

## ESTEC 'Challenge' at Sluispolder, Thursday July 2018

Unfortunately, JRC Petten were unable to raise a team this year for the annual challenge (started in 1986) against the ESTEC Golf Club

None-the-less, we went ahead with the event at the Sluispolder course just north of Alkmaar, the 'Challenge' being the EGC Ladies vs the EGC Gents. We played in excellent golfing conditions: mostly in brilliant sunshine and temperatures near 30C and hardly any wind. However, some fairway areas had clearly suffered from lack of water and many of the tees had been moved forward temporarily for tee-box maintenance.

It was nice to see two 'high handicappers' participate this year: Marga Harboe-Sorensen and Helmut Frueholz, both of whom returned very creditable scores.

Individual Stableford scores are given in the table below. Three of these are a little different from those announced at Sluispolder – thanks to our Proware guru Reno. However, no effect on the overall result! Congratulations to family Hjortnaes on the handicap cuts.

The Ladies vs Gents Challenge was won by the Gents, 165 to 161. So, congratulations to the EGC Gents who look forward to defending their honour in 2019. The average score this year was 32.6 points which compares very favourably with the EGC average last year of 28.80.

There were nearies on four holes but only two were claimed; by Helma on hole 15 and by Brian on hole 8.

The event was rounded off by an excellent dinner on the terrace afterwards.

Anna Hjortnaes	37		Kjeld Hjortnaes	39	
Wil Spangenberg	32		Brian Taylor	36	
Helma Nollen	32		Helmut Frueholz	34	
Angela Glatston	31		Reno Harboe-Sorensen	30	
Marga Harboe-Sorensen	29		Geoff Beckwith	26	
	Total	161		Total	165

Brian Taylor and Wil Spangenberg