



## **Details of the day**

### **Introduction**

Rotary Club of Portsmouth North (RCPN) are proud to announce details of their 15<sup>th</sup> charity golf event to be held at Rowlands Castle Golf Club on Thursday 31 May 2012. The information below is intended to provide an insight into the day and the tremendous fun achieved by all participants and why it should not be missed.

### **The Chosen Charity**

Canine Partners assist people with a wide range of disabilities enabling them to enjoy greater independence and a much improved quality of life, by providing specially trained assistance dogs. There is a constant demand for these dogs and RCPN members, after careful consideration and a visit to the Canine Partners training centre at Heyshot, West Sussex, voted unanimously in their favour. A dog with the necessary training sponsored from the proceeds of the golf day would without doubt provide tremendous help and assistance to an individual in the Portsmouth area. So with your help we will donate as much of the funds possible raised on the day to Canine Partners and then, at a date not too far after the event, unite the dog and local individual together to enjoy all the many benefits that the dog can bring. We are aiming to achieve as much press and PR coverage as possible at the hand over, particularly for the sponsors and supports of the event.

### **Experience in Facilitating the Event**

The RCPN have facilitated 14 previous golf events and with the cooperation and support of Rowlands Castle golf Club (and the weather) are able to guarantee an excellent day out for all participants. The golf will be played in a most friendly and enjoyable atmosphere on one of the quality courses in Hampshire with excellent facilities and reputation for hosting such events. A large majority of the teams return year after year, knowing that while they are supporting an excellent cause, they also achieve outstanding value for money.

### **Sponsorship**

The success of this event is measured in part by the amount of funds raised for the chosen charity. We have in past years have been able to boost the total by obtaining event and hole sponsorship. Hitherto the generosity of local businesses, companies and organisations has been excellent. The benefits gained from sponsorship generosity are available on this webpage.

## **Check in - Breakfast – Tee off Times**

Arrive at Rowlands Castle Golf Club, park up, drop your evening clothes in the changing rooms, register in the club house and enjoy a complimentary and tasty bacon bap and coffee overlooking the course. Teams are informed well in advance of their Tee time, some asking for later times to fit in with other business plans on the day. Tee off is between 11:30 and 13:30 from both the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> tee. We have found this works well and ensures all teams complete their round in good time, allowing even the later teams off to be showered, changed and refreshed with a cool beer well before the dinner commences at 19:00.

## **Team Photo**

A complimentary team photo is taken of each team prior to their round. Development and printing is undertaken during the afternoon and all team photographs will be on the respective dinner tables by 19:00.

## **On Course Refreshments**

Bottles of water are provided for all players on Teeing off, additionally the Half Way House, situated between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> T will provide complimentary burgers, water, tee coffee, soft drinks and pimm's for all golfers during the afternoon.

## **On Course Prizes/Challenges**

Playing to full stapleford handicap with the best 2 scores on each hole to count, each member of the three highest scoring teams will be presented with a quality crystal bowl suitably engraved to mark the day. There is also a separate prize for the longest drive, nearest the pin on a selected par 3 and the chance to win a car at another par 3 "hole in one" challenge. In addition you can double your money by taking the challenge to be "on the green in one" at a further par 3. So you par 3 experts, it is all to play for on each of the 3 Par 3 holes.

## **Ball Spotters**

We acknowledge that such events are a great opportunity for corporate hospitality and bringing friends along for a great day out. Some guests may not necessarily be expert golfers, even some expert golfers are not always on the fairway!!! Where ever possible Rotarians will be at the relevant spot on the more challenging fairways to spot where that wayward T shot landed and hence save much time in endless searching. We have found this little bit of extra support is most welcome and appreciated by golfers.

## **Raffle Prizes**

The RCPN members all donate money into the raffle prize pot to support the evening raffle draw. Only tickets sold on the night in the club house will go into the draw. This year we are looking for a first prize of at least a 32 inch HD ready digital TV, plus at least 3 other quality electrical/sensible prizes.

## **£10 in the Box.**

We invite participants to sign and place a £10 note in "the box". Last year the lucky winner won over £400 cash from "the box" to take home on the night, with the balance going to the total for the day.

## **Dinner.**

Rowlands Castle Golf Club is well known for their culinary expertise and excellent hosting capability of evening dinners. Sat at tables of 8/10 all golfers and supporting Rotarians and staff will be treated to a first class 3 course dinner and coffee. With a joint carved by a lucky

chosen individual at each table, the atmosphere is really great and enjoyed by all. Naturally the bar is close to hand ensuring all wine and other drink requirement, self-funded, are available. Wine for dinner can be pre ordered if required from the comprehensive wine list on arrival at the club house. Dinner and prize giving formalities are normally completed by about 21:30, allowing those that need to depart, free to do so without missing the raffles etc. Those that chose to stay, the bar is open until at least 11pm or later!!

### **Team entry and Sponsorship**

Forms are available on this page of the website for download. Do not delaying in entering your team and getting the best Tee time to suit the team particular requirements.

### **Conclusion**

This well established and popular event is not to be missed. To discuss further any of the above please contact our Golf Committee Chairman Richard Albery Call Home: 01489 881505. Mobile: 07896761110.