

## THE WAYFAIRER



The Wayfairers Golf Society

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## SPRING CUP DAY AT COULSDON - ONLY 20 WEEKS LATE BUT FOR CHAMPION BRIAN IT WAS WELL WORTH THE WAIT!

Weeks of glorious sunshine passed as our long delayed Coulsdon meeting drew near, only for a forecast for the day of heavy rain, possibly accompanied by the odd thunder storm! Having had to postpone our previous Spring Trophy gathering back in March due to a snow wipe out, it looked as though the combination of Coulsdon and the Wayfairers was jinxed! However an early light drizzle quickly petered out and although overcast, the temperature was ideal for playing golf. This was our first ever visit to this venue and a total of 29 members and 3 guests made their way to the first tee. They quickly discovered that the Course was in excellent condition and extremely well suited to our now rather elderly Society. The terrain was flat and not overlong with plenty of fairway space off the tee. The majority of greens however were often sloping, giving players some tricky and testing putts.

Scoring was better than in previous gatherings this year, the average being a high 28 with more players than usual in the normally exclusive "30 & Over" Club.

Well above this good average however was Brian Girling who finished with an excellent score of 36pts. This narrowly pushed guest Peter Morris into second place with 35 and behind him, in third place was Roger Sands on 34.

John B. in his wisdom had put one group of high handicappers out together and in these benign conditions the quartet of Tony Warrilow, Derek Reeves, Roger Sands and Alan Rose, with a total combined handicap of 101, swept away all opposition in the Team Competition by scoring a total of 80 points.

Following the golf, players gathered in the Hotel lounge bar where there was a very lively atmosphere. Norman had to be twice reprimanded for attempting to sneak into a wedding reception for a crafty free glass of bubbly, before everyone was led into a sumptuous dining area for an excellent meal. Nearly more waiters and waitresses than diners!

Brian standing in for John B. with the prize giving did a great deputising job, following a "fun" raffle run by John McD. For this, after paying the entry fee of a mere £1, half of all those present won a prize - some were very acceptable but others definitely labelled "Return to Sender"! Yet another great day, at a venue agreed by all that we should visit again.

## **COULSDON COURT RESULTS**

1st & Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy & John Peake Spring Cup Brian Girling 36pts

2nd Peter Morris (g) 35pts 3

**3rd Roger Sands 34pts** 

Jeff Hogg - 18 & Under Trophy Damon Pritchard

Team Winners - Roger Sands, Derek Reeves, Tony Warrilow & Alan Rose Total 80pts

2nd Team - Peter Smith, Robert Crompton, Malcolm Goman & Peter Morris (g) Total 79pts

Open Longest Drive - Ruby "Grip it & Rip it" Woolley

19 & Over Longest Drive - "Ever Ready" Eddie Stanley

Nearest the Pin - "Radar Controlled" Ruby Woolley

Birdie Cap - Robert "Tweet Tweet" Crompton

and finally the Hedgehog Award - Bill "Now you see me - Now you don't!" Eslor

#### FINAL CHARITY FUND RAISING RESULTS - THE £1000 MARK IS EXCEEDED!

Our fund raising for the Alzheimer's Society has finally come to an end and Tony has closed the books on this particular project. As the total slowly rose over the past few months, it looked possible that with a big push on our Slinfold day we might pass the magic £1000 mark. We are delighted to report that this has been done and thanks to all your splendid efforts the final amount raised is £1053.

Income has been from a variety of sources as can be seen from the list below with some figures rounded up for simplicity -

DONATIONS - included refund refusals as well as straight forward donations	168.00
GOLF RELATED COMPETITIONS - included balls in water, blob penalties. losing	
team penalties & a putting competition	143.00
MAIN RAFFLES - £30 profit from every main raffle was donated	150.00
ONGOING AUCTIONS - Many items were auctioned on our meeting days and on	
our behalf by Chris Wilkes with other Societies	198.00
OTHER INCOME - Excess Xmas Roll Up entry money & the Coin Tossing Comp.	48.00
CHARITY RAFFLE - Our Slinfold Charity Raffle (all prizes donated)	155.00
CHARITY AUCTION - Our grand auction at Slinfold	191.00

TOTAL 1053.00

Recently, as can be seen from the photograph on the left below, your Committee had the pleasure on your behalf of presenting a cheque for £1053 to the local branch of the Alzheimer's Society. It was very much appreciated.

Talk about giant oak trees coming from tiny acorns! When the idea of supporting a charity first started back in 2006 and a cheque for £530 was presented to St. Catherine's Hospice in 2007, little did we think that 6 years later we would have raised a total of £4736.50p split over 4 very worthwhile causes. Many thanks to everyone for your support and well done!

Time for a rest now and putting aside any little extras that come in to subsidise one of our 2014 outings. Venue yet to be decided!



President Barry together with John B. Tony and John McD. present the cheque for £1053 to Lyn Watson, the manager of the local Alzheimer's Society Surrey Office.

Behind Lyn in the far distance can just be seen the flag on the 18th green at Bletchingley Golf Club. We very much look forward to visiting here on Monday 21st October, this being the day that we will be holding our 18th Annual General Meeting.



And what's this? Tony our Treasurer, after doing some simple calculations decided that there was more than enough money in the funds to take all the Committee and their wives out for a slap up lunch. Thank you very much to you the members for you great generosity. Pity you couldn't join us! The caviar and lobsters were truly excellent and the desserts simply delicious. Bon appétit! Please vote for Tony to be re-instated at the AGM!

# PICTURES FROM COULSDON COURT



2nd Place
Guest Peter Morris



Team Competition Winners
Roger. Alan, Derek & Tony



3rd Place
Roger Sands



Winner of Nearest the Pin and Open Longest Drive

Ruby Woolley



Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy and Spring Trophy In 1st Place

Brian Girling



Winner of the Jeff Hogg 18 & Under Trophy

Damon Pritchard



Winner of the 19 and Over LD

Eddie Stanley



Winner of the HedgeHog

Winner of the Birdie Cap Robert Crompton





2nd Place Team Competition Malcolm, Ken, Peter & Guest Peter Morris



Sue checks the cards closely supervised by Frank.



Carl - celebrating a very belated 70th Birthday with a giant bottle of brandy! Thanks for the wine Carl.

## Future Programme For the Wayfairers 2013

## Monday 2nd September Pink Ball Day at Hassocks Monday 21st October AGM & Autumn Cup at Bletchingley

## Letter received from the Alzheimer's Society Surrey 14th August 2013

Dear John and members of the Wayfairers Society

It was so nice to meet you all today. I really enjoyed our chat and a bit of the local history about your club.

On behalf of the Alzheimer's Society Surrey I would like to thank you for the £1053 cheque. The money that was raised will go to support the work we do here in Surrey.

Here within the East Surrey locality we provide a variety of services to people with dementia and their carers like Day Care, Home Support and Social activities.

We also support people with dementia and their families through the dementia journey with practical help and information.

The money will go directly towards helping people with dementia and those who care for them in the Surrey area. Without the support of people like yourselves it would be impossible for us to provide our wide range of services.

On behalf of everyone at East Surrey I would like to thank you once again for your generous support.

Yours sincerely

Lyn Watson Support Services Manager East Surrey Care Services

#### **COULSDON OVER 30'S CLUB**

36 Brian Girling 35 Peter Morris (g) 34 Roger Sands
33 Ruby Woolley & Damon Pritchard
31 Ken Cooper, Kevin Stacey, Derek Allen & Norman Lovelock
30 Frank Houlihan

### **SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIPS - OPEN AND LADIES.**

In the "Open to All" Competition the clear leader is Ruby Woolley. Despite having played only 3 games, she has in these recorded scores of 31, 31 & 33 - a total of 95. In second place is Brian Girling, with his 3 best scores being 27, 28 & 36 - total 91. 3rd is Derek Allen with a combined score of 85 and there are 4 others all close behind him on 84.

As the only remaining fixture is Hassocks, and as Brian is not down to play, it looks as though a tremendous effort from all those in the mid-eighties will be required to catch Ruby, who also is unavailable for Hassocks. Can 95 be beaten? It's wait and see! In the Ladies Competition Ruby leads by 14pts!

#### FOOTNOTES NOW YOU SEE ME - NOW YOU DON'T

For poor Bill Eslor at Coulsdon it was definitely a case of "now you don't"! He forgot his contact lenses and couldn't see the hole - let alone the ball! Consequently he won the Hedgehog. The question is "Did he leave them behind on purpose?" just so that he could win a prize! The jury is out!

### **HASSOCKS RAFFLE**

It's back to the normal raffle at Hassocks. Wonderful prizes! Your ticket salesman on this occasion will be Frank "Blessed With The Blarney" Houlihan.

He thanks you in advance for your generosity!

#### **HANDICAP INFORMATION PLEASE NOTE**

On the review handicap list featured opposite, we now show all **players' scores** at our last meeting in **black numbers**.

Justification for handicap changes can thus clearly be seen based on the average score of 28

H/Caps for Hassocks		
ALLEN	31	22
ATWELL	24	20
BATESON		25
BENSTEAD		23
BLAKELEY	26	7
CATTERALL		23
CHURCH	29	17
COLENUT L		27
COLENUT M		17
COOPER	31	18
CROMPTON	29	16
CUNNINGTON		34
ESLOR	21	11
GIRLING	36	28
GOMAN	27	18
HARRIS		24
HISTED	29	19
HITAM	29	25
HOGG		8
HORSFALL,B		36
HOULIHAN	30	22
KNIGHT		9
LOVELOCK N	31	17
McDONNELL, J	29	25
McDONNELL, S	26	10
PRITCHARD	33	16
REEVES	28	32
RIDDLES, A		33
RIDDLES, M		36
ROSE A	29	32
ROSE D	22	29
ROSNER, C	21	23
RUSHTON		16
SANDS	34	29
SHELLEY	28	16
SMITH	29	10
STACEY	31	17
STANLEY	27	20
STOREY		5
WARD V		20
WARD G		11
WARRILOW	23	36
WILKES	27	5
WILLIAMS		27
WOOLLEY R		17
WOOLLEY, Ruby	33	20
ZINKE	22	12