

Ming Kee Restaurant served an authentic, local seafood spread which paired well with wine from our sponsor, Wolf Blass. The ride back to Aberdeen was less dramatic than the first channel crossing but no less exciting thanks to guest DJ **Greg Brutus**. Thanks to everyone who attended and endured the elements for an excellent trip!



Doubles Ladder

The Tennis Society (TS) will get the Doubles Ladder League going again this year, information is still to be determined, but keep your eyes out for any information!

Contact us at hkfc.ladder.league@gmail.com to sign up and be up to date with any new information!

Update email contacts

To all TS members, please send us your most updated email contact to hkfc.tennissociety@gmail.com or send us a message to our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/hkfc.tennissociety) so we can send you the most up to date information and news from the TS! ■

Upcoming events

• Aussie Open Social

Saturday 30th January – 2-6 pm

• Adult/Junior Club Championship

beginning weekend of Saturday 27th February, finals on Saturday 20th March with trophy presentation and Gala Dinner

Golf News

Kau Sai Chau North Course Golf Outing Tuesday 17th November



With only 8 players signed up for this event, we were surprised to see a 100 seater coach waiting to take only 5 travelling players up to Sai Kung - yet another entertaining travel story to kick start the day's Golf Society event.

First to tee off were **Quentin Burrows, John Banks, Dominic Ng** and **Angela Koo**. Since Dominic and Angela are social players, it was left to Quentin and John to set the pace on the Stableford scores. John came home with a respectable 39 points and Quentin with 27 points.

Following closely behind were three previous Club champions: **Jonny Brock, Terry Wright** and myself, along with **James** (two shirt ringer) **Riordan**.

It was decided on the first tee that a side match should take place between Jonny and me against Terry and James. With my recent form being hindered by a sore back I was a tad reluctant but the gauntlet had been thrown...

James, playing off a handicap of 18, and Terry, handicap 11, we were giving shots on almost every hole.

Needless to say Jonny and I were four down at the turn with very little hope of a comeback as Terry and James dovetailed beautifully on every hole; they finally closed us out 5 & 4.

Jonny came in with 34 Stableford points, but my 25 points summed up my performance. James, who must have been sweltering with his two black shirts on, managed to score 28 points and Terry had a blinding back 9 to equal John's 39 points.

So we had a count-back between John Banks and Terry Wright who both scored 39 points, but with Terry's blistering back 9 he pipped John to take the honours. Third place was Jonny with 34 points and he also took best gross score of 79; well done Jonny.

Again Jonny showed off his prowess with three nearest the pins and the men's longest drive.

Shot of the day went to yours truly on the long 210 yard par 3 hole 11 to secure nearest the pin on this hole.

Well done to Angela Koo for making the ladies' longest drive on 17.

Five of us then took the oversized coach back to the HKFC to arrive just in time for the live rugby.

Another great day out...

See you all at the next event.

■ *Phil, Golf Event Organiser*

Ian Petersen presenting the Petersen Texas Scramble Cup to Terry Wright



Terry Wright and John Banks won the inaugural competition for this new annual trophy which was presented by past GS Chairman and current GS President **Ian Petersen**.



Christmas Cup at Lotus Hills on Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd November

This was my second time organising the Christmas Cup at Lotus Hill and I was really looking forward to the weekend away in China. With a very manageable squad of nine players going up, everyone had a good chance of winning some of the prizes on on this two- day event.

The format mirrored last year's. Saturday individual Stableford competition with handicaps, and Sunday was a Stableford team event with the teams being evenly chosen based on the players' Saturday scores.

Unfortunately the heavens opened just as we were about to tee off on Saturday and the course closed; luckily we were all safely under cover and escaped a drenching. 20 minutes later and we were off.

Leading the charge in the first flight were **Krzysztof Kostienko** (KK) and his friend Benedikt Gamharter who was playing socially, along with myself. Benedikt soon proved himself to be a very competent player with a swing to die for, shame his score wouldn't count for the competition. KK was struggling with his swing and came in with 11 points, but kept us entertained with his on-course banter. I was hitting it well and with 12 birdie putts had a good chance for a good score and was pleased to card a 75 for 37 points.

Second to tee off were **Susan Hall, Claire Smyth** and **Jonathan Li**. Jonathan playing off 21 was going to be hard to beat and scoring a net 6 under par to score 41 points, we knew the rest of us were in trouble. Both Susan and Claire scored 8 and 14 points respectively.

In the last group were **Richard Neish, Owen Davis** and **Quentin Burrows**, all of whom scored well with Richard shooting 100 for 35 points, Owen 102 for 31 points and Quentin 112 for 25 points - well done to the trio.

A sumptuous 10-course dinner awaited us in the newly renovated clubhouse and the prize presentation commenced promptly afterwards.

Champion	Jonathan Li	41 pts
2nd place	Phil Head	37 pts
3rd place	Richard Neish	35 pts
Best Gross	Phil Head	75

The longest drive and nearest pins were also up for grabs and it was great to see these prizes being evenly distributed to all the players.

Longest Drive Men's	Jonathan Li
Longest Drive Women	Susan Hall
Nearest Pin #2	Phil Head
Nearest Pin #5	Jonathan Li
Nearest Pin#11&14	Richard Neish
Nearest Pin #17	Owen Davis

After the presentation there was port and cheese to help us relax after a hard day on the golf course and to prepare us for the early start for day 2 team event on Sunday.

Taking into account the scores from day 1 we had two evenly matched teams:

Team 1

Phil Head, Susan Hall, Richard

Neish, Quentin Burrows

Team 2

Jonathan Li, KK, Owen Davis, Claire Smyth

The format was an accumulative team Stableford points competition between the two teams.

The effects of the port and cheese could be seen on the scorecards as the Stableford points didn't match that of Saturday; however the final standings were still relatively close with team 2 scoring 97 points and Team 1 109 points.

More fun prizes were up for grabs with longest drive and nearest pin winners as follows:

Longest Drive Men's:

Quentin Burrows

Longest Drive Women:

Claire Smyth

Nearest Pin #2: Jonathan Li

Nearest Pin #5: Phil Head

Nearest Pin#11: Phil Head

Nearest Pin#14: Jonathan Li

Nearest Pin #17: Phil Head

A special mention must go to the partnership of **Quentin Burrows** and **Susan Hall** for both winning longest drive.

A lovely lunch followed and we had plenty of time to make our leisurely way back by ferry to Hong Kong.

Thanks Lotus Hill for another great weekend of golf.

■ **Phil, Golf Event Organiser**



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