Newsletter January 2026

December Results

Stableford (9 hole)

1st John Franks 19pts
2nd Tim O'Malley 19pts

3rd Keith Jackson 16pts

Turkey Trot

Not Played

Stableford Order of Merit

Peter Baldwin Cup

Winner

Ray Tanner

Overall Order of Merit

George Baty Cup

Winner

Graham Gates

Happy New Year

May I wish you all a Happy New Year and hope that the golfing Gods smile on you in 2026.

We have our usual full programme of events and it would be great to see more of you on Fridays.



LINDFIELD GOLF CLUB

VETERANS SECTION

On the course

And still we play on!!

While the course is getting a bit boggy in places, it is still very playable.

Please keep on thanking the greenkeepers for their efforts and enjoy the bonus golf while we can.

Winter rules are in play so take advantage on the CLOSELY MOWN AREAS **ONLY.**

Several people are asking about preferred lies in the rough. The committee have decided to keep an eye on course conditions and let you know the playing conditions on the day of events. This would be for social competitions ONLY and NOT for any qualifiers.

Please Please Please replace divots & repair pitch marks.

Frosty 1st



January Events

Fri 2nd Rumble

Fri 9th Texas Scramble

Fri 16th Stableford (9 hole)

Fri 23rd Multiplication Stableford

Fri 30th 3 Clubs & Putter

Useful Links

Lindfield Golf Club

Lindfield Vets

PIGS

Sussex County Golf Union

England Golf

Rules of Golf 2019

Captain's Chat

Captain 2026/27

Now only three months to go before the AGM and Vet's members need to start thinking hard about a Captain and Vice Captain for next year. It is really not that onerous as the Committee will give you all the help you need and some 'willing' volunteers have taken on roles to organize many of the competitions. The captain's post also provides an opportunity to support a charity that may be close to your heart.
Please feel free to speak to me or any Committee member about the role if you feel that you could be our next Captain.
Looking at our constitution it suggests that the role of Captain is one of delegation!

Rules Corner

Rule 5.6b Prompt Pace Of Play

Pace of Play Recommendations. The player should play at a prompt pace throughout the round, including the time taken to:

- **Prepare for and make each stroke,**
- **Move from one place to another between strokes, and**
- **Move to the next teeing area after completing a hole.**

A player should prepare in advance for the next stroke and be ready to play when it is their turn. When it is the player's turn to play:

- **It is recommended that the player make the stroke in no more than 40 seconds after they are (or should be) able to play without interference or distraction, and**
- **The player should usually be able to play more quickly than that and is encouraged to do so.**

Playing Out of Turn to Help Pace of Play. Depending on the form of play, there are times when players may play out of turn to help the pace of play:

- **In match play, the players may agree that one of them will play out of turn to save time Rule 6.4a Exception**
- **In stroke play, players may play "ready golf" in a safe and responsible way Rule 6.4b(2)**