

Season's Greetings



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FROM THE CAPTAIN

Well at long last after 43 years as a member I've finally fulfilled a long cherished ambition – my own parking space!

Driving into the Captain's spot was a fantastic feeling and a reminder of what an honour it is to become Captain of Pyecombe Golf Club. I've been here a while now and it's never occurred to me once to consider playing elsewhere. A combination of a naturally beautiful course, steadily improved over the years, and a marvellously diverse range of friendly members gives Pyecombe GC a unique and special appeal. For me every time I pull into the car park it's a joy.

David Schwartz wrote in his first column last year how he was going to have a difficult job following Peter Gavin. I think we'd all agree David has been a fantastic Captain. No one has worked harder or enjoyed it so much. So well done David on an outstanding year and thanks a bunch for raising the bar even higher!

Thanks must also go to outgoing Lady Captain, Jan Hawes and Vets Captain, Martin Sutcliffe who both enjoyed wonderfully successful years

with their respective sections and contributed greatly to the Club as a whole.

So the 'old draughts' have blown out and now the new ones blow in. Welcome to our new Lady Captain Irene Silander. We had great fun together as 'vices' and she now knows that my reputation for 'colourful' language is totally unfounded – well almost! Welcome also to new Vets Captain Lionel Foot who I've known for many years. Lionel joined I believe in 1974 so in my book he's quite a new member. A warm welcome also to new junior Captain Harry Klus. I hadn't met Harry before drive in day but I did go to school with his Dad's brother, Stefan.

Welcome and good luck as well to the new vices - Colin Kemp, Sandra Staynes and Brian Langley.

The Management committee-wise, has also had a few changes of personnel. Departing are Head of House, Chris Openshaw and Head of Green, Gary Hann. Thanks to them both for all the time and effort they have given to the Club. New Heads of Green and House are

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FROM THE CAPTAIN (Continuation)

..... Andy 'Cracker' Selsby and Trevor Greenfield respectively. Neither needs any introduction and I know they will contribute greatly to the club as they have already done for many years.

Drive in day was certainly a day I will remember for a long time. Having asked for players to turn out in pink the result was quite shocking (pun intended!). Thank you all for making such a great effort. As I tried to explain at the drive in presentation (before bursting into tears for the second time in two days!) it was a personal tribute to a long standing member and close friend, Peter Coburn who died two years ago. Peter had a perchance for pink clothing. He also had a wonderful sense of humour & is probably laughing his head off not only that I'm Captain but at my miscued drive.

Driving around the course with Irene, dispensing food, drink and good cheer was great fun. I met a few people I didn't know and quite a few I hadn't seen for a while. Having 4 generations of my family present was also very special. At least my mother can't tell me to comb my hair before I go out now!

Now to the drive in: Junior Captain, Harry smashed it up the middle followed by Vets Captain Lionel with a true, straight blow which split the fairway. Irene then followed with another one straight up the middle. (See drive-in photographs on page 6)

I am of course going to claim the elements were against me when I teed off. A sudden squall and torrential rain meant my usual smooth, graceful swing (see it on the website) turned into a one legged lurch which dispatched the ball off the toe (you can't shank a driver Reg! See below) at a 45 degree angle, much to the amusement of all spectators.

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Helen Woodcock-Downy won the prize for the peg closest to my ball. It was 55yds away and took 15mins to find which I believe is a new club record! I have played with Helen in a couple of mixed events this year so clearly she has a pretty good idea of my capabilities.

Since then my year has started apace. The Christmas party was enjoyed by those who attended. If the music wasn't quite to your taste then make sure you don't miss the New Year's Eve party with a disco which will play all your favourites on request. The Christmas scramble was as usual great fun. Some excellent festive costumes and even one or two original team names for a change! Well done to the Little & Large Xmas special!

Well that's it from me. To finish I'd like to extend my very best wishes to all Club Members and Staff for a Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

I'm off for a lesson now to work on my driving. 'Jason...Jason...Where the !!!! are you'...?

NB. An appropriate donation has been made to the swear box.

Nick Lee



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LADIES SECTION

Another AGM, another lady Captain and another new committee. I am very pleased to have the privilege of being Lady Captain of Pyecombe Golf Club and to have such a great group of people to keep me on track over the coming year. They are Sandra Staynes, my Vice Captain, Alison White as Secretary, Doreen Shafer as Treasurer, Pat Webb as Competition Secretary, Mary Briant and Christine Gunn as committee members.

The two things I was not looking forward to were having my photo taken for rogues gallery above the fireplace and making a speech at the Ladies AGM. Both of these are now done without too much trauma. So now let the fun begin, which it already has. Nick Lee and I had a great year together last year as Vice Captains and I am sure this next year is going to be even more fun. We started off with The Captain's Drive In, Whizzing about on the Gator giving out the drinks and food. Thanks to Nigel's help the sausages were even hot. I think our goodies hit the spot with some strange people we met on the course who all seemed to be "dressed in pink"! The Pink was in memory of a friend of Nick's and we were delighted to see so many join in. Considering the weather during the previous week and later in the day we were extremely lucky with the weather all but for 10minutes. That was all we would have needed to prevent everyone getting soaked through as they were walking in after the Texas Scramble.

The following Sunday I had a very enjoyable morning with the Ladies when I joined them for coffee and then played golf on a beautiful sunny morning. Thank you ladies for making me so welcome. I look forward to joining you for golf and Christmas Lunch on the 15th December.

The Tuesday Ladies set out for their Christmas Foursomes on the most beautiful sunny frosty but freezing cold morning. The course just looked stunning! This was followed by an excellent lunch prior to a visit from Saint Nicholas (Lee) who distributed Christmas presents to a very noisy group of ladies. Perhaps a little wine had been consumed with lunch? Thank you, to all those who contributed to the Christmas card tree, giving a donation to the Captain's Charity.

The weather so far has taken a turn for the better and been kind to us on Tuesdays since the start of "My Year". Could this possibly be a good omen for 2013? I do hope so!

On behalf of the Ladies Section I wish everybody A Happy, Healthy and Dry golfing year in 2013.

Irene Silander
Lady Captain



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The President reflects

The AGM heralded the new appointments for the next golfing year and congratulations go to Nick Lee our new Club Captain, Irene Silander the Ladies Captain, Lionel Foot the Vets Captain and Charley Klus the Juniors Captain. I am sure that all members wish them well in their year of office and that they all have an enjoyable time.

The traditional 'Drive In' was preceded by the usual Shotgun Scramble competition and the weather was very friendly for a change! The Club and Ladies Captain were kept busy going around the Course providing the 'field' with most welcome victuals and beverages. Back in the Clubhouse everyone enjoyed a welcome choice of hot savoury dishes produced by Nigel and his team. And so to the 'Drive In'. If my memory serves me right all the drives went well except for that of the poor old Club Captain.....either Jason our Pro needs to put new spikes in Nick's shoes or there was some outside influence at work!.....suffice to say Nick had a virtual mishit power shank which was hugely appreciated by the admiring spectators!

By the way, rumour has it that Nick is definitely going to have a New Year's Resolution.....he really has had enough of the 'F' wordand thus you are unlikely to hear him utter anything like **F**estive, **F**aith, **F**east, **F**rolic, **F**un, **F**raternising, **F**antastic, **F**abulous, **F**riendship, **F**aux pas, **F**iddle diddle.....enough of this!.....instead Nick will plough his own **F**urrow!?

Happy Christmas everyone and all the best for 2013.

Reg Auchterlonie



FROM THE CHAIRMAN

As this is the season of good cheer, let us enjoy the merriment of Christmas and look forward to a good new year.

Our Club has an excellent course and good support from our staff so we can look forward and be optimistic of a sunny summer.

May I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Best Wishes

Len North



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Press Report – Captains Change Weekend

This is the time of year when the captains change over at Pyecombe Golf Club.

Outgoing club captain Dave Schwartz admitted he'd had "the time of my life" and played 210 rounds of golf during his year. He handed over almost wistfully at the AGM to Nick Lee, 57, who has been a member at Pyecombe since 1969 (when the junior sub was a guinea a year). Nick presented Dave Schwartz with a tankard to keep as a souvenir of his captains' year.



Dave Schwartz receiving his tankard

Credited with a tendency for colourful language on the course, Nick produced a large charity box to be placed on the bar, labelled 'Captain's Swear Box'. He then produced a much smaller box, labelled 'Members' Swear Box' to go alongside it.

Nick and incoming ladies' captain, Irene Silander, have chosen Kidney Research as their charity. A friend of Nick's lost his life to kidney malfunction recently, and in memory of his friend, who always wore something pink, Nick asked all the players at Sunday's texas scramble event to wear something pink. The outfits went from the sublime to the ridiculous, with the latter definitely predominating (see a selection of photos).

The texas scramble shotgun event was won by Pat Coleman, Celia Schultz, Roy Lawson, Jan Brittin, Angie Bainbridge & Tim Gleave, who also won the prize for the pinkest team.



Angie Bainbridge, Tim Gleave, Jan Brittin, half of the winning team



Irene Silander, Frank Dennis, Andy Barnes, George Eves, Matt Harper, with Nick Lee serving refreshments on the course.



Irene Silander & Nick Lee travelled the course distributing hot toddie during the texas scramble



Pat Coleman and Celia Shultz



Mike, Cahil Logan & Garry Han



Helen & Viv Woodcock -Downey

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CAPTAINS' DRIVE-IN PHOTOGRAPHS



Junior Captain Harry Klus



Vets Captain Lionel Foot



Lady Captain Irene Silander



Club Captain Nick Lee



Spectators and Captains heading for their Drive - In

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PYECOMBE GC 2012 TROPHY WINNERS

| | | |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| JUNIORS | Autumn Cup | Not Played |
| | Middlewick Cup | Charlie Klus |
| | Junior Handicap | Matt Greenfield |
| | Scratch Cup | Matt Greenfield |
| | Scratch Matchplay | Not Played |
| | Competition Winners | ** |
| | Junior of the Year | ** |
| | Wilf Lynn Trophy | ** |
| | Tyler Cup | ** |
| | MIXED PAIRS/ TEAMS | Molly Keet Trophy |
| Bader Cup | | Not played |
| Wheelwright Trophies | | Not played – bad weather |
| Williams-Bulkeley | | L Isaacs & Sandy Selsby |
| Sergeants Challenge | | Ken & Mary Barnard |
| Lynn Goblets | | Jim & Pat Dossetter |
| Queen Elizabeth Trophy | | Andy Selsby, Duncan Scott & Sandy Selsby |
| Longhurst Putter | | Trevor Greenfield, Sarah Godfrey & Sandy Selsby |
| Club Salvors | | Jim & Pat Dossetter |
| Good Relations | | Not Played |
| MEN'S PAIRS | Family Foursomes | Aileen Greenfield & Matt Greenfield |
| | Artisans Cups | Duncan Scott & Andy Selsby |
| | Capt/Pro Challenge | Bob Foster & George Eves |
| | Vice Capt & Assist Pro Challenge | Bob Foster & George Eves |
| | Combination Cups | Paul Corney & Barry Wood |
| | Bill Haw Foursomes | Kevin Cox Phil Hubble |
| | Peak Trophy | Duncan Scott & Nick Wardell |
| | The Bill Wise Trophy | Not played |
| | The Norman Plummer Shield | Steve Blake & Nick Sorenson |
| | The Friends of Pyecombe Cup | Aileen Greenfield & Matt Greenfield |

INDIVIDUAL CHARITIES

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|-------------------|------------------|
| Battle of Britain | David Hewison |
| Guide Dogs | Marco Maccario |
| QM Marie Curie | Kevin Weston |
| RNLI | Michael Richards |

MONTHLY MEDAL / STABLEFORD WINNERS

| | MEDAL | STABLEFORD |
|---------|----------------|-------------------|
| April | Matt Little | Peter Charman |
| May | Keith Gorringe | Duncan Campbell |
| June | Dave Hackett | Dave Champion |
| July | Matt Little | Not Played |
| August | Graham Farmer | Ross Twine |
| Sept | Paul Corney | Austin Smith |
| October | Mark Jacobs | Not Played |

CLUB TROPHIES

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| Anderson Eclectic | I Poole |
| Chandler Cup | Martin Little |
| Dinner Plate (Men) | Trevor Greenfield |
| Dinner Plate (Ladies) | Aileen Greenfield |
| Mills Cup | |

CLUB TROPHIES (Continued)

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|------------------------|-----------------|
| Jim Appleby | Matt Little |
| Lydia Selsby Bowl | Simon Edwards |
| Lynn Flask | Not played |
| Holland Trophy | |
| Heath Salver | Andy Barnes |
| Broken Spur | Mike F Price |
| Mistlin Cup (Scratch) | Neil Janes |
| Chapman Cup (Net) | Dave Champion |
| SCGU Centenary | Bob Foster |
| Competition Winner | Nick Wardell |
| The Barry Tingle Award | Phil Tidbury |
| Raison Cup | Patrick Coleman |
| Slater Quaiche | Keith Gorringe |
| Bridge Cup | Mike Holland |
| Woollan Cup | Julian Deans |
| Julius Kelly | Richard Davey |
| Barnard Barrell | Duncan Scott |
| Wooller Driver | Daniel Lawrence |
| Warren Cup (Net) | Steve Bunt |
| Campion Cup (Scratch) | Phil Hubble |

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Some Club Presentation Photographs



Queen Elizabeth Trophy



Family Foursomes



Artisans Cups



Bill Haw Foursomes



Norman Plummer Shield



Lydia Selsby Bowl



Barnard Barrel



Warren Cup

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An Historical Item

Alf, may I suggest a filler article for Ups & Downs with the following authentic historical golf note. I forwarded an extended article of this with supporting literature to the two golf clubs I was a member of while living in the USA and they replied with thanks, stating there was much interest generated from many of their members. As you well know, Americans love old country history as have little of their own. However, I believe some of our members might find it quite interesting.

Ian McNeill

Musselburgh Scotland – The world's cradle of golf

Just 6 miles from Edinburgh lies the small town of Musselburgh, the true home of golf. The nine hole links course there was founded in 1672, whereas St. Andrews came on the scene much later. Musselburgh also has other historical first round golf records. The first British Open Tournament was played at Prestwick in 1890 and won by Willie Park of Musselburgh. He went on to win three more, then his son won two.

The first world ladies golf tournament was held at the old Musselburgh course in 1811 between the local fishwives and the winner received a fishing creel (a fish net for carrying on one's back). Also, in a relatively recent sale by Christies of London, a feather filled golf ball made by John Gourley of Musselburgh prior to 1850 sold for £5,000. The ball was believed to have been used by the future King Edward VII, then the Prince of Wales, in his first game of golf at the old course in 1859. He was 18 at the time.

In 1672, it was only a 6 hole course, then increased to 8 in 1832 and then to 9 in 1870.

This little 9 hole course is still being played, but unfortunately not in prime condition, but worth a visit if in the area. However, just down the road from it is the Royal Musselburgh golf course, a recent historical upstart club founded much later in 1774. This is a very interesting and challenging course (6254 yards, par 70), in prime condition, has a large castle-like clubhouse and two years ago the green fee was £30.

Ian

VETS SECTION

Another year is almost over and I am looking forward to my role as Captain of the Pyecombe Vets section for 2013. We have had a number of lower handicap players joining us this year and although our away matches have not been too successful we are holding up well at home.

Ted Chapman continues to do sterling work in arranging our vets matches (34 in all) and Aubrey Watson our internal competitions.

I would like to congratulate Martin Sutcliffe this year's Captain, for the hard work he has put in, making his year an excellent one.

Best wishes to you all for Christmas and New Year.

Lionel Foot



Lionel Foot Vets Captain 2013 (right)
Brian Langley Vets Vice Capt. (left)

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Vet's Prize Giving – Presentation Photographs



Martin Sutcliffe (Winner of Harvey Frarey Knockout Trophy presented by Club Capt David Schwartz (right),



Ray Abraham (left) receives the Milne Salver From Club Captain David Schwartz (centre)



Club Capt David Schwartz (centre) presenting the Negus Trophy to Ted Whitbourn (left)



Maurice Woolgar (left) receiving the Dancy Trophy from David Schwartz Club Captain



David Leach (left) receiving the Chevalier Spoon from David Schwartz Club Captain



Drake Pairs winners Cris Muschamp (left) & Alan Dunstan (2nd left) with Club & Vets Captains



Alan Dunstan (left) & Martin Sutcliffe (right) receive Ron Clark Funday Trophies from Capt. Pyenews2012 - November-December



Martin Sutcliffe (right) presents the Tam O' Shanter (2 clubs & putter comp trophy) to Capt David Schwartz

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Members' Saturday Roll Up (MSRU)

Another good year for the MSRU. Despite our memories of a very wet year we only had 3 Saturdays when weather stopped people playing! So clearly there is a core of hardy and desperate golfers who want to play on Saturdays, but of course for many of them this is their only game of the week. We have had 60 individual club members playing with us during 2012 and 23 of these played more than 15 times with an average of 18 people playing each Saturday. The group was a little larger last year and some days we had more than 30 people go out. Fortunately, the numbers tend to be self regulating as for some such a large group means they may not tee off until quite late. We had our annual dinner and prize giving slightly earlier this year on 2 Nov. This was changed for a number of reasons that included moving it away from the busy period around Christmas and the risk of snow! We also wanted to bring the MSRU competition year in line with the club membership year so now it runs concurrently and the dinner next year should be near the beginning of Oct. We had 22 people at the club for the dinner and prize giving and it was an excellent evening that was served extremely well by Nigel and his team. The prize winners were:

Gerry Allen Memorial Trophy (Average of best 15 Stableford scores)

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| 1st Phil Woolven | 36.6 |
| 2nd Steve Brown | 36.3 |

John Richardson Trophy (Best Season Avg Stableford (min of 20 games to count))

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| 1st Stuart Cohen | 34.5 |
| 2nd Phil Woolven | 33.3 |

Bryan Tidbury Trophy (Most Birdies)

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|------------------|----|
| 1st Phil Woolven | 23 |
| 2nd Steve Brown | 21 |

Roy Jarvis Award (Average Stableford score closest to the overall average!)

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|--------------|------|
| Derek Bament | 31.3 |
|--------------|------|

Bloody Bitch (Lowest Stableford Score in the year)

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| Derek Smith | 10 |
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Bandit Award (Highest Stableford Score)

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| Mark Jacobs | 44 |
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Most Games Played

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|---------------|----|
| Stewart Dench | 30 |
|---------------|----|

I think it is of note that the course played harder during 2012. All of the scores were lower than previous years and that included the overall average score and the average of the best 15 scores which was 38.07 last year and 36.6 this year.



Phil Woolven collects one of his 3 prizes!



and Steve Brown collects one of his two!



Derek Bament gets the prize for being the average golfer

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The MSRU meets each Saturday for social and competitive golf – times are shown on the club's diary. We have players of all abilities with handicaps that range from 5 to 27. We gather from around 0745 and members who want to play in the roll up must be in the clubhouse by 0815 when names are drawn for the playing order. We play a Stableford Competition, with a normal prize of £15 for the winner and also play in any club competitions that are also running concurrently. The weekly scores also count towards the various trophies and prizes that are awarded at the end of the year. Any Pyecombe Member, regardless of ability or gender, is welcome to join the Group on any Saturday and you are not committed to play every week just join in when you want. It also provides an ideal way for new members to play into the club and meet current members – many comment that the rollup was the key thing that attracted them to the club in the first instance. The MSRU prize year runs from 1 Oct to 31 Sept with the dinner in mid Oct.



**Stewart Dench gets his prize
For playing the most! I think
he lives further away than
any other MSRU players.**

The Saturday Roll Up is organized by Mike Sexton ably supported by Phil Woolven, Richard Silander and Stewart Dench. Please contact us by email at pyecombemsru@gmail.com if you want any more information.



Your Pro Shop in 2013

We have got some exciting plans for 2013, none more so than a visit by legendary Tour Professional Neil Coles. Neil won 42 tour events throughout his playing career, played in 8 Ryder Cups and to cap his career off, will be coming to Pyecombe Golf Club next year to hit a few shots and help promote Benross Golf Clubs during a demonstration day in March. For those of you that have not heard of Benross before, Benross is a company which after some careful research and sourcing decided it was possible to bring a high spec, technologically advanced end product to market for considerably less than many of the major global golf companies. To this day the company's philosophy has not changed; their ultimate goal is still to deliver outstanding quality products, using the best components available, at an affordable price to all, thus enabling golfers to maximise performance without funding Tour Player sponsorship fees. We currently have the latest irons, hybrids and woods for both seniors (as used by Neil Coles) and ladies with trial clubs available to take out onto the course. The new range for the younger men will be available in the spring next year.

We are also going to be holding a demonstration day for Bridgestone balls. Choosing the right ball for your game can make a dramatic difference in your performance on the golf course. As with club fitting, ball fitting can guide you to a golf ball that maximizes your performance from tee to green through optimizing your ball speed, launch angle and spin rates. On the day, you will get the chance to use the same technology that is used with tour professionals and make an educated.....

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Your Pro Shop in 2013 (Continued)

.....decision on which ball gives you the best overall performance. They will have all the major brands of golf balls to try and you can see for yourselves how the Bridgestone ball matches up to your current ball.

Dates of demonstration days will be advertised early next year.

And finally something a little different!!

Those of you who have been playing golf long enough will no doubt remember Freddy Couples winning the 1992 Masters Championship and may recall the famous Lynx 'Boom Boom' driver he was using at the time.

Freddy was renowned as one of the best drivers of the ball in the nineties and as Lynx was the first company to produce metal woods in this era, together they regularly made headlines. Thirty years on the Lynx Boom Boom has been reborn and the company is back in the business of making technologically advanced golf clubs with the hottest new club in golf (literally!)



The Boom Boom 2 is the result of years of research and development and testing. It's one of the most technologically-advanced drivers that has ever been developed, engineered in a radically different way to achieve unprecedented distance and performance.

The secret to the new Boom Boom 2 driver is hidden inside the head... Lynx has harnessed a radical mix of top-secret materials into the Bi-Titanium head construction, which they are calling "Hot 1 Technology."

The 'mystery elements' inside the head help produce improved distance and playability but when heated up they add unprecedented power to your drives!

That's right this is the world's first heated driver! The Boom Boom 2 has a bespoke battery-operated headcover that heats the club head to an optimal temperature that has been proven to enhance the performance from the materials inside it, so that the ball travels with maximum distance and consistency.

Does it really work I hear you asking? Well there are some impressive test results that prove it does. The Boom Boom 2 has undergone rigorous testing at an independent RoboGolf facility in Germany. The results showed that it is officially the longest driver on the market, beating every club by every manufacturer listed on their comprehensive testing results site www.robogolf.com.

INFO:

Lynx Boom Boom 2 Price: £320 Options: 9, 10.5, 12.5 degrees available in Regular, Stiff and Extra Stiff Aldila RIP'dNV shafts.

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Your Pro Shop in 2013 (Continued)

PROOF THAT THE LYNX BOOM BOOM 2 IS THE LONGEST DRIVER IN THE WORLD!

RoboGolf Test Results:

TEST 1: 10.5° Regular flex shaft

| Rank | Model | Year | Swing Speed mph | Total Distance (Average) Metres |
|------|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. | Lynx Boom Boom 2 | 2012 | 90mph | 224.5 |
| 2. | Mizuno MX-700 | 2009 | 90mph | 220.6 |
| 3. | Adams Speedline F11 | 2011 | 90mph | 219.7 |
| 4. | MacGregor Tourney M85T | 2011 | 90mph | 219.4 |
| 5. | Callaway FT-iz | 2010 | 90mph | 218.9 |
| 6. | Wilson Staff DXi | 2011 | 90mph | 218.9 |
| 7. | Ping K15 | 2012 | 90mph | 218.8 |
| 8. | TaylorMade Burner Superfast 2.0 | 2011 | 90mph | 218.6 |
| 9. | Nike VR Pro | 2011 | 90mph | 218.6 |
| 10. | Lynx Parallax Black | 2012 | 90mph | 218.1 |
| 21 | Callaway Razr Fit | 2012 | 90mph | 215.9 |
| 52 | TaylorMade RBZ | 2012 | 90mph | 210.6 |

TEST 2: 9.0° Stiff flex shaft

| Rank | Model | Year | Swing Speed mph | Total Distance (Average) metres | Dispersion metres |
|------|---------------------------|------|--------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. | Lynx Boom Boom 2 | 2012 | 110 | 288.6 | 3.3 |
| 2. | Callaway Diablo Edge Tour | 2010 | 110 | 282.0 | 3.3 |
| 3. | Nike VR | 2010 | 110 | 279.4 | 5.9 |
| 4. | Callaway FT iz | 2010 | 110 | 275.1 | 14.6 |
| 5. | Ping I15 | 2010 | 110 | 273.3 | 9.6 |
| 6. | Callaway Diablo Edge | 2010 | 110 | 272.8 | 4.4 |
| 7. | TaylorMade Super Deep | 2010 | 110 | 271.0 | 4.0 |
| 8. | Ping G15 | 2010 | 110 | 270.5 | 5.6 |
| 9. | Cobra ZL | 2010 | 110 | 267.6 | 7.8 |
| 10. | Callaway FT Tour | 2010 | 110 | 265.7 | 10.9 |

Data Source: www.robogolf.com

Demonstration models available in the New year

Happy Christmas everyone!!

Jason

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XMAS SCRAMBLE RESULTS

The Christmas Texas Scramble was held at Pyecombe on Sunday 16th December in surprisingly benign weather. There were six players in each team and it was a shotgun start.

Best team name went to 'The Little and Large Christmas Special', which included two people with the surname Little, and sundry not-so-little people.

Second prize in the team costumes went to the 'Elf'n'Safety' team, decked out in tinsel and hi-viz jackets and with a splendid fairy (female) as their centrepiece. First costume prize went to the 'Jingle Belles and Boys'; one of whose ladies sported a red velvet backless 'Mother Christmas' dress.

Winners of the golf were Vince Elvick, Mick Green, Neil & Bea Janes, Matt & Kirsten Redmore, with a superb score of 47.2.



Golf Winners: Vince Elvick, Mick Green, Bea Janes, Kirsten Redmore, Neil Janes & Matt Redmore.



Angie Bainbridge as Mother Christmas with the Elf'n'Safety team



Jamie Blades, fairy, with elves
