



THE WAYFAIRER



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**AT SURREY DOWNS THE TREASURER'S TEAM TRIUMPHED ONCE MORE
AS CHRIS "LUCKY" LAVENDER SHOT A PRIZEWINNING SCORE!**

The occasion of our members' biennial subsidised day saw the Wayfairers playing at Surrey Downs - a completely new venue for the Society. There was a good turn out of 33 members and 2 guests although this number should have been more. John McD had not been feeling well prior to the event and during the night previous he succumbed to what turned out to be a severe chest infection. This at the last minute prevented Sue from attending as she had to wait in for the doctor who had been called. John's progress is very slow but he thanks the many of you who rang and made kind enquiries.

At Surrey Downs the weather was perfect for golf and the feedback from members was that the Course was in fine condition although the rough was treacherously thick and the greens extremely tricky. As one member commented "It is a Course you need to play several times before you can possibly hope to do yourself any justice".

Despite this the average score for the day on an unknown terrain was 25 and this year this seems to be very much an average "average score" for the places we have visited.

Ten clear points above this however was Chris Lavender who only joined us last

October. On this performance he will be severely cut but has now deservedly earned the nickname of "Lucky" Lavender! At Foxbridge recently he correctly guessed the number of balls that would be lost in the water and followed this up by winning a very nice prize for 4th place in the Open Draw. And now this outstanding victory! Lavender is supposedly a lucky plant so perhaps it's all in his genes? (Genes Tony - not jeans!)

As well as competing individually, all players were split into 4 teams to do battle for the President's Team Trophy. With unequal teams due to Sue's enforced absence the final totals were averaged and the winners announced as Tony's Treasurer's Team.

This is the second consecutive year in which non-playing Tony's selection has won the event. How is he such an inspiration to his players? Perhaps it's the threat of fines all round if they don't produce the goods! He's such a hard man!

Following a very long round drinks on the patio before eating were much appreciated. After the meal our guests were welcomed and with no raffle it was straight into the prize giving at which numerous trophies were distributed together with some most desirable goodies. And then it was time to go home on a perfect Summer's evening.

SURREY DOWNS RESULTS

Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy & David Rose Bowl Chris "Lucky" Lavender 35pts

Prize Winning Individual Scores from each Team

President's Team top scorers - Mike Colenutt 32pts Richard Thomson 30pts

Match Co-ordinator's Team top scorers - Chris Lavender 35pts Dennis Shelley 31pts

Treasurer's Team top scorers - Liz Colenutt 34pts Robin Jelley 32pts

Secretary's Team top scorers - Graham Ward 31pts Eddie Stanley 29pts

President's Team Trophy Winners - Treasurer's Team with an average score of 27.11 pts per player

Open Longest Drive - Kam Wong

Birdie Cap - Chris Wilkes

19 & Over Longest Drive - Derek Allen

Nearest the Pin - Richard Thomson

Hedgehog - John Humphrey

AND THE NEXT MEETING - MONDAY 5th SEPTEMBER at REIGATE HILL G. C

The next meeting is at Reigate Hill Golf Club and like Surrey Downs is a completely new venue for the Wayfairers. The club is just south of Junction 8 on the M25 and the Course can be clearly seen from the motorway when heading east. Golf Shop phone number is 01737 645 577 and the post code is RH2 0TU.

It's coffee & bacon rolls from 09.15 but please don't be late as around 09.30 John B. will be drawing all the players' names from the hat and just who is partnering who in the annual competition for the 2 Ronnies Trophy will be revealed. Players requiring buggies will be drawn together. The pair who finish the day with the best better ball score will claim the trophy currently in the hands of Ruby & Kam. Golf starts at 10.02.

It's not all about pairs golf however and there are lots of individual competitions to be contested with the main prize being the Wayfairers Trophy (present custodian Chris Lavender). Two other trophies can be claimed, the first being the Jeff Hogg 18 & Under Figurine (2015 winner Robert Crompton) with this being a contest for the lower handicapped players. The ancient are not ignored however as they all have an opportunity to claim the 50 Bob Set which goes to the player who records the highest total when his or her Stableford points are added to their age. Last year's champion "Golden Oldie" was young John Bateson who recorded a total of 108. How much was age and how much was his golf score is left to you to fathom out! The increasingly popular Par 3 Challenge will also be included as well as all the other usual minor competitions.

As ever the day will include a raffle with a collection of most desirable prizes but Tony Warrilow is not one of them! Our Surrey Downs raffle had to be cancelled in John McD's absence so all the prizes that would have been on the table there will be on display at Reigate Heath instead. There is a theme to the prizes - "The Great Outdoors" - and hopefully Richard Thomson will be present to sell the tickets. Following the golf a 2 Course Meal will be served at approx. 16.45.

PAYMENT The cost for coffee & bacon rolls, 18 holes, the meal plus all prizes is £36. Your return slip, with availability and full payment if you are coming, to Tony by FRIDAY 12th AUGUST please. Should you wish to bring a guest please indicate on the return slip but send no payment. After 12th August Tony can advise you if there is space.

BIRDIE BOYS Birdies were difficult to come by at Surrey Downs but both Chris Wilkes & Robert Crompton scored 2 each, all on difficult holes. Chris just edged it to claim the Birdie Cap however with "back to back" birdies on Holes 17 & 18. What a way to finish!
"CASUAL" DAY AT VILLA - FRIDAY 19th AUGUST We now have a full complement of 28 players. Should you wish to enter please contact John McD and you will be put on the reserve list. Full details of the day will be circulated in an email prior to the event.

AND A REALLY SAD FOOTNOTE

Many members will remember Paul Yarranton. He was a member at Holtby Golf Club and a very close friend of Malcolm Goman. On several occasions over the past years he has joined us as a very welcome guest. He was due to be present at our last AGM when he would have been invited to join us as a member.

Unfortunately prior to this he had been diagnosed with cancer and undergoing treatment at the time he was unable to attend. He remained very positive and talked a lot about getting better and joining us out on the golf course. In fact this was exactly what he did and it was delightful to see him come along as a guest at Hoebridge where not only did he play but was in the winning team in the team competition. Sadly however the illness worsened and he died on the day that the Wayfairers were playing at Surrey Downs.

His funeral is arranged for 11.15 on Tuesday 9th August in St. Richard's Chapel at Worth Crematorium followed by a reception at Yew Lodge Country House at Felcourt - between Lingfield and East Grinstead and very close to Chartham Golf Club. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Paul's wife and family and to all his close friends and relatives.

PICTURES FROM SURREY DOWNS TROPHIES PRESENTED BY OUR FOXBRIDGE WINNER - PETER RUSHTON

Photos courtesy of Kam (King of the Kamera) Wong



***Treasurer's
Winning Team***

***Alan, Bob, Robin, Val,
Peter, Liz, Kam, Bill &
Derek***



***Top Scorers
in each Team.
Graham, Liz, Chris &
Mike***



2nd Best Scorers

***Dennis, Richard, Robin &
Eddie***



***Winner of
The Wayfairers Trophy &
The David Rose
Rose Bowl
Chris Lavender***



***Open Longest Drive - Kam Wong
Birdie Cap - Chris Wilkes
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HedgeHog!



John Humphrey



***Teetotal Tony celebrates successfully
balancing (fiddling!) the books!***

Programme For the Wayfairers Year 2016

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

OPEN DRAW RESULTS

What a finishing day in this year's Open! So tight and such fantastic golf. So who came where?

The Winner - after an incredible 2 way battle this was Henrik Stenson which gave 1st place to BRIAN GIRLING

2nd - Phil Mickelson who lead from day 1 but finally succumbed to Henrik on the last hole thus giving 2nd place to PETER MORRIS. Officially 3rd was J. B. Holmes but he was not in our draw.

So our 3rd - Steve Stricker to give RICHARD DAVISON a nice prize.

4th - Rory McIlroy who completed the last round in 68 to beat Sergio Garcia on c/b. This gave our 4th place prize to CHRIS LAVENDER.

SURREY DOWNS OVER 30 CLUB

Chris Lavender 35pts Liz Colenutt 34pts

Mike Colenutt & Robin Jelley 32pts

Graham Ward & Dennis Shelley 31pts



When we first started way back in 1995 we had just one lone hedgehog. Look at the size of the herd now! We put it down to the generosity of all the temporary owners who have spoilt them with such love and affection! Who will be the next owner? It could be YOU!

ANOTHER CASUAL DAY - MONDAY 26th SEPTEMBER AT IFIELD

A reminder that way back in February we had a booking at Ifield G.C for a bargain winter package but this had to be cancelled due to the appalling weather. We managed to get this re-arranged for September for the same price! So it's coffee, 18 holes, a 2 Course Meal and all prizes at an excellent venue in the Summer for just £30 a head. Payment for this will be requested by FRIDAY 19th AUGUST - our Villa day and a reminder will be circulated to all beforehand.

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP

After 6 possible qualifying rounds the lead has now changed. Leading the field with the combined scores of his 3 best rounds is Mike Colenutt who has recorded 28, 32 and 35 - a total of 95. Just 1pt behind this come Chris Lavender & Richard Thomson with both on 94. This too is very closely followed by Sue McD & Dennis on 93. With just 1 game to go the finish couldn't be tighter! For the Ladies Championship it's pretty obvious from the given break down that the leader must be Sue (93) and this total is then followed by some distance by Val who has recorded 85.

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 averages score of **25**

H/caps for Reigate Hill

ALLEN	29	19
ATWELL	20	16
BATESON	21	30
BENSTEAD		24
BLAKELEY	25	11
COLNUT L	34	27
COLNUT M	32	22
COOPER	26	18
CROMPTON	20	17
CUNNINGTON		36
DAVISON		31
ESLOR	20	17
GIRLING	24	30
GOMAN		19
HISTED	27	18
HITAM	22	23
HOGG		12
HOULIHAN	26	24
HUMPHREY J	13	21
HUMPHREY S	26	31
JELLEY R	32	14
JELLEY S	24	23
KNIGHT		9
LAVENDER C	35	11
LOVELOCK N	29	21
McDONNELL, J		27
McDONNELL, S		10
MORRIS		15
PRITCHARD	29	15
REEVES	29	35
ROSNER, C	24	21
RUSHTON	29	17
SANDS		34
SHELLEY	31	17
SHIEL	23	18
SMITH	21	14
STACEY		20
STANLEY	29	27
STONE	25	36
STOREY		7
THOMSON	30	23
VARDON		28
WARD V	23	16
WARD G	31	13
WARRILOW		36
WILKES	28	9
WONG	25	7
WOOLLEY R		23
WOOLLEY RUB		19

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

DAY AT REIGATE HILL MONDAY 5th SEPTEMBER

NAME.....

Please tick below as appropriate

I am available for the above - **Members Fee £36**

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Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Reigate Hill

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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 then receive details 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 12th August 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 12th August.
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 12th AUGUST 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.