



THE WAYFAIRER



The Wayfairers Golf Society

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**AT HOEBRIDGE OUR CHAMPION WAS THE AWESOME KAM WONG
HE WENT HOME WITH 4 TROPHIES - JUST COULDN'T GO WRONG!**

19 Wayfairers gathered at Hoebridge for our first outing of 2017 but for various reasons this was a very depleted field. However what the players lacked in quantity they more than made up for with quality. (Well some of them anyway!)

As regards the weather we did it once again! The previous day had seen nothing but persistent light rain but our golf day dawned with a vivid blue sky and bright sunshine, although there was a rather chilly wind which kept the players on the move. And the next day? Of course it was pouring yet again with heavy rain!

Hoebridge, despite being in truly excellent condition for the time of the year, is a long, tiring and difficult Course and this is reflected in an average score of just 24 even though the majority of players had received shots back at our October AGM.

Leading the results with an excellent score of 33pts was single figure handicap Kam Wong who recorded a very creditable total of 20pts going out but like everyone else found the back 9 even more challenging. His achievement won him not only the prestigious Vardon Trophy but also the Spring Figurine and of course the coveted Wayfairers Shield. However not content with this accumulation he also walked off with the Open Longest Drive Tankard. Well done Kam but the news is you are now down to 7! You'll need to win the Hedgehog more than a few times to revert to a healthy handicap!

In 2nd place and just edged out by Kam by 1pt was Dennis Shelley who obviously likes Hoebridge as he was our champion here last year. He was also in a tie for the 19 & Over Longest Drive Tankard with Eddie Stanley but after discussion the award went to Eddie in order that prizes could be distributed evenly around.

All players had to be extremely careful on Holes 16, 17 & 18, as the rule was that if anyone blobbed on any of these holes it would cost them a total of £1 in the Charity Pot. Suffice it to say that over half the entire field had to part with their money!

Following the golf a much enjoyed roast meal was served followed by the raffle after which poor Norman went home alcohol free! Better luck next time Norman and why not double your investment?! Finally came the prize giving and as the sun was setting it was time to depart for home. A very good start to 2017 but hopefully with our membership at its highest level ever, we will see more faces on future occasions.

HOEBRIDGE RESULTS

**Winner of the Vardon Trophy, The John Peake Spring Figurine & The Wayfairers Trophy
KAM WONG 33pts**

2nd DENNIS SHELLEY 32pts

3rd ROBIN JELLEY 30pts

Team Prize EDDIE STANLEY PETER RUSHTON CHRIS LAVENDER & JOHN BATESON

2nd Team PEER BLAKELEY DENNIS SHELLEY MIKE VARDON & BILL ESLOR

Nearest the Pin PETER MORRIS

Open L. Drive KAM WONG

19 & Over L. Drive EDDIE STANLEY after a tie with DENNIS SHELLEY

Birdie Cap RICHARD THOMSON

Hedgehog SUE JELLEY

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING AT POULTWOOD GOLF CLUB
ON MONDAY 15th MAY

This is our second visit to this most enjoyable Course which is very suitable for the Wayfairers and is included in our programme for the benefit of the many of our members who come from the West Kent area. Some of our more elderly players will be pleased to learn that despite being tree lined, tight and tricky in places, it is flat and measures just 5524 yards.

For Sat Nav. purposes the post code is TN11 9QR and the Course is in Higham Lane some 3 miles north of Tonbridge.

This is the day we play for Peer's Plate the current holder being Sue McDonnell and the winner as ever will take the Wayfairers Trophy won recently at Hoebridge by Kam Wong. We shall also be doing battle for the Par 3 Champions plaque over Poultwood's 5 Par 3 holes. In addition there will be the usual Playing Groups Team Competition plus the Nearest the Pin and 2 Longest Drive Contests.

The day begins with coffee and bacon sandwiches at 09.15 with the first group out at 10am. A 2 Course Meal will be served at approx. 4.45pm. The Club phone no. is 01732 366180 and the Pro's Shop is 01732 364039.

PAYMENT Total cost for the day is £39 (no increase on last year) and this includes coffee, bacon sandwiches, 18 holes plus a 2 Course Meal and all prizes. The deadline to return your availability slip and sort payment if you are playing is **FRIDAY 14th APRIL** (Good Friday). Act now and put a smile on your Treasurer's face! (Not a pretty sight!)

OUR CHARITY

A reminder that our current chosen Charity is Parkinson's UK and following our Hoebridge day the fund received a welcome £12 from the players who all so kindly recorded a blob somewhere over the last 3 holes.

This puts money raised so far to a total of just over £400. Further monies in bits and pieces will continue to be raised on future golf days but all this will eventually come to an end on our Charity Culmination Day which will be at Reigate Hill on **MONDAY 24th JULY**. On this day, as in the past, members will be asked to donate all the raffle prizes and also asked to bring any unwanted items which might be useful to others for auction. All takings will go into the Charity Fund which will then be closed for passing over a cheque to our Charity at an appropriate time

THE HOEBRIDGE RAFFLE

Many thanks to new member David Smith for doing such an excellent persuasive job as our raffle ticket salesman. Despite the low turn out he handed over £125. Although the cost of all the prizes has to be deducted from this, it still leaves more money than anticipated to go into the Raffle Fund. Well done David! I did say that the job wouldn't come round for at least another 5 years but you can volunteer at any time!

And who is the lucky person nominated to sell the tickets at Poultwood? Lynne MacDonald is a new member so if you are down to play at Poultwood Lynne the job is all yours! If not I will be asking Poultwood members Annie & Bob to do the honours please.

HANDICAP ADJUSTMENTS Members are reminded that at our October AGM it was agreed that only players who recorded scores of more than 5 above the average would lose shots but those who finished with more than 3 shots below the average would be eligible to receive shots back. Just how many shots are to be gained or lost is at the discretion of the Handicap Committee.

PICTURES FROM HOEBRIDGE

Prizes Presented by Bletchingley Winner PEER BLAKELEY
Photos courtesy of "KAMERA WONG"



Team Competition Winners
Eddie Stanley, Peter Rushton, John Bateson & Chris Lavender



2nd Place Team
Mike Vardon, Peer Blakeley, Bill Eslor & David Smith



Winner of John Peake Spring Cup
Wayfairers Trophy & Vardon Trophy
Kam Wong



Kam receives congratulations on winning the coveted Vardon Trophy from Mike Vardon



2nd Overall
Dennis Shelley
3rd Overall
Robin Jelley



Winner of the HedgeHog



Sue Jelley

Winner of the Open L. D.
Kam Wong

Winner of Nearest the Pin
Peter Morris

Winner of 19 & Over L. D.
Eddie Stanley



Winner of the Birdie Cap
Richard Thomson

Future Programme For the Wayfairers.

Friday 21st April Lady Captains' Team Day at Horne Park
Monday 15th May Peer's Plate & Jeff Hogg Trophy at Poultwood
Wednesday 21st June 2 Ronnies Pairs at Princes Course Hever
Monday 24th July Charity Day & Team Comp/Rosebowl at Reigate Hill
Friday 18th August Casual Day "Mystery Pairs" at Villa
Monday 4th September Pink Ball/ Harold's Trophy/ 50 Bob Set at Ifield
Monday 23rd October AGM Day & Ron Harris Autumn Cup Bletchingley

HOEBRIDGE 30's CLUB

Kam Wong 33

Dennis Shelley 32

Robin Jelley 30

HORNE PARK CASUAL DAY FRIDAY 21st APRIL

Our annual & traditional casual day at Horne Park has already been publicised to all members and currently both the applications and money are coming in steadily.

As usual we will have 4 lady team captains and members of every team will win something. There will also be a playing teams contest plus the usual nearest the pin and longest drive competitions.

In line with Augusta, which this year will be over before our event is held, our winner will receive not a mere green jacket but a much more prestigious Horne Park beige cap!

The day begins with coffee followed by 18 holes and after this comes a hearty 2 Course meal followed by all the prizes and there will be plenty! Everyone is guaranteed to go home with something.

COST £32 cheques payable to "J & S McDonnell" or pay in cash.

GUESTS are welcome. Names & Handicaps required please.

BUGGIES Should you require a buggy please inform John McD.

Further details in the final email just prior to the day.



The magnificent Prize Table



Warming up before the Start

H/caps for

ALLEN		21
ATWELL		19
BATESON	27	31
BENSTEAD		26
BLAKELEY	29	11
COLENUT L		29
COLENUT M		23
COOPER		20
CROMPTON		16
DAVISON		34
ESLOR	24	18
GIRLING		32
GOMAN		19
HISTED		21
HITAM		26
HOGG		14
HOULIHAN	26	25
HUMPHREY J		23
HUMPHREY S		33
JELLEY R	30	15
JELLEY S	14	29
KNIGHT		11
LAVENDER C	23	14
LOVELOCK N	17	23
McDONALD L		29
McDONNELL, S	23	12
MORRIS	22	16
REEVES		36
ROSNER, C		22
RUSHTON	28	19
SANDS		36
SHELLEY	32	17
SHIEL	22	23
SMITH D	26	22
SMITH		16
STACEY		23
STANLEY	25	29
STONE	18	36
THOMSON	27	24
VARDON	16	32
WARD V		16
WARD G		15
WILKES		11
WONG	33	7
WOOLLEY R		21

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

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WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

DAY AT POULTWOOD ON MONDAY 15th MAY

NAME.....

Please tick below as appropriate

- ☐ I am available for the above - Fee £39 (For Club Members this is £22 -food & prizes)
- ☐ Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Poultwood
- ☐ Players 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 £39

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 Friday 14th April 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 **ACC NO.** 08413288

All transfers must be made by Friday 14th April
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 14th APRIL 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.