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AT OUR HOLTYE TEXAS SCRAMBLE CHRISTMAS CAME LATE BUT FOR SPENCER, JOHN, BILL & SYD IT WAS WELL WORTH THE WAIT!

With our annual Christmas Scramble having to be abandoned in December due to the Arctic conditions, it was decided to re-arrange the event for late January. Despite playing numbers being reduced because of these enforced alterations what a great decision it turned out to be! January 21st had a rather dreary beginning, but as the morning went by out came the sun and with a blue, blue sky it was a perfect winter's day. Yet another great start to a new Wayfairers' year.

24 players took the field including 2 guests and this split nicely into 6 equal Teams for the Scramble. Despite some really foul weather earlier in the week the Course was in excellent shape, particularly the greens. Being winter however all the holes played long, and with all Teams off scratch no grouping could break or equal par. The winning combination was that of Spencer Atwell, Bill Eslor, John B. and very welcome ex-member Syd Tutton. They recorded an excellent score of 66 just 1 over par. The Christmas Tankard, one of the Society's oldest trophies, was to be awarded to the member of the winning Team who sank the final putt on the final green., And who was this fortunate recipient? None other than our beloved Match Co-ordinator John Bateson. Well done John - but how come you chose the playing groups and your team won?! A Stewards' enquiry please!

In another Team new member Peter Smith distinguished himself by getting 2 unaided birdies - one on the 4th and one on the 11th. This won him the Birdie Cap by a mile!

To aid our Charity a 19th hole was added. All the players paid £1 to see who off the 1st tee could put a ball nearest to a small decorated Christmas Tree some 120 yards down the fairway. Val Ward came extremely close but was just squeezed out by ever accurate Chris Wilkes.

Back in the Clubhouse a true Christmas atmosphere prevailed with an excellent 3 Course traditional meal, crackers & hats, a background of carols and some very seasonal prizes. To wind up the proceedings John B. ran one of his famous "Groan Quizzes" and even the following morning some contestants woke up still groaning!

Only 336 shopping days to next Christmas and it will happen all over again! (Oh! No it won't! Ed) (Oh! Yes it will! Chorus from all our Readers - well some of them!)

HOLTYE CHRISTMAS MEETING RESULTS

Texas Scramble Trophy Winners - Spencer Atwell, Bill Eslor, John Bateson & guest Syd Tutton

Runners Up - Chris Wilkes, David Rose, Kevin Stacey & Alan Rose

Open Longest Drive - Robert "Grip It & Rip It" Crompton **19 & Over Longest Drive** - "Hissing" Syd Tutton

Nearest the Pin - John "Did I Win Something?" McDonnell **Birdie Cap** - Peter "Double Birdie" Smith

Shortest Drive & Hedgehog Combined - Alan "I Love Prizes" Rose

Christmas Tankard plus a bottle of "Reindeer Droppings" - John "Watch'em Drop" Bateson

Nearest The Xmas Tree - Chris "Tinsel Touch" Wilkes

"Groan Quiz" - Peter Smith & his Merry Prats (too numerous to mention by name)

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD AT GATTON G.C.
ON MONDAY 21st MARCH

As this is our 5th 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 Peter Smith, but also for the John Peake Spring Cup.

Our first raffle of 2011 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. 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 £33. Return slip with availability and full payment if coming to Tony by **SATURDAY 12th FEBRUARY 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 12th February Tony can advise you, and if there is space you can make the guest payment then. Please note some people who paid for Holtys in December but couldn't make the re-arranged date in January are in credit with Tony. Please read the return slip carefully should you be one of these members.

HOW OUR CHRISTMAS EVENT HAS BOOSTED OUR CHARITY FUND RAISING

There were no real plans to turn our Scramble Day into a big charity fund raising event, but somehow or other it happened! The "Nearest The Christmas Tree Competition" was scheduled, but this was a minor activity, eventually giving a profit of £16. It didn't end there however by any means! Chris Wilkes brought with him a load of second hand balls, including some of excellent quality, and put them in packs on the meal table. Members were invited to help themselves with the suggestion of possibly putting a donation in the charity pot that was being passed round. This raised an amazing total of £101.27. Many thanks to all those present for your generosity and to Chris for providing the balls. Chris also handed over a further donation of £16 which had been raised as a result of one of his choir outings. Added to this just prior to the day Audrey Riddles kindly donated £24. This was her entry fee for our Foxbridge Day. Audrey has had to withdraw but instead of claiming her money back, she has requested that it be put in the charity fund.

It still doesn't end even here! Tony had put wine on the table for the Christmas meal with the cost coming from Wayfairers Funds. Spencer announced his forthcoming 70th Birthday and what had been his intention of providing wine for the thirsty. However as wine had already been purchased, he wrote out a cheque for the charity for £100. Thank you so much Spencer and "A Very Happy Birthday"!

And so our Charity Fund has been increased by the very unexpected total of £ 257.27!

OUR FIRST "CASUAL" GATHERING OF THE YEAR IS AT FOXBRIDGE
ON MONDAY 21st 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!

Records show that most members interested in this have paid already. If you haven't and would like to be included please contact John McD immediately.

An email with all the final details will go out a few days before the 21st.

PICTURES FROM HOLTYE



Pink Ball Team Trophy
Not played for on the day but as it was being passed on ,and Syd (The Trophy Donor) was present, it was too good a photo opportunity to pass by.



Scramble Team Competition Runners Up
Chris Wilkes, David Rose, Kevin Stacey & Alan Rose



Nearest the Christmas Tree
Chris Wilkes
Pity he doesn't drink Sherry! but he won mince pies as well.



Winner of Nearest the Pin
John McDonnell



Scramble Team Competition Winners
Syd Tutton, John Bateson, Bill Eslor & Spencer Atwell



Winner of Open Longest Drive
Robert Crompton



Winner of the 19 & Over LD
Syd Tutton



Winner of the HedgeHog and Shortest Drive
Alan (Is it really you!) Rose



Winner of the Birdie Cap
Peter Smith



Looks like John Horsfall is hogging all the wine!!



John receives congratulations from the Captain of the Day for sinking the winning putt thus gaining the Christmas Tankard



Happy Christmas to all our readers

Full Programme For the New Wayfairers Year.
Monday 21st February Casual Day at Foxbridge
Monday 21st March Spring Cup at Gatton Manor
Friday 15th April Casual Day at Horne Park
Monday 16th May Peer's Plate at Hoebridge
Tuesday 21st June Two Ronnies Pairs at Foxbridge
Monday 25th July Charity Day at Ifield
Friday 19th August Casual Day at Villa (*TBC)
Friday 2nd September Pink Ball Day at Hassocks

SNIPPETS

WELCOME BACK FRED "Fearless" Fred is back! After an enforced absence of some 18 months Fred is back plus two new hips! Well done Fred. It's great to have you back swinging with us.

AU REVOIR JOHN John B. finally goes in for his long awaited knee operation on Friday 11th February. We wish you all the best John and a very speedy recovery. Perhaps see you at Gatton - but minus your clubs!

NEXT RAFFLE At Gatton our Raffle Ticket salesman will be Robert Crompton. He's never done it before so please give him your patience, your understanding but most of all your money!

THANK YOU PETER To celebrate his newly granted membership, Peter bought the first round for everyone at the bar. Thanks you and cheers!



Christmas Roll Up
SORRY FOLKS THAT IT NEVER HAPPENED -
BETTER LUCK NEXT YEAR HOPEFULLY



A picture of two delightful Birdies!



What do you have to do to get on the top table?!



Ken Cooper enjoys his Christmas Pud but not the jokes!

Wayfairers Pairs KO Competition

The draw for this years Wayfairers KO will be emailed to all participants in the near future. If you played last year but don't wish to continue please let John B. know NOW

If you didn't play last year but would like to please let John B. know NOW even if you haven't got 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 .

GATTON MANOR HANDICAPS

ATWELL	21
BAILEY	36
BATESON	25
BLAKELEY	9
CATTERALL	23
CHURCH	19
COLENUT. L	29
COLENUT. M	18
COOPER	17
CROMPTON	14
CUNNINGTON	34
ESLOR	14
GIRLING	28
GOMAN	14
HARRIS	
HISTED	18
HITAM	25
HOGG	11
HORSFALL. B	36
HORSFALL. J	36
HOULIHAN	22
KNIGHT	9
LOVELOCK N	23
McDONNELL. J	24
McDONNELL. S	10
PRITCHARD	19
REEVES	30
RICHARDS	33
RIDDLES. A	31
RIDDLES. M	35
ROCHE	25
ROSE. A	31
ROSE. D	22
ROSNER	23
RUSHTON	16
SANDS	33
SAUNDERS	22
SHELLEY	16
SMITH	8
STACEY	24
STANLEY	19
STOREY	5
WARD. V	17
WARD. G	8
WARRILOW	36
WILKES	6
WILLIAMS	24
ZINKE	13

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

DAY AT GATTON MANOR - MONDAY 21st MARCH

NAME.....

Please tick below as appropriate

☐ I am available for the above - Members fee £ 33 **but please read note below**

☐ Sorry but I am unavailable to play at GATTON MANOR

NOTE Should you have paid to play in the Christmas Texas Scramble but were unavailable on the rearranged date you are in credit with Tony.

1. If you paid £22 (Holtye Member) and wish to play at Gatton your payment due is £11

2. If you paid £33 (Non Holtye Member) and wish to play at Gatton there is no payment due but please inform Tony of your availability.

☐ If space allows I would like to bring a guest (name + h/cap below) Fee £ 33

Guest's Name.....H/cap.....

This slip & applicable cheque for the relevant amount (**excluding playing guest fee**)

made out to:

“The Wayfairers Golfing Society”

Must be forwarded to:

Tony Warrilow, 16 Orchard Way, Shirley, CR0 7NG

Tel: 02087777346

BY

SATURDAY 12th FEBRUARY

- 1) Unless advised previously, it is expected that members and their guests remain until after the competition prizes have been awarded.
- 2) Members wishing to bring playing guests will be advised if a vacancy exists after the deadline date. Payment must be received at least 7 days before the meeting.