



**DORSET COUNTY GOLF UNION
COUNTY FIRST TEAM - RESULT SHEET**

Opponents: Army

Location: Broadstone GC

Date: 22 Apr 07

FOURSOMES

1	David Cook	3/2	1	Matt Dale		0
	David Norton			Andy Herriott		
2	Tony Lawrence		½	Ben Churchill		½
	Matt Walker			Alan Patterson		
3	Giles Legg	6/5	1	Mark Snape		0
	James Wythe			John Chilvers		
4	Ben Harvey	6/5	1	Paul Mellor		0
	Andrew Windsor			Sid Trench		
5	Iain Donnelly	4/3	1	Donald MacDonald		0
	Mark Balson			Rick Smart		
RESULT			4½	RESULT		½

SINGLES

1	David Norton	2/1	1	Ben Churchill		0
2	Giles Legg		0	Alan Patterson	2/1	1
3	Ben Harvey		0	Rick Smart	2/1	1
4	David Cook	1 up	1	Mark Snape		0
5	Matt Walker	2/1	1	Matt Dale		0
6	Tony Lawrence	1 up	1	Paul Mellor		0
7	James Wythe	3/2	1	Jim Marshall		0
8	Andrew Windsor	5/4	1	John Chilvers		0
9	Mark Balson		½	Andy Herriott		½
10	Iain Donnelly	4/3	1	Donald MacDonald		0
RESULT			7½	RESULT		2½

OVERALL RESULT

RESULT	12	RESULT	3
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MATCH REPORT

Part of Dorset's pre season training has been about improving their foursomes performance and they got off to a good start in this long standing fixture with The Army. James Wythe making his senior debut gelled well with the experienced Giles Legg to win 6/5. A new partnership between Ben Harvey and Andrew Windsor also provided a strong win. Iain Donnelly a previous county player returned to the team with Mark Balson making his first county appearance, they also produced a strong win anchoring the foursomes in the morning.

The afternoon singles gave Chris Dennis (Captain) the opportunity to mix the singles about and James Wythe responded to the challenge by winning his match 3/2. In the top match Dave Norton who was making his first appearance since regaining his amateur status started off shakily and was 2 down to Ben Churchill before knocking in five birdies in the next 9 holes and eventually running out the winner 2/1. The Army team responded well with ex Army champion Rick Smart playing some superb golf to pip Ben Harvey 2/1 and Al Patterson also edged out Giles Legg 2/1 who struggled on the greens in the afternoon.

The rest of the Dorset team led by senior players Dave Cook and Tony Lawrence dug in deep and won their matches with the exception of Mark Balson who missed a tricky putt on the 18th before halving his match.

Chris Dennis said ' I am extremely pleased with in particular our foursomes performance which shows great improvement and although the overall result was superb but we were concentrating on our foursomes results, that was the most important issue of the day. We now have one more friendly against BB&O next weekend when I will experiment with some other pairings before the season starts in earnest. Pleasingly everybody contributed to the team's performance today and this bodes well for the rest of the season'

The fixture was played at Broadstone which was in excellent condition and despite being fast and bouncy was a fair test for all concerned.