



Hi Folks

2017 is now here which means it is time for me to wish you all **Bonne année**
Felice anno nuovo **Boldog új évét** **新年快樂**

Blwyddyn Newydd Dda **Feliz año nuevo** **Bliadhna Mhath Ùr**

Athbhliain faoi mhaise daoibh and of course **Happy New Year.**

I hope you enjoyed Christmas and I wonder who got (or gave) the most bizarre gift? If it was you then let me know.

Surely the prize for giving the most **unromantic gift** must go to **Orb Granmah**. (I've anagrammed his name to preserve his identity and prevent any embarrassment). His lovely wife **Nita** (also anagrammed) was telling me of the Christmas that Orb got her a rather special gift. She had mentioned being cold a couple of times so what did he buy her for Christmas to keep her nice and snug? What else but two pairs of thermal longjohns!!! "*I put a lot of thought into that*" said an aggrieved Rob (sorry Orb) "*I can't understand why she didn't like it.*"

Also the prize for the **most un gallant Christmas remark** goes to **Ade Burch** and the prize for **being the worst Dad in the world** gets picked up by **John Goode**.

This extract from John's e-mail will explain all :

At yesterdays Competition at Racketts AC, Rachel wore a Fancy Dress Costume as it was Christmas.

She was in a brown Onesie with White Shoulders and Green and Red Decorations on the head.

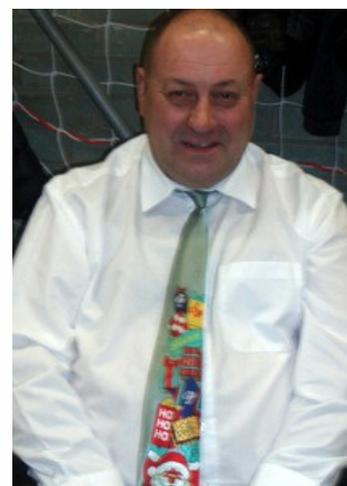
She was explaining to our Chairman Ade Burch that she was a Christmas Pudding to which Ade replied "I know it is a Christmas Pudding because I recognised the Shape"!!!!

I have not had a laugh like that for years. **John**

I'm sure you agree they both well deserve their badges of dishonour!

Jim

Possibly the worst dad in the world.



Over the Christmas Dinner.....

I got my wife a wooden leg for Christmas

It wasn't her main present – just a stocking filler.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

Have you got something to put in the mag

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New Year Birthday Wishes

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Anton Exius-Genco



Paul Brooks



Yvonne Butler



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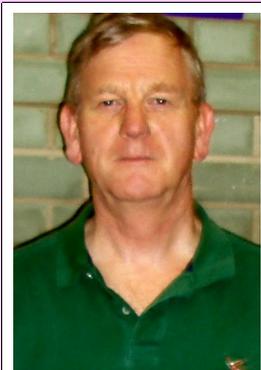


John Goode

Happy Birthday to you all



Jon Hammond



John Horsley



Ciaran Boak



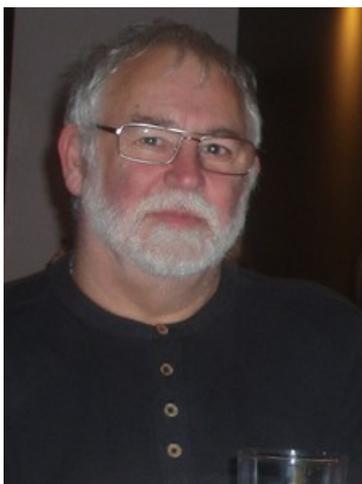
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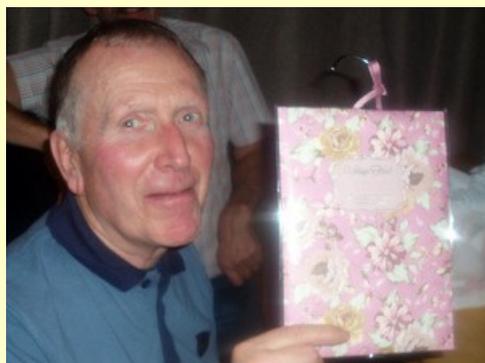
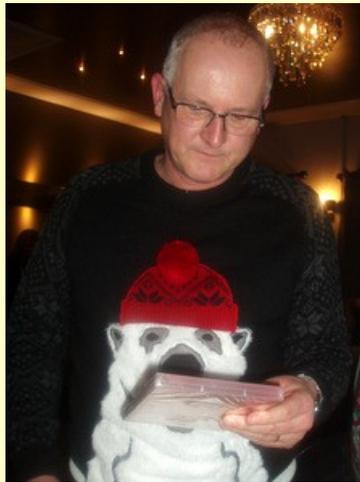
Head to Head matches - a lot of fun



Ray Butler, with his handicap drastically cut due to his exceptional score in the previous round, fought a hard battle against **Mike Gissing** in the Head to Head losing out by a mere one point. They both obviously enjoyed the match and are still on speaking terms.

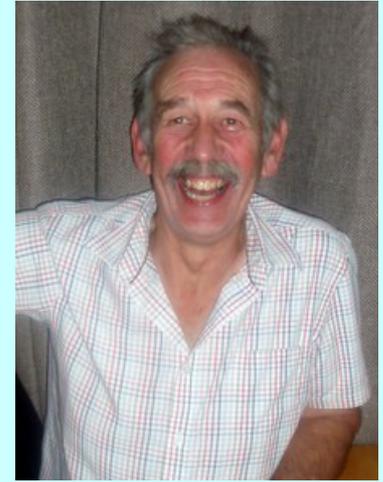
Ray scored 152 and Mike 153







Did we enjoy it?



You bet!

More Head to Head results



Rosie and Rachel battled it out with equal handicaps of 9 but Rosie was on better form on the night and won the round with a score of 151 to Rachel's 146.

As this is below the score needed for her to lose points from her handicap it means that Rosie enters the next round with the same handicap.

Add that to the determined look on her face and I reckon she is a force to be reckoned with in the coming rounds.

Wanted – a shoulder to cry on.

Having beaten Roy by the slight technicality of having a higher score, Dave Morrow thought that his next match would be a piece of cake.

Unfortunately he came up against David Fellman who was on his usual good form and firmly put him in his place with a score of 153 to Dave's 147

Dave assured me that he wasn't at all upset at losing the match to David.

His face however tells another story.

It was so miserable it could have curdled a bucket of milk!

Aaaah for Dave!



On a lighter note, some Head to Head matches are so laid back that is difficult to know there is a comp going on.

I was shooting next to Ruben Exius-Genco and Charles Currie when they shot their round and was very impressed by the friendly atmosphere which pervaded their match. It is good to see one of the youngest members completely at ease competing with one of the 'not so young' and both obviously enjoying it.

Charles took the match with a score of 118 against Ruben's 76

Alan belatedly picks up his raffle prizes.



"Just what I wanted for Christmas – the Chuckle Brothers DVD – I'll be watching it right after the Queen's speech" or that's what I **think** his expression says. I **could** be wrong of course.

"Just look at all those raffle prizes



Well, let me put it another way. You buy a ticket or we throw you out"



Next year I'm selling them at £5 each, then we won't have as many to do!

Is it the space station? It looks like a giant sleigh. Hmm...I wonder.....

More H2H results

The record for the highest score so far is still Ray Butler's score of 165.

As the contest progresses, handicaps can only go down making it harder to beat the record.

Steve Phillips	132	v	Mike Mcleod	103
Jason Brummitt	129	v	Piers Skilton	147
Yvonne Butler	157	v	Mark Smith	138
Andy Rogers	155	v	Serian Southgate	153
Alan Munson	154	v	Rob Garnham	150
Colin Betts	160	v	Loraine Hockley	142
Stephen Wood	158	v	Stephen Edwards	139
Rob Spindley	145	v	Dave Hamilton	149

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**Your wildest dreams (and your worst nightmares)
can all be found in the club magazine.**

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Thanks to Rachel

for the photographs and for being big-
hearted enough to give me
permission to print the scurrilous
email from her Dad.

I believe he has been suitably chastised