

THE WAYFAIRER



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AT CRANLEIGH OUR MAY KING WAS DAMON THE GREAT AS HE TOOK HOME MOST PRIZES - INCLUDING PEER'S PLATE!

30 members and 2 guests gathered at Cranleigh on what turned out to be a very pleasant Spring day. This was an unusual occasion for the Wayfairers, as owing to the temporary closure of the Clubhouse for extensive renovations, it was 18 holes, followed afterwards by a 2 mile drive to a local hostelry for refreshments, a meal and the usual presentation of prizes. The prize giving again was somewhat different. Thanks to the generosity of Peer there was a new Society trophy on display - Peer's Silver Plate. Not only had Peer donated this to be played for annually, but he also presented the winner with a commemorative clock, to be kept by the recipient as a memento of this special event.

And who was this lucky victor? None other than Damon (the Bandit! - not the Great! Ed.) who went home laden with silverware and numerous prizes, including the 19 & Over Longest Drive Tankard and pint, which he also decided to add to his collection. The Handicap Committee are rubbing their hands in gleeful anticipation!

Damon's total was 34pts and with only 5 players recording over 30, without doubt the Course was the winner, as the average score was a low 23pts. Despite this the whole lay out was in excellent condition looking magnificent in the early Spring sunshine. For most players their undoing came when they reached the greens. Fast and tricky was an understatement, and 3 putts a hole quickly became the norm for most. Someone who can't have done too badly though was guest Graham Ward who finished just one point behind Damon. Another one who can look forward to being operated on with the scissors!

Following the golf there was a great atmosphere as players gathered in The Bull's Head at Ewhurst. Here we had our own private dining room and thanks to Brian Girling, who recently celebrated his 70th birthday, wine was provided with an excellent meal, which was then followed by a very happy and extremely noisy prize giving ceremony.

And the biggest disappointment of the day? Tony W. had to make the decision that it was too windy to fly his falcon, but hopefully this will be something to look forward to at Foxbridge on a warm mid-Summer's evening. Don't miss it! See you there!

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Winner of Peer's Plate & the Wayfairers Trophy - Damon Pritchard 34pts

2nd Place - Graham Ward (g) 33pts 3rd Place - Carl Rosner 32pts c/b

4th Place - Fred Catterall 32pts

Tony Warrilow & Bill Eslor also squeezed a minor prize out of John B. for each scoring 31pts

Team Prize* - Malcolm Goman, Kevin Stacey, Eddie Stanley & Carl Rosner 76pts

Nearest the Pin - "Steady" Sue McDonnell Open Longest Drive - Jeff "Hammer It!" Hogg

19 and Over LD - That man again! King Damon

Birdie Cap - Malcolm "2 Birdies!" Goman Hedge Hog Derek "Read All About It" Reeves

Congratulations must go to Team Winners Messrs. Stanley, Goman, Rosner and Stacey. Although individually they were not the highest scores they combined very well as a team.

Careful checking of their cards confirms their winning score of 76pts. When one or more team members failed, others came to the rescue with scores of 3pts or 4pts.

They finished with a flurry, scoring 7pts on hole 17, thanks to Rosner & Goman and 6pts on hole 18, thanks to Rosner & Stacey. Eddie Stanley's 4 pointer on the 3rd hole was a life saver as no one else scored.

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD AT FOXBRIDGE ON MONDAY 15th JUNE 2009

This is the day of the Annual Drawn Pairs Competition playing for the Two Ronnies Trophy, and as it will be mid Summer and only a few days away from the "longest day", we start late and finish a bit later than usual. As we have now visited this venue on several previous occasions, it is assumed that everyone knows the location. Please contact J.McD if you require directions. The Club number is 01403 753303 and the post code is RH14 0LB. The first group out are due to tee off at 12.30, but please aim to arrive an hour before as we plan to make the draw for playing order & playing partners just before noon. Should you wish to purchase any refreshments before going out, please note that these will be at your own expense. Our 3 Course Evening Meal is scheduled for approx. 6.30pm.

As always there will be an Individual Stableford Competition for the Wayfairers Trophy (currently held by Damon Pritchard), as well as the pairs event competing for the Two Ronnies Trophy, which at present is in the safe keeping of Bob Histed & John Bateson.

Guests are welcome should space allow, but payment cannot be received from them until our final numbers are verified on the last day for our members to apply - and this is Friday 29th May. Any guests playing will as far as is possible be drawn with other guests to form a pair, and should a "guest pair" finish in first place they will take all the relevant prizes, but not the Trophy, which will go to the Wayfairing duo who manage to beat all the other Society pairings.

Cost for the day is £32 to include 18 Holes, a full 3 Course meal with coffee and all prizes. The deadline date for returns to Tony is FRIDAY 29th MAY and he will be strictly penalising any members who make late payments, so why not make life easier for him - AND PAY NOW!

As usual at this time of the year there will not be the normal raffle at Foxbridge as it's your chance to draw the winner of the Open! - this year being played in July at Turnberry. Unfortunately Mike Wilson has not qualified, but loads of other top golfers have, and you could be lucky enough to get the winner! Every player at Foxbridge can, if they so wish, draw 2 players at a total cost of £2 and then sweat it out until the last day of the Open to see if their luck has brought them home a prize in the shape of one, or even two, of the top 3 finishers.

Paying out at Foxbridge does not end there however! (Never thought it would! Norman) For the last couple of years anyone who lost a ball in the water had to forfeit money to the current fund raising collection. This was however all loss and no gain - if you lost a ball you lost your money with no financial comeback. This year it's different! £1 will be taken from every player at Foxbridge before playing and in return they have the opportunity to guess how many balls will be lost in total during the day. The winner will walk off with £10 (or this purse will be split if more than one player makes the winning guess). All profit will go to our chosen charity.

This means that all participants at Foxbridge need to enter the Clubhouse with a smile on their faces and £3 (in loose change) in their pockets - £2 for entry to the Grand Open Draw and £1 for entry into the "Guess the Total Number of Lost Balls Competition" Somebody's got to win these contests - so why shouldn't it be you!

ETIQUETTE AT FOXBRIDGE Unfortunately Foxbridge, despite being one of the most popular Courses that we visit on a regular basis, still does not have the size of gentlemen's showering and changing facilities adequate to our needs, so once again it's up to you whether or not you shower and change after playing. This same option remains the norm for all our "casual" day meetings, often held at smaller venues, but we do have a strong tradition in the Wayfairers of "jacket and tie" for all our more formal gatherings, and this policy remains unchanged.

THE CRANLEIGH RAFFLE

Many many thanks to Tony Roche for doing such a thorough and efficient job as our ticket salesman at Cranleigh.

With his charm and smooth talk he persuaded those present to part with a total of £109. Excellent Tony - and straight away £25 has been designated to our Charity Fund.

For all those purchasing tickets it was money well spent, as there was unanimous approval and agreement that it was "the best collection of raffle prizes ever". Hopefully however this can be even bettered by our prize table at Hoebridge in July when we ask you - the members - to donate prizes so that all money taken on the day is 100% profit for our charity.

No raffle at Foxbridge as it's "Open Draw" day. Full details in the Foxbridge write up above.

CASUAL MEETING AT VILLA G.C. - FRIDAY 21st AUGUST

Villa G.C. is an extremely attractive 9 hole Course set in the midst of some beautiful countryside on the Kent/Sussex border, not far from Holtye. Arrangements have been made for a casual gathering there on Friday 21st August and this will be the day of our "Age Related" Competitions. As last year at Roker Park, players will be divided into 5 different groups - the Under 65's, 65 to 70, 70 to 75, 75 to 80 & the Over 80's. There will be 2 prizes for each section. Also there will be a Team Competition plus 2 Nearest the Pin contests. Loads of prizes!

Unfortunately Villa does not have full catering facilities, so as at Cranleigh, it will be off to a pub afterwards for drinks, a meal and prize giving. The need now is to book a pub and sort a menu and price. However to do this I need some idea of numbers. The request is for a £5 deposit (cash or cheques payable to John McDonnell) and this is required by or on Monday 15th June - our Foxbridge Meeting Day. This can be given to me at Foxbridge, but if you are not available please let me have it before this date.

Although a final accurate price for Villa cannot at present be given, we confidently anticipate that this will not be more than £25 (probably less) to include coffee, 18 holes, a full 2 Course Meal and all prizes.

PICTURES FROM CRANLEIGH



Winner of the Open Longest Drive

Jeff Hogg



Kevin Stacey Carl Rosner Eddie Stanley & Malcolm Goman

Team Winners



Winner of Nearest the Pin
Sue McDonnell



2nd Place Graham Ward



Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy & Peer Blakeley Plate

Damon Pritchard



3rd Place
Carl Rosner



Winner of the HedgeHog



Winner of the Birdie Cap

Malcolm Goman



Winner of the 19 and Over LD

Damon Pritchard







FUTURE PROGRAMME (up until the end of 2009)

Monday 15th June at Foxbridge (Two Ronnies Trophy pm) Monday 20th July at Hoebridge (Charity Day & President's Trophy) Friday 21st August "Casual Day" at Villa Farm (Age Related Day) Tuesday 15th September at Hassocks (Pink Ball Day) Friday 23rd October AGM Day at Clandon Regis Friday 11th December at Holtye (Team Texas Scramble) Christmas Roll Up at Holtye (Date to be Announced)

SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP

No unassailable lead has as yet been established, but currently in the front at this early stage is Damon Pritchard with 88, followed closely by Malcolm Goman on 84. Scores generally have been on the low side this year, perhaps reflecting difficult playing conditions or an ageing Society!

<u>CRANLEIGH</u>

30 and over Club

34pts Damon Pritchard

33pts Graham Ward (g)

32pts Carl Rosner & Fred Catterall 31pts Tony Warrilow & Bill Eslor



Audrey with her Happy Tray



Peer with his Presentation Plate and Clock Thank you Peer



4th Place "Fearless" Fred



Bill & Tony fight it out for 5th Place while Jan referees



Birthday Boy Brian

HANDICAP INFORMATION PLEASE NOTE

On the review handicap list featured opposite, we now show all players' scores at our last meeting in black numbers.

Justification for handicap changes can thus clearly be seen based on the average score of 23.2.

HANDICAPS FOR FOXERIDGE

1 OMBRES	-	
ATWELL		21
BAILEY	16	36
BATESON	21	20
BLAKELEY	24	8
CATTERALL	32	21
CHURCH		20
COLENUTT L		32
COLENUTT M		27
COOPER	24	17
CROMPTON		17
CUNNINGTON		31
ESLOR	31	15
GIRLING	26	28
GOMAN	27	14
HARRIS	21	19
HENSHAW	20	28
HISTED		17
HITAM		22
HOGG	20	9
HORSFALL B	23	36
HORSFALL J	15	36
HOULIHAN	16	
KNIGHT		22
LOVELOCK	24	9
McDONNELL J	17	23
	27	23
McDONNELL S PRITCHARD	28	10
	34	24
REEVES	15	29
RICHARDS		31
RIDDLES A	23	23
RIDDLES M	26	34
ROCHE	17	22
ROSE A	22	28
ROSE D		22
ROSNER	32	26
RUSHTON		17
SANDS		34
SAUNDERS		18
SHELLEY	27	19
STACEY	24	26
STANLEY	17	18
STANLEY STOREY	17	18 8
	17	
STOREY	17 31	8
STOREY WAGSTAFF		8 25
STOREY WAGSTAFF WARRILOW		8 25 33
STOREY WAGSTAFF WARRILOW WILKES		8 25 33 3

WAYFAIRERS K.O. CUP 2008/09 DRAW & RULES BELOW.

(Current Holders Peter Rushton & Eddie Stanley)

ROUND 1 TO BE PLAYED BY THE END OF MARCH 2009 QUARTER FINALS TO BE PLAYED BY THE END OF JUNE 2009 SEMI FINALS TO BE PLAYED BY THE END OF AUGUST 2009 FINAL
TO BE PLAYED
BEFORE THE
OCTOBER AGM

Annie Hitam & Bob Histed	Hans Zinke
V Hans Zinke & Derek Reeves	& Derek Reeves
Audrey Riddles & Fred Catterall	v Audrey Riddles
Peter Rushton & Eddie Stanley	& Fred Catterall
Spencer Atwell & John Bateson	
V Malcolm Goman & Tony Roche	Malcolm Goman &
Waterin Coman & Tony Roche	Tony Roche
Ken Cooper & Tony Warrilow	Ken Cooper
V Bye	& Tony Warrilow
R. Crompton & J. Cunnington	
V Mike Wilson & John McDonnell	Mike Wilson &
	John McDonnell v
Chris Wilkes & Doug Wagstaff V	Carl Rosner
Carl Rosner & Andy Knight	& Andy Knight
Liz & Mike Colenutt	
V Norman Lovelock & Alan Rose	Liz & Mike Colenutt
	v
Sue McDonnell & Jan Henshaw V	Bill Eslor &
Bill Eslor & Brian Girling	& Brian Girling

Rules.

Any handicap adjustments are to be made as the Competition proceeds. Current Wayfairers Handicaps at the time of playing will be on the website and in the latest editions of the Wayfairer. Any queries regarding handicaps please refer to John Bateson (01342 832602).

The competitions are to be played at a <u>mutually agreed</u> venue on a match play basis. Where one or more players are members of the chosen club all Green Fees are equally divided. Failure to meet any deadline will result in the Match Co-ordinator deciding the winners by the toss of a coin.

Ladies to play off ladies tees and play to ladies card and stroke index. On completion of each match the winning team are requested to notify the result promptly to John Bateson who, when he knows, will inform them who their opponents are in the next round. Also the current situation will be constantly updated on the website.

HANDICAPPING - a reminder. The lowest handicap player plays off scratch and the other players receives 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

This draw was made on 28th October 2008 by John Bateson, John McDonnell & Sue McDonnell

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