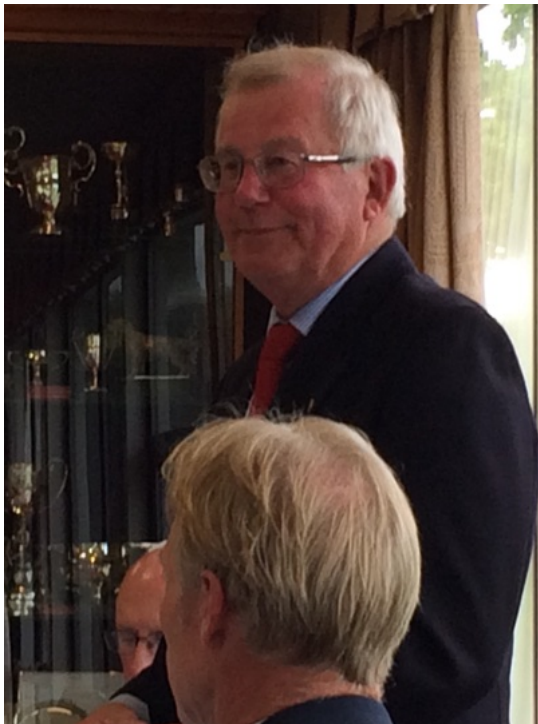


Warwickshire vs Devonshire at Coventry Golf Club

The forecast of a dull but dry day proved to be optimistic. It was certainly dull but the afternoon also brought some heavy showers which, coupled with a stiff and gusty breeze, made golfing tricky. Added to that the wind direction kept switching round so that moving from a hole into the wind to one in the opposite direction didn't bring the relief expected as the wind changed direction too. Nevertheless, the company was good and some excellent golf emerged during the day in which competitive but friendly matches were enjoyed by both teams. The early start to the day, with bacon rolls and coffee at 10 and tee times beginning earlier than planned at 10:45 proved successful in allowing the Devon lads to get on their way at an earlier time than usual – hitting the Motorways back down to Devon just after 6 pm.

Prior to that hospitality was shared in the Coventry Golf Club lounge, followed by the tasty dinner - a steak, stilton and port pie with a chocolate brownie dessert and ice-cream to top it off.

Captain Mike Edwards gave out the loyal toast and a brief talk about his match, also giving thanks to the greens and catering staff of Coventry Golf Club. He finished by calling on the Warwickshire team to toast their guests. Captain of Devon Graham Heaman followed by thanking Warwickshire for their hospitality and also thanking the staff of the club. He also thanked Warwickshire member Rob Stokes who had turned out at short notice to fill a gap in the Devonshire ranks. He announced the result of the match which was 5 ½ to 2 ½ in favour of the home team. He concluded by inviting his team to join him in a toast to Warwickshire.



Mike Edwards



Graham Heaman

Game 1 : Mike Edwards, Hamish Marshall, Graham Heaman and Pat Murphy



Game 2 : Ivor Ford, David Jack, Devon President Lew Easter and President John Loynton



Game 3 : Mike Gregory, Roger Bawden, Malcolm Jordain and Allan Moore



Game 4 : Dave Raffety, Stuart Darke, Rick Clarke and Dave Laurie



Game 5 : Ian Phipps, Malcolm Hughes, JJ Pritchard and Jonathan Lee



Game 6 : Gordon Williamson, Rob Pearce, Brian Waggett and Gary Thompson



Game 7 : Rob Stokes (representing Devon), Barry McDonald, Tony Ranger and Neil Hayman



Game 8 : David Williams, John Bardsley, Vice Captain Phil Webb and Dave Smith

