

DORSET COUNTY GOLF UNION

COLTS

MATCH: DORSET v HAMPSHIRE

LOCATION Blackmoor GC DATE 20 July 2008

FOURSOMES

1	Mike Evans		0	Darren Wright	6 & 5	1
	Daryl Wood			Mark Bell		
2	Rowan Smith		0	Tom Robson	7 & 6	1
	Lloyd Walton			Elliott Groves		
3	David King-Underwood		0	Toby Burden	4 & 3	1
	Clinton Norris			Alex Rule		
4	Matt Hector		0	Matt Vineer	3 & 2	1
	Jon Putman			Chris Reed		
RESULT			0	RESULT		4

SINGLES

1	Matt Hector	2 & 1	1	Darren Wright		0
2	Daryl Wood		0	Mark Bell	2 up	1
3	Mike Evans		0	Toby Burden	1 up	1
4	Jon Putman	3 & 1	1	Alex Rule		0
5	David King-Underwood		0	Tom Robson	3 & 1	1
6	Rowan Smith		0	Elliott Groves	1 up	1
7	Lloyd Walton		0	Matt Vineer	7 & 6	1
8	Clinton Norris		0	Chris Reed	4 & 3	1
RESULT			2	RESULT		6

RESULT	2	RESULT	10
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General

Blackmoor was in superb condition with the greens freshly cut in the morning and rolled. Consequently they were playing fast but true. Greeted by both a bacon bap and the County vice-captain, Iain Donnelly, we were given a splendid send-off. During the day the County President and Secretary came to support the team – their presence both welcome and encouraging. The accommodation was excellent as the Premier Inn at Petersfield is one of their newer premises.

Match

With a lovely dry day and a light wind the morning was full of expectant promise but sadly culminated in a 4:0 drubbing. The first two matches were especially poor as may be seen from the results sheet. The last two were much closer. An excellent lunch was followed by the singles with much to do. As commented by John Smith the order was to play from the top and this we did as best we could. Matt Hector led the charge with a fine 2 & 1 win over an England +3 player. Two close losses were followed by another good win from Jon Putman. The next two were quite close two with Rowan Smith missing a well-earned half when his approach shot on the 18th clattered through the green to high up a steep bank giving him a near impossible chip. Lloyd met a truly in form Matt Vineer and Clinton had a fine struggle against the very accurate Chris Reed. It was noticeable that Hampshire's play from inside 150 yards was of a very high order – something that by and large we could not match.

Summary

As for last week against Kent the result was disappointing but closer than it appears on paper. The Hampshire squad contained 5 players of + handicaps and their highest was 1. Nevertheless our match play should have prevailed a little better than it did. A regular squad and more confidence is needed to start a roll of wins. The support on the day is much appreciated as was the late response to urgent calls for reinforcements for the team. Well done Matt and Jon for helping us avoid a white-wash!

Bill Kennedy
Colts Manager

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