## Match v Northamptonshire at Robin Hood Golf Club 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018

We assembled prior to midday for our customary light lunch of mixed sandwiches and fresh chips.

Thankfully there were no absentees in spite of Manager John Loynton's watch gazing and peers into the Car Park as midday approached.

We were ushered into the newly refurbished and renamed Sports Bar which was clearly in pristine condition and words of "Welcome" were uttered by current Club Captain Steve Franklin.

The respective Managers of the day announced the teams after food was taken and players repaired to the newly appointed Changing rooms.

It is worthy of note that our President D Williamson Esq gained easy access to the Ladies` Changing Room with the correct code but he was dismissed in summary fashion by a battery of formidable females!

Play commenced a few minutes early and thankfully Manager Loynton had wisely made arrangements for the final 3 Four balls to commence at the 3rd Tee.

His "Work Here Was Done" and he trotted off to London on some spurious excuse for a jolly!

The Course was presented in excellent fashion and the Greens were true. The weather became warmer as the Round progressed thus players could only blame themselves for any errors - and there were a few noted as the matches progressed.

Pre prandial drinks were enjoyed on the Club's wonderful balcony overlooking the extended Putting Green and the 18th Fairway and Green.

The reduced waiting time at the end of the Round allowed us to go to table promptly at 6 30pm and after Captain JJ had "welcomed All" a pithy Yorkshire Grace was delivered by our President.

The fayre was of the usual very high standard and featured Smoked Salmon as the Starter and Lamb as the Main. The customary Wine was on the table and all had a most enjoyable repast.

The Captains' speeches were gracious and witty and there were only 2 downsides to the day

1) We failed to win the Trophy as we lost 2 - 6

2) There was yet again a lack of photographs to enhance this Report Come Back John Butler – All is Forgiven!