



THE WAYFAIRER



The Wayfairers Golf Society

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KEVIN'S IN HEAVEN AS HE BEATS ALL THE REST WHILE MIKE CHURCH CLAIMS TOP PERCH WAY ABOVE ALL THE REST!

Following days of clear Autumn weather, this held up nicely for our AGM day which took place as usual at the very popular Clandon Regis G.C. With the roads also clear, everyone arrived in good time for the AGM which was efficiently dispatched in under 40 minutes by Deputy Chairman Brian Girling. 34 players, including 2 guests, then prepared for the 18 hole task lying ahead and this was very much enjoyed by all concerned, despite the usual varied results, as the Course was in such excellent condition.

The average score for the day was 25 but one or two players rose well above this. Kevin Stacey reported on having had "the round of his life" as he came in with an unbeatable score of 37pts. Even under the normal handicapping set up this would have resulted in him being cut, but under our Society system he will be mutilated! And he won't be the only one! Mike Church, who obviously is spending every spare minute out on his local Course scored 35pts, won both of the longest drive competitions and had 2 birdies! Fortunately Damon matched this with 2 birdies of his own, so not all the prizes went to Mike. It was however very much a "keep it in the Bateson family day" as guest Andrew finished 2nd on count back over Mike, and their incestuous playing group walked away with the Team Competition prizes!

As the players came off the Course, the putting green became the centre of attention as all strived to ensure that their team would walk away as the winners. As it happened the final results were very close indeed. At the later prize winning ceremony annual awards were presented as well as ones for the day's competitions. Much to his surprise and obvious delight Norman was announced as Society Champion of the year, and he was so pleased he immediately sank half the bottle of beautiful Italian wine that he had just won for his putting prowess! Sue was declared as Lady Champion of the year, a well earned award as she has been runner up on so many occasions. The format for both championships is the total of the best 3 Stableford scores recorded throughout the year. Well done Norman & Sue.

At the meal a birthday toast was given to Graham Ward who in order to celebrate his recent anniversary very kindly put wine on the table, and this was followed by an ear splitting rendition of "Happy Birthday to You" directed not only to Graham, but to all our members, as this was also the occasion of the 16th Birthday of the Wayfairers.

And so we go into our 17th year and what stories will there be to tell at the end of it and just who will win what?! Watch this space and all will be revealed!

CLANDON REGIS RESULTS AND ANNUAL AWARDS

Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy & Ron Harris Autumn Cup - Kevin Stacey 37pts

2nd Place - Andrew Bateson (guest) 35pts c/b **3rd Place** - Mike Church 35pts

4th Place - Damon Pritchard 33pts

Team Winners - Jeff Hogg, John Bateson, Mike Church & Andrew Bateson (guest) 64pts

2nd Team - Val Ward, Bob Histed, Roger Sands & Derek Reeves 62pts

Putting Competition Winners - Hans Zinke, Norman Lovelock, Graham Ward & Brian Girling 50

2nd place Putting Competition - Frank Houlihan, Damon Pritchard, Peter Smith & Mike Colenutt 51 c/b

Nearest the Pin - "Jolly" Roger Sands **Open LD** - Mike Church

19 & Over LD - Mike "It's That Man Again!" Church

Birdie Cap - Damon "Double Birdie" Pritchard **Hedgehog** - Val "What a Way to Treat a Lady!" Ward

Pairs KO Tournament Winners - Spencer Atwell & Peter Smith **who defeated** Chris Wilkes & Peter Storey **on the 19th!**

Well done Spencer & Peter and what a finish! 3 down with 3 to play and thanks to Spencer's incredible putting they won 16, 17, 18 and then the 19th!

AND FINALLY OUR TWO SOCIETY CHAMPIONS OF 2011

Society Champion 2011 - Norman Lovelock 100pts - 2nd Carl Rosner 97pts and 3rd Peter Smith 96pts

Ladies Champion 2011 - Sue McDonnell 86pts - 2nd Annie Hitam 82pts and 3rd Liz Colenutt 78pts

AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD AT HOLTYE G.C.
ON MONDAY 12th DECEMBER 2011

The day's programme begins with coffee & bacon rolls available from 9.45am. with the first playing group out for a 10.30am. start. The Competition is an 18 hole Texas Scramble and incorporated into this will be the usual 2 Longest Drives, Nearest The Pin and the ever popular Shortest Drive! Should any skilful individual manage to get an unaided birdie, then the Birdie Cap could be theirs, and our Match Co-ordinator will somehow or other work out how the Hedgehog can be awarded, despite the absence of an individual competition. Current holders of the Scramble Trophy are Spencer, Bill, John B. and guest and ex-member Syd Tutton.

Repeated as last year there is one other little competition. The Christmas Tankard (current holder John Bateson - it's that man again!) will go to the player who sinks the final putt on the 18th green and is in the winning Scramble Team! Whoever puts their shot onto this green nearest to the pin will, as the rules state, putt first. The other players will have to agree amicably (or argue like hell! Ed) as to who goes 2nd, 3rd & 4th. If no one sinks their putt the process will begin all over again! No doubt lots of "Ohs & "Ahs" as the ball approaches the hole, but the prize can only go to one player - sink it, and the Tankard could be yours!

This is our annual Bring & Win event. The suggested value of prizes is around £5 and following the decision made at the recent AGM please leave your presentation unwrapped. When choosing what to put on the table please also remember the maxim agreed at the AGM by asking yourself the question - "Is this something that I would really want to win?"

It's Christmas and your Treasurer is feeling generous! There is no official raffle today but a free draw instead! (Free Norman! You can't go wrong!) As you come in the Clubhouse please take one raffle ticket from J.McD and have the number on it recorded. If your number is pulled out of the hat later you could win one of 3 seasonal prizes - and all for nothing! A fourth and top prize is being presented by Spencer - his Special Santa Surprise!

Following the golf at approx. 4.45pm. we have a 2 Course Christmas Meal with mince pies, coffee and, due to the continuing overwhelming generosity of our Treasurer with your money, wine on the table. As our maximum seating capacity is 44 it is not certain how much room, if any, there will be for meal guests. When final playing numbers are confirmed the situation will be much clearer. Cost for a meal guest is £15 but pay nothing for the moment, Should you wish to invite someone you can indicate this on the return slip, but no guarantee can be given that space will be available.

The COST for the day for **Holtye members is £20** and for **non-Holtye members £32** and this covers golf, all food & drink as described above, and all golf competition prizes. **NOTE! Return slips A.S.A.P to the Treasurer and no later please than by Friday 18th November**. This could prove to be a very popular meeting. Don't miss out - act NOW! Should you wish to invite a playing guest please indicate this on the return slip, but send no money until the response from members is known as to how many are coming.

AND AFTER THE AGM

Society Clothing In order to view what is on offer as regards clothing with the Wayfairers logo incorporated please see the article regarding this on the back page.

2Fore1 Vouchers - a thought. At Clandon 2Fore1 vouchers were distributed to all and these expire October 2012 which means they could be used for the 2012 Pairs KO. Summer green fees this year at Clandon were £36 so it would cost £18 a head to play on an excellent Course.

Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research. As promised at the AGM a photo appears below showing the presentation of the cheque for £1420. Featured are the L. & L. local Rep., your Committee and the instigator of this particular charity Chris Wilkes - minus trousers! Thanks again to every one for your support and generosity.



Your Cheque being gratefully received.

THE CLANDON REGIS RAFFLE

Many thanks to Dennis - Raffle Sales Person Extraordinaire! - and to all present for your generosity. £165 was raised and £4 added to this by Brian Girling who auctioned a golf shoe bag which was a part of his raffle winnings.

Fittingly Dennis won the cosy golf slippers so he should have warm feet all this winter.

Our next raffle is at Gatton in March and keeping our salesmen over to the west of our area Jeff Hogg is the next "chosen one".

PICTURES FROM CLANDON REGIS



*Putting Competition Winners
Norman, Hans, Brian
and Graham*



*Team Competition Winners
Mike, Andrew (G), Jeff
and John*



*Winner of Nearest the Pin
Roger Sands*



*Winner of the Wayfairers Trophy
&
Ron Harris Autumn Cup
Kevin Stacey*



*Winner of Open Longest Drive
and 19&Over LD
Mike Church*



*2nd Overall
Andrew Bateson (G)*



*Winner of the HedgeHog
Val Ward*



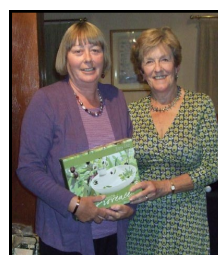
*Winner of the Birdie Cap
and 4th Overall
Damon Pritchard*



*3rd Overall
Mike Church
Again!*



*Wayfairers Society Champion and Lady Champion
Norman Lovelock*



Sue McDonnell



*Pair KO Winner
Peter Smith
Spencer Atwell Absent*

Full Programme For the New Wayfairers Year.

Monday 12th December Christmas Texas Scramble at Holtye
Xmas Roll Up at Holtye possibly Thursday 22nd December (TBC)

Monday 20th February Casual Day at Foxbridge

Monday 19th March Spring Cup at Gatton Manor

Friday 13th April Casual Day at Horne Park (TBC)

Monday 21st May Peer's Plate at Hoebridge

Tuesday 19th June Two Ronnies Pairs at Foxbridge

Tuesday 24th July Members Subsidised Day at Sutton Green

Friday 17th August Casual Day at Villa (TBC)

Friday 7nd September Pink Ball Day at Hassocks

THE TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS ROLL UP AT HOLTYE

Due to adverse weather conditions this event has had to be cancelled for the past 2 years. Negotiations at Holtye to run this on Thursday 22nd December are taking place, and members will be advised in good time of the outcome.

CASUAL DAY AT FOXBRIDGE MONDAY 20th FEBRUARY

If interested in playing in the above the total cost for coffee. 18 holes, a 2 course meal plus all prizes is £24 and it's our "Prizes For All" Day! Money & names will be collected at Holtye on 12th December, but if the credit crunch is hitting you too deeply at this time of year a £4 deposit will suffice, with full payment of the balance of £20 required early in January.

Cheques made payable to J. McDonnell please. If you wish to play but won't be at Holtye on the 12th please advise John McD. of your availability before this date. Thank you.

GOLF SOCIETY CLOTHING

Our supplier is **PAPILLON EMBROIDERY** and their range of clothing all of which can be purchased with our logo on can be viewed on the website at papillionembroidery.co.uk Phone number 01342 893596 or 07905 647022.

You will notice on the web that it gives the impression of being a sizeable organisation but it is in fact a small cottage industry carried out in a workshop in the garden.

However, their catalogue, is extensive and their prices are very competitive. They will also know and recognise the Wayfairers Golf Society and our logo which can be embroidered onto most articles. Orders can be placed direct via Email or telephone and if local, picking up personally is cheaper and quicker from 10 Gaysland Cottages, Tandridge Lane, Lingfield Surrey. RH7 6LW

CLANDON REGIS 30 and OVER CLUB

Kevin Stacey 37pts

Andrew Bateson 35pts (G) Mike Church 35pts

Damon Pritchard 33pts Roger Sands 32pts Dennis Shelley 30pts

If you are unable to make the Scramble Day or the Roll Up your Committee wish you
**A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND BIRDIES GALORE IN
 THE NEW YEAR!**

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 **25**

HOLTYE HANDICAPS

Name	Previous Score	Handicap
ATWELL	28	21
BAILEY		36
BATESON	19	26
BLAKELEY	26	8
CATTERALL	25	23
CHURCH	35	17
COLENUT. L	24	26
COLENUT. M	24	18
COOPER	24	18
CROMPTON	27	16
CUNNINGTON	26	35
ESLOR		14
GIRLING	22	28
GOMAN		17
HARRIS	24	24
HISTED	29	18
HITAM	22	25
HOGG	25	11
HORSFALL. B		36
HORSFALL. J		36
HOULIHAN	22	19
KNIGHT		9
LOVELOCK N	29	20
McDONNELL. J		21
McDONNELL. S	20	10
PRITCHARD	33	18
REEVES	28	30
RICHARDS		36
RIDDLES. A		32
RIDDLES. M		35
ROSE. A	26	32
ROSE. D	23	26
ROSNER	18	22
RUSHTON		14
SANDS	32	29
SHELLEY	30	19
SMITH	28	8
STACEY	37	21
STANLEY	25	22
STOREY		5
WARD. V	17	20
WARD. G	20	12
WARRILOW	13	36
WILKES		5
WILLIAMS		26
ZINKE	21	13

NOTES FOLLOWING THE WAYFAIRERS AGM HELD AT CLANDON REGIS GC ON THE 21st OCTOBER 2011

Apologies for Absence received from Peter Rushton, Barry Richards, Bill Eslor, John & Barbara Horsfall, Mike & Audrey Riddles & Chris Wilkes. Also Bob Histed & Annie Hitam (late arrivals)
In the absence of Barry Richards the chair for the meeting was taken by Brian Girling.

Secretary's Report During the year the average attendance including guests at full meetings had been 32, reduced to 26 for "casual days". Highlight of the year was our Charity Day at Ifield in July 2011 when the culmination of 12 month's fund raising for Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research was concluded. The final total raised was £1420 and this had been passed on to the Charity. In early Summer 2012 voting will be arranged to decide on the next Charity to be adopted by the Society with members to suggest possible worthy recipients. As part of the next year's programme a Members' Subsidised Day will take place at Sutton Green G.C. in July. Finally thank yous were issued to Sue McD, Derek, Tony, John B. and Peter Rushton for their work for the Society over the past year.

Treasurer's Report After some brief explanations from the Treasurer the audited accounts were accepted without question by the meeting which expressed best wishes to Tony regarding his recent purchase of a new caravan and his forthcoming Christmas cruise!

Match Co-ordinator's Report The M.C. reported on yet another successful and varied competition year and invited the meeting to contact him regarding suggestions for any new formats or revision of existing formats.

Election of Officers All officers were re-elected en bloc.

Membership With much sadness the Secretary announced the death of Stuart Saunders earlier in the year with the report that the Society had been well represented at the subsequent Memorial Gathering. Tony Roche had regretfully announced his resignation, was sorry to leave and sent his best wishes to all members. After brief discussion it was agreed unanimously that John Horsfall & Barry Richards be offered Honorary Life Membership. It was reported that currently the Society had 42 full members and 7 life members of whom only 1 played regularly. After discussion it was agreed that the waiting list for membership should be re-opened but actual invitations to join be left to the discretion of the Committee.

Future Programme The outlined programme for 2012 met the full approval of the meeting with the Members' Subsidised Day eagerly anticipated. It was reported that negotiations with Holtys G.C. for the traditional Christmas Roll Up were due to be made and that members would be kept informed of the outcome.

Raffle The accounts for the Raffle Fund were approved and accepted and the Secretary repeated his invitation for members to purchase suitable prizes for which they would be re-imbursed.

Handicaps John Bateson had produced an "Order of Merit" based on players' handicaps and performances during the year and this was displayed to be examined by members and put on the website. As a result of this review David Williams and John Cunnington had gained shots but no-one had lost any.

Pairs KO Tournament The M.C. announced that this had run very smoothly and that the 2011 Winners would be announced later in the day. Agreed it should run again in its present form next year.

Wayfairers Clothing Agreed that the contact details of our supplier should be put in the next Wayfairer so that members could see on line what was on offer together with their price list.

A.O.B. Agreed that the B & Win should continue in present form with gifts left unwrapped. When selecting a suitable prize members should ask themselves "Is this something that I should really like to win?" A proposal that the Open L. Drive be limited to handicap players of 18 & Below was rejected almost unanimously. Brian Girling was thanked for taking the chair and the golf began!

WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY

DAY AT HOLTYE - MONDAY 12th DECEMBER

NAME.....

Please tick below as appropriate

☐ I am available for the above - **Holtye Members Fee £20 - Non Holtye Members £32**

☐ Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Holtye

☐ If space allows I would like to bring a guest to the Christmas Meal but understand there may not be sufficient room and await your response.

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

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

Friday 18th November 2011

- 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.