

THE WAYFAIRER



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AT VILLA OUR STAR WAS BANDIT JOHN HUMPHREY IN THE WINNERS ENCLOSURE HE MADE HIMSELF COMFY!

It was a strange day at our Villa gathering as normally this would have been the usual low key casual fun day but due to unforeseen circumstances it had to replace our much more substantial July meeting which had been scheduled for Cottesmore but was sadly abandoned as their Clubhouse went up in flames.

At Villa there were a few flames still burning however as 23 members and 2 guests made their way round the pretty but not over exhausting 9 hole Course. The weather stood up to the Wayfairers' tradition - the original forecast being for stormy rain with thunder all day but once again your Secretary came up trumps. There were a couple of showers but overall it was a dry, pleasant and not over hot day. Ideal for good golf which some produced!

The average score for the day was a very high 31 but bettered by many players and notably by our clear overall winner John Humphrey, who finished with 38pts. There were 3 Sues in the field - McDonnell, Humphrey & Jelley and it was Sue Jelley who had a field day. Having been overall winner at Villa last year she finished a close 2nd with 37pts and also walked off with both the Nearest the Pin & 19 + Over Longest Drive prizes. Watch it Sue - you will be cut!

Following the golf it was over to Sweetwoods for some much needed nosh and we were made most welcome and served with an excellent and unexpectedly what turned out to be a 4 Course meal with nibbles to start, a lovely main dish followed by a summer dessert and then coffee. Very impressive!

The prize table was overflowing as we had prizes for the Open Draw to add to our usual abundant raffle prizes plus all the other trophies and bottle shaped awards. Following all the usual banter and good hearted cryptic comments as the presentation went on the day eventually came to an end. Some went home smiling loaded with prizes while others vowed "It's my turn next!"

VILLA RESULTS

1st & Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy & David Rose Rosebowl - John Humphrey 38pts 2nd - Sue Jelley 37pts 3rd - Sue Humphrey 36 pts c/b 4th - David Smith 36pts

President's Team Shield - Match Co-ordinator's Team

Playing Groups Teams

1st - John Benstead, Chris Wilkes, Peter Rushton & David Smith 99pts 2nd - Val Ward, Sue McDonnell & guests Linda & Derek Rodda 98pts

19 + Over L.D. - Sue Jelley Nearest Pin in 3 (18th) - Graham Ward Par 3 Challenge - Val Ward Nearest the Pin - Sue Jelley - again! Open L.D. - "Del Boy" Allen Hedgehog - Robert Crompton

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD AT IFIELD G.C. ON MONDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER

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This is the gathering that every Wayfairer has been eagerly anticipating all year as it's Pink Ball Day! The proceedings start with coffee from 09.20 (sorry no bacon roll on this occasion) with the first pink ball going straight into the deep rough at 10.00am! John B. will be issuing the pink balls to each team on arrival so don't be late as first come first hand in the pink ball bag!

As regards the Golf Competitions as well as competing for the much desired Pink Ball Trophy (holders Sue Jelley, Sue McDonnell, Peter Rushton & Peter Morris) there will be the usual Wayfairers Trophy Individual Contest (current holder John Humphrey) and the winner will also collect the prestigious Vardon Trophy (won last year by Kam Wong). Harold's 18th Hole Award is up for grabs by the player who is on the green nearest the pin in 4 shots on the 18th (a par 5 hole) with our 2017 winner being Peer Blakeley. It doesn't end quite there however as the Par 3 Challenge Plaque is also to be contested and as a conclusion to benefit some of our really senior members, like Spencer who won it last year, the 50 Bob Set (score plus age) will also be on the awards table. It is a Prize Day with a vengeance so don't miss it!

A 2 Course meal is booked for 4.45pm. There will be the usual raffle and many thanks to Ace Salesman Norman for volunteering to sell the tickets.

While mentioning the raffle please remember that this day is being heavily subsidised from both the Raffle Fund & the Main Fund as a thank you to all members for your much appreciated and willing support of the raffle over many years.

As our Ifield Day was so close to our recent Villa gathering, following this there was scarcely time to send out the request for payment, get the money in and then establish the playing list and playing groups before circulating all the final details. Consequently we are happy to report that successfully this has been done early and that currently we have a total of 28 playing which splits nicely into 7 4Balls.

And Tony can sit back relaxed knowing that all the money is now in and he doesn't have to do anything! - except buy me a drink|!

THE VILLA RAFFLE Our excellent persuasive ticket salesman at Villa was Bill Eslor and he took in £135 which gives a nice profit after deductions for the prizes has been made. £30 of this has immediately gone into our Charity fund which is slowly building.

AN IFIELD CHARITY COMPETITION In order to boost our charity fund even further, at Ifield you will be asked for £1 on arrival and then asked to guess what you think the total combined handicaps of the top 3 players of the day will be. You will really have to put your thinking caps on but there will be a nice prize for the winner.

SOCIETY CHANGE OF FINANCIAL YEAR Tony was going to give reasons for this change at Villa but unfortunately couldn't be present so will do this instead at Ifield.



Our smiling happy Open Draw winners Norman (2 prizes!) & Robert. Full results on page 4



Our photogenic Captain of the Day "Del Boy" poses for the camera in anticipation of his duties in the prize giving ceremony.

PICTURES FROM VILLA

PRESENTED BY "DEL BOY" ALLEN PHOTOS COURTESY OF SUE "WATCH THE BIRDIE CAP" McDONNELL



The winning playing group team -Peter Rushton, Chris Wilkes, John Benstead & David Smith



The winners of the President's Trophy were the Match Co-ordinator's Team Too many to name!



The 2nd placed playing group team -Derek & Linda Rodda (guests) and Val Ward & Sue McDonnell



Par 3 Challenge Winner Victorious Val Ward



Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy & David Rose Bowl

John Humphrey



Winner of the Nearest the Pin & the 19 + Over L. Drive Sue Jellev Winner of the Open L. Drive Capt. "Del Boy" Winner of Nearest the Pin in 3 (18th) Graham Ward



Birdie Cap Winner Sue McDonnell



Hedgehog Winner

Robert Crompton





2nd, 3rd & 4th Sue Jelley Sue Humphrey & David Smith

Future Programme For the Wayfairers.

Mon. 3rd September Pink Ball/ Vardon Trophy/Harold's 18th/ 50 Bob Set - Ifield Monday 22nd October Ron Harris Autumn Cup Day at Bletchingley Date & Venue for our Christmas Scramble & Meal yet to be announce

OPEN DRAW RESULTS - LUCKY NORMAN DOES IT AGAIN!

Thanks to all those members who took part in this year's Open Draw. Unfortunately as Day 2 ended 13 of our players had missed the cut and poor old Mick Shiel & John Frost ended up Days 3 & 4 with no players at all! Most members drew 2 players each and what were the odds on any member winning 2 prizes with both their players? Well lucky old Norman did it by drawing both the 1st & the 4th placed professionals out of all the players who featured in our draw.

And so this year from all the players who featured in our draw 1st was NORMAN who drew the winner FRANCESCO MOLINARI
2nd was ROBERT CROMPTON who drew 2nd placed JUSTIN ROSE
3rd on count back guest MIKE PAIN who drew RORY MCILROY
4th was NORMAN (again!) who drew TIGER WOODS
Norman was delighted with his 4th prize as this was changed from a
fine bottle of wine to a broken down second hand distance measurer!
Many thanks to all those who took part and for the losers better luck
next year! (PS. Norman is banned!)

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP UPDATE

After 4 possible qualifying games the heat is now on! In the Main Championship the lead has changed as Derek Allen thanks to his magnificent 44 at Reigate Hill tops the table with 105pts but not far behind on 102 is Graham Ward. In the Ladies section another Ward loses the lead as Sue Jelley overtakes Val with a total of 95 thanks to 37pts at Villa. Val now is lying second with a score of 87.

Ifield is the last game in this year's championship. Who can come from behind and seize the glory! Could it be you!

VILLA 30 PLUS CLUB

Carl Rosner & Graham Ward 30 John Benstead, Sue McDonnell &

Peter Rushton 31 Derek Allen 32 Peter Smith & Chris Wilkes 33

Val Ward, guest Linda Rodda & Peer Blakeley 34 Sue Humphrey &

David Smith 36 Sue Jelley 37 & finally John Humphrey 38

HANDICAP INFORMATION PLEASE NOTE

On the review handicap list featured opposite, we now show players' scores at our last meeting in red numbers. Handicap changes are highlighted & shown in blue numbers.

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

Justification for handicap changes can be seen based on the average score of 31

H/caps for Ifield 32 21 ALLEN ATWELL 25 BATESON 29 36 BENSTEAD 31 26 BLAKELEY 11 COLENUT LIZ 31 COLENUT M 19 CROMPTON 23 21 **ESLOR** 25 21 FROST 29 21 GOMAN 22 HISTED 28 23 HITAM 26 28 HOGG 16 HOULIHAN 30 **HUMPHREY** J 38 29 **HUMPHREY S** 36 35 16 JELLEY R 24 **JELLEY SUE** 37 28 KNIGHT 12 LAVENDER 19 LOVELOCK 25 MACDONALD 33 LYNNE MCDONNELL 31 12 SUE MORRIS 17 REEVES 36 ROSNER C 30 27 RUSHTON 22 SHELLEY 16 27 28 SHEIL SMITH D 25 33 14 SMITH P 26 26 STACEY STANLEY 28 STONE 36 THOMSON 26 VARDON 33 WARD VAL 34 18 WARD G 30 14 WILKES 33 12 WONG 8