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#### Spring Tour 2015.

Our Spring Tour to Cyprus is now full with 71 travellers staying at the Intercontinental Aphrodite Hills.

# Our 2015 Program.

This website is subject to an annual review and update at the end of each year, around Dec/Jan. For those members who are keen to know what we have planned for 2015, a downloadable file is now available from the members page. There is also a downloadable version of the Secretaries October 2014 Newsletter which will hopefully help keep all our members up to date with news from our Society.



## 9th October 2014, Society Captain visits The Freddie Farmer Foundation, Bromley.

The Freddie Farmer Foundation was formed in 2011 to raise the funds needed to set up a specialised physiotherapy centre for children and young people with cerebral palsy and serious mobility problems.

The centre does not receive any direct funding and relies on donations to sustain it. It is thanks to our members that we were able to donate to this charity a sum of £1500 which we know will be put to good use. The Captain was accompanied by Phil Draper our charity fund organiser. As with all the donations we have made over the years, we have received a nice letter of thanks confirming the need for such contributions.

For more information visit: http://www.freddiefarmerfoundation.org.uk

### Quite an Eye Opener at The Arrow Riding Centre, Dartford.

Past President Phil Draper accompanied our Captain to The Arrow Riding Centre, Dartford. This centre provides horse riding and carriage driving for disabled children & adults. The benefits of riding include increased self-confidence, physical fitness, and body awareness (proprioception), concentration and communication and emotional skills as well as the physical and emotional pleasure of working with the horse.

As our headline attests our representatives had their eyes opened wide when they viewed what tremendous and unselfish work is carried out here. Our Captain (he's the one wearing the chain in the photo) was delighted to hand over a cheque to Val baker for £1500 from our donations this year. Val & Ken Baker run the centre on a voluntary basis which is very humbling indeed! The one not wearing the chain by the way is a horse named 'Jack' who did indeed take a liking to our Captain who could only proffer a cheque and no carrot!



Our thanks to all our members who generously donate to our cause at all our meetings.



Kent Captains Win the Jubilee Trophy 2014.

The Seven County, Queens Jubilee Trophy was hosted by Essex Captains on the 7th August 2014 at The Essex Golf & Country Club, Earls Colne, Nr Colchester. Our Team were - John Budd (Mid Kent) – John Grant (Wrotham Heath) – Peter Gregory (Lamberhurst) – Richard Lamb (Bearsted) – Trevor Norman (Eltham Warren) – Paul Roberts(Woodlands Manor) – Brad Smith (Sittingbourne) & Gary Snell (St Augustine's)



See our Results page for more!

### Bench Presentation, 27th July, Sene Valley G.C.

A small group of invited guests, committee members and past captains attended at Sene Valley G C this evening, many accompanied by their wives & partners, to witness the presentation of a bench to mark the Captains year in office. Several dignitaries from the receiving club were there, also with wives & partners, which helped make the occasion very colourful. The Club Chairman, President & Captain were among the

Unfortunately the torrential rain made it impossible to hold the event outside and take in the stunning views. Nevertheless, the club laid on a very warm reception and a very much appreciated buffet with wine to help all enjoy the evening. Our thanks go to our hosts the club and its President for his gracious words in accepting our gift.



(L) Our President, Terry Ralph asked club President, Arthur Higgins to accept a teak bench as a token of our thanks for allowing the Society to host events at this picturesque coastal course to commemorate Captain Geoff Houghtons year.





President, Captain & Vice Captain, try out the bench and give their approval!

Captain Geoff Houghton & Sene Valley President Arthur Higgins take the weight off their feet!

w Website : Our original website was launched on the 12th October 2012, with this latest version following on 31st May 2014. All our downloadable files were amended to PDF during July 2014.

Appointed in 2008, Mike Odd (Barnehurst) decides to retire after 6 years at the helm. After attending innumerable meetings matches & dinners we cannot imagine how many letters & telephone calls were received and returned, how many stamps were licked and how many last minute amendments made. The Society showed its appreciation at the AGM by presenting a gift to mark his retirement as Mike was warmly applauded by the

As we finally move into the digital age, David Honnor (Wrotham Heath) was appointed his successor which was also greeted generously by the assembly.



#### AGM 21st May 2014.

President Terry Ralph & Captain Geoff Houghton were installed and warmly received by the members. Additionally, David Honnor was approved as our new secretary while the retiring Mike Odd accepted the role of vice captain.

The members accepted the accounts for the year ending 31st December 2013 and both the incoming secretary and outgoing captain commented that with the members acceptance of the website and other measures approved by the committee, our finances should now show considerable improvement in this 2014 year & beyond.

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