

Over 70's Competition - Held at Christchurch GC 7th June 2018

Thank you for coming to Playgolf Bournemouth, the home of Christchurch Ladies. What a wonderful welcome we have had today. Your ladies, and men, couldn't have been more friendly. Again, this was a very well-subscribed competition, with 40 players participating this year. Considering the wonderful sunshine we have had it has made a change to have some rain.

I hope none of you are offended that we decided to hold the Over 70s competition at the course with the dinosaurs outside! I can assure you that it was booked before the dinosaurs appeared.

I have to begin with some thanks. I am told that your Lady Captain Trish Presley is unable to be here due to ill health. I know that all of the ladies here miss her and we at the County would like to wish her well.

I'd particularly like to thank Peter Messore for opening up the restaurant early so we could have our morning coffee.

I haven't been here for a while and I think that the course is looking fantastic, though I must say that I didn't envy those of you who found your balls in that long rough – or should I say 'didn't find your balls!'. Thanks you to Kevin Cales and the green keeping staff who have done a wonderful job.

Thanks to all of the ladies who were ball spotters Jenny Paine The Lady President, Anthea Bailey our County Delegate, Ian Ebson, Keith Rosen, Adrian Wheeler, Jan Spilsted, Anne Lennihan, Yola Smolarek. I think Christchurch has done a wonderful job in putting out so many spotters on the course.

I'd also like to say thanks to Danny Carey behind the desk who has been very helpful. If it weren't for him, we wouldn't have had our buggy.

I can't end without thanking Liz, Kate and Grace from the Executive for all of their hard work during this day and/or beforehand. This event could not take place without the tremendous amount of time put in by all of the team in organising and running these competitions.

We have had some really good scores in today, especially considering the weather. Gill Freakes from Ferndown was our runner up with 17 Stableford points. Congratulations to our overall winner Jan Carter, from Moors Valley with a score of 19 stableford points. She will take home the Over 70's Salver.

So all I have left to say is thank you very much for entering and I hope to see you all next year.

Tracy Bryant

County Captain