





# FYLDE DISTRICT GOLF LEAGUE

## 2011 Scratch League

### Week 7 Results





Matches played on Mon 1<sup>st</sup> August 2011

Fleetwood	Players			Players		Knott End
	Alex Croston	4&3	v	Luke Walker		 Knott End Golf Club
	Carl Smith	6&5	v	Jackson Almond		
	Paul Raynor	6&5	v	Dave Higson		
	Simon Older	Half	v	Joe Robinson	Half	
	Paul Anderton	1 up	v	Peter Taylor		
	Neil Croston	8&6	v	Curtis Walker		
<b>Result</b>	<b>5 ½</b>			<b>½</b>		



#### Match Report – Paul Anderton (Fleetwood)

A very much needed win for Fleetwood which lifts us off the bottom of the table, Knott End's team was slightly weakened with some of the juniors missing due to representing Fylde Juniors. Using home advantage and with some very good play from some of the Fleetwood team, there were some comfortable wins, though two of the matches could easily have gone either way, with the elements conspiring to make things uncomfortable with torrential rain. Fleetwood can try for 4th position in the league when we host Green Drive on the 15th August for our last game this year.

Lancaster	Players			Players		Green Drive
	Daniel Sefton	4&3	v	Ewan Paterson		
	Kit Rickerby	1 up	v	Dean Beaver		
	Paul Woodhouse	4&3	v	Doug Chilton		
	Mike Gray		v	Adam Smith	2&1	
	Adam Stone	5&4	v	Steve Grundy		
	Scott Lee	4&3	v	Ross Albiston		
<b>Result</b>	<b>5</b>			<b>1</b>		

#### Match Report – Daniel Sefton (Lancaster)

A good finish to the season for Lancaster saw them record a 5-1 victory over Lytham Green Drive. In the first game Team Captain Daniel Sefton secured the first point of the night with a 4&3 win over friend Ewan Patterson. Kit Rickerby claimed a 1 up win over Dean Beaver who put up a good fight after being Dormy 3 down. Paul Woodhouse had a strong victory against Doug Chilton claiming a 4&3 win. Adam Smith had the only victory for Lytham Green Drive beating Mike Gray 2&1. Scratch Team rookie Adam Stone showed his form in beating Steve Grundy 5&4. Scott Lee displayed his solid game beating Ross Albiston 4&3. Daniel Sefton (Scratch Team Captain) would like to personally thank all the Fylde Golf Clubs for their hospitality in their first year of being in the league.

North Shore	Players				Players		Old Links
	Mikiel Tchobanian	Half	v	Paul Thornton	Half		
	Mike O'Brien		v	Andy McLoughney	4&3		
	Chris Watkinson	1 up	v	Rob McLean			
	Damian Senior	1 up	v	Matt Walton			
	David Collis	2&1	v	Conor Griffiths			
	Tony Saunders	Half	v	Jake Watson	Half		
<b>Result</b>	<b>4</b>				<b>2</b>		



### Match Report – Brian Dickie (SAOL)

St Annes Old Links title hopes were dashed last night in an exciting and close encounter with old rivals Blackpool North Shore. The match started brightly for St Annes and at the halfway mark we were on target for a win. However North Shore rallied and the second half of the match certainly belonged to them. North Shore have not been in the greatest form this season although you can guarantee that when we come to Devonshire Road several higher gears are found and that was certainly the case last night.

The match was played mainly in torrential rain which was some of the worst wet weather conditions I have seen for many years. Great credit must go to our captain Stuart Wells, who caddied for Jake Watson in the final match, and got thoroughly soaked like the rest of us. He got a deserved round of applause from both teams at the after match speeches.

The top match between Paul Thornton and Miki Tchobanian was halved. Paul, who is in my opinion the best player at the club, has not had much practice this year and was three down after five so a half was a good result. In the second match Andy McLoughney defeated ex clubmate Mike O'Brien in what turned out to be a comfortable win against an opponent who always plays well against us. Match three saw Rob McLean lose a match on the last green that he had led for most of the round. A similar situation occurred in match four where Matt Walton lost on the last green after controlling most of the match. Conor Griffiths paid the penalty for losing four holes in a row when the rain started and eventually succumbed 2 and one. The last match between Jake Watson and Tony Saunders ended in a draw after the North Shore man seemed to be in control for most of the match.

The evening ended by hearing that Royal Lytham won the league title by defeating Fairhaven 6 nil at Fairhaven which is an amazing result. Our congratulations to Royal as they are worthy champions and their Scratch Captain Gerry Coyle should take a lot of the credit. I am sure the League shield will be proudly displayed during Open 2012.

Fairhaven	Players		Players	Royal Lytham
	Charles Durnian	v	Henry Tomlinson	7&6
	Lee Mayers	v	Ian Crowther	3&2
	Darren Carlisle	v	James Hall	7&6
	Alex Leung	v	Ian Hill	2 up
	Matthew Lamb	v	Stuart Gibson	5&3
	Ben Carter	v	Gerry Coyle	3&2
<b>Result</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>6</b>	

### Match Report – Ben Haworth (Royal Lytham)

At this time last year Fairhaven had their first 6-0 victory of the season away at Royal Lytham to take the league title. It is therefore a bizzare coincidence that Lytham had their first 6-0 victory of the season away at Fairhaven to clinch the 2011 league title.

Henry Tomlinson got Lytham off to a flying start; Durnian was 1 under par after 9 holes yet was 5 down! Henry went on to win by 7&6. The ever dependable Ian Crowther put on a good display to beat Lee Mayers 3&2. James Hall was inspired by two friends who came along to support – both have played in the Walker Cup – he chipped and putted Darren Carlisle off the course to seal a 7&6 victory.

Ian Hill enjoyed his return to an old hunting ground with a 2up victory over Alex Leung. Lytham's Most Valuable Player, Stuart Gibson, did not disappoint with a 5&3 victory over Matthew Lamb. The 6-0 victory was completed by Royal Lytham Scratch Team Captain Gerry Coyle with a 3&2 win over scratch team rookie Ben Carter.

This result means that Lytham claim the Scratch League title for the first time since 1993. This is a fantastic result for the club and it would be remiss of me not to extend a mention to the other players who have represented the club this season:

Bob Bardsley, Patrick Bell, Sam Irvine, Robert Fox, Dan Hollingworth, Henry Pond and Richard Tyrell.