

THE WAYFAIRER

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JEFF 'HOGS' THE HOLTYE HONOURS!

There is a national holiday in America in early spring commonly referred to as 'Groundhog Day'. Following Jeff Hogg's performance at Holtye on the 7th May perhaps this day should become a U.K. National Holiday! - a day of mourning for all those Wayfairers who no matter how hard they try, can't beat the man who 'hogs' all the prizes!

The 7th May this year dawned heavy and overcast with persistent drizzle, and the majority of the 33 players all making their way to Holtye from various directions were saying gloomily to themselves "The two Johns have got it wrong at last!" But as ever they hadn't! The drizzle stopped as the golf started, the sun came out and the sweaters came off!

Ten teams of three gave battle in the closely fought morning Texas Scramble over 9 holes. Scores ranged from 33 to 37 with Jeff Hogg, Ken Cooper and Tony Warrilow beating Andy Knight, Mike Church and Derek Reeves in the closest of count backs. Both finished on 33 after 9, with 21 each for the last 6 holes and both included a birdie in their last 3! Unfortunately Andy, Mike & Derek also had a bogey in their last 3 holes and just lost out.

This was the second year running that Jeff had captained the winning Scramble Team, which strangely enough led to him being presented with the Plonker Cap.

In the afternoon the Individual Wayfairers Trophy was won with an excellent score of 39 pts., and again Jeff Hogg was the man of the

moment, this time defeating Carl Rosner on count back. Two Major Trophies to Jeff in one day! (Next time he plays off scratch..Ed). So how did Jeff come to win the Plonker Cap? A year ago as the winning Scramble Captain he should have passed the Trophy on to be shared for an equal



David Rose, Captain of the day, presenting the Wayfairers Trophy to Jeff Hogg.

amount of time by his 3 Team members - Brian Girling, John Bateson and Frank Houlihan. In fact Brian and John never even saw the Trophy at all during the 12 months! Driving with Jeff to Holtye this year Frank spotted it in the back of the car. "Hey Jeff," he said "I never got to hold this." "Well," said Jeff, "you can hold it now - all the way to Holtye!" What a PLONKER! and he's still got the Trophy!

Amongst the 33 players it was great to see ex-Wayfairer Harry Mills back in the field as our guest. In true Wayfairer spirit he took over the task of selling the Raffle tickets. Thanks Harry.

AND SO TO THE FULL HOLTYE RESULTS

Texas Scramble Team Winners **Jeff Hogg, Ken Cooper & Tony Warrilow** - 33 pts, won on count back from **Andy Knight, Mike Church & Derek Reeves**.

Wayfairers Trophy Winner **Jeff Hogg** 39 pts (c/b).

2nd **Carl Rosner** 39 pts.

3rd **Audrey Riddles** 36 pts.

Putting Competition - joint first **Jan Henshaw & Ken Cooper** both round in 20 - both with c/b scores (holes 1-6) of 13 pts.

Joint Second **Clive Cooper & Mike Riddles** also round in 20 and both with c/b scores (holes 1-6) of 14 pts.

Due to a slight Management Error (Drunk again..ED), the 'Worst Putter of the Day' was overlooked. This went to **Ron Bailey** for an excellent total of 36 putts for 7 holes - 20 of these putts being taken on the famous String Hole (7th). Ron - be warned - you have a prize to come!

Longest Drive (Open) **Mike Church**.

Longest Drive (19&over) **Harold Peskett**.

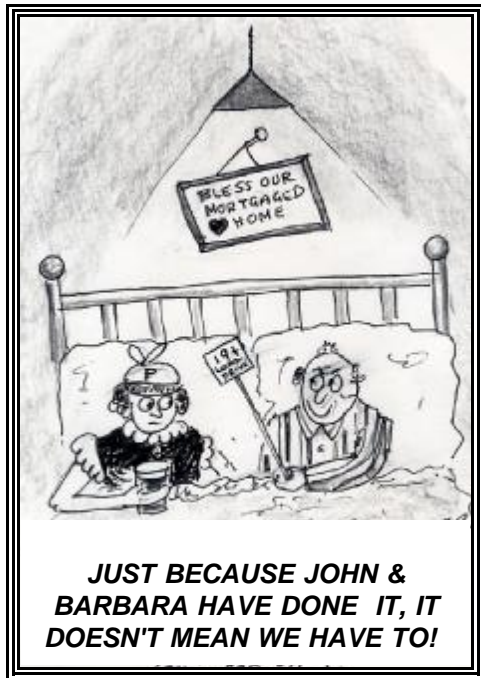
Nearest the Pin **Mike Owens**.

Shortest Drive **Brian Girling**.

Birdie Cap Sue (I won't wear the Hat) McDonnell.

Plonker Cap Jeff (Never more deserved!) Hogg.

Hedgehog - Sharing everything they have together - as ever!
Our first joint presentation - **John & Barbara Horsfall.**



THE HOLTYE RAFFLE

Many thanks to Ron Bailey, who was ably assisted by Harry Mills in selling the tickets and collecting the substantial amount of £56. A wide variety of prizes were 'up for grabs' (Most of them came from Wide Boys..Ed.) and Peter Rushton was quick to seize the very exciting and extremely valuable "Mushroom Garden Gnome" which he reliably informs me, is going to be the star attraction at the next meeting of the Lingfield Horticultural Society.

No raffle as such at our next meeting (June 14th) but your chance to 'draw a player' in the forthcoming 'Open' which takes place just prior to our July gathering.

WAYFAIRERS ABROAD

Bon voyage, bon appetit et bon golf - to the 13 Wayfairers plus one guest, who will be departing these shores to take on the challenges of 4 courses in a 3 night golf break in Northern France in early June.

And so to our next meeting

REIGATE HEATH FRIDAY 14th JUNE STABLEFORD PAIRS

This as in previous years will be an afternoon gathering because it's cheaper after 1 pm! **DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT TO SECURE YOUR PLACE IS FRIDAY 31st MAY.**

Cost is £28 to cover 18 holes and a three course meal plus coffee. **PLEASE send in your return slip NOW!**

This Competition is only open to members but guests may be nominated if reserves are needed to make up the numbers. Prizes are also included in the cost and there are lots to be won with both the Two Ronnies Cup as well as the Wayfairers Trophy at stake. Current holders of the Two Ronnies Trophy are Peter Rushton & Mike Riddles.

Cost does not cover any coffee or refreshments prior to playing. It is suggested, however, that players arrive mid-day to purchase their own snacks and drinks and to be present at the draw for partners! The draw will take place at approx. 12.15pm. Tee off in 4 Balls from 1.00pm. This is a pairs Better Ball Stableford - but please record all players Stableford points to determine the winners of the Individual Competition. Following our usual custom Nearest the Pin and the Longest Drive Competitions are given a break at Reigate Heath, and the Mystery Pairs Award will be played for instead.

Hopefully we will eat at about 7.00pm. As this is our 6th Reigate meeting it is assumed that the majority of Wayfairers will know how to get there. Phone number 01737 242610.

CALLING ALL WAYFAIRERS

Gigantic Golf Ball Sale!

Reigate Heath 14th June

Fantastic bargains! If you are really lucky you might get some of your own balls back!

The Wayfairer Readership

Rumour has it that not only is the 'Wayfairer' read by our members; but it is enjoyed even more by their 'other halves'! To put this to the test we would like to make a plea to all partners reading this issue of the Wayfairer.

Traditionally the 'Plonker Cap' is presented at every Wayfairer's meeting, usually for a really astounding 'Cock-up'. The fact is that it is won far too often by the same people. We are **sure** that there are equally deserving cases amongst the silent minority.

There must be many occasions where the humble, ordinary and often unnoticed Wayfairer (They must be talking about Jeff again!.Ed.) makes a major 'Cock-up', at home, at work, on the Golf Course or even in the bath! (They are talking about Jeff!!..Ed.)

So come on you 'other halves', we want to hear all about it - ring either of the Johns (address on the front cover) or leave a recorded message 24 hours a day on our Hotline 01342 836430.

Make your other half our hero of the Day!

TEXAS TOTE

Honest John's 'Book' on the Texas Scramble was well supported with bets widely spread over all competitors. However, in spite of every encouragement and high odds being given to punters to back 'Lucky' John McDonnell's Team, there were few takers. Thus the hoped for 'killing' did not transpire, as punters generally avoided this team, which turned out to be a wise move as they came last!

A total of £22.50 was taken and coincidentally the total pay out was £22.50. Jeff's team was well supported and backed down from 6/1 to 4/1.

Thanks to all who supported this bit of fun - well at least you didn't get a 'Mushroom Gnome' if you won.

NEW WAYFAIRERS HANDICAPS

All knockout handicaps as from 8th May are shown on the back page.

Pictures from Holtye



**Well, someone had to give it an Gn'ome !
Who better than Horticultural Specialist
Peter Rushton. A fitting Raffle Prize !**



**Victorious Texas Scramble team Jeff Hogg, Ken Cooper &
Tony Warrilow. Take a good look at the Trophy Ken and
Tony this is probably the last you will see of it!!!**



**Carl Rosner 2nd in the Wayfairers Trophy,
only just beaten on count back.**



**Jan Henshaw, joint winner of the putting
competition, with Ken Cooper, being presented
with her prize by our lecherous Secretary!**



**Brian Girling leading witness for the
prosecution in the case against Jeff Hogg for
Trophy Hoarding.**



**Jeff, showing absolutely no
remorse at being found guilty.**



WAYFAIRER 2002 PAIRS KNOCK-OUT



PRELIMINARY ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3	FINAL
<p>1. Frank Houlihan 24/ Mike Owens 25</p> <p>2. Jeff Hogg 13/ Dennis Shelley 24</p> <p>3. Clive Cooper 15/ Chris Wilkes 9</p> <p>4 Mike Riddles 35/ John Horsfall 32</p> <p>5 Barbara Horsfall 27/ John Loader 35</p> <p>6 Brian Girling 36/ Syd Tutton 29</p> <p>7 John McDonnell 19/ Mike Wilson 29</p> <p>8Jan Henshaw 34/ Sue McDonnell 9</p> <p>9 Ken Cooper 25/ Tony Warrilow 27</p> <p>10 Andy Knight 19/ Carl Rosner 31</p> <p>11 Harold Peskett 22/ David Rose 19</p> <p>12 Ron Bailey 31/ Stafford Smith 31</p> <p>13 Barry Richards 25/ Peter Storey 8</p> <p>14 Fred Catterall 19/ Audrey Riddles 24</p> <p>15 Ron Harris 18/ Stuart Harris 9</p> <p>16 John Bateson 19/ Nick Widdowson 13</p> <p>TO BE PLAYED BY 7TH MAY 2002</p>	<p>Frank Houlihan 24/ Mike Owens 25</p> <p>Clive Cooper 15/ Chris Wilkes 9</p> <p>Brian Girling 36/ Syd Tutton 29</p> <p>Jan Henshaw 34/ Sue McDonnell 9</p> <p>13 Barry Richards 25/ Peter Storey 8</p> <p>John Bateson 19/ Nick Widdowson 13</p> <p>TO BE PLAYED BY 10TH JULY 2002</p>	<p>TO BE PLAYED BY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2002</p>	<p>TO BE PLAYED BY THE 23 OCTOBER 2002</p> <p>WINNERS</p>

The above are the revised handicaps applicable from 8th May 2002.

THE 30 + CLUB

At Holt ye in addition to the first three winners we had:-

Stuart Harris 35 pts
Sue McDonnell 34 pts

Ron Bailey 34 pts
John Bateson 34 pts
Ken Cooker 34 pts
David Rose 33 pts
Chris Wilkes 33 pts
Peter Rushton 32 pts
Frank Houlihan 30 pts
Mike Wilson 30 pts.

Join the Club - score more than 30 points at your next meeting and see your name blazoned across the back pages!

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Storming into the lead with a potentially winning score of 108 come Stuart Harris. Chris Wilkes remains on 101, Syd Tutton on 97 and David Rose moves to 96.

Both Jeff Hogg and Carl Rosner need one more good score to put them into contention, but Stuart will take some catching.