

DORSET COUNTY GOLF UNION

COLTS

MATCH: DORSET v HAMPSHIRE

LOCATION DUDSBURY GC DATE 29 JULY 2007

FOURSOMES

1	Tim Adams		0	Mark Bicknell	7&6	1	
	Jon Putman			Rob Patrick			
2	Jon Welch	3&1	1	Neil Raymond		0	
	Matt Hector			Tom Robson			
3	Dan Clark	4&3	1	Steve Lee		0	
	Charlie Peacock			Sam Shioman			
4	Mike Evans	1 up	1	Shaun Hall		0	
	Kieron Allen			Elliot Groves			
RESULT			3	RESULT			1

SINGLES

1	Matt Hector	5&3	1	Rob Patrick		0	
2	Jon Putman		0	Mark Bicknell	7&5	1	
3	Tim Adams		0	Neil Raymond	3&2	1	
4	Jon Welch		½	Tom Robson		½	
5	Dan Clark		0	Elliot Groves	1 up	1	
6	Charlie Peacock	1 up	1	Shaun Hall		0	
7	Kieron Allen		½	Steve Lee		½	
8	Mike Evans		0	Sam Shipman	2&1	1	
RESULT			3	RESULT			5

OVERALL RESULT

RESULT	6	RESULT	6
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General

Arrangements for the practice day and the match itself were fine except that no fixed times for practice were made available. This should be corrected for any home or away fixture. The practice day for Dorset was not compulsory as it was a home match. However I now believe it should be strongly encouraged without making it compulsory. We are dealing with young adults who do have other interests and commitments.

Refreshments at lunchtime are a necessity but it may be sensible to curtail alcohol consumption to a maximum of one pint if at all. One this time had two I am reliably informed. His results are there to see. I have given him a verbal warning and one last chance.

Match

We were fortunate in having a lovely dry day with a light wind. The morning was a great and pleasant surprise resulting in a 3:1 win. All credit to Dan and Charlie whom I had paired as a probable loss! Tim and Jon Putman were a disaster: Tim out of sorts and the pair had asked to play together!!! Tim went off for serious practice which still did not pay off. It is interesting that the "doubtfuls" – Dan, Charlie and Kieron all fared pretty well.

The singles proved the depth of talent of the Hampshire team many of whom were English Amateur players or balloted –out entrants. Matt did well to gain a really good win. Jon was a disaster again but Jon Welch emerged with a creditable half against a strong player. Dan fought hard; Charlie scraped but deserved his win; Kieron needs to polish his finishing attitude as he was Dormy 3 up and managed only to halve. In his case a good dose of short game and putting coaching would work wonders. Mike Evans met a guy who transformed his game from the morning. A lunch-time lesson gave him a sub-par round against Mike's 2 over.

Overall some pleasant surprises and a disappointment or two. We gained a half against a strong county. It should have been a small win!!

Summary

Some good lads here with high handicaps but match-play ability. I suggest some coaching for Kieron and one last chance for Jon Putman. Matt and Dan are better separated for foursomes. Please note that Dan Smith, Tim Adams and Luke Joy will not be available for the last two matches.

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29 July 2007