

THE WAYFAIRER



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CHRISTMAS SCRAMBLE TIME AT HOLTYE AND ON A CRISP SUNNY DAY

PETER, BARBARA, GRAHAM AND TONY SHOWED THE OTHERS THE WAY!

With over the past few years 3 Christmas gatherings having had to be cancelled due to Course closures, the decision was made several months ago to transfer the Summer Holtye Texas Scramble to mid December. And what a good decision this turned out to be! Following weeks of what was at times torrential rain, the Course was in good condition and the greens excellent. Added to this the sun came out and the Wayfairers were blessed with a bright and cheery day.

Being Christmas time, many other opposing seasonal activities and events prevented several members from playing, and ultimately only 26 golfers stepped onto the first tee, with this number including 3 guests. However, by contrast, there was a very full turn out for the Christmas meal which followed later, as many players' better halves arrived for the "nosh" and fun as well as several members incapacitated from playing by injury or other ailments, but raring for good company and a good "tuck in"! 36 sat down to enjoy an excellent Christmas meal, with the Holtye seating arrangements almost at full capacity.

Prior to this, out on the Course, 7 teams battled for the coveted Texas Scramble Trophy and the scoring was extremely high - and close! Eventually the proud Trophy winners could only be decided on count back, and the final result hinged strongly on a truly magnificent putt which was sunk by Barbara Horsfall on the 18th green. This won Barbara not only a £10 prize but also the Wayfairers Christmas Tankard (further details page 2).

This was an unusual day for the Wayfairers as with limited daylight hours no major individual competition could be included with the Texas Scramble format, but everyone agreed that this type of event, being so social and team orientated, lent itself perfectly to the Christmas occasion.

Two individual competitions however were fiercely fought out, but this time in the Clubhouse and not on the Course. All the gentlemen entered the Tasteless Tie & Sensational Socks competition, while the ladies present, including guests, tried to outdo each other with the splendour of their Outrageous Ear-Rings! Two panels of extremely knowledgeable and experienced judges agonised over their final decisions and the results, together with the record of all the golfing successes, are listed below.

Texas Scramble Trophy Winners - Peter Rushton, Barbara Horsfall, Tony Warrilow & guest Graham Wells 59pts

Runners Up - Audrey Riddles, Roger Sands, Alan Rose & guest Nigel Botham 59pts (c/b)

Open Longest Drive - "Peerless" Peer 19 & Over Longest Drive - Norman the Conqueror

Nearest the Pin - "Accurate" Audrey Birdie Cap - "Never Miss" Chris

Shortest Drive - Tony "I'm Always Short" Warrilow This coveted and much acclaimed Award also won Tony the Hedgehog and all that goes with it. (Lucky blighter! Ed)

Christmas Tankard plus a £10 bonus! - awarded to Barbara Horsfall for sinking the winning putt

Tasteless Tie & Sensational Socks - 1 Chris Wilkes 2 Ken Cooper 3 Mike Riddles

With many thanks to our excellent impartial judges - Liz Lovelock, Jan Greenwood & Val Ward

Outrageous Ear-Rings - 1 Jan Greenwood 2 Brenda Saunders 3 Barbara Horsfall with thanks to judges Spencer, Stuart & Syd who are all now in custody for taking bribes and backhanders!

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD AT GATTON G.C. ON TUESDAY 23rd MARCH 2010

As this is our 4th visit to this venue it is assumed that members will know how to get there. Please contact John McD. should you need directions. The phone number is 01306 627555, the post code is RH5 5PQ and the web site is www.gattonmanor.co.uk. Coffee & Bacon Rolls will be available as from 09.15 with the first playing group out at 10.04.

Individually we will be playing not only for the Wayfairers Trophy, at present in the proud possession of Graham Ward, but also for the John Peake Spring Cup.

As usual there will be a Team Event and all the other exciting minor competitions, plus this is the day that we do battle for Harold's 18th Hole Trophy. Getting nearest the pin in 3 on Gatton's very tricky 18th green is an extremely difficult challenge. Just ask all those who tried it last year - although winner Andy Knight found it quite easy and came up smelling of roses (As he always does! Ed)

Our first raffle of 2010 will set the standard for the rest of the year with a multitude of amazingly original and highly expensive prizes. Remember - if you see something that you think would be suitable as a prize, buy it, give it plus receipt to John McD and you will be fully reimbursed immediately.

Remember snacks can be purchased on the Course half way round and a memo regarding this will be included with the final email. After playing a 2 Course meal with coffee is booked for 17.00. PAYMENT Total cost for coffee & bacon rolls, 18 holes, the meal plus all prizes is £32. Cheaper than last year! How does your Committee do it! Return slip with availability and full payment if coming to Tony by SATURDAY 30th JANUARY AT THE VERY LATEST. The first meeting of the New Year is always the fullest. Should we be over subscribed and your payment is late you might well miss out! Should you wish to bring a guest please indicate this on the return slip but send no payment. After 30th January Tony can advise you, and if there is space you can make the guest payment then.

OUR FIRST "CASUAL" GATHERING OF THE YEAR IS AT FOXBRIDGE ON MONDAY 15th FEBRUARY

Details. Coffee available from 09.15 First group out at 09.56 Following the golf there is a Two Course meal at 4pm The Individual Winner of the day will take the Ron Bailey Tankard and this is the day that everyone wins a prize! There will also be a Team Competition plus Nearest the Pin Contests so it's prizes galore day! Total cost £23 and at this stage if you aren't already down to play it's full payment please A.S.A.P. Cheques to J. McDonnell post haste please.

If you have paid £5 deposit the balance of £18 is payable to J.McD. by Friday 15th January at the latest. Full & final details of the day will be emailed a few days prior to the event.

Special 18th Hole Putting Competition - There was no raffle at our Christmas meeting but instead all members put £1 in the Christmas Competition Pot. The rules were simple. Whichever player in the eventual winning team sank the final putt on the 18 green would walk away with a £10 prize. Not only that, but as in the Texas Scramble format there could not be an individual winner, the traditional Wayfairers Christmas Tankard Award would also be presented with the cash. And who was the worthy winner? - none other than ace putter Barbara Horsfall. Well done Barbara.!How many pints will the £10 buy you to keep the tankard over flowing!?

Back to the Raffle for Gatton Manor when our ticket salesman will be Roger "No Change for a Tenner" Sands.

PICTURES FROM HOLTYE



Scramble 3rd Place Graham Ward Syd Tutton



Scramble Team Competition Runners Up Roger Sands Audrey Riddles Alan Rose



Ken Cooper enjoying the Christmas Meal but obviously not the jokes!!!



Winner of Nearest the Pin

Audrey Riddles



Scramble Team Competition Winners

Peter Rushton Barbara Horsfall

Tony Warrilow Graham Wells



Winner of Open Longest Drive

Peer Blakeley



Winner of the 19 and Over LD

Norman Lovelock



Winner of the HedgeHog and Shortest Drive

Tony Warrilow



Winner of the Birdie Cap
Chris Wilkes



Tasteless Tie & Sensational Socks The Winners & Judges including our "Hostess With The Mostest" Chief Judge Sandra. Thank you for a great meal Sandra



Barbara receives congratulations from the Hon Sec for sinking the winning putt and walking off with £10 and the Christmas Tankard



Outrageous Earrings
Winners & Judges

FUTURE PROGRAMME (up until Autumn 2010)

Monday 15th February "Casual Day" at Foxbridge Tuesday 23rd March "Spring Cup Day" at Gatton Manor Friday 16th April "Casual Day" at Horne Park Then The Big One!

Monday 24th May "100 Up Day" at Ifield Tuesday 22nd June "Two Ronnies Day" at Foxbridge Monday 26th July "President's Team Trophy" at Cottesmore Friday 20th August "Casual Day" at Villa (tbc) Tuesday 7th September "Pink Ball Day" at Hassocks Friday 22nd October "AGM Day" at Clandon Regis (tbc)

Members Contact Details

It was agreed at our October AGM that Members contact details should appear on the Website as from 1st January 2010.

These details would include name, address, phone number and email address. All those members who did not wish their details to be published in this manner were asked to contact either Derek Reeves or a Committee member.

The finalised list has now been forwarded to Derek for inclusion with all other website material, and will be put into a special area with full password protection. Further details on this will be issued by Derek.



Christmas Roll Up Sorry folks it never happened but no doubt you enjoyed building Snowmen instead!



We are the Champions! Liz & Mike proudly display their Champions Trophies.



Current Wayfairers Trophy Holder Graham Ward Who will win it in 2010?!

Wayfairers Pairs KO Competition

Please note the draw for our 2010 Competition is on the last page of this edition. We have an excellent entry of 15 pairs but as can be seen from the listing Bill & Brian have no opponents in the first round. In order to even up the draw one more pair would be extremely desirable. Should you be available and interested please let either one of the two Johns know a.s.a.p even though at this stage you might not have a partner.

HANDICAP INFORMATION PLEASE NOTE

As there was no Individual Competition at Holtye, all handicaps remain the same as following our Clandon Regis Day.



HANDICAPS FOR

GATTON MANOR		
ATWELL	20	
BAILEY	36	
BATESON	<u>A</u> 22	
BLAKELEY	P 9	
CATTERALL	21	
CHURCH	P 19	
COLENUT. L	29	
COLENUT. M	19	
COOPER	16	
CROMPTON	14	
CUNNINGTON	= 31	
ESLOR	18	
GIRLING	27	
GOMAN		

GOMAN HARRIS 23 20 HISTED HITAM 24

HOGG 36

McDONNELL. S

RICHARDS

RIDDLES. M

ROSE. A ROSE. D

RUSHTON

STANLEY

STOREY WARD. V

WARD. G WARRILOW

WILKES

WILLIAMS

ZINKE

20

8

13 **32**





WAYFAIRERS K.O. CUP 2009/10 DRAW & RULES BELOW.



(Current Holders Carl Rosner & Andy Knight)



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 Wednesday December 30th 2009 by John Bateson, John & Sue McDonnell

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

Day at Gatton Manor - Tuesday 23rd March 2010

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Name	
	Please tick below as appropriate
I am available	for the above - Members fee £32
Sorry but I am	unavailable to play at Gatton Manor
If space allows I	I would like to bring a guest (name + h/cap below) Fee £32
Name	H/cap
This slip & applicab	ole cheque for the relevant amount (excluding playing guest fee) made out to:
	"The Wayfairers Golfing Society"
	must be forwarded to:
Ton	ny Warrilow, 16 Orchard Way, Shirley, CR0 7NG
	Tel: 02087777346
	BY SATURDAY 30th JANUARY
until after the comp 2) Members wishing to	iously, it is expected that members and their guests remain petition prizes have been awarded. b bring playing guests will be advised if a vacancy exists after the ment must be received at least 7 days before the meeting.