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5<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Dear Steve,

Would you please be so kind as to pass on my compliments to all involved in the Waterlooville Senior Open meeting on Monday. This includes my grateful thanks to all who helped with the organisation on the day, helpers, spotters, officials and of course the in-house staff. As a special mention I would like to congratulate the green staff who have obviously done sterling work in getting to course in such excellent condition, particularly in this difficult summer conditions, with greens that are second to none that I have come across this year having played 25 different courses already.

The atmosphere generated by all who helped is a real bonus to the players and was much appreciated, and started with the welcome at the gate, followed by car park helpers, then in to the club house reception.

Having had experience over 20 years of golf club management I am fully aware of what is required to make a successful meeting, and this was achieved with ease at Waterlooville.

On a personal note I am obviously thrilled to have achieved the hole in one (my fifth !!) and was more than surprised at the amount of sponsorship that you have developed over the past years, and at the array of magnificent prizes on offer. At least it was a good shot! I should like to reinforce my thanks to the sponsors for having the foresight to be part of such a vibrant meeting. Many thanks.

With my very best wishes to you all,

John A L Smith

GCMA National Captain 2014

Highwoods G.C. Captain 2012

Secretary, Rye G.C. 1999-2009

Secretary, North Downs G.C. 1988-1999