

THE WAYFAIRER



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RUSHTON AND RIDDLES - ARE REIGATE PAIRS WINNERS

THE DATE - the 21st June (longest day of the year). **THE SCENE** - The Clubhouse at Reigate Heath Golf Club. **THE TIME** - 12.15 and 23 Wayfairers gather anxiously in tense silence to find out their fate, and who they have been drawn with in the annual Two Ronnies' Trophy. Eventually some very strong favourites to lift the Trophy did emerge, but ultimately no one could match **Peter Rushton** and **Mike Riddles** who came in with a Better Ball score of 42 pts.

Following the long spell of hot and dry weather, the Course was bone hard and the ball ran and bounced erratically. Nearly every hole saw the sight of Wayfairers' backsides stuck up in the air, as they poked and pried in the heather and gorse for their elusive golf balls! Not least among this number was **Jeff Hogg**, who because of his bright yellow top stood out like a beacon in the bushes. His vivid shirt attracted a myriad of horse flies and other insects. He claimed afterwards that he was fully pollinated on at least five different occasions! (I don't want to know about Jeff's sex life and I'm sure the readership doesn't either! - Get on with it - Ed)

Scoring was difficult and no one broke their handicap, but **Ron Harris** did come very close with an excellent total of 35pts. We understand that this is now the 4th time that he has won the Wayfairers Trophy.. Well done Ron - but be warned - the scissors are out!

Chris Wilkes rang our Treasurer a week or so ago to apologise that he was unable to play at Reigate Heath due to a clash with a re-union he was attending on June 29th - 6 days after our Reigate Meeting! 'Super efficient' Chris then had the audacity to blame his wife for writing the wrong date in his diary! The man's a plonker - and a worthy Cap winner!



***Reigate Heath in the
sunshine***

AND SO TO THE FULL REIGATE HEATH RESULTS

Two Ronnies Trophy Winners

Mike Riddles & Peter Rushton
42pts.

2nd Clive Cooper & Mike Owens
41pts (c/b)

3rd John Loader & Stuart Harris
41pts (c/b)

Wayfairers Trophy Winner

Ron Harris 35pts

2nd Nick Widdowson 34pts

3rd Mike Riddles 33pts (c/b)

4th Brian Girling 33pts (c/b)

Mystery Pairs

Ron Harris (35) & Chris Wilkes (31)
- Total 66

Birdie Cap

Tony Warrilow (a 4 pointer on the 9th)

Hedgehog Award

Barry Richards (but only just, **John B.** was definitely in the running!).

Plonker Cap

Chris "I must't get my dates wrong and blame it on the wife" **Wilkes**.

REIGATE RAFFLE

No raffle as such was held, but £23 was collected (£1 per head) and for their £1 everyone drew a player in the forthcoming Open to be held at Royal Lytham St Annes in July. Four prizes will be awarded for those who have

drawn the players who achieve the best 4 finishing positions out of all the players included in the draw.

Following cries of protestation and 'Fiddle' (Which it was! - Ed) when John Bateson drew **Tiger Woods** last year. (I've always wanted to put that in **bold** in the Wayfairer! - Ed). Tiger has been omitted from the draw list which currently reads as follows (although we hope to sell a few more tickets to Wayfairers not present at Reigate).

RON HARRIS - T.BJORN

RON BAILEY - N.PRICE

MIKE CHURCH - P.HARRINGTON

DAVID ROSE - J.M.OLAZABEL

CHRIS WILKES - D.DUVAL

STUART HARRIS - E.ELS

MIKE RIDDLES - J.VAN DE VELDE

AUDREY RIDDLES - R.GOOSEN

CLIVE COOPER - L.WESTWOOD

FRANK HOULIHAN - T. LEHMAN

MIKE OWENS -C.MONTGOMERIE

NICK WIDDOWSON - P.MICKELSON

PETER RUSHTON - D.CLARKE

JEFF HOGG - NICK FALDO

BARRY RICHARDS - M.BROOKS

JOHN LOADER - M.O'MEARA

MIKE WILSON - B.LANGER

JOHN McDONNELL - J.MAGGERT

TONY WARRILOW - V.J.SINGH

HAROLD PESKETT - S.GARCIA

BRIAN GIRLING - J.PARNEVIK

JOHN BATESON - P.LAWRIE

PAT FUDGE - D.LOVE

The open finishes on Sunday 22nd July, very conveniently the day before our West Chiltington meeting. So the results will then be known for us to present the prizes to the lucky 4 winners.

And so to our next

WEST CHILTINGTON GOLF CLUB

MONDAY 23rd JULY

As this is a new venue for the Wayfairers and a little bit 'out in the sticks' (directly East of Pulborough and North of Storrington) - a Map is enclosed. The Club Telephone number is 01798 815858.

Coffee will be available from after 9.30am with the first group out at 10.30am. We anticipate the evening meal will be at approximately 5.00pm.

This is the day of the Annual Team Challenge - President's v Secretary's v Treasurer's Teams. You can find out which team you will represent and your tee time if you ring either of the two Johns no more than 48 hours before the day.

The winning Team will be awarded the President's Trophy (currently held by the Treasurer) and each member of this victorious selection will receive a brand new Wayfairer Golf Ball! (2001 Special Edition! - Ed).

There will also be the usual Individual Stableford and all the other regular competitive events.

As an experiment we are considering having 2 Longest Drive Competitions (both on the same hole) with one for 18 handicap players and below - and the other for those on 19 and above. The first category would compete for the usual Dram and second prize be introduced for the higher handicap players (What about a Lamborghini?! - Ed).

Cost to include coffee, 18 holes on a delightful full 18 hole course, plus a 3 Course Evening Meal as well as all the Prizes will be £29.

NOTE

DIFFERENT PROCEDURE FROM USUAL

Please send your return slip to the Secretary as our dear Treasurer is away for a fortnight advising and helping the Greeks to sort out their forthcoming Census. (Happy holiday Janet!)

SLIPS AND CHEQUES TO BE RETURNED BY MONDAY 9TH JULY - PLEASE.

LES WAYFAIRERS EN FRANCE

At the end of May, 10 Wayfairers and 3 guests enjoyed a 4 day Golfing break based in a Golfing Hotel situated on the cliff tops of Etretat in Normandy.

Four different courses were played and as in England the sun shone on the Wayfairers. On day 1 we stopped off to play at Saint Saens where we had the Course and the Chateau Club House to ourselves. The winner on day 1 was Audrey Riddles (31pts) followed by husband Mike (29pts). The Mystery Pairs saw Audrey drawn with Barry and they took the wine!

Day 2 at Etretat and Barry emerged on the course in his shorts, a sight rarely seen in England, and the group ventured onto the Course which was shrouded in sea mist. There followed a hilarious period whilst everyone grouped through the first 4-5 holes playing 'spot the green' until the sun prevailed and it was another scorching day. Inspired by the shorts Barry won the prize of the day on c/b with 31pts, from Audrey. 2 nearest the pin prizes went to Sue McDonnell and John Horsfall.

Day 3 - A day off to do what you like. Audrey, Jan, Mike Fred and John Peake went off to tackle the du Havre Course just a few miles down the coast. The rest walked the magnificent cliffs and beach, explored Etretat and flopped out on the Hotel Terrace.

Day 4 an Early departure for Nampont St Martin a delightfully

wooded course bursting with bird song. For some, the bird song turned to birdies and John McD recorded an Eagle 3 on the first hole - par 5! His team comprising also Barbara Horsfall and Mike Wilson went on to win the Team Prize. The Individual star of the day was Jan who played her best 18 holes ever - recording a final score of 47 pts. Well done Jan! Audrey was the most consistent

player of the week with a total for three cards of 105 (Jan just pipped with 104). This gave Audrey the title of French Open Champion of 2001 and she went home proudly carrying the 1^{1/2} inch high Trophy, plus a bottle of bubbly. Won By Sue McD in 2000 and Audrey in 2001 - come on men when are you going to win it?! (Well we do do all the driving! - Ed).

The holiday ended with a last meal at the Coq d'Or in Calais only to be put to chaos by the sudden arrival of the Treasurer John Bateson. He didn't even offer to buy us all a drink despite all the money he has in our funds! The only consolation was he brought Janet with him and it was lovely to see her!

So au revoir France - until Mai 2002.

PICTURES FROM REIGATE HEATH & ONE FROM



Mike Riddles and Peter Rushton get the Team Prize from the 2 Ronnies



Ron Bailey presents Ron Harris with the Wayfairers Trophy



Tony Warrilow receiving his well deserved Birdie Cap.



You must say it suits him!



Audrey clutching the HUGE French Open Championship Trophy - 2001

WAYFAIRER 2001 PAIRS KNOCK-OUT



Wayfairer Clothing

ROUND 2	ROUND 3	FINAL
<p>2. Jeff Hogg 14/ Dennis Shelley 25</p> <p>3. Ron Harris 17/ Stuart Harris 11</p> <p>6. Mike Owens 26/ Frank Houlihan 26</p> <p>7. Brian Girling 36/ Syd Tutton 32</p> <p>9. John Bateson 18/ Nick Widdowson 13</p> <p>10. John McDonnell 18/ Mike Wilson 28</p> <p>11. Peter Storey 8/ Barry Richards 23</p> <p>12. David Gillen 16/ Chris Wilkes 9</p> <p>PLAYED BY 10TH JULY</p>	<p>PLAYED BY 11TH SEPT.</p>	<p>PLAYED BY THE 23 OCT 2001</p> <p>WINNERS</p>

High summer and high time to get some really cool gear. Call or Fax Barry Richards on 01342 836430 if you would like to find out what's on offer or to order any of the following :-

Acrylic V Neck Sweaters in Bottle, Navy, Royal Blue, Burgundy, Black £18.79 any size with logo

Ties in Navy, Bottle Green, Grey, Black, Royal Blue, Burgundy. £11.74 with logo

Short Sleeve Polo Shirts in Royal Blue, Navy Blue, Black, White, Khaki, Burgundy, Red, Jade, Sky, Yellow, Bottle Green, Heather. £16.44 any size with logo

Caps in Black, Bottle Green, Burgundy, Grey, Jade, Kelly, Natural, Navy, Olive, Orange, Purple, Red, Royal Blue, Sky, White, Yellow. £7.34 size adjustable, with logo.

Don't get in a sweat give me a call!

A REMINDER OF HOW THE BETTER BALL MATCH PLAY COMPETITION IS RUN

The competitions are played at a mutually agreed venue on a match play basis. Where one or more players are members of the chosen club all Green Fees are equally divided. Details and vouchers for '2 for 1' courses can be obtained from John McDonnell (01342 833747).

Wayfairers handicaps current at the time of playing are to be used and confirmation of handicaps can be obtained from John Bateson (01342 832602). Handicaps at 26th June are shown above. Ladies to play off Ladies Tee and play to Ladies Card and stroke index.

On completion of each match the results are to be notified promptly to John Bateson by the winning Team who, when it has been decided, will be told who they are playing in the next round.

HANDICAP ADJUSTMENTS WILL BE MADE AS THE COMPETITION PROCEEDS.

HANDICAPPING SYSTEM

Just a reminder - the lowest handicap player plays off scratch and the other players receive strokes on the basis of 3/4 of the difference between their handicaps and the lowest handicap - strokes to be taken at the appropriate stroke index holes.

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP

Retaining his lead, but now only in a joint winning position, **John Bateson** is on 108 together with **Clive Cooper**. A fresh face in second place is Mike Wilson on 105, closely followed by **Chris Wilkes** (104) and Jeff Hogg (103).



The Editor 'Signs Off' the 17th Edition