



WAYFAIRERS Casual Day at Horne Park

Friday 17th April



**NO SUNSHINE AT HORNE PARK - JUST DRIZZLE AND DAMP
BUT NO PROBLEM FOR PETER - OUR NEW GREEN CAP CHAMP!**



Our 3rd casual meeting at Horne Park coincided with a wet overcast day, but spirits were by no means dampened, and judging by the apres-golf atmosphere later in the Clubhouse, we could well have been in the middle of a heatwave! There was an excellent turn out of 27 members and 6 guests, all taking part in a variety of competitions, on what turned out to be a truly great fun day!

The undisputed champion was guest Peter Smith - standing in as ever at the last minute to help balance our numbers - and he really burnt up the wet Course by recording a score of 42pts. This won him not only the Ron Bailey Casual Tankard plus a bottle of wine, but also gave him to keep forever a coveted Horne Park green cap - the equivalent - or even better - of an Augusta green jacket!

Continuing the Augusta/Horne Park connection, as a result of a 3 Way Challenge between Surrey, West Sussex and Kent/East Sussex, the latter Team emerged triumphant with every player taking home an individual gigantic packet of Augusta Chocolate Chip Cookies. West Sussex in second place had to settle for some inferior smaller Scottish Cookies, while the poor old Surrey contingent had to make do with just a hairy coconut each! If only J.McD had not missed from 12 inches with his Nearest The Pin putt Surrey would have been runners up, and he would have won the 3rd Individual prize! But that's golf!

Congratulations to guest Neil Hart for recording the second highest total of the day (40pts) and to John B. for making it all the way round on his comeback debut.

Another factor that made the day such a complete success was not only the quality of the meal, but the quantity! This prompted Bill Eslor in a "thank you" email to J.McD. to suggest that the Golf Club be renamed "The Horn of Plenty"! Watch it Bill. With clever prose like this you could end up writing the next Wayfairer!

So continuing a precedent which has now been set for 3 years, we shall return on the 3rd Friday in April in 2010! See you there - let's hope the weather's better, and who knows it could be your turn to win the green cap! Keep practising that putting!

And so to the full Results.

Individual

- 1st** and Winner of the Ron Bailey Casual Tankard
and the Horne Park Green Cap
Peter "cut one next time" Smith 42pts
2nd Neil Hart (guest) 40pts (also cut one next time)
3rd Bill Eslor 38pts

Team

- 1st** - and not surprising !
Peter Smith , Neil Hart & Brian Girling
2nd Spencer Atwell, John Bateson & Bill Eslor
Longest Drive - that man again! Peter Smith
Nearest the Pin John McDonnell

3 Way Inter Counties Challenge

- 1st** Kent/East Sussex 355pts
2nd West Sussex 308pts
3rd Surrey 307pts



