

Captain 1993:
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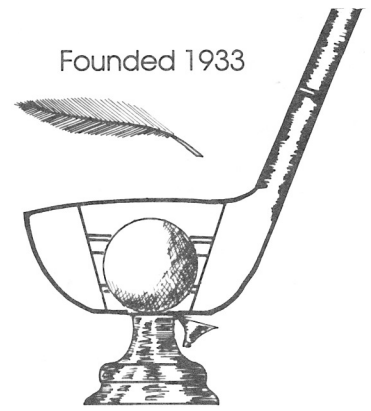
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LONDON STATIONERS GOLFING SOCIETY

Report 1993

Although attendances continued their downward trend in the early part of the year, reflecting the unsettled economic situation, things did begin to look up later culminating in a bumper turn-out for the Autumn Meeting which turned out to be a memorable and fitting farewell to our pioneering sponsor, but more of that later.

Hadley Wood was the venue of our first meeting, a pretty course that our members (or guests) have yet to master. The winning score for this, and the previous year, being 38 points which is a modest total by the Society's standards (or does it reflect on our new handicapping system - have we succeeded where most other organisations have failed ... ?) Anyway, our thanks to Peter Kent and NOBO for the support and well done to Paul Woodhouse for winning the Jack Ryman Cup.

On then to Gerrards Cross - and history was made! Not only was it a warm day (very few of THOSE to record last year!) but the President's Trophy - one of our most distinguished pieces of silverware - was won for the first time by a lady. Congratulations to Judy Phillips whose back nine score was sufficient to see off three other challengers with the same score of 38 points. As usual, Peter Mines and JET STATIONERY provided excellent sponsorship support.

Nigel Tollit entertained us on the Norfolk coast for his Captain's Outing in July. Warm weather greeted us on the Thursday at Hunstanton but the prevailing breezes soon sorted out suspect swings, Gordon Lamb's winning total of 37 was the equivalent of 45 elsewhere. An excellent dinner followed and so to the main event. You can organise and legislate to your heart's content but there is no way yet known to man to control the weather and the next day the heavens opened early on and continuous rain stayed with us until after lunch. The King's Lynn course was in magnificent condition nevertheless and we did, against all the odds, manage to get out again for 9 holes in the afternoon. All the arrangements and accommodation were first class and the occasion was much enjoyed despite the weather.

The Autumn Meeting at Camberley was like the old days as regards the numbers of players competing, even though, again, the weather was very damp. Richard Broderick was the first sponsor to support the Society (in 1981) and the success of his Tipp-Ex sponsored meetings encouraged other companies to join thus contributing to the popularity of the London Stationers. Richard has now decided to step down as a sponsor and it was apt that the final meeting of 1993 was such a success. We owe him our thanks for all the support Tipp-Ex have given us over this period and I am glad to report that Richard will still be with us in person at future meetings.

Congratulations also to our winning team at the 3M Stationery Society Championship which we won by a large margin. Thanks, as always to George Walder for printing our letterheads, John Young for the envelopes and Nigel Tollit for address labels. My personal thanks to David Morgan for his practical assistance to me and to the Society. Many thanks also to Nigel Tollit - a dedicated and worthy occupant of the Captain's chair and, finally, a warm welcome to the new incumbent, David Stride. I am sure his tenure of office will be a great success for him and for us.

R.J.