

Match v Gloucestershire at Brickhampton Court Golf Club on Tuesday 26th June 2012

The match against Gloucestershire was played at Brickhampton Court Golf Complex, which was created in 1994 but belies its youthfulness as it shows a remarkable maturity for an existence of only eighteen years

The course was designed by Simon Gidman, a member of the British Institute of Golf Course Architects and is set in 200 acres of gently undulating Gloucestershire countryside, so, with no steep hills and plenty of space we were treated to some wide fairways and gentle walking. However, this does not mean that the course has no bite because there are many challenges within the eighteen holes, particularly at the end of the inward half. It is a fair test for players of all abilities.

The hospitality of the Gloucestershire Captains and Brickhampton Golf Club was second to none. In particular, the Captain of Brickhampton Golf Club, Paul Whitnash, made both teams feel really welcome with his "welcome speech" at lunchtime, by providing refreshments on the 10th tee and drinks at the bar on completion of eighteen holes. His efforts were very much appreciated.

The weather was also kind to us in that it rained heavily up to our allocated tee time but then cleared up and gave us a warm and sunny afternoon.

None of this helped the Warwickshire team who were well beaten by Gloucestershire, 2½ to 5½

Bernard Smith
Match Sec.

Bob Crockford, Glos Captain, starting the evening celebrations



John Loynton WGC Acting Captain, demonstrating that he has lost none of his touch either on the golf course or at after dinner speaking



Bernard Smith and Ian Cornwall, match secretaries, reading out the teams and playing order



John Loynton (Acting WGC Captain) & Bob Fletcher with Bob Crockford (Glos. Captain) and Stuart Revell



Mike Gregory & Dennis Pick with Gerry Osborn (President GGC) & Brian Norman



David Williamson & Alan Griesbach with Rex Parry & Nick Broady (President Brickhampton GC)



John Butler & Ron Saywell with David Matthews and Ian Smith



Roy Broady & David Chamley with Ian Watkins & Pat White



John Pritchard & Jim Duff with Graham Ritchings & Trevor Mildren



Mike Gregg & Bernard Smith with John Skinner & Chris Wright



Jeff Hemming & Steve Stevenson with Tony Davis & Ian Cornwell

