



THE WAYFAIRER



The Wayfairers Golf Society

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**AT THE HOLTYE CHRISTMAS SCRAMBLE EVERY TEAM PLAYED SO WELL
BUT SUE, KAM, JOHN & MIKE WERE THE ONES WHO DID EXCEL!**

By the time this latest edition of the Wayfairer appears on your screens Christmas will be over and forgotten and our early December day at Holtye just a memory of the past!

However for those who weren't there and re-capping for those who were, it was a wonderfully dry crisp day - Wayfairers weather as ever! - and 8 equally balanced teams of 4 players took to the field, with this including 3 very welcome guests. The Course was in very good condition and so our annual Christmas contest got under way.

Owing to continued injury your Secretary was unable to take part but he did check how the scoring was progressing as the teams came on to the 10th tee and halfway round it was all extremely close with only 3 pts separating any of the playing groups. This nip & tuck situation continued right up to the 18th but finally the deadly combination of new member Sue Jelley plus Kam, John Benstead & Mike Colenutt just edged it and they walked off with the coveted Texas Scramble Trophy.

As in a Scramble, which is all about team effort, no one player can gain an individual prize, our oldest trophy, the Christmas Tankard, goes to the player in the winning group who sinks the final putt and this was Kam. Well done Kam! Not only do you have the Tankard to hold for a year but there was also a nice bottle of Christmas ale to go in it! Cheers! Despite no individual Scramble prizes, it was possible to organise all the other usual minor competitions such as Nearest the Pin and being Christmas an extra one was added, this being the dreaded annual Shortest Drive contest on the 10th hole! Before teeing off, Malcolm Goman proudly announced that as he had already completed his 3 mandatory drives he would go easy to give others in his team an opportunity to establish one of their compulsory shots. Having said that, there was no way he wanted the extremely dubious honour of winning this iniquitous distinction but with a very heavy low "worm burner" he did just that! Not only that, this won him the Hedgehog as well! Lucky fellow!

Following the golf the players were joined by 15 other very welcome dinner guests, the vast majority being the charming "better halves" of several of the members. An excellent Christmas meal was served with wine on the table to celebrate a forthcoming 80th birthday and this was followed by the results of a charity fund raising competition, the golf prize giving ceremony and it all ended among many moans & groans with the traditional Christmas Quiz/Song Contest brilliantly organised as ever by the 2 Johns. Further details of some of these events appear on other pages And so a truly excellent Christmas gathering came to an end to conclude the Wayfairers memorable 19th year.

HOLTYE CHRISTMAS MEETING RESULTS

Texas Scramble Trophy Winners - Sue Jelley Kam Wong John Benstead & Mike Colenutt

Runners Up - Ruby Woolley Robert Crompton Peter Smith & John Bateson on C/B from 3rd

Third Place - Sue Humphrey Andy Knight Kevin Stacey & Norman Lovelock

Open Longest Drive - Andy "Marathon Man" Knight (see page 2)

19 & Over Longest Drive - Annie "Hammered It!" Hitam

Nearest The Pin - Robert "Bulls Eye" Crompton

Birdie Cap - Graham "Flying Low" Ward

Shortest Drive & Hedgehog - Malcolm "Short Story!" Goman

Christmas Tankard plus a bottle of Christmas Ale - Kam "Sinks Putts & Pints!" Wong

Christmas Quiz & Song Contest - The clear clean winners - Boys Aloud (with not a lady in sight!)

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD AT HOEBRIDGE G.C.
ON TUESDAY 24TH MARCH 2015

As we have played at Hoebridge on many previous occasions it is assumed that members will know the location.

PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY Coffee & Bacon Rolls from 09.15. Allow plenty of time for your journey as it will be on busy roads at a busy time. First group out at 10.04. There will be a Two Course meal served at approximately 5pm. followed by the raffle and prize giving.

GOLF COMPETITIONS Individually we will be doing battle for the Wayfairers Trophy (current holder Graham Ward) and also this is the day the winner takes home the John Peake Spring Cup (at the moment residing with Neville Harrison). There will be the usual Playing Groups Team Competition plus all the other regular minor contests of golfing skill or incredible luck!

THE HOEBRIDGE PERSONAL CHALLENGE! This is something new and it could even raise a £1 or two for our charity. Should any player blob any of the last 3 holes at Hoebridge they will be asked to put £1 in the charity pot! Should be no problem for most members as these holes are relatively easy - and if you believe that you'll believe anything! The maximum penalty will be £1 a player. There is also a positive side! Should any player manage to score a total of 7 or more points on these 3 holes they will be rewarded with a £1. Pride is at stake!

THE RAFFLE There will be the usual raffle and this time smooth silver tongued John Benstead will be administering the ticket sales. Thank you John. I have it on good authority (mine) that the prizes are excellent!

COST The total for all that is detailed above plus all prizes is £35. Whether or not you are able to attend please complete and return the availability slip with payment if playing. All returns must be with Tony by SATURDAY 14th FEBRUARY at the latest. Guests are welcome if space allows but no payment for them yet please until the response from members is established.

CHIPS & PUTTS

Want 9 Holes Only? It was agreed at our AGM that if any members did not wish to participate in the full Competition they could play just 9 holes behind the rest of the field. Were this to happen the Club concerned would have to agree and determine cost and obviously more than one player would have to be involved. Should you want to follow this up further, there is now a space on the return slip for members to register their interest in this possibility.

Ace Photographer Kam has volunteered as from now to take over as our official photographer at all the meetings that he can attend. Thank you Kam and thanks Tony for pressing the button so many times in the past. You can now relax with all our money!

Andy in New York! Good luck Andy with your application to run in the New York Marathon. If you are successful we will be rooting for you - but not running with you!

A Birthday Thank You! At Holtie on Texas Scramble Day your Hon. Sec was a mere 79 years of age. Now he is 80 and doesn't he know it! He thanks you for the huge card, the wonderful (now sadly empty) bottle of Chateau-Neuf-de-Pape and all your good wishes. All he needs in the New Year is a new leg to be able to join you out on the Golf Course!

OUR FIRST "CASUAL" GATHERING OF THE YEAR IS AT FOXBRIDGE
ON TUESDAY 17th FEBRUARY

Details. Coffee available from 09.15 First group out at 09.56 Following the golf there is a Two Course meal at approx 4.30pm The Individual Winner of the day will take the Ron Bailey Tankard and there will be a new competition to determine our Par 3 Champion with an ongoing trophy up for grabs! There will also be the usual Team Competition plus Nearest the Pin Contests etc. so it's prizes galore day!

Most members interested in this have paid already but if you haven't and would like to be included or bring a guest please contact John McD by FRIDAY 9th JANUARY AT THE LATEST.

Cost is £25 to cover everything. An email with all the final details will go out a few days before the 17th.

PICTURES FROM HOLTYE

Prizes Presented by our Bletchingley Winner - Graham Ward



**Scramble Team Competition
Runners Up**

**John Bateson, Robert Crompton and
Peter Smith (Ruby Woolley absent)**



3rd Place Team on c/b

**Kevin Stacey, Andy Knight,
Sue Humphrey (g) & Norman Lovelock**



Winner of Nearest the Pin

Robert Crompton



Scramble Team Competition Winners

**Kam Wong, Sue Jelly & John Benstead
(Mike Colenutt absent)**



Winner of Open Longest Drive

Andy Knight



**Winner of the HedgeHog
& Shortest Drive.**

Malcolm Goman



**Kam sank the Winning Putt to claim
the Christmas Tankard**



Winner of the Birdie Cap

Graham Ward



19 & Over LD Winner

Annie Hitam



**John with his two Guardian
Angels celebrates Christmas and
his 80th both at the same time!**



What a Lucky Guesser!

**John Bateson wins the
Charity Competition**

Full Programme For the New Wayfairers Year.
 Tuesday 17th February Casual Day at Foxbridge
 Tuesday 24th March Spring Cup at Hoebridge
 Friday 10th April Casual Day at Horne Park
 Monday 18th May Peer's Plate at Cranleigh
 Friday 19th June Pink Ball Day at Foxbridge
 Wednesday 15th July President's Trophy Team Challenge &
 The Vardon Cup at Milford. Our Grand Charity Finale Day
 Friday 14th August Casual Day at Villa (To Be Confirmed)
 Tuesday 1st September Two Ronnies Pairs Day at Hassocks

Handicaps for Hoebridge

ALLEN	28	17
ATWELL	18	21
BATESON	18	29
BENSTEAD		25
BLAKELEY	22	9
CHURCH		16
COLENUT L	19	28
COLENUT M	15	26
COOPER		18
CROMPTON		17
DAVISON	21	26
ESLOR	27	14
GIRLING	24	29
GOMAN	20	15
HARRISON	18	14
HISTED	25	18
HITAM	22	25
HOGG		13
HOULIHAN		25
JELLEY R	28	17
JELLEY S	23	23
KNIGHT		9
LOVELOCK N	28	22
McDONNELL, J		27
McDONNELL, S	18	12
MILLICHOPE		19
MORRIS	19	18
PRITCHARD	23	18
REEVES	31	32
ROSE A		36
ROSE D		36
ROSNER, C	21	23
RUSHTON		23
SANDS	21	32
SHELLEY	27	17
SHIEL	18	20
SMITH	22	13
STACEY	21	20
STANLEY	17	21
STONE		33
STOREY	24	7
VARDON	22	28
WARD V	20	17
WARD G	33	12
WARRILOW		36
WILKES		9
WONG	26	9
WOOLLEY R		23
WOOLLEY Ruby		21

The Special Holtys Christmas Charity Fund Raising Competition.

Once again your Secretary came up with a zany idea to raise some money for our Charity! Upon arrival players were relieved of £1 and in return invited to guess what the combined ages of the 4 members of the winning Scramble Team would be. Many worked on the idea of reckoning an average age of the players and multiplying this by 4. However with a range in excess of some 20 years between the participants it was not that easy.

In the hope that some of the younger members might be playing together and "doing the business", Derek Allen went for the lowest prediction of 243 while at the other end of the scale, reckoning the older generation might come up trumps, Neville Harrison plumped for 292.

Almost halfway between these two extremes was John Bateson who cleverly predicted the exact winning total of 270. Well done John! You won a nice bottle of wine and the charity has benefited by £30.

This latest contribution now raises our current total to just under £500 with lots of opportunities to increase this between now and July when the fund will be closed following our day at Milford G. C.

The Annual Christmas "Groan" Show!

As ever our Holtys Christmas festivities ended with a competition between members of the 4 dinner tables. John McD. posed some thought provoking questions and John B. soon had everyone singing - flat and out of tune as usual! Everyone was desperate to win and share the small pack of Mars Bars but despite moans and groans and lots of cheating the winners were declared as the all male team - "Boys Aloud"! Well done lads!

THE WAYFAIRERS NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Keep your hard working Treasurer happy. Make your New Year's resolution -

" I will meet the required deadline for payment on every occasion in the New Year - and if I don't I will for my sins without hesitation add £2 to the Charity Fund!
 another £2 to the total to be put in our Charity Fund"

HANDICAP INFORMATION PLEASE NOTE

As there was no Individual Competition at Holtys, all handicaps remain the same as following our Bletchingley Day .

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

DAY AT HOEBRIDGE - Tuesday 24th MARCH 2015

NAME.....

Please tick below as appropriate

- ☐ I am available for the above - Fee £35
- ☐ Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Hoebridge
- ☐ Players now have the option of playing just 9 holes behind the field. If interested please tick this box and further details will be given to you later should this be possible.

If space allows I would like to bring a guest (name + h/cap below) Fee £35

Name.....Handicap.....

- ☐ **Should you intend to book a buggy please tick this box. When Tony knows the full buggy requirements **he will book them with the Club**. You will then receive details in the final email of who it is you will be sharing a buggy with and it is up to you to sort out which one of you collects and pays.**

GUESTS When our playing numbers have been established -which should be by 14th February members will be contacted regarding possible vacancies for playing guests.

BANK TRANSFERS Should you wish to pay by this method the details you require are -

Account Name WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY
Sort Code: 09-01-53 Account No: 08413288

**All transfers must be made by 14th February 2015.
When having arranged transfer please inform Tony.**

If paying by cheque this slip & applicable cheque for the relevant amount as detailed above made out to:

“ Wayfairers Golfing Society”

Must be forwarded to:

Tony Warrilow, 16 Orchard Way, Shirley, CR0 7NG (02087777346)

BY

SATURDAY 14th FEBRUARY AT THE VERY LATEST

- 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 a vacancy exists after the deadline date. Payment must be received at least 7 days before the meeting.