire saw Cambs and Hunts in good form as they clinched victory by 4½-1½. Morgan Tritton won 2 & 1, Junior Captain Chloe Neal (St Neots) won 8 & 6, Anna Guest won 2 & 1 and Olivia Dyson won 7 & 5, with Lucy Pepper halving her match.

The team faced a strong Norfolk team on Wednesday morning. Ella Mason and Morgan Tritton had very close matches just loosing out on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> holes respectively. The only success for Cambs and Hunts came when Alex Sparrow secured a half in the final match. The final result was a win for Norfolk 5½-1½.

The final match finished with a 6-0 win for Hertfordshire. The girls put in a great performance with Lucy Pepper and Olivia Dyson taking their opponents to the 15<sup>th</sup> and Chloe Neal and Jessica Hollingsworth both taking their matches to the 16<sup>th</sup>. With seven of the team available for selection next year it is hoped that they have learnt from the experience and will come back stronger next year.

Essex won the competition with 5 pts, Hertfordshire were 2<sup>nd</sup> with 4 pts, Norfolk 3<sup>rd</sup> with 3 pts, Suffolk 4<sup>th</sup> with 1½ pts, Cambs and Hunts 5<sup>th</sup> with 1 pt and Bedfordshire 6<sup>th</sup> with ½pt.



### Officials and Delegates Cup

Girton Golf Club hosted the Cambs and Hunts Officials and Delegates Cup Competition. Despite the recent heavy rain the course was in good condition.

A total of 22 competitors took part in the event and Girton's Sue Hill used her local knowledge to take the top spot with 34 points. Second place went to last year's winner Mo Poole (Brampton Park) with 31 points on countback from Hazel Suswain (Ramsey) who took third place with 31 points on countback from Mel Owers (Bourn).

(Photo shows Sue Hill with the trophy)

### President's Day - Brampton teams lead the way

On a sunny but breezy day twenty-two teams took part in President's Day at Old Nene Golf Club. The large field was split into two groups with a shotgun start in both the morning and afternoon.

Brampton Park has enjoyed a successful season this year and true to form two of their teams took the top two places. The team of Kay Osborne, Elaine Cardwell, Anne Norman and Julie Miller took top spot with a score of 86 points, just edging out their fellow club mates Sarah Rennie, Maxine Blewitt, Teresa Neeson and Katy Dixon who finished with 85 points. Girton's Tina Barker, Pat Atkin, Ann Lockwood and Lindsey Green finished in third place with a score of 84 points with Old Nene's Di Nicholson, Linda Harkness, Kath Loukes and Sally-Anne Barnard-Taylor in fourth place with 83 points.

The team with the best scores on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> holes were Bourn's Linda Brown, Janice Topham, Paula Offer and Debbie Withrow with 14 points.

The winners of the longest drives were Margaret Beckley (Links) (Silver) and Marilyn Williams (Brampton Park) (Bronze). Sheila Withams (Lakeside Lodge), Chris Begley (Bourn) and Linda Harkness (Old Nene) won the nearest the pin prizes.

County President Jacquie Richardson announced that approximately £2,200 had been raised to help with the development and support of the Junior Girls in Cambridgeshire.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Just a reminder that the Cambs and Hunts LCGA Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday, 23rd November 2017 at 1.00 pm at Gog Magog Golf Club.

Please try to encourage Members and trophy winners of your Club to attend this meeting.

### County Junior 2<sup>nd</sup> team v Bedfordshire Junior 2<sup>nd</sup> Team

Millbrook Golf Club hosted the County Junior 2<sup>nd</sup> team match against Bedfordshire County Junior 2<sup>nd</sup> team. Play got under way in bright sunny conditions. In the top match Natasha Bamford and Sienna Mason (Ely City) played some excellent golf and won their match 8 and 6. In the second match Jessica Hollingsworth (Girton) and Olivia Wynne (Kingsway) fought very hard to draw their match.

The third match proved to be a real battle with Eleanor Gamble (Ely City) and Alex Sparrow (Saffron Walden) five down with five holes to play. They battled so hard to close the gap and just lost out on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole, finishing 1 down. In the final match Olivia Dyson (Barkway Park) partnered Maddy Roitman (Bourn). Maddy was making her debut in this match and produced some excellent golf. They put in a brave performance but just lost out by 3 & 2.

The match result was a 2½-1½ win for Bedfordshire.

(Photo shows the Cambs and Hunts team from l-r back row Olivia Dyson, Eleanor Gamble, Natasha Bamford and Jessica Hollingsworth and front row l-r Maddy Roitman, Olivia Wynne, Sienna Mason and Alex Sparrow).



## County 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Finals – Good performance by Cambs and Hunts

Brampton Park Golf Club hosted the County 2<sup>nd</sup> team finals between Cambs and Hunts, Essex, Norfolk and Bedfordshire.

The format was 9 players from each County, with three players from each County playing singles matchplay against the other three teams. The results of these matches were then added to the score of the matches played earlier in the season.

Throughout the season County 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Captain Cindy McIntyre had introduced a number of County Juniors into the 2<sup>nd</sup> team and there had been improved results against the other Counties. In the final round she selected the team to concentrate their main effort in trying to win against Bedfordshire and then Norfolk.

In the match against Bedfordshire Lindie Tapping (Gogs) played some solid golf to secure a hard earned 2 & 1 win. In the second match Belinda Borneo (Brampton Park) had a tough battle but finished with another 2 & 1 victory. Finally Mo Poole (Brampton Park) used her local knowledge to clinch an excellent 3 & 1 victory. The tactics worked as these three victories were added to the result of the match played earlier in the season to give an overall win for Cambs and Hunts by 7½-4½.

In the Norfolk match Lucy Mills-Cripps (Ramsey) had an excellent 3 & 1 victory and County Junior Morgan Tritton (Gogs) gained a hard fought draw. Karen Cook (The Links) fought hard but just lost out 2 & 1. These results and the result of the match played earlier in the season resulted in a 9-3 win for Norfolk.

Essex were leading the tournament and it was a tough match for the Cambs & Hunts players but Karen Cox (Brampton Park) put in a great performance to win her match finishing 1 up. Ely City's Tina Broadley was unlucky to finish 1 down against an experienced opponent and Chloe Ashman lost her match against a tough opponent. These results and the results of the earlier match gave Essex an 8-4 victory.

Essex won the title with 3 points (24 games), 2<sup>nd</sup> were Norfolk 2 points (23½ games), 3<sup>rd</sup> were Cambs and Hunts 1 point (14½ games) and 4<sup>th</sup> were Bedfordshire 0 points (11 games).

(Photo opposite shows (back row l-r) Lindie Tapping, Morgan Tritton, Karen Cook, Lucy Mills-Cripps, Belinda Borneo, Karen Cox and Chloe Ashman. Seated Tina Broadley, 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Captain Cindy McIntyre and Mo Poole)

## County 2<sup>nd</sup> team v Norfolk 2<sup>nd</sup> team

The County 2<sup>nd</sup> team travelled to Thetford Golf Club for their match against Norfolk 2<sup>nd</sup> team. Captain Cindy McIntyre selected a very young team which included two former and one current junior players.

In the morning foursomes all three pairs put up good performances with Lindie Tapping (Gogs) and Cindy McIntyre (Bourn) winning 4 & 3 and Chloe Ashman and Tina Broadley (both Ely City) and Lucy Mills-Cripps (Ramsey) and Morgan Tritton (Gogs) both losing close matches 3 & 1.

There were some very close matches in the singles but Morgan Tritton was the only success as she battled all the way and halved her match. The final result was a 7½-1½ win for Norfolk.

## Junior/Ladies Greensomes

The County Junior/Ladies Greensomes was held at Girton Golf Club in very blustery conditions.

Despite the recent heavy rain the course was in good condition and provided a real challenge to the competitors. Natasha Bamford and Greta Barclay (Ely City) got off to a slow start but gradually found their form on the back nine, coming home with 22 points for a total score of 38 points to claim the Junior/Ladies Greensomes Trophy.

Second place went to Lucy Pepper (Gogs) and Sue Hill (Girton) with a solid score of 34 points. Teresa and Olivia Dyson (Barkway Park) won the prize for the best nine out with 16 points and Rachel Ashman and Eleanor Gamble (Ely City) took the prize for the best nine in with 20 points.



### Junior Golf Tour event at Kingsway Golf Centre

The Development Squad girls moved onto Kingsway Golf Centre for the next round of the County's Junior Golf Tour. Before going out onto the course PGA Teaching Professional Chris Hattersley set up several different challenges to test the girls putting skills.

After the coaching session the girls went out onto the course for a 9 hole medal round. All the girls played very well and their putting was much improved after the earlier putting session. The winner of Development Squad 1 was Lila-Bella Nacca (Meridian) with a score of 27 and the winner of Development Squad 2 was Kingsway's Poppy Sloan with a score of 29.



(Photo shows l-r Lila-Bella Nacca, Rosemary Hay (Dev Sq Organiser) and Poppy Sloan)

### Autumn Foursomes – Jacquie and Linda claim the title



March Golf Club played host to the Cambs and Hunts Autumn Foursomes competition. Play got under way in bright but very blustery conditions. Many of the players found the conditions difficult with only two pairs scoring in the 30's in the morning round.

However County President Jacquie Richardson and Linda Harness (Old Nene) posted a solid round of 28 points in the morning and as blustery rain storms passed through in the afternoon they added an excellent score of 32 points for a total score of 60 to claim the trophy. This was a step up from last year when they finished in second place in this competition.

Second place went to Hazel Suswain and Robin Singleton (Ramsey) with 59 points with Emma Norman and Sarah Oldham (March) taking third place with 58 points on countback from Diane Amps and Paula Offer (Bourn), who lead after the morning round with 35 points.

(Photo shows l-r County President Jacquie Richardson, March Lady Captain Fiona Wood and Linda Harness)

### Brampton Parks' Mo Poole uses local knowledge to clinch the title.

Brampton Park played host to the County Veteran's Championship and despite the recent heavy rain the course was in an excellent condition. Local players revelled in the conditions and took four of the eight prizes. In top place was Mo Poole (Brampton Park) who played some stunning golf to put together a round of gross 78 to win the Veterans Cup.

The President's Salver for the best nett score was won by Brenda Davey (Brampton Park) with an excellent score of nett 74.

The Senior Veterans Cup, for ladies above a certain age, was won once again by St Neot's Rosemary Farrow with a gross score of 87.

In the Silver Division Sue Hill (Girton) had a solid round of nett 75 to take first place with Ely City's Sharron Chatteris in second place with a nett 76.

Katie Dixon (Brampton Park) won Bronze A with a nett 78, with St Neots Margaret Gates in second place with a nett 81. Brampton Park's Liz Olding won Bronze B with a nett 80.



(Photo shows left to right Rosemary Farrow, Mo Poole and Brenda Davey)

### **Fantastic result as County Girls lift East Region Golf Trophy**

The Cambs and Hunts Junior team travelled to Newton Green Golf Club in Suffolk to take part in the East Region Trophy. The competition involved teams of six players from Suffolk, Norfolk, Essex, Hertfordshire and Cambs and Hunts playing in different handicap bands. With thick fog shrouding the course play was delayed for nearly an hour.

Cambs and Hunts were represented by Junior Captain Jade Guest (Gogs) (Handicap 0-9), Morgan Tritton and Lucy Pepper (Gogs) (Handicap 10-15), Natasha Bamford (Ely City) and Jessica Hollingsworth (Handicap 16-24) and Lila-Bella Nacca (Meridian) (Handicap 25-30).

Once play got under way Jade Guest led the team and put in a solid performance to record a score of 33 pts. This was followed by scores of 30 and 29 by Morgan Tritton and Lucy Pepper. Natasha Bamford had an amazing round coming home with a magnificent score of 45 pts. Jessica Hollingsworth played very well to record a score of 29 points and Lila-Bella Nacca, the youngest member of the team played really well to score 28 pts. With the four best scores counting the Cambs and Hunts team score was 137 giving them victory over host county Suffolk by two points. This was a great team effort and as the girls finished their matches they went out on to the course to support and encourage their team mates.

Natasha also picked up the prize for the best overall score in the 16-24 category.



(Photo shows l-r Lila-Bella Nacca, Morgan Tritton, Natasha Bamford, Jessica Hollingsworth and Junior Captain Jade Guest. Separate photo Lucy Pepper)

### **Ella's off to Sunny Spain**

Ella Mason (Ely City) travelled down to Clacton-on-Sea in July to take part in a Junior European Open event. As a result of winning this event she will now travel to Costa del Sol to play in the Champions Week from 26<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> November. This is a scratch event and after the first two days on two different courses a final cut is made and the top players play the final round on the Thursday. Good luck to Ella in this prestigious event.



### **Ping Plate Final – Congratulations to Karen and Jane**

In early September Karen Cook and Jane Monk (The Links) travelled up to the Gainsborough Golf Club to play in the Ping 4 BBB Plate final, having qualified for the event earlier in the year.

There were fifty pairs from across the country playing in the event, which was played in warm sunny conditions. Karen and Jane started off well with a solid 21 points on the front nine. They continued their good form scoring 22 points on the back nine which gave them a brilliant total score of 43 points. Unfortunately they were just edged out of top place with the winners scoring 45 points.

### **Tour Event – Lakeside Lodge**

The final tour event of the season was held at Lakeside Lodge. With some late withdrawals just seven girls competed for the prizes. The Manor Course at Lakeside Lodge provided a tough challenge for the youngsters but Lila-Bella Nacca (Meridian) continued her good form to finish in top spot with a nett 38. Olivia Wynn (Kingsway) was in second place with a nett 39 with Elizabeth Wynn (Kingsway) third with nett 40.



(Photo shows all the competitors with the three prize winners at the front)

## England Golf Funding

The County Association together with CAGU submitted applications to England Golf for funding in 2017/18 towards the coaching programme for Under 14 and 14+ players. This year's application was based on a similar programme to that run throughout 2016/17, which involved coaching on short game skills, a fitness programme and on course training.

England Golf were pleased with the progress being made within the County and were impressed by the hard work of the people involved in delivering the programme. Monitoring forms have been submitted to England Golf and notification has been received indicating that the final payment of 20% for 2016/17 and 80% of next year's allocation will be released shortly.

This programme could not be completed without the dedication and hard work of County Junior Organiser Maureen Mansfield, Development Squad Organiser Rosemary Hay and the Junior Committee of Rachel Ashman, Greta Barclay, Rosemary Farrow, Sue Hill, Mo Poole and Darren Tritton, together with our enthusiastic County Coach Alan Fletcher. Our thanks also go to the Clubs who allow us the use of their courses for the various junior events. Last but not least our thanks to all the parents and grandparents for their continued efforts to get the girls where they need to be at the right time and very often staying to help take the girls out on the courses.

Finally our thanks to the juniors themselves, well done, despite losing our top five players from last year, you have all made good progress this year, and through your efforts the County managed to win the East Region Trophy for the first time.

## Midland Veteran's County Team Championship

The Midland Veterans County Team Championship took place at Sheringham Golf Club on 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> October. Eighteen teams took part in this event and for the first time ever Cambs and Hunts entered a team and were represented by County Captain Marcella Tuttle, Sarah Greenall and Edie Douglas (all The Links) and Lesley Gilchrist (Gogs).

After the opening day's greensomes event, played in glorious sunshine and a light breeze, the main event got underway on the Tuesday with a very strong wind which made play difficult. Out of a field of 72 there was only one score in the 70s and the CSS went up three shots. The Cambs and Hunts team finished the day in joint fourth place.

On the Wednesday the players were battered by winds of 25 mph, a four club wind, with trolleys blowing over and gusting winds making putting difficult. However the team stuck to their task and retained their 4<sup>th</sup> position in the gross score. In addition they won a major prize for finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> nett with a score of 481, just behind winners Leicestershire who had a score of 477.

Staffordshire won the Championship with a gross 497 with Nottinghamshire second with a gross score of 510.

(Photo shows l-r Edie Douglas, Sarah Greenall, Lesley Gilchrist and Marcella Tuttle)

## Scratch League – Gogs reclaim title

For the first time in a number of years Gog Magog 'A' reclaimed the Scratch League title with a total of 17 points, with The Links Newmarket in second place.

In Division 2 one team dropped out before the start of the season, leaving just two teams. Ely City won their home match and the return at Saffron Walden was never played, leaving Ely City the winners of the division.

In Division 3 Royston and Ramsey finished level on 16 points with Royston taking top spot on holes won by 34 to 25.

Brampton Park romped to victory in Division 4 with a total of 17 points.





### **Adrienne Trophy – Success for Olivia**

The final junior competition of the year was held at Bourn Golf Club on the Par 3 course. Twelve girls competed for the Adrienne Trophy, a 9 hole competition for beginners and improvers.

After recent heavy rain there was little run on the ball and the rough was very punishing. However, the youngsters made light of the conditions and played some excellent golf. Last year's runner-up Olivia Wynne (Kingsway) clinched the trophy with a brilliant gross score of 34, nett 27 on a countback from Lila-Bella Nacca (Meridian).

In Development Squad 2 Girton's Robin Seacombe finished in top spot on countback from Isabel Couch (Bourn).

(Photo shows l-r Robin Seacombe, Olivia Wynne and Lila-Bella Nacca)



### **Wee Wonders – Grand Final at St Andrews**

Three of the County's juniors took the long trip up to St Andrews to take part in the Wee Wonders finals. The competition involved three rounds of 9 holes.

In the girls 9-10 age group Olivia Wynne (Kingsway) steadily improved each round with scores of 37 – 36 – 32 for a total score of 103. She finished in tenth place. The winning score was 29 – 29 – 33 for a total score of 89.

In the girls 5-8 age group two Cambs and Hunts juniors took part. Lila-Bella Nacca (Meridian) played exceptional well to finish in second place with scores of 37 – 34 – 40 for a total score of 111. Elizabeth Wynne (Kingsway) had three solid rounds of 41 – 43 – 44 for a total score of 128 to finish in tenth place. The winning score was 37 – 35 – 32 for a total score of 105.

### **Alison Cunningham and Mansfield Trophies**

With just four players contesting these competitions the opportunity was taken to try out the 6 hole challenge. Each of the players played 6 holes matchplay against the other three players. As a result Lila-Bella Nacca (Meridian) will play Jessica Hollingsworth (Girton) for the Alison Cunningham Salver and Olivia Dyson (Barkway Park) will play Natasha Bamford (Ely City) for the Mansfield Trophy at Brampton GC on 21<sup>st</sup> December.



### **East Region Under 16 Training Squad**

Once again Ella Mason (Ely City) has been selected for training with the East Region Training Squad. Selection requires Ella to commit to the Under 16 Programme on weekends and school holidays in 2017/18. This includes a number of coaching and match days and further mandatory day sessions targeted at physical development. Ella's hard work throughout this season has seen her reduce her handicap to 3.9.

### **Brenda King Foursomes – Harrogate**

This two day England Golf foursomes competition was played on a very wet Harrogate course. Liz Smith and Greta Barclay (Ely City) started their competition badly with a very poor first day score. However they redeemed themselves with a nett 79, a fourteen shot improvement from the first day. To their surprise this was sufficient to give them the prize for the best nett score on the second day.

**I hope you have enjoyed  
County News 2017.  
Happy winter golfing, see  
you all again in 2018**

**County Competitions 2018**  
**The list of County Competitions for  
2018 has been posted on the  
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