

# THE WAYFAIRER



The Wayfairers Golf Society

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### AT HOEBRIDGE ALAN ROSE RISES UP FROM THE REST AS AN OLYMPIC GOLD MEDAL IS HUNG ON HIS CHEST!

After what seemed to be weeks of unseasonably cold weather, rain, wind. Course closures and trolley bans summer finally arrived, and this coincided with the Wayfairers annual visit to Hoebridge. 23 members and 3 guests gathered for coffee and bacon rolls and all were made to feel most welcome with the excellent service provided throughout the day by the Hoebridge staff.

When the golf got under way the Course was found to be in very good condition. As the greens were all extremely fast, the putting took some time to master and many players never did manage to adjust to the pace and tricky contours. 3 and even 4 putts were common right up to the 18th green.

One player put himself above all this however and that was Alan Rose. His playing partners stood amazed as Alan put the ball down the hole with unerring accuracy time after time from every angle and distance. He was the clear winner of the day with 35pts and Hoebridge had a little surprise in store for him in the form of a replica Olympic gold medal, plus a free day at Hoebridge for him and a guest on their Society Gold Winners Day which is to be held later in the year.

This was also the annual occasion on which players competed for Peer's Plate and as at all the similar past gatherings, not only did Peer pass on his silver plate, but he added extra personal prizes as well. Last year the winner Frank Houlihan received a voucher from Peer giving him a completely free day out with the Wayfairers on his next outing and Peer repeated the same kind presentation this year as well. Not only that, Peer has promised to continue to do so every year! Thanks so much for your generosity Peer. It's certainly a prize well worth winning! To cap it all Peer also added a bottle of bubbly to the victor's spoils! A day for you to remember Alan! Didn't you do well!

All the other prizes for the day were spread out nicely among the members, and Jeff Hogg is to be congratulated on finishing in 2nd place just behind Alan with a very creditable score of 33pts. The average for the day was 26pts, so all those who scored 6 or more points above this can expect to be cut, while those 6 or more below will be getting a shot or shots back.

Following the golf it was all out on the sunny patio as the score cards and accompanying related stories came pouring in. The late afternoon meal was excellent - one of the best we have ever had and there were plenty of second helpings for those with large appetites. To accompany the meal our two birthday boys Roger (70) and Malcolm (65) had provided wine on the table. They were both duly toasted, serenaded and presented with cards and a bottle each. The raffle had a summer theme connecting all the 12 prizes and the sight of Norman wearing an apron and oven glove was something else to behold! (See photo page 4)

And so ended a very memorable summer's day containing the ingredients of great weather, an excellently prepared Golf Course, warm hospitality, good food and the usual Wayfairers ambiance.

Winner of Peer's Plate & The Wayfairers Trophy Alan "Olympic Gold" Rose 35pts
2nd Jeff Hogg 33pts 3rd Kevin Stacey 31pts c/b 4th Liz Colenutt 31pts

Team Prize Jeff Hogg, Kevin Stacey, Frank Houlihan & Derek Allen (g) 66pts total
2nd Liz Colenutt, Spencer Atwell, Norman Lovelock & John McDonnell 60pts total c/b

Nearest the Pin Spencer "Accurate" Atwell 19 & Over Longest Drive Bob "Belt It" Histed
Open Longest Drive Peer(less) Blakeley Birdie Cap "Lovely" Liz Colenutt
Hedgehog Bill "What A Way To Treat The Captain" Eslor

#### AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING AT FOXBRIDGE ON TUESDAY 19th JUNE

This is the day of the Annual Drawn Pairs Competition playing for the Two Ronnies Trophy. The first group out are due to tee off at 10.30am. but please aim to arrive at least an hour previous, as we plan to make the draw for playing order & playing partners at 9.50am. Coffee & Bacon Rolls available as from 9.15.

As ever this is the meeting at which your grasping Secretary takes £2 from each player. There is no raffle, but £2 goes to supplying you with 2 players for the "Open Draw" and your tickets for this will be given to you on arrival. Please have £2 handy in advance. Later in the day the 2 players that you have drawn will be revealed.

Also in your entry money, payable to Tony in advance, £1 will be added to pay for your entry in the "Guess The Number Of Balls Lost In The Water "Competition. All takings for this will go into our Charity Fund. The player who makes the most accurate guess will walk off with an appropriate prize which has already been donated. In 2009 79 balls were lost by 32 players. In 2010 50 were lost by 24 members and last year 27 players put 45 balls into the drink And 2012? (Your guess is as good as mine! Ed.) Be prepared to give your prediction to J.McD on arrival.

As regards the golf competitions, as well as playing for the Two Ronnies Trophy (holders Jeff Hogg & Roger Sands) there will be the usual Wayfairers Individual Event (current winner Alan Rose) and all the other minor contests of golfing skill - or luck! Incidentally Roger Sands has now been co-holder of the Two Ronnies Trophy for the past 2 years. Who will be his lucky partner this year?

As this is Foxbridge, with limited men's cloakroom facilities, there is no requirement to change after playing. A 2 Course Meal is booked for 4.30pm which means that everyone should be back home comfortably for the England v. Ukraine match - kick off 7.45pm.

Guests are welcome, but payment cannot be accepted until the final number of members playing is verified. Any guests playing will as far as possible be drawn with other guests to form a pair, and should a "guest pair" finish in top place they will take all relevant prizes but cannot win the trophy. COST FOR THE DAY Cost for Coffee & Bacon Rolls, 18 Holes, a 2 Course Meal and your £1 entry fee for the "balls in the water" competition is £33. A great value deal for mid-summer!

AND THE DEADLINE TO PAY? This is MONDAY 4th JUNE. For every one of our meetings Tony has to make many un-necessary phone calls or send emails, because replies have not been received by the due date. Come on Wayfairers, be fair to Tony and please observe the deadlines!

#### **THE HOEBRIDGE RAFFLE**

Many thanks to Bill Eslor who with a reduced number of players present than usual, still took the amazing total of £150 in the sale of raffle tickets. Many thanks Bill. With a summer barbecue linked theme for the vast majority of prizes , many members went home with big smiles on their faces as there were over £100 worth of prizes. For all those who didn't succeed better luck next time, and why not invest double the amount to give yourself a better chance! £30 of the raffle profit went to our new charity. Further details regarding this below.

#### **OUR NEW CHARITY**

All those who played at Hoebridge have been informed already that our new charity is "The Alzheimer's Society". 42 members voted in the recent poll and just under 50% of all the votes recorded were for this charity. Of the remaining 4 nominations the highest total recorded was to support "Prostate Cancer Research" but this still trailed the winner by 7 votes. No matter what your preference was, we look forward to your continued support with our fund raising. The charity fund has already been established and our recent day at Hoebridge brought in £57. Made up of £30 from the raffle, £12 from "Blobs on the 17th" and £15 from the auction of a Wayfairers sweater, plus tickets to attend the first evening race meeting of the year at Lingfield.

#### **BOOKING BUGGIES**

As our Society members increase in age so the number of buggies needed also increases! It makes sense if members requiring these share together, so as from now on your return slips to Tony you can indicate if you plan to book a buggy. John B. can then ensure you are in the same playing group with another like minded member and together you can share the cost.

# PICTURES FROM HOEBRIDGE



2nd Place Jeff Hogg



Team Competition Winners

Frank Houlihan, Derek Allen (g)

Kevin Stacey & Jeff Hogg



3rd Place Kevin Stacey



Winner of Nearest the Pin
Spencer Atwell



Winner of Peer's Plate and the Wayfairers Trophy & showing his Gold Medal!

Alan Rose



Winner of the Open Longest Drive Peer Blakeley



Winner of the 19 and Over LD

Bob Histed



Winner of the HedgeHog



Winner of the Birdie Cap

Liz Colenutt





It's pints not points that are important to John & Spencer!



4th Place Liz Colenutt



2nd Place Team Spencer Atwell, John McDonnell, Liz Colenutt & Norman Lovelock

#### Future Programme For the Wayfairers.

Tuesday 19th June Two Ronnies Pairs at Foxbridge
Tuesday 24th July Members Subsidised Day at Sutton Green
Friday 17th August Casual Day at Villa
Friday 7nd September Pink Ball Day at Hassocks
Friday 19th October AGM & Autumn Cup Day at Clandon Regis

#### **HOEBRIDGE OVER 30'S CLUB**

ALAN ROSE 35 JEFF HOGG 33

LIZ COLENUTT 31 KEVIN STACEY 31

#### FRANK HOULIHAN 30 DAMON PRITCHARD 30

#### **SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP**

With 3 of the qualifying rounds played and 3 to go there are clear leaders in both sections.

In the "Open to all Members " Section Kevin Stacey is way out in front with 92pts, while Jeff Hogg lies 2nd with 85, followed by Dennis Shelley on 81.

In the Ladies Group Annie Hitam is top with 64pts but to date is the only Lady to have played in all 3 rounds.

The competition is based on the total of the best 3 rounds. 3 to go!



Many thanks Peer for your generosity regarding Peer's Plate and the many other associated prizes



Double bliss for Norman! A pint and a lovely lady!



Norman! Chief cook and bottle washer! Never!



The last piece of some delicious crackling!

#### 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  $\ 26$ 

# HANDICAPS FOR FOXBRIDGE

AIWELL	21	21
BATESON	23	26
BLAKELEY	28	7
CATTERALL		23
CHURCH		17
COLENUT. L	31	25
COLENUT. M	23	18
COOPER		21
CROMPTON	25	16
CUNNINGTON		35
ESLOR	17	14
GIRLING	27	28
GOMAN	24	17
HARRIS		24
HISTED	24	19
HITAM	20	26
HOGG	33	9
HORSFALL. B		36
HOULIHAN	30	21
KNIGHT		9
LOVELOCK N	25	20
McDONNELL. J	18	23
McDONNELL. S	28	10
PRITCHARD	30	18
REEVES		30
RIDDLES. A		32
RIDDLES. M		36
ROSE. A	35	30
ROSE. D		26
ROSNER	28	21
RUSHTON	28	14
SANDS	23	29
SHELLEY	28	19
SMITH		10
STACEY	31	20
STANLEY		22
STOREY		5
WARD. V		20
WARD. G		12
WARRILOW		36
WILKES		5
WILLIAMS		26
WOOLLEY Ruby		19
WOOLLEY R		22
ZINKE		13



### WAYFAIRERS PAIRS K.O. 2012 DRAW & RULES BELOW.



(Current Holders Peter Smith & Spencer Atwell)



#### 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 <u>definitely</u> 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 29th February by Tony Warrilow.

# **WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY**

# **TUESDAY 19 JUNE - FOXBRIDGE**

NAME		
NAME		
Please tick below as appropriate		
I am available for the above - Members Fee £33*		
Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Foxbridge		
If space allows ** I wish to bring a playing guest (name + h/cap below ) Fee £33		
Playing Guest's NameH/capH/cap		
*Please note your £33 includes the full cost for the day plus entry into the "Guess The Number of Lost Balls in The Water" Competition.		
Should you intend to book a buggy at Foxbridge please tick this box.		
By doing so you will be put into the same playing group as any other member who also requires a buggy and you will be advised who this person is. Once you have this information booking the buggy will be the responsibility of both of you.		
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 Monday 4th June		
<ol> <li>Unless advised previously, it is expected that members and their guests remain until after the competition prizes have been awarded.</li> <li>**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.</li> </ol>		