

South Kyme 2.5 V 3.5 Laceby Manor

25th March (Home)

MATCH REPORT

We started our Match Play Season with a Home Match against Laceby Manor on a lovely bright and sunny day albeit a bit blustery.

Despite the fact that we lost by 3.5 to 2.5 it was a closely contested match against very strong opponents (4 players below Rabbits handicaps) who beat us 6 to 0 on their own course at the back end of 2016.

Group 1: Myself and John Spooner beat their Captain Ian Johnson and a 10 handicapper by 1 up after being 2 down in the front nine, John 'Spoons' Spooner graciously carried me through the front nine during my sabbatical until I woke up on the ninth (and smelt the coffee and pies from the Halfway House) we then both turned it around and eventually won.

I thought I had seen it all until "Spoons" strategically placed his ball in the water at the 14th to avoid winning a sleeve of the new Volvik Fluorescent Balls on offer as a prize for nearest the pin!!

Group 2: Graham and Helen fought hard against handicaps of 19 and 14 and in their own words were outclassed by 5 and 4.

Group 3: Alan and Kimberley also struggled against strong opposition who must have played very well given the current form of Alan Cowie! The word 'relentless' was used to describe their performance with a win of 5 and 4.

Kimberley was 'living on the edge' when she sent a ball flying from the 9th fairway past the 'A Team' waiting to tee off from the 1st hole tee box! I would keep your head down for a while Kimberley perhaps change your appearance next time out!

Group 4: Mark and Lorna played a valiant round against 15 and 18 handicappers being 2 up with 2 holes to go with the game finally ending all square. I think Ian may want to see you both in his office on Monday when he gets back!!

Group 5: Jody and Joan also struggled against 2 19 handicappers at the top of their game neither of whom did anything wrong whilst pushing everything down the middle of the fairway. In spite of this Jody and Joan kept the loss to 3 and 2.

Group 6: The stars of the show (leave the best to last) were Steve and Josh who came in with an impressive 6 and 5 win each of them taking in turns to be 'on fire' while the other struggled, they also holed all their putts.

Overall a very respectful result against some strong opposition who would have found it an easier course than their own.

Special thanks go to Janet and the staff for a wonderful breakfast and Helen for the lovely food at the Halfway House. Also we had a lot of comments from the Laceyby players about the great condition of the course by our Goundstaff.

Many Thanks

Andy Davis

Acting Rabbits Captain

On Behalf of Andy Murton and Ian Scholefield