# Golf Outings



The first 2 groups ready to tee off on the South Course

#### Kau Sai Chau South Course Tuesday 14th April

The scene was set for a glorious day for golf, the sun was shining brightly and the temperature was a balmy 24 degrees with minimal humidity, just perfect.

Smooth bus and ferry journeys ensured that we were all at the golf club on time for a sumptuous steak and egg breakfast with plenty of time left over for practice on the chipping and putting range.

First off were **Jonny Brock** and **Phil Head** playing with **Quentin Burrows** and **Patrick Watts**. As expected Phil and Jonny had a humdinger of a gross scoring match with the largest shot difference only being 2 strokes at any time, with the scores even at the 18th it was a school boy error, a missed 2 foot putt from Phil that gave the match to Jonny by 1 stroke giving him the best gross score of 76.

Quentin started the match off in great style with a net par, birdie and bogey but then succumbed to the demands of the South Course, although he nearly took the longest drive on hole 14 until the last flight when **Nick Grimshaw** sailed the ball past his drive to secure the award.

The weather enabled a lot of high scoring stableford points with **Dorothy Lam** taking first prize with 40 points, **Joseph Wong** 2nd prize with 39



Quentin Burrows and Patrick Watts enjoying the glorious scenery.



Phil Head celebrating his 2nd birdie of the day.

points and Paul Cheng 3rd with 37 points.

Ladies longest drive went to **Diana Li** and nearest pins to **Jonny Brock** on holes 2 and 16, **Stephen Bottomley** on hole 5 and **Paul Cheng** on hole 11.

Thanks to KSC for another great day out on the golf course and for the weather for being absolutely stunning.

See you all at the next event. ■

Phil Head Golf Event Organiser

### HKFC Golf Society v. Hong Kong Seniors Golf Society

Kau Sai Chau East Course, Monday 23rd March

Another inaugural match as our roll of opponents continues to grow. This time we faced the potentially wily and experienced HK Seniors. In discussions about the match format, they had negotiated hard for terms that arguably suited their style. So we knew from the outset that these guys would fight tooth and nail.

We gathered for a pre-match photo but the eagle-eyed amongst you will spot that we appear rather outnumbered. That is explained by the late arrival of the Belgian chauffeur, **JP Cuvelier**, who was still enjoying his croissant at home when reminded that he was supposed to be driving 3 teammates to Sai Kung. Nay bother, they still made it in time.

The 1st flight comprised **Nick Allen** and **Terry Wright**. All
was going smoothly when on
the 8th hole a casual aside from
Gentleman Nick was taken out of
all proportion with the opponent
ejecting all toys from the pram.



Things were pretty frosty from there on in. I wonder how their pep talk went? Maybe I need to gee my boys up a bit more!! Anyway, the HKFC stalwarts weren't going to let that knock them off their stride and they duly won 2&1.

That was followed by a much more prosaic 4&3 victory by **Captain Spooner** and **Iain Valentine**. **Fiaz Magdoom** and **Anatole Le** had a much closer match with barely a hole in it all the way around. Coming down the 18th 1-up, they won that one too to finish in some style.

Sensing that a whitewash could see this being the first and last match against the HK Seniors (or was it that they hadn't had time to settle after their stressful journey to the course with JP?), **Andrew** 

**Wood** and **Kien Ng** threw them a bone by losing the 18th to go 1 down. Very honourable, boys!

With a 3-1 lead, had there been any doubt about closing out the victory, you only had to look at the pairs the skipper had reserved for the anchor matches. **Dallas Reid** and **Jim Suttie**, followed by **JP Cuvelier** and **Jonny Brock**. They never stood a chance. And there was no charity shown by these chaps, a pair of clinical victories brought the overall score to 5-1.

We hope to see the trophy in our now burgeoning cabinet very soon, and will then look forward to defending it against our new adversaries next year.

Duncan Spooner, Golf Team Captain

# Half Price Golf Lessons for Golf Society Members

To encourage GS members to improve their golf, the GS Committee has agreed to subsidize golf lessons on our Golf Simulators with our resident golf pros, **Todd Roach** and **Martin Halliday**. The details are as follows:-

Each member is entitled to one half price golf lesson. The standard price for a single lesson is HK\$650 so this lesson will be available at HK\$325.

To book a lesson, just contact your preferred pro and state that you are taking advantage of this opportunity.

After the lesson, sign the form at Reception to indicate that you have taken this offer, and the bill to your account will be reduced to HK\$350 accordingly.

Half priced lessons are limited to the first 100 GS members.

Offer expires end June 2015

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#### **Clearwater Bay Golf Outing**

#### **Thursday 23rd Apri**

It was a special privilege to be able to play Clearwater Bay Golf and Country Club. Fortunately, following our outing there last year, the HKFC Golf Society was kindly offered five tee times giving us 20 places which were snapped up in a matter of days.

Our tournament format was again best stableford with handicaps as well as best gross score and longest drives for both men and women and nearest pin prizes up for grabs.

**Dallas Reid** who was only 3 over on the back 9 won the best gross score on the count back from reeling in **Phil Head** who had got off to a fast start, after both had carded 78s.

**Guy Devenish** and **Jonny Brock** battled it out for best stableford points but with both scoring 39 points it was Guy who triumphed on count back to take 1st place, followed by Jonny. **James Riordan** was a very close 3rd with 38 points.

With 6 nearest pins, there was plenty of opportunity for everyone to win a few golf balls. **Phil Head** and **Anatole Li** each won two, with **James Riordan** and **Patrick Watts** winning one a piece.

**Jonny 'Wizard' Brock** yet again showed off his longest drive ability on the 13th hole with no close contenders, while the ladies claimed that the hole was too short and passed up the challenge!

Thanks to Clearwater Bay for accommodating us, we will be back in 2016.

See you all at the next event.

Happy golfing. ■

Phil Head, Golf Event Organiser

## Ten Pin Bowling



Raymond Chan
BIG External Convener

#### **HKICTB League Updates**

The Bowling Interest Group fought two good battles in the HKICTB league during the month of March.

We faced the Kowloon Cricket Club as our first opponents this season. Although we did not bring back a score sheet with flying colours like our first match in October, we won with a close score of 12 to 10.

Our second game was against Kowloon Tong Club, which, unfortunately we lost in a very closely contested match. Among the 12 games we played, half of them were decided by less than 20 pins. Every bowler put in a great effort.

Let us continue our good fight, as we still have 3 more games in the coming months before the season ends.



HKFC vs KCC, photo taken before the match