



RBC Golfing Society plays THE RAWES TROPHY at Estoril Golf Club

We had another full house on Wednesday 9th June, when RBCGS played The Rawes Trophy. Our very grateful thanks go to our sponsors, James Rawes Travel, for their extremely generous sponsorship. Unfortunately, they were unable to be with us on the day, due to other important commitments. The always delightful company of Joana and Katie Rawes was very much missed by us all.

On the day, 39 golfers set out, in ever stronger gusty winds, in the hope of bringing home a win. Happily, the wind dropped a little on the back nine, though it certainly brought some challenges; the least of which was the Captain's hole selection for the Ladies Nearest the Pin. A challenge too far! Was it the wind, or the wrong club selection. My own failed attempt was simply an errant shot. The Captain takes note not to select the 13th hole unless there is a following wind! The men, with the easier hole on the day, had better luck.

In addition to some excellent scores, one of our members was particularly chuffed with his play on the 11th hole, and so he should be. Bruce Dawson birdied the hole – a feat rarely achieved by anyone. After a perfect drive, and an excellent 2nd strike, landing 50 metres from the green, he promptly chipped it into the hole! Congratulations Bruce. He told me he's getting in training for an up-coming team event. It sounds like he's well on track.

The results of the competition were:

Nearest the Pin for Men – Phil Docherty

Nearest the Pin for Ladies - No-one!

Cowbell – António Vieira

The Newstead Cup was won by Richard Macey with 33 points.

6th Place - Bruce Dawson – 34 points

5th Place - Keith Potter – 35 points

4th Place - Hans Ludolphi – 36 points

3rd Place – Derek McIvor - with 37 points (losing out on a countback 19/18)

2nd Place – Eddie Leitão - also with 37 points (16/21)

And the **winner was, once again, Ian Yarwood with 38 points**. Ian's been practising hard recently and that, coupled with his desire to improve his golf, is certainly bringing winning results. Many congratulations to Ian! Can he win another this year? He has a further chance in just two weeks' time.



(Picture: L to R - Sally Buxton (Capt), Ian Yarwood (Winner), Eddie Leitão (2nd), and Derek McIvor (3rd))



Newstead Cup Winner – Richard Macey

The competition was followed with the customary prize giving lunch, on the upstairs terrace at Estoril Golf Club; our first for almost 18 months - in keeping, of course, with the strict regulations on numbers and seating arrangements. **Our next event will be the Blevins Franks Trophy on Wednesday 23rd June 2021.**