

## The Dick Watson Trophy - Aldeburgh GC. 12<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

### Result: 4<sup>th</sup> / 15

"On 13 and 14 October Ampleforth contested the Dick Watson Trophy at Aldeburgh for the fifth time. Having finished in last place on three of our four previous attempts we entered this competition with the bar of success set at "anywhere but last". On this scale our 2019 campaign was a big success.

The competition is made up of fifteen schools, each with a team of four. It is played over two days with two rounds of foursomes stableford on Saturday and a matchplay round on Sunday. The OAGS team was made up of: *Sam Moon, Patrick Faulkner, Rupert Finch and Henry Rowan-Robinson.*

After the morning rounds we were mid-table but we all played well in the afternoon accumulating 68 points to put us up to third. This meant we missed out on the top match and the chance to win the trophy but left us with a 3<sup>rd</sup> vs 4<sup>th</sup> place match on Sunday against Radcliffe. Framlingham beat Eton in the final to win it for the third year in a row.

We had a good dinner at the club and placed plenty of ill-considered wagers on the next day's results. We may have enjoyed ourselves a bit too much and had too little sleep as we were undone on Sunday by Radcliffe who played extremely well. So we finished in a respectable 4<sup>th</sup> place, we'll try to climb a couple of places higher next year. I attach a full breakdown of the final results."