

Deep Water Bay Golf Club

Wednesday 12th December 2018



Jonny Brock's silky swing in action – note photographer avoiding a possible shank!



Don Rider trying to hit his playing partner Graeme Brechin

It was freezing cold when we arrived at the club house. The temperature showed 13 degrees with a gentle breeze cooling things further. As usual with our Xmas visit to DWB we make life a little more challenging by setting the club limit to 4 clubs plus 1 putter. Besides, there is a challenge on hole 8 par 4, whoever gets a par there will win a sleeve of balls. It is quite a headache to choose between clubs because you want to have every aspect of your game covered.

First to tee off were **Jukka Hakli, Jonny Brock** and myself at 9:30 am. All three of us were not playing very well probably because of the limited club selection. It was my first time to play at Deep Water Bay and when I looked at the score card, I thought the longest par 4 was around 170 yards. So I only brought my 8

iron, pitching wedge, 52 and 58 degrees, and it turns out I am totally wrong. The wind is blowing up against us so the iron shot wasn't up to my expectation. After every shot I hit, it was 20 yards shorter than I expected. Jonny is playing for the third time at DWB and he brought his 5 iron, 8 iron and 2 wedges. The only hole worthy of mention for our group was hole 10, 90 yards to the flag where 3 of us parred the hole.

The second group to tee off were **Alastair Murray, Graeme Brechin** and **Don Rider**. We saw they were playing well, a lot of greens in regulation and the putting is pretty good too – especially on hole 18, all 3 players drive their 1st shot in the middle of the fairway and punch it to within 7 feet of the pin. This group comes back with Graeme scoring 31 points while Alastair wins the hole 8 par 4 challenge.

The remaining group came back before 1 o'clock and **Michael Button** won the first place with 34 stableford points while **David Lindsay** claimed the second place by 33 points. Don Rider won third place with 31 stableford points.

Here is the breakdown of the scoring
 1st place: Michael Button 34 stableford points
 2nd place: David Lindsay 33 stableford points
 3rd place: Don Rider 31 stableford points

Hole 8 par 4 challenge
 Alastair Murray
 Paul Walters
 James Suttie
 Dominic Ng

That's it for this event and Happy New Year to everyone.

■ **Ted Li, Golf event organiser**



Michael Button, Bruce VonCannon, and Paul Rust

KSC East

Friday 4th January 2019

It was very chilly last week, around 10-12 degrees, not to mention a little rain and gentle breeze. Lucky for us, the weather today is 20 degrees with sunshine, and we don't have to suffer from the cold. Twelve players were registered for the event however **Dominic Ng** has called it with a broken arm and **Steve Au Yeung** has been eating too much during the New Year that has resulted in a stomach upset. **Tom McColl** and **Paul Rust** filled their

place. We changed our transport to Jumbo taxi and everyone was satisfied with the new arrangement.

The first to tee off were **Lina Adrianse, Tom McColl** and **Nick Allen**. Tom McColl shot a marvellous 79. At hole 10, he drove the ball 290 yards that passed the bunker leaving him 190 yards to the flag. The tough part of this hole is you have to carry 180 yards to the front part of the green or lay it up with 110 yards to the edge. Tom pulled out his 6 iron and hit it perfectly to the right fringe and made an up and down for birdie. That was the turning point of the match! He went on and scored 39 on the

back nine which produced 20 stableford points. In total he scored 38 stableford points to win the tournament. Lina Adrianse also had an amazing birdie on hole 13.

The second to tee off were **Michael Button, Nicola Button, Paul Rust** and his buddy **Bruce VonCannon**. Nicola also had a birdie on hole 13 with a mid-iron and then a 6 foot putt for birdie. The last to tee off were **Quentin Burrows, Susan Hall, Mike Delaney** and **Mischa Kong**. After the final round we all went back to the club house for the prize giving and a late lunch.

Below are the results:

Nearest to the Pin

- Hole 3 – Nicola Button
- Hole 5 – Nicola Button
- Hole 13 – Lina Adrianse
- Hole 15 – Tom McColl
- Nearest to the Pin in 2 shots
- Hole 12 – Lina Adrianse
- Male Longest Drive Men – Tom McColl
- Ladies Longest Drive – Mischa Kong

Winners:

- 1st Place: Tom McColl – 38 points
- 2nd Place: Nick Allen – 35 points
- 3rd Place: Nicola Button- 30 points

■ **Ted Li, Golf event organiser**

2019 Rules Event

Tuesday 8th January 2019



Dr Brian Choa, Roy Lee and Don Roberts (Convenor of HK Club Golf)



President Petersen demonstrating his knowledge of the new rules

After several years of discussion and development, on 1st January 2019 the USGA and the Royal and Ancient announced what are probably the most sweeping changes to the rules of golf ever. This includes unheard of things like leaving the flagstick in while putting. Previously hitting the flagstick cost a two stroke penalty (or loss of hole in matchplay). Now there is no penalty so we see the strange sight of professionals tapping in from a foot with the flag still in.

To try to help our members get their heads around these changes, the Golf Society arranged a Rules Evening in conjunction with the HK Club Golf Society hosted in their rather splendid function rooms at the HK Club which were made available free of charge.

Dr Brian Choa (current Chairman of the HKGA Championship Committee) and **Roy Lee** (current rules Chairman of the Championship Committee) very kindly gave up their evening to lead us through the twenty-three or so rules changes.

Just under 100 people attended the event which must be considered a huge success on that score. At the end of the evening there was a simple quiz with four questions based on the information which had just been imparted. Boxes of shiny new balls were on offer for the three first correct entries selected from the reply slips handed in.

I had assumed this would be the first three. Sadly however I had to nearly empty the reply box in order to find three which actually had all the answers correct! Maybe we need a weekly rules night!

I am however delighted to report that our President was one of the three who actually demonstrated a sound knowledge of the rules... now if he could only demonstrate a sound knowledge of how to actually play the game that would be real progress!

■ **Dallas Reid**



GOLF EVENTS - 2019 SCHEDULE

(As of 1st January 2019 - Subject to change when required)

JANUARY

04 Jan (Fri)	KSC East
23 Jan (Wed)	KSC North
25 Jan (Fri)	Match vs FCC at KSC North February

FEBRUARY

15 Feb (Fri)	AIA Pairs Event HKGC Eden Course
18 Feb (Mon)	Match vs RHKYC TBC
21 Feb (Thur)	HKGC

MARCH

07 Mar (Thu)	Clearwater Bay
11 Mar (Mon)	Match vs HK Seniors TBC
21 Mar (Thur)	KSC South

APRIL

3 Apr (Wed)	Phoenix Hill, Dongguan, China
8 Apr (Mon)	Match vs HK Cricket Club at Macau TBC
23 Apr (Tue)	Petersen Texas Scramble TBC

MAY

06 May (Mon)	Match vs WAGS at Macau at KSC TBC
09 May (Thur)	Clearwater Bay & Annual General Meeting
20 May (Mon)	Match vs HK Club at Macau GCC TBC
25 May (Sat)	Annual Club Champs at KSC East

JUNE

05 Jun (Wed)	Walmsley Cup at KSC South
15 Jun (Sat)	Match vs Little Sai Wan at KSC TBC
24 Jun (Mon)	Xili Golf Club

JULY

05 Jul (Fri)	Summer Cup at KSC East
17 Jul (Wed)	Phoenix Hill, Dongguan, China

AUGUST

02 Aug (Fri)	Yinli Golf Club, Dongguan
19 Aug (Mon)	Nanshan, Dongguan

SEPTEMBER

02 Sep (Mon)	Xili Golf Club
07/08 Sep (Sat/Sun)	Ryder Bowl Match vs American Club at Lotus Hill TBC
23 Sep (Mon)	Match vs DB Residents at DBGK TBC
17 Sep (Tue)	KSC East

OCTOBER

12 Oct (Sat)	Match vs HK Country Club at KSC East TBC
15 Oct (Tue)	Clearwater Bay
31 Oct (Thur)	KSC South President v Chairman Cup

NOVEMBER

2/3 Nov (Sat/Sun)	Reunification Match at Lotus Hill TBC
7 Nov (Thur)	KSC North Texas Scramble
18 Nov (Mon)	Kowloon Cricket Club at Macau GCC TBC
23/24 Nov (Sat/Sun)	Christmas Cup, Lotus Hill

DECEMBER

03 Dec (Tue)	HKGC
19 Dec (Thur)	Christmas Gathering at Deep Water Bay