

# THE WAYFAIRER

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## Jeff 'Hogs' The Limelight - But Nick and Frank 'Nick' The Trophy!

Twenty four Wayfairers all competing eagerly for the Two Ronnies Trophy teed off in 6 groups of 4 at our recent Reigate Heath Meeting. The Groups to be in were definitely the first out and the last out! In the last group **Jeff Hogg** partnered by Society Champion **Pat Fudge** produced the best round he had ever played in his life, and came in with an amazing individual score of 45 points! Well done **Jeff**! This won him the Wayfairers Trophy, and with a Pairs Better Ball score of 46 points he and **Pat** felt certain that they had done enough to collect the Two Ronnies Trophy as well.

This was not to be however! In the first group out **Nick Widdowson** and **Frank Houlihan** gelled together so well as a pair that with consistent scoring they amassed the excellent total of 47 points, pushing **Jeff** and **Pat** into 2nd place by just one point.

As no one was allowed to win more than one prize during the day, several players with lower scores than these were amazed and delighted to find they had 'something to come!'

**Jeff's** score is made to look even more impressive when compared to the average of 28 for the day. The course was not at all easy, and made even more difficult by a swirling wind. This no doubt contributed to **John Peake's** success in securing the coveted Hedgehog Trophy. **John** amassed 39 points at Rookwood but could only manage 17 points at Reigate.

Similarly, **Mike Church** secured 42 points at Bletchingley before picking up the Hedgehog at Rookwood. Oh! the vicissitudes of golf! **Jeff** be warned

Well done **Bernard** for managing to last out for 18 holes - the first full 18 he has done this year - and he didn't finish last!



**Bashful Jeff Hogg says, "Did I really score 45 points?"**

Having mentioned **Mike Church**, Hardent readers of the Wayfairer will recall that in the last issue he featured in the cartoon following his very interesting trick tee shot on the first at Rookwood. Not to let an opportunity pass he performed another on the 16th at Reigate Heath, this time off the fairway. His tee shot had put him short of the road, behind the line of posts. Taking a wood he gave the ball a mighty smack. It travelled straight and low and struck one of the posts and finished - yes you've guessed it - behind him!

### Reigate Heath Results

**Pairs Competition** - Winners of the Two Ronnies Trophy - **Frank Houlihan** 30 points and **Nick Widdowson** 38 points. Team Total 47 Points.  
2nd **Jeff Hogg** 45 points and **Pat Fudge** 33 points. Team Total 46 Points.

**Individual** - Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy - **Jeff Hogg** 45 Points.  
2nd **Audrey Riddles** 33 points (c/b), 3rd **Mike Owens** 33 points (c/b), 4th **David Rose** 32 points.

**Birdie Cap** - **Harold Peskett** - (a birdie on a two shot hole gave him 5 Stableford points!)

**Hedgehog Award** - **John Peake**.

### THE REIGATE RAFFLE

Many thanks to **Mike Riddles** for collecting £41.60 during the day (£41 ticket sales and 60p donation!).

Outlay on prizes was £26.45. This gives us in hand a total of £125.01 - but the Wayfairer balls are going fast! (Particularly on the 9th & 18th at Reigate Heath - Ed.) We are now down to 82 left from our original stock of 150.

Thanks to **Pat Fudge** for volunteering to be our Alton Ticket Salesman.



## Odds & Divots

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### EDITORS NOTE

In the previous edition of The Wayfairer a certain member was referred to repeatedly and to the state of ad nauseum! This was mentioned several times to the Editor who heartily agreed with the comments made. Readers will be pleased to note that he is not mentioned at all in this edition (except on the back page), although we feel that we should report that he won 3 blank tapes in the latest raffle. "No good to me" he was heard to exclaim. "I'm too busy being in love to watch television!"

### THE VANISHING CARD TRICK

The mysterious disappearance of the Wayfairers' Christmas Pudding manifested itself once more when Nick "The Animal" was seen charging around the course looking for Frank Houlihan's score card that had vanished. The assistance of many Wayfairers was sought - but the card could not be found - that is until Nick looked more carefully

in his own golf bag!

And he is one of the younger Wayfairers!!

### GUESS WHO??

As you are aware, if you are a regular reader of the Wayfairer, we hate to embarrass anyone!! But, do you remember the very attractive Debbie, the caterer at Reigate Heath Golf Club, the one who took the orders for the sandwiches? Well, who was the Wayfairer who was kissing and hugging her in the entrance hall and who did not have to pay for his sandwiches??

Correct answer in the next issue of the Wayfairer - unless the guilty party comes up with the money between now and then!

### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The Club Championship, which is decided by the aggregate of the best three scores, is still neck and neck. The current position is, in third place on 106 points, Chris Wilkes. Moving swiftly into second place after Reigate Heath with a score of 112 is none other than Jeff Hogg. But still, and only just in the lead on 113 points is Ron Mason..

### QUOTE BY PETER ALLIS AT THE OPEN....

"I've never seen anything like it in my life - and neither have you!"

Clearly he has never seen the Wayfairers play golf!

### STOP PRESS

Belated congratulations to Ron Harris who recently celebrated his 65th Birthday. For more about Ron see page 3.

# And so to our next meeting

ALTON GOLF CLUB

MONDAY

13TH SEPTEMBER

Meet at Alton from 10.15 am for first tee off at 11.00 am. Cost per player will be £25 (Alton Members £15) to include coffee on arrival, 18 holes of Golf (very well established 9 hole course), a 3 course meal and all prizes. The prizes will be numerous as a variety of competitions are planned for the day. As well as the usual individual Stableford Competition for the Wayfairers Trophy, there will also be the now infamous **Annual Pink Ball Competition**. The elder brethren will do battle for the 'Fifty Bob Set' and proceedings will begin with the **Annual Putting Competition** for which we have to admit 'strings will be attached'.

Be on time if you want to putt before Morning Golf! Early starters can have their go after playing.

**DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT AND RETURN OF AVAILABILITY SLIPS TO JOHN BATESON IS FRIDAY 20TH AUGUST**

**GUESTS ARE WELCOME - (UNLESS WE HAVE ALL 40 OF OUR MEMBERS TURN UP!)**

**How to get there?** Phone number 01420 82042 or 86518. The Club is just north of Alton off the B3349. From the M3 leave at junction 5 along the A287 turning off right along the B3349 through South Warnborough turning left at the Golden Pot Inn. The Club is a short distance along this lane on your right. Approaching from the South go through Alton which is North of the A31, take the B3349 turning right at the Golden Pot.





## Clothing

There are still a steady stream of Wayfairers anxious to sport their Society colours. By far the most popular items are the Caps no doubt due to the summer weather.

We are pleased to announce that for your convenience we can accept your orders by FAX on 01342 836430 or just phone the same number. If you have a birthday coming up what better present than something with the Wayfairers emblem! Just a reminder -

**Acrylic V Neck Sweaters**  
in Bottle, Navy, Royal Blue, Burgundy, Black.

Sizes:	Chest
X Large,	52 inches
Large,	48 inches
Medium,	44 inches
Small,	40 inches

**£18.79 any size 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**

**Ties**

in Navy, Bottle Green, Grey, Black, Royal Blue, Burgundy.

**£11.74 with logo**

## Finance

The Treasurer having returned from Sicily hastens to reassure Society members that their funds are still intact. (I am not sure if this means they are still under our control or whether they are still in one lump sum..Ed.).

Belatedly reporting on Rookwood a small surplus of £4.00 was achieved, taking into account prizes and Wayfairer Balls from stock. Similarly a surplus of £11.00 was made at Reigate.

### ADVANCE NOTICE OF THE A.G.M.

Our anticipated venue for the Annual General Meeting will be Chiddingfold Golf Club. The provisional date - 8th November 1999.

### UPDATE OF CURRENT TROPHY HOLDERS

**Wayfairers Championship Trophy** - Pat Fudge.

**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** - Nick Widdowson, Frank Houlihan.

**Fifty Bob Set** - Ian Templer.

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

**Wayfairers Trophy** - Jeff Hogg.

## 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). Note handicaps post Reigate Heath 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.

### THE NEW DRIVER

Ron Harris after a visit to the Pro-Shop decided to buy a new driver, the latest device, with a head like a saucepan and the latest high-tech shaft. He was keen to try this out and there being no-one to play with he decided to play on his own.

Returning to the Club House, looking a little glum, he met Ron Bailey. "How's the new Driver?" he enquired. "Marvellous", said Ron H., "its put 20 yards on my slice!"

# WAYFAIRER 1999 PAIRS KNOCK-OUT

ROUND 1	ROUND 2	SEMI FINAL	FINAL
1.Ian Gordon 22 / John Loader 33	1.Ian Gordon 22 / John Loader 33	1.Ian Gordon 22 / John Loader 33	
2.Frank Houlihan 24 / Mike Owens 26			
3.Don Beaumont 14 / David Rose 20	4.Ron Mason 12 / Peter Rushton 17		
4.Ron Mason 12 / Peter Rushton 17			
5.Audrey Riddles 26 / Fred Catterall 23	5.Audrey Riddles 27 / Fred Catterall 23		
6.Chris Tomlin 29 /Mike Morgan-Rowe 23		8.Nick Widdowson 15* / John Bateson 20	
7.Mike Wilson 28 / John McDonnell 19	8.Nick Widdowson 16 / John Bateson 20		
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9.Stuart Allan 29 / Barry Richards 24	9.Stuart Allan 30 / Barry Richards 24	9.Stuart Allan 30 / Barry Richards 24	
10.Ron Harris 24 / Stuart Harris 9			
11.Mike Riddles 25 / John Horsfall 27	11.Mike Riddles 26 / John Horsfall 27		
12.Stafford Smith 31 / Ron Bailey 30			
Bye	13.Jeff Hogg 17 / Dennis Shelley 22	13.Jeff Hogg 14* / Dennis Shelley 22	
Bye	14.Chris Wilkes 8 / David Gillen 20		
TO BE PLAYED BY 8 MAY	TO BE PLAYED BY 10 JULY	TO BE PLAYED BY 11 SEPT.	TO BE PLAYED BY 23 OCT
		* ADJUSTED POST REIGATE	WINNERS:-
			PRESENTATION AT THE A.G.M.