

THE WAYFAIRER



The Wayfairers Golf Society

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FINALLY SUE MAC HAS ENDED HER WAIT - SHE BECOMES "STAR OF THE DAY"AND WALKS OFF WITH PEER'S PLATE!

Following a very wet day at our recent Horne Park gathering the weather and conditions at Poult Wood could not have been better. The Course looked green and inviting and the day was warm and partly cloudy with frequent sunny intervals. A lovely day for golf thoroughly enjoyed by the 27 members and 2 very welcome guests who took part. It was the Wayfairers first visit to this venue and judging by the players comments as they finished one to which we must plan to return.

The Course is not overlong and with no hilly terrain is an ideal choice for our elderly Society, with this being reflected in the unusually high average score of 27 points per player. One member improved on this by a staggering 11 points to finish on 38. This was Sue McD who been waiting years to hold up the Wayfairers Trophy and at last this ambition was achieved! Well done Sue particularly as you were playing off 13 - now sadly reduced to 10! Not only did Sue claim the Society Trophy with her effort but she also won the much coveted Peer's Plate and was in the winning Team with 3 other talented golfing ladies. Three points behind Sue was ex-Poult Wood Club Captain Mike Colenutt who on return to his old stamping ground finished 2nd. Sorry Mike you lose 3 shots! Altogether 15 members have had handicap alterations with 6 getting a shot or shots back and 9 seeing an allowance reduction. How will it all turn out at our next meeting? Watch this space!

One of the attractions at Poult Wood is a lovely first floor balcony terrace which gives an excellent aerial view of the 18th green and the approach. Our members as they came in sat here happily in the sun sipping away at frequently recharged glasses as they watched the players below come on to the green to make their subsequent final putts of the day before the traditional kisses and handshakes all round.

Dinner was announced and an excellent meal was served amid animated conversation and the day ended as usual with the raffle and prize giving. What had been a table cramped with goodies of all kinds was finally empty and it was time to go

Winner of Peer's Plate & The Wayfairers Trophy Sue McDonnell 38pts 2nd Mike Colenutt 35pts 3rd Paul Latham (g) 34 4th Kam Wong 32 c/b

Team Prize Sue McDonnell Liz Colenutt Sue Humphrey & Val Ward 2nd Place Bob Histed Kam Wong Graham Ward & Peer Blakeley

Harold's 18th Hole Trophy Graham Ward

Par 3 Champion's Plaque Alan Stone 15 pts - 3 pts better than the 2nd place score

Nearest the Pin Sue Jelley Open L.D Bill Eslor
19 & Over L.D. David Smith (g) Hedgehog Dennis Shelley - Winner last time out!
Birdie Cap Sue Jelley

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING AT FOXBRIDGE G. C. ON FRIDAY 24th JUNE

This is the gathering that every Wayfairer has been eagerly anticipating as it's Pink Ball Day! We start the proceedings with coffee & bacon rolls from 09.30 with the first pink ball being hit hopefully way down the middle at 10.28. Following years of tradition there is no raffle on this occasion but upon arrival everyone will be relieved of £2 and draw 2 numbered tickets. Later in the day, the numbers on these tickets will determine for members the names of the 2 top professional golfers that they have drawn who will be taking part in the forthcoming Open Championship to be held at Royal Troon next month. Pick any of the top 4 finishers and you will be among the prizes!

Also in the entry money which is payable in advance to Tony, £1 will be added to pay for your participation in the "Guess The Number of Balls Lost in The Water" Competition. All takings for this will go into the Charity Fund and the lucky player who makes the most accurate prediction will be suitably rewarded with an appropriate prize. As a guide for making your guess, last year with 24 players in the field 39 balls ended up in a watery grave!

John B. will be issuing the pink balls on arrival so don't be late as it's first come first hand in the ball bag! As regards the Golf Competitions, as well as competing for the Pink Ball Trophy (holders Sue McDonnell, Liz & Mike Colenutt & Kam Wong) there will be the usual Wayfairers Individual Event (current winner Sue McDonnell) and the Par 3's Challenge Plaque (recently won by Alan Stone). Also we will be playing individually for the third time for the Vardon Trophy which was won this time last year by Val Ward. Added to this all the other usual minor individual contests will be included.

Due to the limited changing room facilities at Foxbridge there is no necessity to change after playing. A 2 Course Meal is booked for 5pm which means everyone should be comfortably home in daylight with the "longest day" having only just passed.

<u>COST FOR THE DAY</u> Cost for Coffee & Bacon Rolls, 18 Holes, a 2 Course Meal, all prizes and your £1 entry fee for the "Lost Balls" competition is just £35. What a bargain for mid Summer! <u>AND THE DEADLINE TO PAY?</u> This is <u>FRIDAY 3rd JUNE</u>. REMEMBER! Tony needs to know if you are UNAVAILABLE just as much as he needs to know if you wish to play! Please help him to avoid any more grey hairs!

THE RAFFLE AND OUR CHARITY Many thanks to Norman for stepping in very late and volunteering (?!) to sell the tickets in place of Richard Thomson who unfortunately went down with the dreaded bug that seems to be currently prevalent. With his persuasive talking and a clenched fist, Norman managed to relieve those present of an excellent total of £160. Well done Norman but was it really a fluke that you as the ticket salesman walked off with a litre of Gordons gin? The jury on this are out but we all look forward to the party Norman! £30 of the profit made has already gone into our Charity Fund and as everyone by now should know, our new beneficiary has by a majority vote been agreed as Parkinsons UK.

THE RAFFLE STAR PRIZE This was actually 2 prizes in 1. The first was a drinking mug suitably inscribed "It takes a lot of balls to play golf the way I do". (photo page 4) This was not all however. There was another item also to be won and when exhibited it became very much in demand! The additional prize was a boxed Toilet Golf Set and in the box was a complete felt putting green to go round the toilet accompanied by a plastic golf hole, putter and ball. An ideal gift to add pleasure to anyone's daily constitutional! Just so anyone using all this equipment wouldn't be disturbed the contents also included a notice to hang outside on the toilet door stating "Do not disturb as Golfer practising" and this was written in 19 different languages! And so who was the lucky winner of this fabulous prize? It was your friend and mine - founder member Frank Houlihan. Well done Frank and we wish you many hours of happy putting! Frank has kindly promised to forward an uncensored photograph for publication of himself in action in his toilet! (Warning! Not a pretty sight!)

<u>PAIRS KO</u> So far it's Chris & Russell up against Peter (Smith) & Spencer in one semi-final and Kam & Peer against the winners of Graham & Val versus Carl & Peter (Rushton) in the other. Unfortunately Andy - current champion with Carl - has had to withdraw but his place has been taken by Peter Rushton and they have until 24th June to settle their match against the Wards.

PICTURES FROM POULT WOOD

Majority of Prizes presented by Hoebridge Winner - Dennis Shelley Photos courtesy of Kam Wong



Par 3 Challenge Champion

Alan Stone





Winner of the Birdie Cap

Sue Jelley



Other Placings

2nd Mike Colenutt 3rd Paul Latham (g) 4th Kam Wong



Winner Peer's Plate and Wayfairers Trophy

Sue McDonnell



1st and 2nd Team Competition Winners Well done the Ladies Team who finished first.



The prize table before being demolished by the many winners!



Winner Harold's 18th Hole Trophy Graham Ward



Winner
of the
HedgeHog
Dennis Shelley
who finished
first last time
but sadly not
this time!



Winners Open LD Bill Eslor 19 & Over LD David Smith (g) Nearest the Pin Sue Jelley

Future Programme For the Wayfairers.

Friday 24th June Pink Ball Day & Vardon Trophy at Foxbridge
Tuesday 26th July President's Trophy Team Challenge to be held
at Surrey Downs. Our Members' Subsidised Day
Friday 19th August Casual Day at Villa with Meal at Holtye
Monday 5th September Two Ronnies Pairs Day at Reigate Hill
Monday 26th September Rearranged Casual Day at Ifield
Monday 31st October AGM & Autumn Cup Day at Bletchingley
Tuesday 13th December Christmas Texas Scramble at Holtye

POULT WOOD OVER 30's CLUB

Sue McDonnell 38 Mike Colenutt 35

Paul Latham (g) 34 Kam Wong Bob Histed Robin Jelley 32 Sue Jelley Sue Humphrey Annie Hitam Frank Houlihan 31 Val Ward Alan Stone 30

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP & LADIES CHAMPION 2016

Now that 3 qualifying competitions have been held in the current Wayfairers year (Bletchingley, Hoebridge & Poult Wood) we can record how progress is being made in the above 2 competitions. The eventual winner of each section will be the player who records the highest total by adding the best 3 scores that they establish over the year from October to September. So far only 13 members have played in all 3 events to date so it's still early days.

The current position is -

Society Champion - 1) Sue McDonnell 88 2) Robin Jelley 85 3) Annie Hitam 82 4) the current holder Val Ward 81 Sue with her 88 also leads the Ladies Champion Leader Board with Annie lying 2nd & Val 3rd. Foxbridge could change all this!





THE STAR PRIZE - OR SHOULD IT BE PRIZES!

On the left we have the mug with the clear bold inscription containing 3 balls.

On the right Frank is completely overcome with emotion on being presented with the Toilet Golf Set!

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 27

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H/caps for	Foxbric	ige
ALLEN	21	20
ATWELL	26	15
BATESON	25	28
BENSTEAD		24
BLAKELEY	24	11
COLENUT L	26	29
COLENUT M	35	24
COOPER	29	18
CROMPTON	20	16
CUNNINGTON		36
DAVISON		29
ESLOR	19	16
GIRLING	25	30
GOMAN		17
HISTED	32	18
HITAM	31	23
HOGG		12
HOULIHAN	31	24
HUMPHREY J	21	18
HUMPHREY S	31	31
JELLEY R	32	16
JELLEY S	31	23
KNIGHT		9
LAVENDER C	24	15
LOVELOCK N	22	23
McDONNELL, J		27
McDONNELL, S	38	10
MORRIS	30	15
PRITCHARD		16
REEVES		36
ROSNER, C		21
RUSHTON	24	21
	24	
SANDS	16	34
SHELLEY	16	19
SHIEL		18
SMITH	0.5	14
STACEY	27	20
STANLEY		28
STONE	30	36
STOREY		7
THOMSON		24
VARDON		28
WARD V	30	16
WARD G	28	14
WARRILOW		36
WILKES		9
WONG	32	7
WOOLLEY R		23
WOOLLEY RUB		19
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WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

DAY AT FOXBRIDGE - 24th JUNE

NAME		
Please tick below as appropriate		
I am available for the above - Members Fee £35		
Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Foxbridge		
If space allows I would like to bring a guest (name + h/cap below) Fee £35		
NameHandicap		
<u>BUGGIES</u>		
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 as soon as 3rd June - 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 3rd June 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 3rd JUNE AT THE VERY LATEST

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