



THE WAYFAIRER



The Wayfairers Golf Society

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A TIGHT FINISH AT COULSDON WITH THE TOP TWO SCORES LEVEL BUT ON COUNT BACK THE VERDICT WAS GIVEN TO NEVILLE

It's been a bit of a mixed start to 2014 for the Wayfairers. Our first scheduled meeting, which was a casual day at Foxbridge in February, had to be cancelled because of the appalling weather at that time. Our 2nd gathering held very recently at Coulsdon was successful but a nightmare for the organisers as several players, all for very sound reasons, had to make late withdrawals. From an original start list of 37 this dropped way down to 32 with so many of these being very late cancellations. Ultimately 4 3Balls & 5 4Balls went out. In retrospect this could have been made into a much simpler 8 4Balls but unfortunately the changes came too late to adjust. Our 32 players did include 3 very welcome guests.

For the time of year the Course was in good condition with the greens slick, fast and frequently tricky. As appropriate for the Wayfairers the sun shone brightly all day but the easterly March wind had a distinct chill factor. Also as several members commented no matter what the position of the hole you always seemed to be playing into the wind! This was reflected to a certain extent by the average score of 26, despite the vast majority of our members all having received 2 extra shots following the October AGM. Our average at Coulsdon back in August, with members playing off 2 shots lower than currently was 28.

The winning score was 32 and this was recorded by both new member Neville Harrison & guest Robin Jelley. On count back however it was Neville who just had the edge and walked away with the Wayfairers Trophy and the John Peake Spring Trophy. Three other players were very close behind on 31.

The 3 holes for the Longest Drive & Nearest the Pin Competitions had to be rather hastily chosen and as it turned out the one selected for the Nearest the Pin contest was not really suitable, as not one of our 32 players managed to reach the green! Being the Wayfairers however this was no problem, the rules were quickly changed and Kam Wong, who was only inches away from being on was awarded the appropriate prize.

Following the meal the first raffle of the new year was held and the prize table for the day's various golf competitions was extremely full with bottles being handed out right down to 6th place in the Individual Event.

An excellent day with many members being re-united for the first time in several months.

COULSDON MANOR RESULTS

1st Winner of the John Peake Spring Trophy and Wayfairers Trophy - **Neville Harrison 32pts c/b**

2nd - **Robin Jelley (g) 32pts** 3rd **Malcolm Goman 31pts c/b** 4th - **Kam Wong 31pts**

5th - **Peter Smith 31pts** 6th - **Derek Allen 30pts**

Team Winners - **Mick Shiel, Bill Eslor, Neville Harrison & Robin Jelley 75pts**

2nd Team - **Sue Jelley (g) Eddie Stanley Kam Wong & John Bateson**

Open Longest Drive - **"Superwoman" Sue McDonnell**

19 & Over Longest Drive - **"Mighty" Mick Shiel**

Nearest the Pin - **Kam "On The Edge" Wong**

Birdie Cap - **Peer "Burst Boiler" Blakeley**

**AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING -
TO BE HELD AT SLINFOLD G.C ON MONDAY 19th MAY 2014**

Contact details for Slinfold - 01403 791154. Post Code for Sat. Nav. RH13 0RE.

Coffee & Bacon Rolls from 09.15 with the first group out teeing off at 10am. This is the day we play for the much coveted Peer's Plate (current holder Eddie Stanley) and the winner will also take home the Wayfairers Trophy (at present in the safe care of Neville Harrison). Added to this there will be lots of other minor individual contests plus the usual playing groups Team Competition. As this is the Course where long ago Harold Peskett inaugurated Harold's 18th Hole Trophy, this is yet another award we will be playing for on this day. At the moment Damon Pritchard is the proud custodian.

At approximately 5pm a 2 Course Carvery Meal will be served in the Academy. For those who played at Slinfold last July they will remember that this was a truly excellent meal, only spoilt by the outside temperature of 34 degrees! Boy, was it hot! - but unlikely to be repeated in May.

Our meeting at Slinfold is also the start of the on-going fund raising for our new charity - Prostate Cancer Research. From the raffle on this day and at every other subsequent meeting up until July 2015, £30 of the profit made will go towards our charity. At most meetings some minor golf related competitions & contests will also raise money for the fund. Further details of what is planned for Slinfold appear below.

Before giving information regarding the cost can we make a very strong plea on behalf of our Treasurer. IF YOU ARE UNAVAILABLE FOR ANY MEETING PLEASE LET TONY KNOW! IF YOU DON'T AND THE DEADLINE DATE PASSES HE HAS TO CONTACT YOU AND THE ONUS SHOULD BE ON YOU INFORMING HIM AND NOT THE OTHER WAY ROUND. YOUR FULL COOPERATION ON THIS WILL BE MOST GRATEFULLY RECEIVED

The **cost for Slinfold will be £35** to cover coffee & bacon rolls, 18 holes, the 2 Course Carvery Meal & all prizes. **Return slips with payment or notification of non-availability to Tony by SATURDAY 26th APRIL at the very latest please.**

Should you wish to bring a playing guest please indicate on the return slip but availability for guests will not be known until after 26th April when you will be advised of the situation.

SNIPPETS

Wayfairers Charity Fund

Thanks to some very kind donations from some of our members it is planned to hold a mini auction following our Slinfold meeting and already we have items such as a brand new golf top, litre bottles of whisky & vodka plus a bottle of cointreau to auction. If you have any items of similar value that you consider would be popular with members and might raise us some money please bring it to Slinfold.

Hopefully our auctioneer for this will be Graham "Going For the Last Time" Ward.

The Raffle

There were some excellent prizes to be won at Coulsdon and our smooth talking Raffle Ticket Salesman Mick Shiel was "par excellence"! He took a total of £167 (total confirmed after recount) and will be a hard act to follow. However this should be no problem for even smoother talking John Benstead, who we hope will have recovered sufficiently from his second knee replacement operation by the time we all meet up again at Slinfold in May. Hope all is going well John.

Horne Park Casual Day - Friday 11th April

We are delighted to report there has been an excellent response for participation in this annual feast of fun day. All past winners are reminded to bring and wear their green Horne Park caps. Who will be presented with one this year? - it could be you! Who will be your lady team Captain this year? All will be revealed in the final details email. Appropriately enough this year's meeting will be held on the 2nd day of the Augusta Masters.

Currently it looks like almost a full house but we might just be able to squeeze one more player in. Contact John McDonnell if interested and you haven't signed up.

PICTURES FROM COULSDON MANOR



2nd Place
Guest Robin Jelley



Team Competition Winners
Neville Harrison, Bill Eslor
Robin Jelley & Mick Shiel



3rd Place
Malcolm Goman



4th Place &
Winner of Nearest the Pin
Kam Wong



1st Place
Neville Harrison



Winner of Open Longest Drive
Sue McDonnell



Winner of the 19 and Over LD
Mick Shiel



Winner of the HedgeHog
Jeff Hogg



Winner of the Birdie Cap
Peer Blakeley



5th Place
Peter Smith



2nd Place Team Competition
Kam Wong, Susan Jelley(G)
John Bateson & Eddie Stanley.



6th Place
Derek Allen

Full Programme For the Wayfairers Year 2014

Friday 11th April Casual Day at Horne Park

Monday 19th May Peer's Plate at Slinfold

Wednesday 18th June Pink Ball Day at Foxbridge

Monday 21st July at West Chiltington Members Subsidised Day & President's Trophy

Friday 15th August Casual Day at Villa (TBC)

Tuesday 2nd September 2 Ronnies Pairs at Hassocks

Monday 13th October at Bletchingley AGM Day & Autumn Cup

Members Subsidised Day

The date & venue for our biennial Members' subsidised day have now been arranged. On Monday 21st July we will be playing at West

Chiltington Golf Club which is south of Billingshurst and to the north of Storrington. We have played there several times before but the most recent visit was a decade ago. Following this we did not return due to price increases.

Our subsidised days seem to be all connected with golfing celebrities. A few years back we went to Mannings Heath, the home Club of Sky TV presenter Ewan Murray. Two years ago it was Laura Davies's home Sutton Green and West Chiltington's connections are ex-Open champion Max Faulkner and his Ryder Cup son-in-law Brian Barnes. The Club is in a splendid setting on the edge of the South Downs. It will be a day to look forward to.

COULSDON 30'S CLUB

32pts Neville Harrison Robin Jelley (g) 31pts Malcolm Goman,
Kam Wong, Peter Smith 30pts Derek Allen



Finally! Who is this hiding behind the palm tree?
As you can see on the right it's none other than our
Secretary basking in the Tenerife sunshine!
Not a pretty sight! All that meat and no gravy!
Once again our Treasurer Tony has come up trumps
and spent your money very wisely by giving the
Hon. Sec. a much deserved sunshine break!
The large pint of cool beer is just out of sight. Cheers!



Wayfairers Pairs KO Competition

Thanks to Eddie the draw has been circulated to all members involved.
Preliminary round matches to be played by the 19th May please and results forwarded to Eddie as soon as games have been played.

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 be clearly be seen based on the average score of 26

H/Caps for Slinfold		
ALLEN	30	22
ATWELL		22
BATESON	26	27
BENSTEAD		25
BLAKELEY	27	10
CHURCH		16
COLENUT L	24	29
COLENUT M		20
COOPER	24	20
CROMPTON		18
DAVISON	28	26
ESLOR	26	12
GIRLING	29	30
GOMAN	31	17
HARRISON	32	16
HISTED	21	23
HITAM	26	25
HOGG	15	13
HORSFALL,B		39
HOULIHAN		23
KNIGHT		11
LOVELOCK N	29	20
McDONNELL, J		27
McDONNELL, S	26	12
MILLICHOPE	15	14
MORRIS	25	17
PRITCHARD	26	19
REEVES	25	33
ROSE A	25	34
ROSE D	24	31
ROSNER, C	28	25
RUSHTON		18
SANDS	29	32
SHELLEY	25	17
SHIEL	27	20
SMITH	31	10
STACEY	22	20
STANLEY	23	22
STOREY		7
WARD V		18
WARD G		13
WARRILOW		40
WILKES		7
WONG	31	9
Woolley R		21
Woolley Ruby		21
ZINKE		14

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY
SLINFOLD MONDAY 19th MAY

NAME.....

Please tick below as appropriate

- ☐ I am available for the above - Members Fee £35
- ☐ Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Slinfold
- ☐ If space allows * I wish to bring a playing guest (name + h/cap below) Fee £35

Playing Guest's Name.....H/cap.....

BUGGIES

- ☐ Should you intend to book a buggy please tick this box. By doing so you will be put into the same playing group as another member requiring one.

Once you are told who this person is, it will be your joint responsibility to book & pay for the buggy.

This slip & applicable cheque for the relevant amount (**excluding playing guest fee**)

made out to:

“The Wayfairers Golfing Society”

Must be forwarded to:

Tony Warrilow, 16 Orchard Way, Shirley, CR0 7NG

Tel: 02087777346

BY SATURDAY 26th April

Unless advised previously, it is expected that members and their guests remain until after the competition prizes have been awarded.

*Members wishing to bring playing guests will be advised if a vacancy exists after the deadline date. Payment must be received at least 7 days before the meeting.