

Autumn Championships - England & Wales and Scotland

In the last week of September, a small but enthusiastic band of One Armed Golfers gathered in North London for this year's Autumn Championships. It was being played for the first time at Old Fold Manor Golf Club, a pleasant Hertfordshire parkland course and home to this year's President Mike Benaim.

The weekend started with practice rounds on the Friday followed by a get-together at Benaim Towers in the evening. On Saturday we got down to business. The England and Wales Championships were played over 18 holes on Saturday. The "nearest the pin" prizes were won by Rob Paul and Frank Morrison, but the big winner, posting, by some distance, the best gross and nett scores was Steve Hutchinson. A score of 83 on an unfamiliar course was an impressive performance. With Steve winning the Gross competition, the Nett competition was won by Mike Benaim who made the most of his home advantage.

On the Sunday it was a different story when we played the Scottish championships. Rob Paul recreated his World Championship-winning form to win the gross competition with an impressive score of 85. It was quite fitting that Frank Morrison, one of the two Scots who made the long journey south to take part, won the Nett competition with a very good 37 points, edging out Terry Adnams who came in with 34. The two nearest the pin prizes were won by Darren Masters.

All in all it was a really enjoyable 3 days of golfing with Scotland, England and even Ireland represented (well done Ken Nicholls!). Our thanks to all the golfers and guests who took part.

Mike Benaim - 14th November 2024