



## Captain's Drive-In



Despite the Arctic conditions (and snow) there was an excellent turn-out for the Captain's Drive-In on 24 March, and a great start to fund raising for the Captains' Charity for 2013/14 – R-U-Able2.

An entertaining Drive-In started with Matthew Hall from R-U-Able-2 who is taking up golf, hitting the first ball with a very creditable effort. Dennis Cantwell, new Seniors Captain was next on the tee and was accosted by a mysterious "hood" dressed in a bright orange Mr Blobby suit. This had the effect of causing Dennis to drive his golf ball into the trees so he was given a tennis ball to see if he could hit it further. Ladies Captain, Wendy Camp hit the golf ball well so was required to drive from a giant electronic cigarette. Eventually after several hours of freezing deliberation, Graham (unsuitably attired in garish red and grey) failed to drive from an HMRC tee (good thing too I hear you say) surrounded by a full model of the solar system. Thanks for all the work put in by Chris, Tony, Debz, Norman and too many more to mention.

The local press also took pictures – look out for these in this week's Star & Courier.

After this, Blossom provided suitable warming fare followed by an inspiring and informative slide and video presentation, expertly delivered by Matthew Hall from the R-U-Able2 Group, which was warmly received by the members.

R-U-Able2 are based in Surrey Heath and are a local community group dedicated to providing sporting, leisure, and social activities for people who have a learning, physical or sensory disability whose aim is to inspire the next generation into becoming more healthy through Inclusive Sport & Leisure activities.

The Drive-In pegs competitions were won appropriately by Lol Anscombe for the Seniors' Captain, Kay Finlay for the Ladies Captain and Mike Pettifor for the Club Captain. Some £20 in fines (led by the Vice Captain, and several members, wearing Jeans in the Club-House - shame!) brought the total raised on the day to over £300 for the Charity, actually topping the excellent 2012 total when the temperature was over 20 degrees higher! This was a brilliant testament to the continuing commitment and generosity of Southwood Club Members.

Thanks to you all!