



THE WAYFAIRER



The Wayfairers Golf Society

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AT FOXBRIDGE PETER RUSHTON LEAVES THE REST WAY BEHIND AND ALL THE TEAMS LOSE THEIR PINK BALLS FOR OTHERS TO FIND!

The 3rd week in June saw the Wayfairers make their annual visit to Foxbridge to compete for the Pink Ball Trophy. Despite the time of year days of heavy and at times torrential rain put the whole venture in jeopardy. Would buggies be in? Would the Course be open? Eventually there was no cause for concern. The day broke bright, warm & sunny and although in places it was wet underfoot, considering the deluges conditions were surprisingly good.

The main problem was that due to all the rain it had not been possible to mow the fairways with the result that in many places the ball did not run far. Apologies for this were issued by the Club but there was little they could do and the main thing was our members got to play.

The turn out for the day was extremely low with just 16 players going round the 18. However this was not due to the weather but unfortunately our date chosen months in advance, coincided with so many other events in which our busy members were engaged - holidays, visitors staying, essential appointments elsewhere, family gatherings etc.

As would be expected with the Course conditions being as they were scoring was low with an average of just 23 and the individual competition won with a score of only 31. Compare this to last year when the average was 28 with the winner scoring 39. Then 9 players scored 30 plus and this year it was just one! And who was this worthy winner? None other than founder member Peter Rushton. Well done Peter! No one could match or beat your 31!

This feat gained him not only the Wayfairers trophy but also the prestigious Vardon Trophy and it was great to have Mike Vardon with us to make the presentation in memory of the many golfing achievements of his very famous Uncle Harry.

For the very first time ever every team lost their pink ball before completing the 18 holes! The winners were clearly the deadly combination of Sue McD. Peter Morris, Malcolm Goman & Peter Rushton as they manoeuvred their ball all the way to the 18th where Peter Rushton promptly lost it in the water with his tee shot! As this team scored more with their pink ball before losing it than any others, they were declared as winners.

The field may have been small but they made up for it creating a happy noisy atmosphere afterwards in the Clubhouse and during the meal. The winner of the Lost Ball Competition and just who had drawn who in the Open Draw were announced (see pages 3 & 4) and following the prize giving it was time for all to depart on a pleasant warm Summer's evening.

FOXBRIDGE RESULTS

- The Pink Ball Trophy** - Sue McDonnell Peter Morris Malcolm Goman & Peter Rushton 23pts
- 2nd Team** - Peter Smith David Smith Ken Cooper & Richard Davison 22pts
- Individual 1st Place winning the Wayfairers Trophy & the Vardon Trophy**- Peter Rushton 31pts
- 2nd - Norman Lovelock 28pts c/b 3rd - Peter Smith 28pts** (There were 2 others also on 28!)
- Par 3 Challenge Plaque** - Peter Smith 11pts c/b
- Open Longest Drive** - no one qualified! **19 & Over Longest Drive** - Norman Lovelock
- Nearest The Pin** - Richard Davison
- Hedgehog** - Malcolm Goman **Birdie Cap** - guest David Smith

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING -
TO BE HELD AT SURREY DOWNS GC ON TUESDAY 26th JULY 2016

Our next meeting is the eagerly awaited visit to Surrey Downs and is a Club we have never visited before. The main reason for this is because it is out of our normally accepted price range but this is the occasion of our biennial subsidised day for members and for all those available to play you are in for a real bargain! The Course is north of Junction 8 on the M25. Follow the A217 in the direction of Sutton but before travelling very far there is a turn off from a roundabout to the right signposted Kingswood. Follow this and not far past Kingswood Golf Club then Surrey Downs will appear on your right. Post code KT20 6JS. Further details in the final circular.

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 (current holders), President's, Match Co-ordinator's or Secretary's. Playing groups will be announced in the final email.

All members of the winning Team will receive a Wayfairers' ball but WARNING! - all members of the 3 losing teams will be required 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 currently Peter Rushton holds that honour. Not only will the fortunate winning member take our Society Trophy but we are also competing for the second year for the magnificent David Rose Bowl (present holder Spencer Atwell). The Par 3 Challenge Plaque will be up for grabs also and all the other usual minor competitions will be contested.

Following the draw for Open players at Foxbridge the results and prizes for the lucky winners will be presented as the Open is played and concludes over a week before our Surrey Downs gathering. Our normal raffle will be held and hopefully Richard Thomson will be present to act as our ticket salesman. He guarantees to give everyone a winning ticket!

The day begins with coffee & bacon rolls as from 10am. First tee off 11am. At approx. 5.45pm sit down for a 2 Course Meal followed by tea or coffee.

Your package will consist of coffee/bacon rolls, 18 holes, a 2 Course Meal with tea or coffee and the cost of loads of prizes. The true cost is £48 per player but with a joint subsidy for every member from the Main Fund and Raffle Fund the cost is reduced by one third to just £32. The bargain of the year! Don't miss it!

DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT This is FRIDAY 8th JULY. Please be prompt with your return to Tony or you may miss out! Please as usual add any prospective guests' details to your return and you will be advised of any vacancies following the 8th. However as they are not members they will be required to pay the full amount of £48.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT TONY KNOWS IF YOU ARE UNAVAILABLE. IF THIS IS THE CASE WHY NOT LET HIM KNOW NOW AND NOT MAKE HIM HAVE TO CHASE MEMBERS. IT REALLY WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL. THANKS.



GUESS THE NUMBER OF BALLS LOST IN THE WATER RESULTS



Guesses ranged from an optimistic 8 up to 35 with the correct answer being 28. Just one member guessed 28 and this was Chris Lavender and his correct forecast won him appropriately enough a ball retriever! Henceforth he is to be known as "Lucky" Lavender as he has drawn both Rory McIlroy & Jordan Spieth in the Open Draw! How does he do it?! All proceeds from the contest have gone into our Charity Fund for Parkinsons UK.

CASUAL DAY AT VILLA ON FRIDAY 19th AUGUST

Would all those interested in playing in the above please let John McD know A.S.A.P. with the deadline for payment being Tuesday 26th July which is the day we are playing at Surrey Downs. There will be 3 Individual Stableford prizes, 2 Playing Group Team prizes, the Par 3 Challenge Competition and all the usual minor contests with possibly another very different Team Event being included, depending on the number of entries. Coffee will be served from 9am. and toasted sandwiches will be available at your own expense.

Following the golf a Two Course Meal has been arranged at Holtys Golf Club for 4.30pm. Cost for morning coffee, 18 holes, the meal and all prizes will be £30. Cheques payable to "J & S McDonnell". Guests are welcome and can be paid for at the same time. Please ensure you give their names and current handicaps with the payment.

If not playing at Surrey Downs and you wish to play at Villa please settle up with John before Tuesday 26th July. Thank you.

PICTURES FROM FOXBRIDGE

TROPHIES PRESENTED BY Sue McDonnell - Winner at Poultwood



2nd Place Team Event

**David Smith (g) Richard Davison
Ken Cooper & Peter Smith**



Winners of the Pink Ball Trophy

**Sue, Peter Rushton, Peter Morris
& Malcolm Goman**



**Winners of 19 & Over Longest
Drive & Nearest the Pin**

Norman & Richard



2nd Place

**Norman (Mine's a Pint)
Lovelock**



**Winner of the
Wayfairers Shield & Vardon Trophy**

Peter Rushton



3rd Place

**Peter (New Teeth!)
Smith**



Birdie Cap

David Smith (g)



**Winner of the
Hedge Hog**

Malcolm Goman



**Winner of the Par 3
Challenge**

Peter Smith



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



**Chris Lavender guesses 28
lost & wins a ball retriever!**



**Congratulations Tony!
Married for 60 years & one
day - but not to Sue!**

Future Programme For the Wayfairers.

Tuesday 26th July President's Trophy Team Challenge + David Rose Bowl 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

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 plenty of vacant spaces for other members. Contact J. McD now.

J. Bateson - R. Streb & D. Willett	P. Morris - B. Watson & P. Mickelson
K. Cooper - M. Jiminez & T. Fleetwood	P. Rushton - B. Snedeker & M. Warren
R. Crompton - P. Reed & J. Donaldson	A. Rose - B. H. An & R. Fowler
R. Davison - C. Wood & B. Koepka	D. Shelley - D. Howell & T. Jaidee
M. Goman - V. DuBoisson & Z. Johnson	D. Smith - C. Schwartzel & W. Simpson
J. Hogg - S. Lowry & P. Casey	P. Smith - L. Westwood & H. Matsuyama
F. Houlihan - R. Fisher & S. Piercy	A. Stone - R. Cabrero-Bello & S. Kjeldsen
C. Lavender - R. McIlroy & J. Spieth	M. Vardon - J. Furyk & A. Sullivan
N. Lovelock - K. Bradley & E. Els	T. Warrilow - B. Weisberger & B. Haas
Sue McDonnell - L. Oosthuizen & D. Johnson	SPACE VACANT
J. McDonnell - M. Kaymer & M. Fitzpatrick	SPACE VACANT

OPEN DRAW - Jason Day, Justin Rose & many others still in the hat and not drawn. Contact John McD to have a go. Two players costs £2. Could be your lucky day!

30 PLUS CLUB The only player to score 30+ was Peter Rushton (31) All alone Peter!

CONGRATULATIONS! These go to Tony & Sylvia Warrilow who on 23rd June - (Referendum Day!) - celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary - 60 years together! At Foxbridge a fully signed card by members plus an appropriate presentation went to Tony to take home. 60 years with Tony! From now on she is to be known as Saint Sylvia!

BEST WISHES Two members raring to go at Foxbridge never made it! Both Mick Shiel & Kevin Stacey instead of attempting to steer a pink ball safely round 18 holes ended up in hospital instead! Not the same hospital or same bed we hasten to add!

In Mick's case he suddenly keeled over on the 6th tee at Littlestone and was off to Ashford Hospital where severe labyrinthitis (ear infection) was diagnosed and he was kept in. He is now home recuperating but says he feels he has drunk 10 pints without enjoying them! Kevin's hospital stay was just as sudden and unexpected as he was rushed off to St. George's Hospital in London with heart flutters. After various procedures he was fitted with stents and is now home but obviously has to take it easy.

From all the Wayfairers we give you our best wishes and hope to see you at Surrey Downs.

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP

After 4 qualifying games things are really warming up in the Championship. With the best 3 personal scores to count from October 2015 to September 2016 the lead remains in the hands of Sue McDonnell with a total of 93pts.

Despite not playing at Foxbridge Robin Jelley remains in 2nd place with 85 and the placings for 3rd & 4th remain as previous with Annie Hitam on 82 & Val Ward 81. Neither of these two ladies were at Foxbridge either but as the scoring there was so low the leader board shows no real change. So currently we still have 3 ladies in the top four with Sue leading both the Society & Ladies Championships. However we still have Surrey Downs & Reigate Hill to come so anything could happen!

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 **23**

H/caps for Surrey Downs

ALLEN		20
ATWELL		15
BATESON	19	29
BENSTEAD		24
BLAKELEY		11
COLENUT L		29
COLENUT M		24
COOPER	22	18
CROMPTON	26	16
CUNNINGTON		36
DAVISON	15	31
ESLOR		16
GIRLING		30
GOMAN	15	19
HISTED		18
HITAM		23
HOGG	22	12
HOULIHAN		24
HUMPHREY J		18
HUMPHREY S		31
JELLEY R		16
JELLEY S		23
KNIGHT		9
LAVENDER C	28	14
LOVELOCK N	28	22
McDONNELL, J		27
McDONNELL, S	25	10
MORRIS	20	15
PRITCHARD		15
REEVES		36
ROSNER, C		21
RUSHTON	31	18
SANDS		34
SHELLEY	28	18
SHIEL		18
SMITH	28	13
STACEY		20
STANLEY		28
STONE	15	36
STOREY		7
THOMSON		24
VARDON	22	28
WARD V		16
WARD G		14
WARRILOW		36
WILKES		9
WONG		7
WOOLLEY R		23
WOOLLEY RUB		19

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

DAY AT SURREY DOWNS - TUESDAY 26th JULY

NAME.....

Please tick below as appropriate

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I am available for the above - **Members Heavily Subsidised Fee £32**

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Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Surrey Downs

If space allows I would like to bring a guest (name + h/cap below) Fee £48 (not subsidised)

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

BUGGIES

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 8th July 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 8th July
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 8th JULY 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.