

## ***Match v Worcestershire at Hagley Golf Club 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016***

Hagley Golf and Country Club was the venue for the annual county match with our neighbour Worcestershire competing for the Reg Patrick trophy .

This was a very pleasant return to Hagley G.C. and it was very evident on entering the club house the extensions and improvements that have taken place.

Warwickshire captains were wined and dined in beautiful surroundings with a light lunch and excellent dinner overlooking the golf course, the latter we must make comments on.

The golf course is maturing beautifully and the condition of the fairways, a pleasure to strike the ball off. Sadly, not many Warwickshire players had that experience, but more about that later.

The competition for the Reg Patrick trophy is always a very competitive event which, in the past Warwickshire have been very successful. Sadly not in 2016, Warwickshire were beaten 5 matches to 3, and the wonderful trophy was lost.

The captain, Graham Pielow was very magnanimous about the result, issuing only 4 yellow cards and did threaten that reds could be forthcoming in the future.

This was a wonderful day, the golf played competitively and with true friendship, Worcestershire were excellent hosts, but were warned Warwickshire would go into strict training for next year.

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