

LONDON STATIONERS GOLFING SOCIETY

Report 1992

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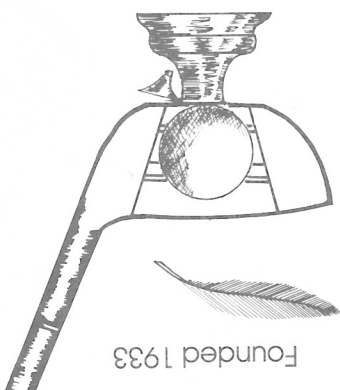
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For most of us there wasn't much good to remember in 1992 but the Society ploughed on as usual and we did enjoy four good meetings. True, attendances were down on the previous year but this reflected fewer guests being invited (understandable in the current dire economic situation), the level of support from the members virtually undiminished.

Our Spring Meeting had to be re-arranged at short notice but fate decreed that we found an excellent venue, Hadley Wood, and also what turned out to be the best golfing day of the year. Despite the early April start we were all basking in unbroken, warm sunshine - weather that unfortunately was not to be repeated at any of the other meetings. No matter, although we had a bit of rain and no sun thereafter all were successful. We take for granted the delights of Gerrards Cross and Camberley Heath and, again, we were not disappointed but it was to Captain's Day we all looked forward and the windy conditions added some spice to the normal difficulties of the Belfry. As we all discovered, the ONLY way to achieve a moderately respectable score was, at all costs, to keep out of the water! I am sure more balls were lost at this meeting than at the previous three. Tony Phillips had done his homework well and all the arrangements seemed to go without any hitches. Every year each Captain has nightmares that something (usually the weather) will happen to undo all the preparation but it all panned out well. One silver lining has emerged from the recession. At last the golf clubs are realising that golf societies have been a major source of income and that supply is declining, and fast. This year the inexorable rise in charges has been arrested with Hadley Wood unchanged, Gerrards Cross up a modest amount, and a reduction negotiated at Camberley Heath. You can be sure, of course, that whatever the final cost for the Captain's Days comes to, it will be excellent value for money. By the way, circumstances has caused the dates of the Camberley meeting to be swapped with Captain's Day, an outcome which will prove mutually beneficial to both sponsors and restoring the normal order of events.

Mention of sponsors brings me to offer, on your behalf, a very hearty vote of thanks to our faithful three: **Nobo, Jet & Tipp-Ex** who have stood by us in these difficult times and have expressed their intention to continue in 1993. Thank you Peter Kent, Peter Mines & Richard Broderick for your support.

As usual, thanks also to George Walder (letterheads), John Young (envelopes), Nigel Toltit (mailing list) and Steve Wildman (photo-copying) for supplying the basics that we need. To David Morgan, as always, our thanks for keeping the books balanced and the money collected plus all the background work he does. Last, and not least, grateful thanks to Tony Phillips for his stewardship which contributed hugely to another successful season. Tony hasn't been at all well in the last few months and I am sure you will join with me in wishing him a speedy return to perfect health. I look forward to meeting him, and you, at our 1993 fixtures:

April 22 - **Hadley Wood** June 3 - **Gerrards Cross**
July 8/9 - **Hunstanton/King's Lynn** Oct 1 - **Camberley Heath**

In the meantime, greetings and warmest wishes to Nigel Toltit when he takes over the helm for the new season - and thank you all for your support.

R.J.