

THE WAYFAIRER

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PETER RUSHTON SHINES BRIGHTLY AS OUR MORNING STAR WHILE THE TOP SCRAMBLE RECORD IS TWO UNDER PAR!

second place, because of Peter's slightly better finishing holes. Peer did manage a 4 down the 3rd – something that very few teams could manage later in the day despite 4 bites at the cherry!

With early mist well cleared by lunchtime, the afternoon Texas Scramble was played in glorious weather which was not quite matched by some of the scoring! The winning Team consisting of **Jan Henshaw, Bill Eslor, Norman Lovelock & Nick Widdowson** finished 2 under par, as did the quartet of **Mike Church, Ken Cooper, Derek Reeves & Peter Rushton** – runners up after the dreaded count back. These were the only two Teams to finish under par, with all the other 7 groups recording “plus” totals.

Before lunch the eagerly awaited individual putting competition took place with the first 6 holes proving a real doddle to most players, but then came the last – the evil string hole! Most players were in double figures before sinking the ball and some strong language could be heard (not from me! Ed.) Nevertheless a few did do extremely well in negotiating the twists and bends, and yet once again count backs were needed to sort out the top places.

Our annual Holtye gathering was very much one of comings and goings. A total of 37, including 4 guests, played at some time during the day, but numbers varied from morning to afternoon. Both main competitions finished extremely closely, with both having to be decided on very tight count backs.



**Wayfairer Trophy Winner
Peter Rushton**

The morning saw a 9 Hole Individual Stableford with the added spice of one “Broderick” being permitted, and approximately two thirds of all playing took advantage of this second opportunity to bang one straight down the middle! The individual winner was **Peter Rushton** who came in with the very creditable score of 20 pts. just pushing **Peer Blakeley**, with the same score into

And so to the Holtye Results

9 hole Individual Competition for the Wayfairers Trophy 1st **Peter Rushton** 20 pts c/b

2nd **Peer Blakeley** 20 pts c/b

3rd **Chris Wilkes** 19 pts

Team Texas Scramble 1st **Jan Henshaw Bill Eslor Norman Lovelock & Nick Widdowson**

2nd **Mike Church Ken Cooper Derek Reeves & Peter Rushton**

Putting 1st **David Williams** 18 pts c/b

2nd **Bob Histed** 18 pts c/b

3rd **Nick Widdowson** 18 pts c/b

Special prize for 13 putts on the 7th **Audrey Riddles**

Open Longest Drive **Nick “Whack it!” Widdowson**

19 & Over Longest Drive **Michael “Compo” Rosner**

Nearest The Pin **John McD** – who did get the birdie!

Shortest Drive **Sue “Honesty” McD**

Birdie Cap **Jeff “I never forget the Hedgehog!” Hogg**

Hedgehog Award **Mike “Six of the best!” Church**

THE PLONKER CAP

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THE HOLTYE RAFFLE

Very many thanks to our truly excellent ticket salesman Michael Rosner. He did a superb job by taking the magnificent total of £109. It was only right and fitting that one of his own tickets should come out of the hat very early on, and he claimed the huge great compost bin as his very own. Happy composting Michael! (Picture on page 3).

With the profit made on this raffle nicely swelling our coffers, there is now no doubt that the Raffle Fund will be able to subsidise our Old Thorns day by £400.

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING AT PAXHILL PARK GOLF CLUB ON FRIDAY 16th JUNE

This is the day of the Annual Drawn Pairs Competition playing for the Two Ronnies Trophy.

The Wayfairers have played at Paxhill Park once before but this was several years ago. If you are not sure of the location, and you don't have Sat/Nav in your car or the opportunity to look up the route on a Web Site, please contact John McD for directions. The Club Phone No. is 01444 484467 or 01444 484000

As at all our previous June gatherings this will be an afternoon meeting, and being only 5 days prior to the "longest day" hopefully everyone will have completed their round before darkness descends at about 10pm!

The first group out are due to tee off at 1pm. but it is suggested that everyone arrives at around mid-day, as the draw for partners and the playing order will be made at this time. Please note there is no coffee on arrival as it is anticipated that all players will want to purchase their own refreshments before going out for the 18 holes.

As always there will be an Individual Stableford for the Wayfairers Trophy currently held by Peter Rushton, as well as the Pairs Event competing for the "Two Ronnies" Trophy which is at present in the safe keeping of Audrey Riddles & Hans Zinke. It is also the time for the lower handicap players to do battle for the 18 & Under Trophy currently held by Chris Wilkes.

Guests are welcome, but hopefully there will be an even number as guests will be drawn with other guests to form pairs. Should one of these "guest pairs" finish in first place they will win the prizes, but not the trophy, which will go to the two Wayfairers playing together who

beat all the other Society members.

The cost for the day is £30 to include 18 holes followed by a 3 Course Meal and all prizes. The deadline date for returning slips with cheques to Tony is MONDAY 5th JUNE with late payments subject to the usual financial penalty! Please inform our Treasurer as soon as possible if you are unavailable.

There will not be a raffle at Paxhill.

Following our usual custom at this time of the year a draw will be made to give all participants a player (or players) in the forthcoming Open at a cost of £1 for each entry. As ever there will be 4 fabulous prizes!

On a sad note this meeting will be the first one that John B. has ever missed. His proud record of being ever present will be gone for ever. And why is this? Why won't he be with us? A feeble excuse really. While we're drawing partners out of a hat he and Janet will be scorching themselves on a sandy beach in Sardinia! (I know where I'd rather be! Ed.) Have a great holiday John!..Ed.)

OLD THORNS 10th ANNIVERSARY

FRIDAY 28th JULY

With the deadline date for payment having passed we can now confirm our numbers for this much awaited day. We have a total of 37 players. Five very welcome ladies will be joining us for the evening meal and five couples will be staying overnight. Further details of the organisation of the day will follow in the next edition of the Wayfairer but in the meanwhile many thanks from our Treasurer, Tony to the 3 members who all paid twice. An example of unbounded generosity to all the rest of us which will provide us with potential Plonkers for our next few issues of the Wayfairer!

PICTURES FROM HOLTYE



Texas Scramble Winners Jan Henshaw, Nick Widdowson & Norman Lovelock (absent- Bill Eslor)



Runners up Peter Rushton, Ken Cooper & Derek Reeves (absent Mike Church)



Michael Rosner (Raffle Ticket Vendor) & J.McD admire the largest prize!



Winner of the fiendish Putting Competition Deadeye David Williams.



Judge J.B. giving his summing up before asking the Jury for their verdict on the Plonker Cap!



The winners of the twoCaps Jeff Hogg-Birdie Cap & John McD UNJUSTLY acclaimed winner of the Plonker Cap(see page 2.) He did not go home empty handed as he also won Nearest the Pin.

England's most ardent supporter's dream came true when Alan Rose won all this Soccer crap in the Raffle!





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TWO FORE ONE VOUCHERS

Just to remind you now that Summer is here and John McD has a plentiful supply of Vouchers should you require them for holidays, your Knock Out games, etc. Cost £3 a voucher split between two is just £1.50 a head to add to a half price green fee. John also has an up to date list of all the 1000 plus Clubs participating in the scheme.

WISHING YOU WELL RON

In our last edition we wished Ron Harris a speedy recovery from 2 operations, and by all accounts we are pleased to report that this seems to be happening.

Our thoughts and good wishes turn now to Ron Bailey, who also has not been well. However he informs us that since having been recently put on regular aspirin medication his condition has improved.

He is due to go into Hospital as a day patient next month for a complete scan. In the meanwhile his movements are rather restricted and of course he can't drive his car. We all wish you well Ron and hope to see you soon.

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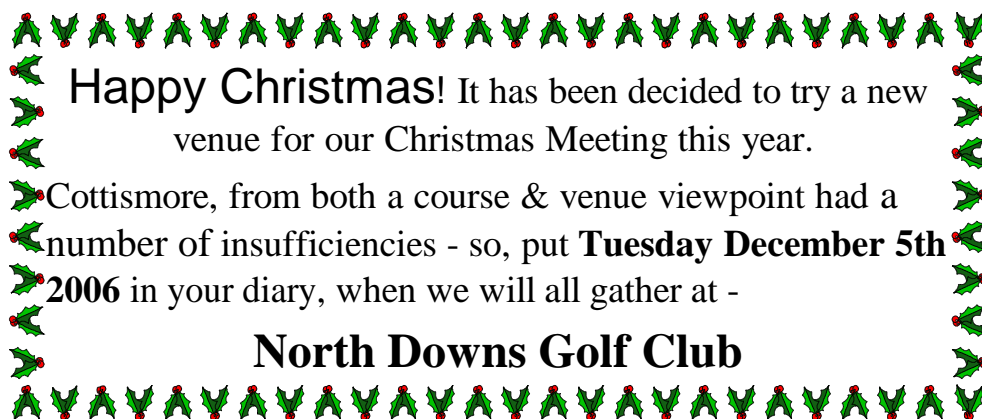
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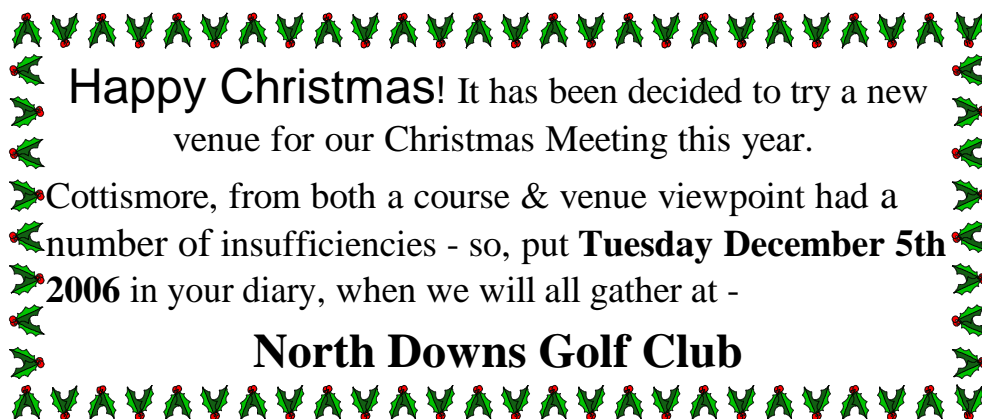
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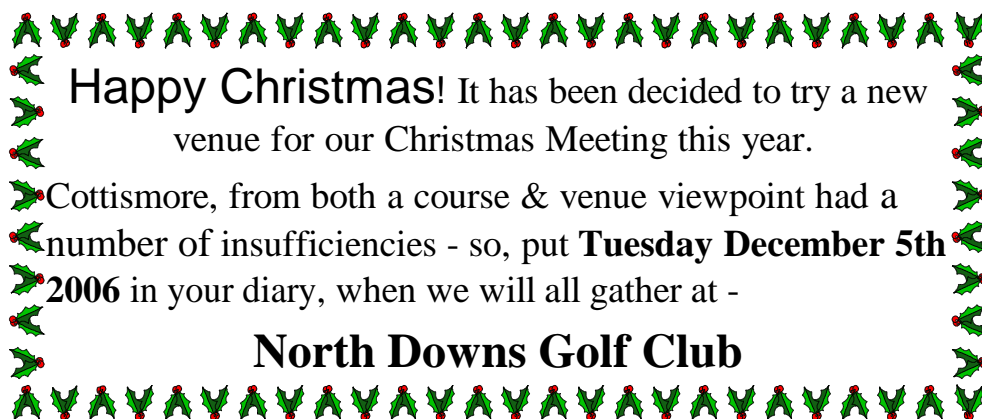
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HANDICAPS FOR PAXHILL PARK

ALLAN	29
BAILEY	31
BATESON	19
BLAKELEY	13*
CATTERALL	16
CHURCH	21*
COOPER, K	18
ESLOR, B	22
GIRLING	32
HARRIS, R	19
HENSHAW	36
HISTED	15
HITAM	23
HOGG	12
HORSFALL, B	35
HORSFALL, J	36
HOULIHAN	24
KNIGHT	15
LOADER	32
LOVELOCK N	21
MARCHBANK	21
MCDONNELL, J	21
MCDONNELL, S	7
PEAKE	35
PESKETT	23
REEVES	30
RICHARDS	31
RIDDLES, A	26
RIDDLES, M	27
ROSE, A	29
ROSE, D	21
ROSNER, C	31
ROSNER, M	20
RUSHTON	15*
SHELLEY	18
STANLEY	20
STOREY	7
TUTTON	27
WAGSTAFF	22
WARRILOW	30
WIDDOWSON	11*
WILKES	7
WILLIAMS	16
WILSON	29
ZINKE	15


Happy Christmas! It has been decided to try a new venue for our Christmas Meeting this year.


 Cottismore, from both a course & venue viewpoint had a number of insufficiencies - so, put **Tuesday December 5th 2006** in your diary, when we will all gather at -


North Downs Golf Club