



THE WAYFAIRER



The Wayfairers Golf Society

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**AT HASSOCKS IT WAS ROBERT WHO PERFORMED THE GRAND SLAM!
WHILE THE TWO RONNIES PAIRS CHAMPIONS WERE RUBY AND KAM!**

August Bank Holiday Weekend turned into 3 continuous days of dismal drizzle, rain and gloom so it was with some trepidation that all those Wayfairers involved anticipated the next day - the day of the annual pilgrimage to Hassocks. As usual there was no need for anxiety - plenty of blue sky, warm sunshine and the best day for ages. The Wayfairers did it again!

23 Members and 4 guests took to the field to find that because of the recent weather the Course was green & lush but the ball did not run anything like the distance of previous years. Despite this a very reasonable average of 26 pts per player was achieved.

There were lots of Competitions with various trophies to be contested with the two major ones being the 2 Ronnies Pairs Trophy and the Wayfairers Individual Shield. Prior to going out to play our Match Day Co-ordinator organised the draw for the various playing pairs and this was carried out to the accompaniment of many "Oohs" & "Ahs" as the final combinations were revealed.

Ultimately it proved to be an extremely close competition with the deadly partnership of Ruby & Kam (40pts better ball) just edging out into 2nd place Sue McD & Robert who came in just one point adrift on 39.

It was interesting to note that a male/female combination finished both 1st & 2nd and this was similar to the result of the previous year. Doubtless the ladies spur the men on!

In the Individual Event Robert Crompton swept the board with an impressive return of 34 pts (8 above the average) and this total was 2 ahead of two other players, both of whom finished with 32. Robert however was not content with this! Having won the Wayfairers Trophy and finished 2nd in the 2 Ronnies, he also had the audacity to win the Jeff Hogg 18 + Under Trophy as well! The scissors will be well and truly out!

The other individual competition was for the 50 Bob Set where age is added to score and this went to a comparative youngster, 76 year old John Bateson who with a combined total of 108 narrowly beat octogenarians Ken Cooper & Bob Histed on count back. A very tight finish.

Sunshine and drinks on the patio were the order of the day after playing and this was followed by a hearty traditional meal and the usual "banter filled" raffle & prize giving. A good day and it was nice to see that summer had not quite deserted us yet!

HASSOCKS RESULTS

The Two Ronnies Trophy - Ruby Woolley & Kam Wong - 40pts better ball

2nd Pair - Sue McDonnell & Robert Crompton - 39pts

Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy - Robert Crompton 34pts **2nd Place** - Peter Morris 32pts c/b

3rd Place - John Bateson 32pts c/b **4th Place** - Bill Eslor 30pts c/b

"50 Bob Set" Winner - John Bateson Age + Score 108 c/b

Jeff Hogg 18 & Under Trophy - Robert Crompton

Open L. Drive - "Del Boy" Allen

Nearest The Pin - Bill Eslor

19 & Over L. Drive - Richard Thomson (g)

Birdie Cap - Peer Blakeley

Hedgehog - Richard Davison

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING - OUR AGM MEETING
TO BE HELD AT BLETCHINGLEY GC ON MONDAY 19th OCTOBER

We look forward to a full turn out of members for our 20th Annual General Meeting.

DIRECTIONS. The Golf Course is easy to find, being right in the centre of Bletchingley near the Church in Church Lane. The post code is RH1 4LP & phone number 01883 744848. Please leave home in good time to be at the Clubhouse by 9am. Coffee will be provided at this time (no bacon rolls) and our AGM will start promptly at 09.20 with a maximum of 55 minutes allowed for the meeting. Any unfinished business can be discussed after the evening meal (never yet had to happen in 19 years!)

Golf is scheduled to begin at 10.34 with as last year a 2 tee start. In order that players don't have to hang around after the AGM waiting to go out, we have been given 2 separate starting slots - both at 10.34. Half of the field will start on the 1st and the other half on the 10th. A 2 Course Meal with coffee will be served at approx. 5.15pm. As it's a long day and a fairly lengthy Course, members might wish to buy a snack from the Club kitchen or bring something with them to eat on the way round.

The main prize of the day is the Ron Harris Autumn Cup (held by Graham Ward). The winner also takes the Wayfairers Trophy (currently with Robert Crompton).

Later at the prize giving the identities of the Society Champion and Ladies Champion will be revealed - total of the best 3 scores recorded during the past 12 months. Finally the winners of the KO Pairs Competition will receive their prizes and accolades, thus bringing another Wayfairers year to its conclusion.

COST £36. This covers coffee on arrival, 18 holes, a 2 Course Meal plus coffee and all prizes. The same price as last year. A bargain for an excellent venue.

NOTE! IMPORTANT! SHOULD YOU WISH TO REJOIN FOR 2016 PLEASE ADD £10 TO THIS AMOUNT FOR YOUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE. RETURNS OF A TOTAL OF £46 TO TONY BY FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER PLEASE, OR JUST £10 IF YOU ARE REJOINING BUT CANNOT ATTEND THE AGM. NOTE NO RETURN BY THE DEADLINE DATE AND IT WILL BE ASSUMED THAT YOU DO NOT INTEND TO REJOIN. HOWEVER IF THIS IS THE CASE A NOTE OR EMAIL TO THE SECRETARY WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED.

As regards inviting guests please follow the usual procedure on the return slip but please be aware that if we should be over subscribed for this AGM Day, guest numbers may be limited - particularly new ones.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS OF THE AGM PLEASE READ THE NOTE ON PAGE 4

WAYFAIRERS MEMBERSHIP - SOME OBSERVATIONS

Currently we have 49 members, however at all our meetings over the last year we did well to attract half this number on any one occasion. Through no fault of theirs, lots of members can only play occasionally. As an example in the last year we have had 7 full meetings & 3 "casual" ones. Records show that over all ten of these, 8 members never played at all, one member once and two just twice. On the other hand we have 6 enthusiastic guests who all play fairly regularly. Despite their presence we have never come close to our agreed maximum of 36 players on any one day. This is not a hidden request for any member to resign as we welcome your support & company. However it seems wrong to turn away keen potential members.

In view of this, your Committee are considering submitting a proposal, to be voted on at the AGM, that membership should be offered to some or all of our regular guests who are on the waiting list. However in order not to overload our numbers at the expense of current members, we would ask any of our "infrequent" members who anticipate playing more regularly, to let Tony know this please when renewing their membership. This can then be taken into account when reviewing the number of vacancies we will have available.

PICTURES FROM HAS SOCKS

Prizes Presented by Treasurer Tony Warrilow



Winner of the 50 Bob Set

John Bateson



2nd, 3rd & 4th Places

Peter, John & Bill



Winner of the Birdie Cap

Peer Blakeley



1st Place Two Ronnies in the Dark!

Ruby & Kam



*Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy &
Jeff Hogg 18 & Under Trophy*

Robert Crompton



*2nd Place Two Ronnies
Sue & Robert*



*Richard, Derek & Bill
win the L.Drives and
Nearest the Pin*



Winner of the HedgeHog

Richard Davidson



"Just Singing in the Rain"

John Humphrey

THE FIRST EVENT FOR THE WAYFAIRERS NEW YEAR IS - Annual Christmas Meeting at Holtye on TUESDAY 9th DECEMBER. The Committee are now working on the 2016 programme and will give out all the latest details for this at the AGM.

CHARITY FUND As reported in the last edition our Charity Fund Raising has closed with £1100 in the kitty. Negotiations are under way to arrange an official presentation of the cheque to Prostate Cancer UK and hopefully this can be done in such a way that members can if they so wish be present. Further details regarding this will be circulated to all.

AGM PAPERS

Before our AGM day an agenda will be published together with notes from last year's meeting. These, together with the audited accounts for the Society's Main Fund and the Raffle Fund, will be displayed on the web site. When they are available all members with this facility will be advised.

Please download these papers and bring them to the AGM. In order to save paper wastage spares will not be available at the meeting.

For members without computer facilities these papers will be posted before the AGM.

THE HASSOCKS RAFFLE

Malcolm Goman did a great job in selling the tickets and in so doing brought a further £145 into our fund. Many thanks Malcolm. A great job done!

Treasurer Tony estimated there were at least £125 worth of prizes on the table but the best without doubt was the superb umbrella hat gleefully seized upon by John Humphrey. (See photo page 3) He can now swing hands free in the pouring rain! No more carting a wet umbrella around! He's a happy man!

And who's our Raffle Ticket salesman for Bletchingley? It's your friend and mine Carl Rosner. Congratulations Carl!

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP UPDATE

The last meeting of the year has been held and the identities of our Society Champion and Ladies Champion are now known. As is our custom no names will be revealed until after the meal at Bletchingley when the trophies will be presented

Who are the winners?

You will have to wait until 19th October to be certain!

Could it be you? It's definitely not me!

HASSOCKS 30 and OVER CLUB

Robert Crompton 34pts

Peter Morris & John Bateson 32pts

Bill Eslor 30pts

HANDICAP INFORMATION PLEASE NOTE

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

NOTE OUR ANNUAL HANDICAP REVIEW COULD CHANGE SOME MEMBERS HANDICAPS BEFORE BLETCHINGLEY

Justification for handicap changes can thus clearly be seen based on the average score of **26**

H/caps for Bletchingley

ALLEN	23	18
ATWELL		14
BATESON	32	28
BENSTEAD		24
BLAKELEY	28	10
CHURCH		16
COLNUT L		27
COLNUT M		26
COOPER	26	18
CROMPTON	34	14
CUNNINGTON		36
DAVISON	18	28
ESLOR	30	13
GIRLING		30
GOMAN	26	17
HARRISON	24	16
HISTED	29	19
HITAM	27	24
HOGG		12
HOULIHAN		25
JELLEY R		16
JELLEY S		23
KNIGHT		9
LOVELOCK N	27	20
McDONNELL, J		27
McDONNELL, S	25	12
MILLICHOPE		19
MORRIS	32	15
PRITCHARD		18
REEVES	18	36
ROSE A		36
ROSNER, C	21	21
RUSHTON		21
SANDS		34
SHELLEY		19
SHIEL	24	19
SMITH		14
STACEY	29	20
STANLEY	21	27
STONE		36
STOREY		7
VARDON		28
WARD V	20	15
WARD G	22	13
WARRILOW		36
WILKES		9
WONG	28	8
WOOLLEY R		23
WOOLLEY Ruby	28	21

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

DAY AT BLETCHINGLEY ON MONDAY 19th OCTOBER

NAME.....

Please tick below as appropriate

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I am available for the above - Members Fee £36

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I wish to rejoin the Wayfairers for 2016 - Annual fee £10
(Added to the above if coming to Bletchingley or £10 payment only)

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Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Bletchingley.

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Sorry but I will not be rejoining the Wayfairers.

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If space allows I would like to bring a guest (name + h/cap below) Fee £36

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

BUGGIES

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Should you intend to book a buggy please tick this box or tell Tony.

When Tony knows the full buggy requirements **he will book them with the Club.**

**You will 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 **FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER**
members will be contacted regarding possible vacancies for playing guests and meal 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 ACC NO. 08413288

All transfers must be made by Friday 18th September
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 FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 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.