



JUNIOR NEWSLETTER

October 2017

Well another golfing season has come to an end.

What a summer season it's been too!

All our trophy competitions were once again well attended and I am delighted with how the junior section is progressing. At the beginning of the year I formed a North Cliff "What's App" group so they can talk to each other as a group and arrange tee times without having to phone each other up, this has been a tremendous success!

The main trophy competitions were won by many different juniors; no one dominated them this year. Once again I operated the differing tees depending on ability, but only for the junior medals, the main competitions are still played off white.

We now have 3 tees in use; they are white tees for handicap players 0-28, yellow tees for 29-36 and finally red tees for those without handicaps. This system has proved a huge success with the juniors, but I must say that the majority are now playing off the white tees as their handicaps are coming down swiftly.

Once, again the East Riding Union of Golf Clubs operated the Junior League competition covering the whole of the East Riding of Yorkshire, this year totalling 10 clubs, an increase of three! Our junior team were successful in coming first, only by winning more matches than Hornsea who were tied on the same number of points.

This year's league was keenly fought and I must say a tremendous success with boys and girls making new friends and having the opportunity to play differing courses giving them plenty of experience.

North Cliff went to the final for the Rob McLeish Trophy at Ganton Golf club in August with our team consisted of Matty Walker (Captain), Tom Duck and George Davies.

The full report for this event is under the Junior League Final.



Matty Walker (Left)



Tom Duck (Centre) George Davies (Centre)

The 36 Hole Championship was extremely interesting this year with Tom Duck missing due to him playing for Yorkshire U16 boys at Royal Liverpool against Cheshire U16 Boys. This left the competition wide open, with Marco Masucci taking the gross with scores of $82 + 78 = 160$ and the net going to Marcus Moore with $62 + 65 = 127$.

Ayane Butterworth continues with Yorkshire girls coaching and this year played for the girl's team which is a fabulous achievement, well done to Ayane!

Tom Duck continues to improve on his game and with coaching in the A Squad of the Yorkshire Boys and additional coaching through the East Riding Union, Tom must be looking forward to a good year in 2018. His handicap remains at 2. He has played for the East Riding Union Boys team, also for the Yorkshire Union Boys Team & the Under 16 Squad against Lancashire and Cheshire, two very competitive counties.

Tom also came second in the East Riding Union Boys Championship at Hainsworth GC after a play-off with his East Riding team mate, Jack Maxey of Burstwick GC. He however was part of the winning East Riding Boys 6 Man Team who competed in the Yorkshire Inter District Union Final at Sitwell Park GC. A major event, the last time the boys won this event was 23 years ago when Fraser Kelley was part of that team.



The East Riding Team, winners of the Yorkshire Inter District 6 Man Team Championship

Matty Walker held his Junior Captain's Day in September, thus concluding his year as Captain. He enjoyed his year with a match against the Rabbits section, also leading the team to the East Riding Junior League win followed by competing in the final at Ganton GC.

It is with pleasure I announce the Junior Captain for 2018 is George Davies, a relatively new member, but playing a tremendous part within the junior section. He currently plays off a handicap of 9 and I wish him a very successful year.



George Davies

Coaching has continued for those new to the game through our North Cliff Academy on a Saturday morning, coached by our professional Fraser Kelley. These lessons are invaluable to those attending getting them started in the game allowing them to progress onto the course within the year.

Thanks Philip

Junior Organiser