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Langdon wins 34th staging of Hills Wiltshire Professionals' Golf Championship at his first attempt

Ross Langdon of South Cerney Golf Club finished on two under par to win the tournament held at Marlborough Golf Club on 3 July.

The 36-hole event saw 18 professionals teeing off in near perfect conditions although a fairly strong breeze built up during the day.

After the first round, Chippenham Golf Centre's Kelvin Aitken led the field by three shots after an impressive three under par round of 69. Lying in second place was Dan Carter from Upavon Golf Club at level par two shots ahead of Ben Newman of Ogbourne Downs, Mark Searle from High Post Golf Club, Ross McCance from Chippenham Golf Centre and eventual winner Langdon.

Despite a triple bogey on the first hole of the afternoon round, subsequent birdies ensured that Kelvin Aitken reached the turn with his three shot cushion intact. However, dropped shots on the 12th, 13th and 16th holes, whilst at the same time Langdon was putting together a fantastic second round of four under par, ensured a close and exciting finish. The shot which effectively clinched the title for Langdon was an amazing drive on the par 4 16th hole where he left his ball nine inches from the hole for a tap-in for an eagle. Both players birdied the 18th giving Langdon victory by one shot.

Barry Forster from North Wilts Golf Club finished third with a championship total of one over par following a great round of 69 in the afternoon. Dan Carter finished fourth on three over, Make Searle fifth on four over par and tied sixth on five over par were Nick Brennan from Bowood Golf Club, Ben Newman and the evergreen Graham Laing from North Wilts Golf Club.

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