

LAWRENCE MAKES SHORT WORK OF THE SHORTEST DAY

Trevor Lawrence recorded a narrow victory in one of the premier events of the winter season, scoring 40 points to win the Solstice trophy last Saturday. With the event coinciding with the shortest day of the year, a great field of 77 men and 13 ladies were rewarded with superb weather and a great array of trophies. 'Trizzie' had a battle royale with playing partner John Brown, the result finally settled on the last hole, Brown coming up a point short to finish runner up with 39 points.

Stephen Edwards warmed up for his defence of the Foursomes Championship with an excellent round, recording 38 points for third place. Greg Bell and Ray McGill were next on 37 points. New course superintendent, Darren Morfitt, had his first competitive round, managing to handle his own challenging course set up to post 36 points. Peter Slater (36), Graham Williams (35), Michael Stocks (35) and Jan Van Vollenstee (35) rounded out the top ten.

Hudson Hopewell took out gross honours with 32 points and Ian Milne gained the best visitor position with 33 points.

Judy Italiano picked up the Ladies trophy after recording 36 points to finish ahead of Bev Moyses and Vicki Graham on 32 points.

Brian Banks gained the first of his two 'trophies' for the week when he topped the list with 24 points to win Scroungers. 'Banga' didn't have quite the same touch on the course on Saturday but still went home happy. Ross Davidson had a great round going, faltering slightly on the last couple of holes, but still managed second place with 22 points. Ross Brody also had 22 and the group of Alex Bayley, Stephen Ireland, Ian Annandale and Harry Hadfield had 21 points.

Rhonda McGill(20) and Blanche Faries(16) topped the ladies group.

Ray McGill, Ross Davidson and Harry Hadfield won the novelties.

Ernie Sullivan and Brian Banks combined for 35 points to take out the Vets fourball event. Ed Riley and Peter Gray matched that score, taking the runner up spot. Jim Hine and Harry Hadfield were next on 34 points.

Dave Brunswick, John Wray, Jim Hine and Ray Alp won the novelties.

Greg Martin had another big day, scoring 41 points to win Leisure Day. Denis Cocker maintained his consistency with 39 points. The top two were well ahead of the 14 man field.

Saturday is the Club Foursomes Championship over 18 holes.

Scroungers is on today, Tuesday is Vets and Leisure Day.