



# THE WAYFAIRER



*The Wayfairers Golf Society*

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**16 YEARS WITHOUT WINNING! - SO MUCH EFFORT WITHOUT GLORY  
BUT IN GATTON'S SPRING SUNSHINE JOHN MAC REWRITES THE STORY!**

The Wayfairers do it again! A very high turnout of 36 players - 32 members and 4 guests - gathered at Gatton Manor on what was definitely the warmest day of the year so far. It was "shirtsleeve order" for the first time in months, with members basking outside in the sunshine when play was over.

Usually in late March the Course at Gatton is very heavy, but following many days without significant rain the ground was firm, the ball ran well but the greens were treacherous, each one containing tricky burrows and contours, and the slightest touch with the putter took the ball way past the hole.

As a result of this the scoring was not high with an extremely low average among the 36 players of just 22pts. One player however rose above the others. Our Hon. Sec. John McD, one of our now very few remaining founder members, had never in the 16 years history of the Wayfairers ever won the coveted Individual Trophy. This day at Gatton was to change all that however. He came in with a total of 35pts, some 7 shots clear of second placed Peer Blakeley, and he was the only player out of 36 to record a score of over 30. This was the Wayfairers 106th full outing and without a single win at any of the previous gatherings, it was a case of persistence finally rewarded. The scissors are now out so his next ambition is to win the Hedgehog and get some shots back!

One player who experienced a very much up and down day was Brian Girling. Poor Brian really struggled for 9 holes and reached the turn with just 4pts on his card. On the 10th hole he received 2 shots and promptly birdied it, thus doubling his existing total from 4 to 8! This effort won him the Birdie Cap and he did score much better in the second half.

John McD's effort also won him the John Peake Spring Cup and numerous other prizes, and his score gave great assistance to his playing group to win the Team Competition. So John "I Never Win Anything" McD has now been renamed John "I Sometimes Win Something" McD!

After the golf there was the usual ambient atmosphere both in and outside the Clubhouse, and this was followed by a much enjoyed very substantial meal. Finally came the excitement and the "Oohs & Aahs!" of the raffle and prize giving. As darkness descended it was time to go home at the end of a perfect Spring day.

## GATTON MANOR RESULTS

Winner of the John Peake Spring Cup and the Wayfairers Trophy - **John McDonnell** 35pts

2nd - **Peer Blakeley** 28pts 3rd - **Peter Rushton** 27pts c/b 4th - **Andy Knight** also 27pts

Team Winners - **Liz Colenutt Brian Girling Jeff Hogg & John McDonnell** 75pts

2nd Team - **Eddie Stanley Andy Knight Mike Vardon (guest) & John Bateson** 65pts

Open Longest Drive - **Damon "Watch It Go" Pritchard**

19 & Over Longest Drive - **Ruby Woolley (guest) Well done the ladies!**

Nearest the Pin - **Bill "Always On The Honours Board" Eslor**

Birdie Cap - **Brian "Double Or Quits" Girling** Hedgehog Award - **Derek "Online" Reeves**

**AND SO TO OUR NEXT MEETING -  
TO BE HELD AT HOEBRIDGE G.C ON MONDAY 16th MAY 2011**

As we have played at Hoebridge on many previous occasions it is assumed that members will know the location. If you have any problems please contact John McD. The post code for Sat Nav. is GU2 8JH and the contact Club number is 01483 722611. Why not share cars and save petrol money?!

**PROGRAMME FOR THE DAY** Coffee & Bacon Rolls from 09.15. Please allow plenty of time for your journey, part of which is likely to be in the rush hour on busy roads. First group out 10.04. Two Course Meal followed by coffee to be served at approx. 16.45 followed by Raffle and Prize Giving.

**GOLF COMPETITIONS** Individually we will be doing battle for the Wayfairers Trophy ( currently held by John McDonnell) and also this is the day that the winner takes home Peer's Plate ( winner 2010 Val Ward). There will also be a Team Competition, plus the usual other minor contests of golfing skill (or incredible luck! Ed)

Hoebridge is notorious for its very difficult par 5 17th, and in order to give you an interesting challenge it will be £1 in the charity pot for every blob recorded on this hole!! However should you record an eagle - down in 3 - then we will give you a £1!

**RAFFLE** As this is one of our formal meetings there will be a raffle, and the very popular ticket salesman will be none other than our new member Peter Smith. Congratulations Peter and remember - no change for a tenner!

**COST** The total for all that is detailed above plus all prizes is £ 33. Whether you are coming or not please complete the availability slip - with payment if playing - and return to Tony by **SATURDAY 23rd APRIL** at the very **LATEST**. Guests are welcome providing space allows, so please let Tony know if you wish to bring a guest, but no payment please until our numbers are known on the 23rd.

**OUR SECOND "CASUAL" GATHERING OF THE YEAR IS AT HORNE PARK  
ON FRIDAY 15th APRIL**

A day of fun and prizes. The winner not only collects the Ron Bailey Casual Tankard (current holder Bill Eslor), but also will be presented with a Horne Park (Augusta) green cap which he or she will get to keep and have to wear throughout the day at future Horne Park gatherings. The winner in true Augusta fashion also chooses the menu for the next year's meeting. Individual prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd. There will as usual be a playing group Team competition, but also all players are in one of 3 separate Teams captained by either Audrey Riddles (Audrey's Angels), Annie Hitam (Annie's Army) or Barbara Horsfall (Barbara's Bandits). Prizes of varying distinction for all teams members! There will be 2 Nearest the Pin Competitions.

Currently there are no spaces but reserves are required, and should we get sufficient, possibly another playing group could be added. Contact John McD for further details but if interested do this now as time is running out!

**THE GATTON RAFFLE.** Many thanks to Robert Crompton who proved himself to be a ticket salesman par excellence! Thanks to the generosity of all those present he took £164 and £30 of this was immediately donated to our Charity Fund.

**REMINDER CHARITY RAFFLE!** At our Ifield Meeting on July 25th our Raffle will be the traditional Charity event for which we ask members to donate prizes, so that all the money raised goes to the Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research Fund This will be the last day that we collect money for this Charity so please start accumulating those raffle prizes as from now. However any that you do get please hold on to until the day. Not room enough in our house for advance donations!

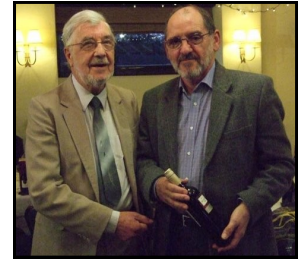
# PICTURES FROM GATTON MANOR



*2nd Place*  
*Peer Blakeley*



*Team Competition Winners*  
*Jeff Hogg, Brian Girling*  
*John McDonnell & Liz Colenutt*



*3rd Place*  
*Peter Rushton*



*Winner of Nearest the Pin*  
*Bill Eslor*



*Winner of the John Peake Spring Cup  
&  
Wayfairers Trophy*  
*John "I Love Gatton" McDonnell*



*Winner of Open Longest Drive*  
*Damon Pritchard*



*Winner of the 19 and Over LD*  
*Ruby Woolley*



*Winner of the HedgeHog*  
*Derek Reeves*



*Winner of the Birdie Cap*  
*Brian Girling*



*2nd Place Team Competition*  
*John Bateson, Mike Vardon*  
*Eddie Stanley & Andy Knight*



*4th Place*  
*Andy "Bionic Hip" Knight*



*"If you scored more than I  
did I'll throttle you!"*



## Future Programme for the Wayfairers Year.

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  
 Friday 21st October AGM Autumn Cup at Clandon



Spring Sunshine with a welcome drink on the patio at Gatton Manor.



I won't tell Bob if you won't!



Treasurer Tony looks worried, and is ready to do a runner after being discovered cooking the books!

### GATTON OVER 30'S CLUB

The one and only John McDonnell 35pts

### SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIPS - OPEN AND LADIES.

With only two of the six qualifying rounds having been played both competitions are still completely open. Currently in the Open Section new member Peter Smith is in the lead with 64, with Gatton star John McD close behind on 62.

These are the only two players to have reached the sixty plus zone.

Liz Colenutt leads the Ladies Competition with 51, closely followed by Annie Hitam, just 3 behind on 48.

### Wayfairers Pairs KO Competition

On the next page the current up to date results of the Pairs KO Competition are published. Please remember that all Round 2 matches should be completed by the end of June. If you haven't as yet played your Round 1 game please do so a.s.a.p!

Results should be forwarded to John Bateson as soon as these have been established.

### 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

### HANDICAPS FOR Hoebridge

ATWELL		21
BAILEY		36
BATESON	26	25
BLAKELEY	28	8
CATTERALL		23
CHURCH		19
COLENUT. L	26	29
COLENUT. M		18
COOPER	16	18
CROMPTON	24	14
CUNNINGTON		34
ESLOR	23	14
GIRLING	19	28
GOMAN	20	14
HARRIS		24
HISTED	16	19
HITAM	25	25
HOGG	22	11
HORSFALL. B		36
HORSFALL. J		36
HOULIHAN	21	22
KNIGHT	27	9
LOVELOCK N	16	24
McDONNELL. J	35	20
McDONNELL. S	26	10
PRITCHARD	20	19
REEVES	10	33
RICHARDS		
RIDDLES. A	19	31
RIDDLES. M	21	35
ROCHE	21	25
ROSE. A	21	31
ROSE. D	12	24
ROSNER	19	23
RUSHTON	27	16
SANDS		33
SHELLEY	26	16
SMITH	8	8
STACEY	26	24
STANLEY	16	20
STOREY		5
WARD. V		17
WARD. G		8
WARRILOW	20	36
WILKES	25	6
WILLIAMS		24
ZINKE		13



# WAYFAIRERS K.O. CUP 2010/11

## DRAW & RULES BELOW.

(Current Holders Chris Wilkes & Peter Storey)



### ROUND 1 PLAYED BY THE END OF MARCH 2011

### QUARTER FINALS PLAYED BY THE END OF JUNE 2011

### SEMI FINALS PLAYED BY THE END OF AUGUST 2011

### FINAL TO BE PLAYED BEFORE THE OCTOBER AGM

### WINNERS



### 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 mutually agreed 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 definitely 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 Saturday 5th February by John Bateson, John & Sue McDonnell.

**WAYFAIRERS GOLFING SOCIETY**

**MONDAY 16th MAY - HOEBRIDGE**

NAME.....

*Please tick below as appropriate*

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I am available for the above - Members Fee £33

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Sorry but I am unavailable to play at Hoebridge

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If space allows \* I wish to bring a playing guest (name + h/cap below ) Fee £33

Playing 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 23rd April**

- 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.