

## Warwickshire v Derbyshire at Leamington & County Golf Club on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2012

The Leamington & County Golf Club was formed in 1908 on eighty acres of land on the Shrubland Hall estate. It is a club and course of outstanding quality and despite the atrocious weather of late, was in remarkably good condition when we played our match against Derbyshire Captains. Our thanks go to the Greens committee and staff responsible for presenting such good course during this very difficult summer.

Due to unfortunate injuries to two of the Derbyshire players, the teams were adjusted and we played seven fourball matches instead of eight. The two Leamington players, our President, Roger Mann and the ever reliable Roy Broady stepped down to allow players from other clubs to enjoy their course. They joined us for dinner and in between did an excellent job as “court photographer” and giving general hospitality all round. We thank them both.

Amazingly, we had the good fortune of an afternoon with a “weather window” of blue skies, warm sunshine and no rain. The course, although soft in places played well and Warwickshire became eventual winners by 4 ½ to 2 ½ .



The two Captains, Barry McDonald of Warwickshire and Adrian Shepperson of Derbyshire concluded a perfect day with appropriate compliments about the warm welcome from the Captain and staff of Leamington & County Golf Club, the course, the catering, the ladies who had served us at table and bar and looked forward to meeting again next year in Derbyshire.

Bernard Smith  
Match Sec.





