

THE WAYFAIRER

The Wayfairers Golf Society Issue 2



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Wayfairers Beat the Weather - but only Ron Mason Beats the Course

Our Shillinglee Texas Scramble saw 28 players (23 Wayfairers and 5 Guests) all teeing off in very pleasant weather conditions which continued throughout the morning until all 7 Teams had completed the Course. This all changed dramatically however in the Pitch and Putt Competition which followed. Only three Teams finishing the 6 holes before the heavens opened! And they really did open! Being so close to the Clubhouse no-one got too soaked, but prospects for the afternoon looked exceedingly poor. The rain lashed down in 'stair rods' throughout the lunchtime interval. However the luck of the 'Two Johns' continued. Just as afternoon play commenced the clouds rolled back, the rain stopped, and sunshine and shirtsleeves became the order of the day.

The morning Texas Scramble, played off scratch, was extremely closely contested. Eventually the winners could only be decided on countback. In the afternoon, following a substantial lunch the Course, which was in lovely condition, took its toll - or was it the lunch! Only one player broke his handicap. **Ron Mason** had an excellent score of 41 points, with the second best being 8 points behind on 33.

A highlight of the day was the arrival of Messers **Wilkes** and **Cooper**, appropriately clad in flying suits, goggles and leather helmets, in a vintage open topped Bentley sports car. Seeing this the Shillinglee Management

immediately put our charges for the day up by £5 a head! Before the announcement of the results all Wayfairers present on the day requested

What with Bentleys and Faxes, Shillinglee didn't know what had hit them!

AND SO TO THE RESULTS

Texas Scramble Trophy won by team 4 comprising **Ron Mason** (who else?), **Ron 'Bomber' Harris**, **Mike Morgan-Rowe** and **Dennis Shelley** with a grand score of 31 - one under par on countback from team 6 consisting of **Harris Jnr**, **Nick 'the Animal'**, **Stuart Allan** and **John Peake**.

Pitch & Putt - rain stopped play for some but not for our stalwarts **Audrey Riddles**, **Peter Rushton**, **Clive Cooper** and **Mike Wilson** the winners with a seven over par score of 61. Well done but room for improvement next year!

Nearest the Pin - **Ron Mason** but as he won so much else on the day awarded to **John McDonnell** the only other name on the card (although there were several claimants to be nearer but they lacked documentary proof -anyway we must let John win something).

Longest Drive - went inevitably to **Chris Wilkes** as passenger in **Clive Cooper's** magnificently restored classic Bentley.

Birdie Cap - won by Society Champion **Pat Fudge** with back to back Birdies and according to reports, just missing out on a number of other chances. Clearly Pat's late arrival and morning rest did him good!CONT

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Player B											
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**Wayfairers
Celebrate in
style**

**Back to Back
Birdies
and
Bosom
Pals**



**And so to
our next
meeting**

To be held on **Friday 18th June** at a new venue for the Wayfairers - **Rookwood Golf Club**. The Golf Course is near Broadbridge Heath to the west of Horsham, close to where the A264 links up with the A281. Phone number 01403 250168.

Hedge Hog Award - as usual keenly contested with **Don Beaumont's** 23 pts. making a strong claim for recognition. Our guest **Les 'Brummy' Jelf** staked his claim with 19 hard fought for points but a worthy winner also with 19 points was **Mike Riddles**. Stafford didn't return the trophy on the day as he thought he could keep it forever or perhaps thought he might succeed in winning it for a second time?

Finance

THE RAFFLE

Many thanks to **Stuart Allan** for running the ticket sales. The total taken on the day was £53 with prize expenditure being approximately half of this amount, but with several prizes coming from 'stock' which had been paid for and accounted for previously.

The total Raffle profit to date stands at a very healthy £106.39 with still one or two future prize items already purchased. For our next meeting there will not be a Raffle but a "J.McD Surprise Competition", which will involve an outlay of £1 a head with just one Major Prize on offer.

There was unanimous agreement at Shillinglee that some of the Raffle money profit should go on engraving names of Team Winners on the Texas Scramble Trophy - this to be back dated to include the 1998 winners.

SHILLINGLEE FINANCE REPORT

RECEIPTS £868-00

EXPENDITURE £850-20

Excess receipts over expenditure £17.80 excluding additional prizes from stock valued at £26.62 to an excess expenditure over income of £8.82. Society balance stands at £100.12, (excluding £100 deposit for Rookwood, prizes in stock and raffle profits).

This meeting is our 2nd Annual Secretary's Team versus Treasurer's Team Match. There will be 12 players in each team and the format for the day will be as last year at Tilgate a Four Ball Better Ball Stableford Competition, plus all the other usual Wayfairer Minor competitions and awards.

We will meet at Rookwood as from 10.15am Coffee provided on arrival. The first group of 4 are due to tee off at 11.04am. Following the Golf there will be a 2 Course Meal and after this our prize giving at which each member of the winning Team will receive a Wayfairers golf ball. If the Match should prove to be anything like as close as last year it should produce a very tight and exciting finish!

Cost for the day, Coffee, 18 holes, 2 Course Meal and all the prizes is £25.

PLEASE NOTE due to limited seating capacity for dining the **MAXIMUM NUMBER** we can book for the day is **24**. All Wayfairers irrespective of handicaps are eligible and if there are more than 24 wishing to play, the names will be drawn 'out of the hat' (with the Treasurer and Secretary seeded players!). We will then form the two teams from the successful 24. Therefore do not send any money at this stage but do please return as soon as possible the slip indicating your availability for this match. The draw and selection of teams will take place on the 2nd June and team details, reserves and request for payment will then be made. Guests will only be sought should we not be able to raise 24 Wayfairers, but hopefully this will not be necessary. So come along please and register your interest **NOW**.

Comments from the Locker Room

Listed below are a few reminders which if followed will ease the organisational load of the two Johns considerably.

Please return all availability slips by the requested deadline date.

Contact the organisers immediately if you have any problems about being able to play.

Ensure all trophies/awards are returned in time for re-presentation.

If you foresee any problems because of the timing of the meal please discuss this with the organisers prior to the day.

To ensure fairness and consistency putts should not be given unless in a match play competition.



Odds & Divots

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Further confirmation that our next meeting after Rookwood Park will be at Reigate Heath on Thursday 15th July. This, as in previous years is our venue for the two Ronnies Trophy (Drawn Pairs Competition) with an early afternoon start time. No date or venue has been arranged as yet for our September Meeting but details will be circulated as soon as arranged

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP.

Storming to the front goes **Ron Mason** with 41, 31, 41 total 113 followed by **Chris Wilkes** with 33, 34, 32 total 106. Chris failed to improve on this at Shillinglee and it looks as though Ron will be hard to catch. Still somewhere behind at this stage is last years champion **Pat Fudge** whose score so far is only 94 having been nobbled by the handicappers, but watch this space they could soon be at work on Ron!



FOR SALE

GOLF BALLS 'GOOD AS NEW' £5 FOR 12
'HARDLY A MARK ON 'EM' £5 FOR 20
GOOD SOCIAL USE! £5 FOR 30

SOMETHING FOR THE WEEKEND ? ! ?

ALL DETAILS FROM THE SECRETARY

(Proceeds go to the Secretary's Benevolent Fund)

WAYFAIRER CLOTHING

Sweaters, Ties and Caps all with our new logo and at very keen prices will be on display at Rookwood. No need to be shy, we will **not** need your inside leg measurement!

CURRENT TROPHY HOLDERS

Wayfairers Championship Trophy - **Pat Fudge.**

The Wayfairers Trophy - **Ron Mason**

Ron Harris Autumn Cup - **Ron Mason.**

Christmas Tankard - **Barry Richards.**

John Peake Spring Trophy - **Mike Church.**

Texas Scramble Trophy - **Ron Mason, Ron Harris, Mike Morgan-Rowe & Dennis Shelley.**

The Two Ronnies Pairs Trophy - **Peter Rushton & Stuart Allan.**

Fifty Bob Set - **Ian Templer.**

Harold's Special 18th Hole Trophy - **Jeff Hogg.**

THE MILLENNIUM

The organisers have been having some thoughts about how we might all celebrate the Millennium during next year. Several ideas have been discussed, (some a bit wild!), but we would welcome your ideas.

If you would like to jot these down, or indeed comments or anecdotes on any other matters, we would be delighted to include these in the next newsletter.

The Wayfairers Pairs Competition

A REMINDER ON HOW THE BETTER BALL MATCH PLAY KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION WILL BE RUN

The competitions to be played on a mutually agreed venue on a match play basis. Where one or more are members of the chosen club all Green Fees to be equally divided. Details and vouchers for '2 fore 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 post Shillinglee are shown on the back page. On the completion of each match the result to be notified to John Bateson by the winning team who will then be told who they are playing in the next round.

The progress of the Competition and Current handicaps are on the last page of this newsletter.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

The advantage of getting your match played on time.... Ron Mason's handicap has dropped from 15 to 12 following his Shillinglee triumph - great news for Don Beaumont and David Rose when they eventually get around to playing their match.

WAYFAIRER 1999 PAIRS KNOCK-OUT

ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3	SEMI FINAL
<p>1.Ian Gordon 22 / John Loader 33</p> <p>2.Frank Houlihan 24 / Mike Owens 26</p> <p>3.Don Beaumont 14 / David Rose 20</p> <p>4.Ron Mason 12* / Peter Rushton 17</p> <p>5.Audrey Riddles 26 / Fred Catterall 23</p> <p>6.Chris Tomlin 29 /Mike Morgan-Rowe 23</p> <p>7.Mike Wilson 28 / John McDonnell 19</p> <p>8.Nick Widdowson 16 / John Bateson 20</p> <p>9.Stuart Allan 29 / Barry Richards 24</p> <p>10.Ron Harris 24 / Stuart Harris 9</p> <p>11.Mike Riddles 25 / John Horsfall 27</p> <p>12.Stafford Smith 31 / Ron Bailey 30</p> <p>Bye</p> <p>Bye</p>	<p>1.Ian Gordon 22 / John Loader 33</p> <p>NOT YET PLAYED</p> <p>5.Audrey Riddles 27* / Fred Catterall 23</p> <p>8.Nick Widdowson 16 / John Bateson 20</p> <p>9.Stuart Allan 30* / Barry Richards 24</p> <p>11.Mike Riddles 26* / John Horsfall 27</p> <p>13.Jeff Hogg 17* / Dennis Shelley 22</p> <p>14.Chris Wilkes 8 / David Gillen 20</p>		
TO BE PLAYED BY 8 MAY	TO BE PLAYED BY 10 JULY	TO BE PLAYED BY 11 SEPT.	TO BE PLAYED BY 23 OCT
<p>HANDICAPS AS AT MARCH 1999</p> <p>ANY ADJUSTMENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED TO THE PLAYER CONCERNED</p>	<p>* Handicaps Revised Post Shillinglee</p>		<p>WINNERS</p> <p>PRESENTATION AT THE A.G.M.</p>