# **THE WAYFAIRER**



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## HOGG'S TEAM SCRAMBLES THE MORNING CROWN - BUT THEN CLIVE COOPER NAILS THEM

■ to Holtye coincided with the first real day of Summer! combination of blue cloudless skies, an excellently prepared Golf Course and a great atmosphere in the clubhouse all gave rise to a truly memorable day.

s for the Golf - many will want Ato forget this! - particularly all those Holtye players who scored so poorly on their own home territory!

The morning 9 hole Texas ■ Scramble saw combination of Jeff Hogg (Captain), John Bateson, Frank Houlihan and Brian Girling emerge as clear victors with a very creditable gross total of 31 - 2 under par (3 birdies,5 pars and 1 bogey.

The morning's golf was followed by the Annual Putting Competition which started with 6 innocuous and very straight forward holes,

only to be followed by the dreaded 'String Hole' 7th! As many as 12 shots were taken by several players on this hole, before the ball finally dropped but undoubtedly the Plonker Cap when it was revealed 1st Peter Rushton (Who, quite in the Clubhouse!

The Wayfairers first official visit reflected in the scoring! No one managed to play below their handicap. Winner of the 18 hole Stableford was **Clive Cooper** on 36 points - despite signing his card for a 37! He was nearly disqualified, but as he has undertaken never to do it again, we have been kind and allowed his card to stand.(Besides we may all need him someday! Ed.)

> ur two guests for the day **Andy** Knight and Peter Waygood finished in 2nd and 3rd places



## The 4th at Holtye

steadiest and most accurate that in his last 3 games of golf he had correctly, went off with the best performer was Mike Riddles, who uncharacteristically played extremely prize!). covered the whole layout in just 19 badly - topping and missing the ball putts, taking a mere 6 on the 7th to and taking huge divots! He lost the emerge as the "Wayfairer Putter of last game 7 & 8 (Not supprising my emerge as the "Wayfairer Putter of last game 7 & 8 (Not surprising - my the Year"! A good day for Mike. partner was John McD. Ed). So bad Later in the afternoon he went on to was the situation that he decided to win the Birdie Cap as well - despite visit the opticians! A thorough being attacked by a passing seagull examination showed no problems at ] all, until the optician repeated the test somebody smash his illegal driver?! with his contact lenses and found fter the putting, 9 holes in the Barry was wearing the right one in Chortest Drive - John Horsfall lunch, the 18 holes in the afternoon eye. Perhaps this explains his recent driver?! took its toll and this was generally tendency for walking round in circles!

## AND SO TO THE FULL HOLTYE RESULTS

exas Scramble Trophy Winners **▲** Jeff Hogg, John Bateson, Frank **Houlihan & Brian Girling.** Gross 31.

Wayfairers Trophy & Winner of 18 Hole Trophy

1st Clive Cooper 36 pts (not 37!).

2nd **Andy Knight** 36 pts

3rd **Peter Waygood** 35 pts

Dutting Competition 2001.

1st Mike Riddles 19

2nd **Jeff Hogg** 21 (c/b)

3rd **Dennis Shelley** 21 (c/b)

4th **Peter Waygood** 21 (c/b)

Indisputed Worst Putter 2001

### John McDonnell

ongest Drive - Chris Wilkes the third consecutive time! Won't

After the putting, 9 notes in the Barry was wearing the right one in his right Why doesn't Chris lend him his

irdie Cap - Mike Riddles.

Hedgehog Award - Dennis Shelley

Plonker Cap - Barry Richards

ther Prizes - John Bateson was presented with a 'Visitors Guide to Farnham' following his Milford antics, and Jeff Hogg received a special 'So Near So Far' Award to make up for all his bitter disappointment at Milford. Ahh! Poor Jeff!

## The Holtye Raffle

Many thanks to Mike Riddles for stepping in to the breach at the last moment to take over as our Raffle Ticket Salesman. Ken Cooper had volunteered to do this, but was forced to withdraw at very late notice due to Irish Food Poisoning - (is that another name for 8 pints of Guinness??). Mike collected a total of £64 which less prize money expenses, leaves us with a healthy current balance of just on £200. However our supply of Wayfairer balls is almost exhausted and £160 will be needed to renew our stock.

No salesman volunteer will be needed at Reigate Heath as our Secretary will be organising the usual 'Draw a player in the Open' swindle. Hopefully Ken Cooper will have recovered by the time of our July meeting and can take over the task for that meeting. If so, he has promised to sing his latest recording of 'If you ever go across the sea to Ireland'! Pity he missed the Holtye Raffle - Top prize was a bottle of Irish Whiskey. He would have loved it!

#### MENTAL HEALTH WARNING

It is strongly recommended to all Wayfairers that they do not refer, in the presence of the two Johns, even Reigate meeting it is assumed that remotely, to the subject of the 2001 the majority of Wayfairers will Census.

To do so will result in extreme verbal overload and the endless regurgitation of meaningless numbers, letters, jargon and folksy anecdotes. If this happens to you the advice is to pick up your most valued possessions i.e. Wallet, car keys and golf clubs and depart from the scene without delay!

## And so to our next

## REIGATE HEATH THURSDAY 21st JUNE STABLEFORD PAIRS

YOUR PLACE IS FRIDAY 8TH be decided). JUNE.

ost is £28 to cover 18 holes and a three course meal plus coffee. PLEASE send in your return slip NOW!

This competition is only open to ■ members but guests may be nominated if reserves are needed to make up the numbers. Prizes are also included in the cost and there are lots to be won with both the Two Ronnies Cup as well as the Wayfairers Trophy at stake. Current holders of the Two Ronnies Trophy are Brian Girling and John McDonnell

ost does not cover any coffee or refreshments prior to playing. It is suggested however that players arrive mid-day to purchase their own snacks and drinks to be present at the draw for partners! The draw will take place at approx. 12.15pm. Tee off in 4 Balls from 1.00pm. This is a pairs Better Ball Stableford but please record all players Stableford points to determine the winners of the Individual Competition. Following our usual custom we also give the Nearest the Pin and the Longest Drive Competitions a break at Reigate Heath, and we have the Mystery Pairs Award instead.

Topefully we will eat at about  $\mathbf{\Pi}$ 7.00pm. As this is our 5th know how to get there. Phone number 01737 242610.

#### **Overseas News**

As you read this have a thought for the 13 intrepid Wayfairers playing golf in Normandy and fighting their way through all those French Menus - see next copy of the Wayfairer!

## Memo - Our July Meeting

s previously announced, to be held Aat West Chiltington Golf Club on Monday 23rd July. Day of the Annual 3 Way Match Competition -Treasurer's This as in previous years will be v Secretary's v President's Team Trophy. L an afternoon gathering because Final details in your next Wayfairer it's cheaper after 1 pm! DEADLINE together with information regarding the FOR PAYMENT TO SECURE September Meeting (Date and venue to



**bRING BULGING WALLETS AND** A COUPLE OF CHEQUE BOOKS TO REIGATE HEATH

because IT'S THE DAY OF HONEST JOHN MCDONNELL'S ANNUAL SALE OF GOLF BALLS

'NOT A SINGLE BALL SOLD MORE THAN 25 YEARS OLD!"

 $\Pi$ selection of range BALLS! AND 'cOMMANDOS'

MISS IT AT



THE TRIUMPHANT TEXAS TEAM -BRIAN GIRLING, JEFF HOGG, FRANK HOULIHAN & JOHN BATESON



WNNER OF THE BIRDIE CAP AND CHAMPION PUTTER -MIKE RIDDLES



AN ARCHIVE PICTURE OF CLIVE COOPER -WAYFAIRER TROPHY



CONSOLATION PRIZE FOR PUTTING - PETER RUSHTON CLUTCHES HIS



Pictures from Holtye





P----D AGAIN & OVERJOYED WITH NEAREST THE PIN -JOHN McDONNELL



# WAYFAIRER 2001 PAIRS KNOCK-OUT



#### **ROUND 2 PRELIMINARY ROUND 3 FINAL** ROUND 1 1. Tony Warrilow 24/ Ken Cooper 24 2. Jeff Hogg 14/ 2. Jeff Hogg 14/ Dennis Shelley 24 Dennis Shelley 24 3. Ron Harris 19/ 3. Ron Harris 19/ Stuart Harris 11 Stuart Harris 11 4. John Horsfall 27/ Mike Riddles 31 5. Fred Catterall 18/ Audrey Riddles 24 6. Mike Owens 26/ 6. Mike Owens 26/ Frank Houlihan 25 Frank Houlihan 25 7. Brian Girling 38/ 7. Brian Girling 38/ Svd Tutton 31 Syd Tutton 31 8. Ron Bailey 31/ Stafford Smith 30 9. John Bateson 18/ Nick Widdowson 13 (Ron Bailey withdrew due to injury - get well soon Ron) 10. John McDonnell 18/ Mike Wilson 28 PLAYED BY THE 23 OCT 11. Peter Storev 8/

TO BE PLAYED BY 8TH MAY 2001

### A REMINDER OF HOW THE BETTER BALL MATCH PLAY COMPETITION IS RUN

The competitions are played at a mutually agreed venue on a match play basis. Where one or more players are members of the chosen club all Green Fees are equally divided. Details and vouchers for '2 for 1' courses can be obtained from John McDonnell (01342 833747).

Wayfairers handicaps current at the time of playing are to be used and confirmation of handicaps can be obtained from John Bateson (01342 832602). Handicaps at 21st March are shown above. Ladies to play off Ladies Tee and play to Ladies Card and stroke index.

On completion of each match the results are to be notified

promptly to John Bateson by the winning Team who, when it has been decided, will be told who they are playing in the next round.

PLAYED BY 11TH SEPT.

Barry Richards 21 12. David Gillen 16/

PLAYED BY 10TH JULY

Chris Wilkes 9

HANDICAP ADJUSTMENTS WILL BE MADE AS THE COMPETITION PROCEEDS.

#### HANDICAPPING SYSTEM

Just a reminder - the lowest handicap player plays off scratch and the other players receive strokes on the basis of 3/4 of the difference between their handicaps and the lowest handicap - strokes to be taken at the appropriate stroke index holes

The winners of this competition receive at the A.G.M. in November a prize and the Wayfairers Pairs Knockout Figurines currently held by Mike Wilson & John McDonnell.

## **SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP**

WINNERS

2001

or

## THE HEDGEHOG AND ITS PART IN THEIR DOWNFALL

Retaining his lead but without improving his score John Bateson on 108. Moving into second place is Jeff Hogg on 103 with Dennis Shelley and Chris Wilkes on 102.

Dennis aimed at improving his chances by enhancing his handicap - see the result of the Hedgehog Award at Holtye. However the biggest danger comes from **Clive Cooper** who has already posted scores of 41 and 36. Like Dennis, Clive has also adopted the tactic of improving his handicap, having won the Hedgehog at Milford. However his winning 36pts at Holtye will certainly put a dent in it!!!