



FIVE STAR EVENTS

SPRING NEWSLETTER 2021

Welcome to our 2021 Newsletter. A happy New Year from all of us at Five Star Events.

2020 was a year which no one will ever forget with a worldwide pandemic, which is still raging, leading to a complete wipe out of all Five Star golf. As we write we are in another national lockdown with all its limitations and restrictions. But there is hope on the horizon as the vaccines are rolled out and we will review the position with Covid-19 in the Spring. In the meantime, everything has been carried forward from 2020 into 2021 with the same venues, President, Charity and Celebrity (see below).

We were deeply saddened in the summer by the deaths of David Jackson and past celebrities Willie Thorne and Tim Brooke-Taylor (see our website for Obituaries).

The 2021 Richard Pineo Shield at Frilford Heath will be played in memory of David.

2020 saw another Five Star milestone with Richard's 80th birthday and therefore the 30-year anniversary of Five Star Events. Sadly, we were not able to celebrate with him.

We will be in contact in the Spring about the coming events.

NEW WEBSITE www.5-star-events.org.uk

Our guru Mike Pineo has been busy during lockdown and set up a brand-new website for Five Star Events. It is packed full of all the information you need, and we encourage you to take a look. It shows the slope ratings for each of the courses we plan to visit in 2021. We are hoping that we may be able to produce entry forms for each event on the site. For the time being it will run alongside the old address.

2021 FIXTURES

| | | | <i>Match Manager</i> |
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| Fri. 14 May | <i>Liz Harris Cup</i> | Wrag Barn GC | Tony Buck |
| Fri. 2 July | <i>Phil Garner Memorial Trophy</i> | Burford GC | Barry Yates |
| Fri. 13 Aug | <i>Richard Pineo Shield</i> (in memory of David Jackson) | Frilford Heath GC [Blue course] | Richard Pineo |
| Fri. 24 Sept. | <i>Barry Yates Cup</i> | Studley Wood GC | Barry Yates |
| Fri. 22 Oct. | <i>Ray Hawes Masters</i> | Cotswold Club, Chipping Norton | Richard Pineo |
| End Nov. | <i>Celebrity Charity Day for</i> <i>Tony Buck Trophy</i> | Frilford Heath GC [Green course] | Tony Buck |

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HANDICAPS

WHS

1st November saw a major change of the way handicaps are assessed with the introduction of WHS, the World Handicap System. The slope rating for each course at every club should lead to a fairer way of handicap assessment. We will be giving the slope rating for the course(s) at each of our events in 2021 on the entry form and they will also appear on our new website.

Most of our supporters are members of clubs and therefore will have their handicap certificate. We await guidance from England Golf for those players without a formal HC.

It is an easy calculation to obtain your course handicap, but each club will have this posted on boards before you start your round. We will assist you with this on registration for a Five Star event.

HC ALLOWANCES

We intend to allow 100% of the Course Handicap for each player at our events, subject to review during the season, with a maximum allowance of 28 for Men (up from 24) and 36 for Ladies.

FIVE STAR WINNERS DEDUCTIONS

We are declaring an amnesty for past winners up to and including 2018 who will no longer be subject to accrued deductions.

For 2019 winners the deduction will apply only to the event they won AND if they did not play the necessary 3 events after winning the trophy.

In the future a winner's deduction will apply to that event the following year based on:

Handicap 0-9 = 1 shot; 10-18 = 2 shots; 19-28 = 3 shots; 29+ = 4 shots

PRESIDENT



**Our 2021 President
is Jim Elkins**

CELEBRITY



**Our 2021 Celebrity is Mike Gatting, former
England & Middlesex captain**

CHARITY

**Our 2021 charity is the Lord's Taverners
supporting their new Super 1's initiative for
disabled cricket in Oxfordshire**

