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AT FOXBRIDGE JUST 2 TEAMS KEPT THE PINK BALL IN PLAY AS "BANDIT" BOB HISTED DOMINATED THE DAY!

Wednesday 18th June saw the Pink Ball Day being held for the very first time at Foxbridge, a Course notorious for trapping the unwary and even the wary into depositing their golf balls repeatedly into the seemingly endless water traps. Thanks to John B. this was a truly sadistic but extremely challenging choice of venue for this particular contest!

The Competition attracted 25 members and 2 guests and despite a grey and almost chilly start, by noon the sun was shining and the players experienced a glorious afternoon.

For some however the golf was not quite so glorious as the amount of lost balls began to accumulate. The Course was in nice condition but the greens which looked deceptively fast were in fact rather slow, with many a putt tailing off short of the hole. The average score for the day was 25 but one or two players exceeded this considerably. Bob Histed in particular was in a class of his own. He recorded a truly excellent score of 41pts - 16 shots above the average - and in this he included 2 birdies. He also won the 19 + Over Longest Drive so his collection of prizes really accumulated. However success does bring its penalties but then again Bob has always wanted to be playing off scratch!

In 2nd place was Spencer with 34pts - 9 above the average but this almost pales into insignificance in the light of Bob's achievement.

And so how did the 7 Teams fare with the pink ball? Only 2 groups managed to carry it all the way round and some fell at the first fence - sorry hole! One of these was Norman who celebrated his birthday the following day by losing his Team's ball with the first shot of the day! And they call him Lucky Norman!! The winning Team was the deadly combination of Frank Houlihan, Peer Blakeley, Mick Shiel and guest Mike Vardon who together scored 28pts with their ball and returned it to the organiser without so much as a scratch on it!

The Secretary had a busy day sorting out all the guesses for the number of balls that would be lost in the water and organising a draw so that everyone present drew 2 players each to support in the forthcoming Open to be held at Hoylake in July. The full list of "who drew who" appears on page 4 and the prizes for the lucky winners will be presented at our West Chilton meeting.

Following the golf it was much needed drinks on the patio but these were mainly sipped under umbrellas as the sun was so warm. The host Club served an excellent meal and the day concluded with a most enjoyable presentation ceremony.

FOXBRIDGE RESULTS

The Pink Ball Trophy - Frank Houlihan Peer Blakeley Mick Shiel & Mike Vardon (g)

2nd Team- Chris Wilkes Brian Girling & Carl Rosner (late absentee Alan Rose)

Wayfairers Trophy - Bob Histed 41pts **2nd** - Spencer Atwell 34 pts

3rd - Peer Blakeley 33pts **4th** - Brian Girling 32 pts

Open Longest Drive - "Del" Allen **19 & Over Longest Drive** - Bob Histed

Nearest The Pin - Damon Pritchard **Nearest the Pin in 2 (18th)** Damon again!

Hedgehog - Peter Smith **Birdie Cap** - Bob Histed **The Lonely Lady Prize** - Annie Hitam

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING -
TO BE HELD AT WEST CHILTINGTON G.C. ON MONDAY 21st JULY 2014

Our next gathering is our eagerly awaited visit to West Chilton and as it is a Club we have not played at for over a decade, it will be a new venue for many of our members. The Course is situated directly east of Pulborough and to the north of Storrington. Further details of directions will appear in the final email. To give some idea of distance it is just under an hour's drive from Lingfield. The set up is magnificent as the Course nestles at the foot of the South Downs. The front 9 is tight as you play through woodland and the back 9 in open countryside boasts some wonderful panoramic views. Total distance not too long at 5728 yards but there are a few climbs and drops.

This of course, as has already been well promoted, is the day when both our Treasurer and the Raffle subsidise our members to give them a day to remember! It will be a real bargain day out! Traditionally our July meeting is the day we play for the President's Trophy so all players will be in one of 4 Teams - Treasurer's, President's, Secretary's or Match Co-ordinator's. Winners last year were the Secretary's Selection. Playing groups will be announced in the final email.

All members of the winning Team will each receive a Wayfairers ball but **WARNING** - all members of the 3 losing Teams will be asked to put £1 in the Charity Pot! Remember this as you line up those putts! Prizes will be plenty as the top 2 scorers in each Team both receive a prize. The member with the top score of the day will also become the proud custodian of the Wayfairers Trophy and at present Bob Histed holds that honour. Another prestigious award to be competed for by the lower handicap players will be Jeff Hogg's 18 & Under Trophy, currently held by Damon Pritchard.

Following the draw for Open players at Foxbridge the results and prizes for the lucky winners will be announced at West Chilton as this will be the day after the Open at Hoylake finishes. Our normal raffle will be held and hopefully if he has recovered from all his many recent ops. our Ticket Salesman will be "Silver Tongued" John Benstead. He guarantees everyone will be a winner!

The day begins with coffee & bacon rolls as from 09.40 with the first group out at 10.32. The keen ones among you however might want to arrive a little bit early, as we have negotiated as part of the package a free bucket of driving range balls for each player. All you have to do is collect a token from the Pro's shop and you can use the range facilities at any time that suits you.

And what is all this going to cost our members when the subsidy has been added to your payment? You will get coffee & bacon rolls, a complimentary range voucher, 18 holes, a 2 Course meal with coffee and all the prizes for an incredible charge of just **£29**. Unbelievable but true! Without the subsidy the **real cost is £45** and this is what we will have to ask from any guests who wish to play.

DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT. This is WEDNESDAY 2nd JULY. Please be prompt with your return to Tony. If you are not, could I suggest a £1 penalty for every day you keep Tony waiting for your reply! Please as usual add any prospective guests' details to your return and you will be advised of any vacancies. However as mentioned earlier they will be required to pay the full amount of £45.



**THE GUESS THE NUMBER OF BALLS LOST
IN THE WATER AT FOXBRIDGE COMPETITION -**



With 28 entrants for this competition guesses ranged from an optimistic 27 to a pessimistic 58. No one came up with the correct answer which was 43 but closest were Annie, Peter Rushton & Chris Wilkes who all forecast 42. Ultimately the prize went to Chris who lost none himself, while Annie put 1 in the drink and Peter said goodbye to 4! All proceeds from the event have gone into our Charity Fund.

CASUAL DAY AT VILLA ON FRIDAY 15th AUGUST -

Our first casual gathering of 2014 at Foxbridge back in February had to be cancelled due to the dreadful weather at that time. All the prizes for the day had already been purchased but with the cancellation all those due to play received a full refund, thus leaving lots of prizes which could not be returned but had been paid for.

Consequently the theme for our Villa day will be what was intended for Foxbridge and this is "Prizes for All Day"! Coffee will be available from 9.20 and following play it's over to Holtys for an excellent Two Course Meal at approx. 4pm.

Cost for morning coffee, 18 holes the meal and all prizes will be £30. Payment is required by Monday 21st July at the very latest and this is the date of our West Chilton gathering. Cash or cheque payable to J & S McDonnell. Guests are welcome and can be paid for at the same time. Please ensure you supply their names and current handicaps with the payment.

If not playing at West Chilton and you wish to play at Villa please settle up with John before Monday 21st July. Thank you.

PICTURES FROM FOXBRIDGE

TROPHIES PRESENTED BY OUR SLINFOLD WINNER - EDDIE STANLEY



2nd Place

Spencer Atwell



Winners of the Pink Ball Trophy

*Mike Vardon(G), Frank Houlihan,
Peer Blakeley & Mick Shiel*



3rd Place

Peer Blakeley



*Winner of the Two
Nearest the Pin Contests*

Damon Pritchard



*Winner of the
Wayfairers Trophy, the Birdie
Cap & 19 + Over Longest Drive*

Bob Histed



*Winner of the
Open Longest Drive*

Derek Allen



4th Place

Brian Girling



*Winner of the
HedgeHog*

Peter Smith



*Annie
Wins the Lonely Lady's
Prize*



The Rock Bottom Pink Ball Team!



*Hall Of Shame -
They all lost the pink ball*

Programme For the Wayfairers Year 2014
Monday 21st July at West Chiltington Members Subsidised
Day & President's Trophy
Friday 15th August Casual Day at Villa
Tuesday 2nd September 2 Ronnies Pairs at Hassocks
Monday 13th October at Bletchingley AGM Day & Autumn Cup

WHO DREW WHO IN THE OPEN DRAW?

NOTE - Should any player listed below not play then members will be given a substitute and informed of who this is. There are vacant spaces for other members.

D. Allen - A. Scott & M. Manassero	D. Pritchard - B. Curtis & J. Donaldson
S. Atwell - P. Casey & M. Kaymer	D. Reeves - T. Watson & J. Dufner
J. Bateson - L. Oosthuizen & H. English	C. Rosner - B. Grace & H. Matsuyama
P. Blakeley - Z. Johnson & M. Kuchar	P. Rushton - V. Dubuisson & F. Molinari
K. Cooper - G. FernandezCast. & W. Simpson	R. Sands- D. Howell & P. Mickelson
R. Crompton - D. Johnson & S. Garcia	D. Shelley - S. Gallacher & J. Day
B. Eslor - J. Rose & K. Bradley	M. Shiel - L. Donald & J. Furyk
B. Girling - B. Watson & J. Luiten	P. Smith - T. Bjorn & J. Blixt
M. Goman - B. de Jonge & L. Westwood	E. Stanley - R. Fowler & R. McIlroy
B. Histed - J. B. Holmes & S. Stricker	A. Stone - G. McDowell & M. Jiminez
Annie Hitam - E. Els & B. Weekley	T. Warrilow - H. Stenson & C. Schwartzel
F. Houlihan - S. Cink & R. Palmer	C. Wilkes - G. Woodland & B. Haas
N. Lovelock - B. Snedeker & T. Jaidee	M. Vardon - B. Horschel & I. Poulter
J. McDonnell - R. Sterne & C. Wood	K. Wong - G. Coetzee & J. Senden
Sue McDonnell - P. Harrington & J. Speith	SPACE VACANT
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FOXBRIDGE OVER 30'S CLUB

Bob Histed 41pts Spencer Atwell 34pts
Peer Blakeley 33pts Brian Girling 32pts
Malcolm Goman 31pts Damon Pritchard 31pts

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP

After 4 qualifying games things are really warming up in the Championship. With the best 3 personal scores to count from October 2013 to September 2014 the lead has been taken with an excellent total of 92 pts by Malcolm Goman. He has played in 3 out of the 4 qualifying gatherings to date and recorded scores of 30, 31 & 31. He shall now be renamed "Mr Consistency"! However his efforts at Foxbridge have lost him a shot. How will he fare next time out at West Chiltington?

In 2nd place mainly due to his exceptionally high score at Foxbridge is Bob Histed. He has played in all 4 games and his best 3 give him a score of 89 - 3 behind Malcolm. In 3rd place 3 shots adrift from 2nd place is Spencer on 86.

In the Ladies Championship Annie having played on every possible occasion so far leads with 85pts with Sue having missed out at Foxbridge in 2nd place but trailing on 77.

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 25

H/Caps for West Chiltington		
ALLEN	24	22
ATWELL	34	19
BATESON	20	28
BENSTEAD		25
BLAKELEY	33	7
CHURCH		16
COLENUT L		28
COLENUT M		19
COOPER	24	18
CROMPTON	21	19
DAVISON		26
ESLOR	18	14
GIRLING	32	28
GOMAN	31	15
HARRISON		16
HISTED	41	19
HITAM	27	25
HOGG		13
HORSFALL,B		39
HOULIHAN	25	23
KNIGHT		11
LOVELOCK N	24	20
McDONNELL,J	25	27
McDONNELL,S		12
MILLICHOPE		14
MORRIS		17
PRITCHARD	31	17
REEVES	25	33
ROSE A		35
ROSE D		34
ROSNER, C	26	25
RUSHTON	19	21
SANDS	27	32
SHELLEY	27	17
SHIEL	26	20
SMITH	15	13
STACEY		20
STANLEY	18	21
STOREY		7
WARD V		19
WARD G		14
WARRILOW	18	40
WILKES	22	8
WONG		9
WOOLLEY R		21
WOOLLEYRuby		21
ZINKE		14

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

WEST CHILTINGTON ON MONDAY 21st JULY

NAME.....

Please tick below as appropriate

☐ I am available for the above - Members Subsidised Fee £29

☐ Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Slinfold

☐ If space allows* I would like to bring a playing guest** (name & H/Cap below)

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

☐ **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

WEDNESDAY 2nd JULY

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

2) * Members wishing to bring playing guests will be advised if any vacancies occur after Wednesday 2nd July.

3) ** Please remember any guests have to pay the full amount of £45.