

NEWSLETTER – APRIL 29th, 2021



JAMIE'S BLOG

Hope you are keeping well and have shaken off some of the rust from your game and you're ready for the season ahead. We've had a great start to our season in the last two weeks when we visited Croham Hurst Golf Club for the first time with our fun 'Welcome Back' event and then, last week, we were back at the glorious Brocket Hall for our Annual Spring Meeting.

I have attached our full 2021 schedule which we had to change in early March to accommodate the late re-opening of golf courses on March 29th so, please, do let me know if you would like to enter any events for the rest of the season to avoid missing out - as entries have been extremely busy.

'Welcome Back' at Sunny (Chilly) Croham Hurst!

This was our first event since last October and we were greeted with plenty of sunshine and a chilly wind – but, thankfully, we stayed dry. Croham Hurst looked after us very well and the condition of the course was excellent, as was the scoring!

The winning team was captained by John Conteh with teammates Ron Winchester, David Horwood and David Murrell.

This event was kindly sponsored by Raj Sandhu - thank you so



much Raj for your continued support.

We were delighted to present our first Variety Sunshine Coach to the Jeanne Saunders Centre in Brighton, a Special Needs School who so desperately needed a Coach to get their children out and about. This was sponsored by you all, our Variety Golf members.

Captain Len Goodman and our President Jimmy Tarbuck were there to present the Coach (left)



SPRING MEETING AT GLORIOUS BROCKET HALL ...

Our Spring Meeting was held at the outstanding Brocket Hall Estate; the course was in superb condition and the weather was even better (look at the blue sky in our picture!). There wasn't a cloud in the sky all day and, without the use of a clubhouse due to Covid restrictions, it meant we had an outside BBQ straight after play which worked extremely well.

There was a great atmosphere outside on the terrace for our prize-giving. Nick Dible took the spoils and won the Spring Meeting with an incredible score of 43 points which, amazingly, only won by 1 point pipping Daniel Sims into second place with 42 points. Grant Gallafent made 3rd place, also with 42 points, and was accompanied on the podium by Pat Jennings who clinched 4th place with 41 points. The team score was won by Dave Bassett, Daniel Sims, Grant Gallafent and Johnathan Hill.

This event was kindly sponsored by David Matthey, and as always, thank you David for your continued support.



UPCOMING EVENTS

30th April: Variety Ladies Pro-Am – Sundridge Park GC – **SOLD OUT!**

6th May: Pro/Celeb Am Trophy – Sunningdale Heath GC – **SOLD OUT!**

11th May: New Event name – The Gold & Silver Challenge – West Hill GC **PLACES AVAILABLE**

(Please note – Generals Day was meant to be on this date and will now be re-scheduled to late September)

27th May: Ronnie Corbett Trophy – Hadley Wood GC – **PLACES AVAILABLE**

Please contact Jamie or book through our website (varietygolf.org.uk) as quickly as you can to enter these events as both West Hill and Hadley Wood will be sold out very soon.

Also, please note – The Gold and Silver Challenge at West Hill is a new event and we don't have a Sponsor.

As always, we are open to offers so, if you are interested, and would like to become an event sponsor, please get in touch.

SUNDRIDGE PARK PRIZE DRAW

One of our Variety member/sponsor – Alex Yazdani is Captain of Sundridge Park GC this year and has kindly chosen Variety Golf as his Captain's Charity and has pledged to raise enough money for a Variety Sunshine Coach and hopefully some more to fund 'Golf For Disabled Children' golf lessons to be continued at Sundridge Park GC.

Alex is running a monthly draw for this year where all the profits will go to Variety Golf. If you are playing in the Variety Golf Ladies Pro-Am this Friday 30th April at Sundridge Park you can sign up for this at registration or get in touch with myself if you would like to support. Please find attached Alex's 'CAPTAIN'S CHARITY CLUB 1000' for more information. Thanks Alex to you and all your members for your support. It's much appreciated!



Introducing Variety Golf Champagne!

Many of you will have already sampled our newly available, specially selected Variety Golf Champagne. So far, the reception has been most encouraging and at £25 per bottle, six to a case, we have already sold more than a dozen cases!

If you would like to order a case or even just a couple of bottles, let me know and I will be happy to bring your order along to our next event.

You won't be disappointed and – remember – it all helps our special children get their Sunshine Coach.

SPRING MEETING – MISSING TROPHY!

Somehow we have mislaid the Variety Golf Spring Meeting Trophy which was won last time in March 2019 at The Berkshire. The event was not played in 2020 due to Covid. If any member may have this by mistake, can you please let me know ASAP, as this trophy dates back to 1965 and is very valuable to Variety Golf.

VARIETY GOLF - MAY PRIZE DRAW

The May Prize Draw will be drawn out this weekend and the results will be sent out to all the members on Monday 3rd May.

Remember – you've got to be in it to win it!

I look forward to seeing you at future Variety Golf events soon.

Do get in touch as I'm sure the first few events back will SELL OUT QUICKLY! Jamie.

