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summer had made for poor growing conditions on the close cropped fairways. All of these factors suggested the superb West Lances course would provide a stern enough test, gentle or no. View the description "pussycat" in a purely relative sense...

The range of playing ability was wide, from plus-1 handicap to more than 12. This in mind, the opportunity for some one-sided matches was very real. As this would have been contrary to the spirit of the contest, organizers and team captains agreed to avoid such a scenario by the implementation of two devices: First, the matches would be played full handicap; second, the captains would, as near as possible, order their players in roughly ascending handicaps.

As the results show, this was a successful move with only five matches out of 18 being reasonably described as "comfortable victories/uncomfortable defeats." The morning foursquare were extremely closely contested, four of six went to the 18th, one to the 17th, with only Dean Morrison and George Renault of the Americas cruising to a 6 and 5 victory (see complete scoring results on page 30).

Opening salvos were jocular and generous with 3-foot "gimmies" fairly commonplace. By about hole seven the bonhomie was a good desideratum. As long as agreeable, take it away," had been replaced with a calculating silence. Tension was mounting.

By hole 14, the sole Canadian, Thom Charters, had his shoe off decrying "a merry tale or two." Was this building an early excuse? If the ailing affected his putting, it might have explained his three-odd on the 18th—whence two ways were won the game. By his own admission, "The Canadian choked it!"

Charters was not alone in a nervous display on the last. Alex Reid of Scotland missed from 2 feet and thus achieved a half, instead of what might have been a vital win.

The Cup went down almost to the wire. If Ian Buckley had not been 3 off the tee at the 18th, the result may have been different. However, truthfully, the result was perhaps not as important as one might imagine. Surely the excitement was felt as both team captains were waiting on the 18th with information and encouragement to the final few matches. But the real buzz was felt by everyone by dint of being involved in such a brilliant event.

Hayter's Macfie was delighted with the win, stating "You can't plan out, declaring that even the weather was great; "This is everything I hoped it would be," he said.

This correspondent would go one better: The event surpassed all expectations.

PGA's Reserve augments Fla. butterfly population

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla.—Audubon International has presented its top award to the PGA Golf Club at The Reserve—only the fifth in the nation to receive Audubon's Signature Status for environmental excellence.

The award ceremony—complete with a live butterfly release—took place during The Reserve's opening dedication celebration attended by hundreds of PGA delegates from across the country, special guests and the news media.

PARAMUS, N.J.—Westchester Country Club has become the second course in the state to achieve designation as a "Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary" by the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary System.

Our efforts and accomplishments are part of an overall plan to not only maintain The Ridgewood Country Club as one of the top golfing facilities in the U.S. but also to make our club environmentally sound," said Ridgewood President Fred Nydegger.

"The club is extremely committed to preserving the natural golfing habitat on its 275-acre complex," explained Ridgewood superintendent John J. Gasper, "and our long-range environmental plan was created so that RCC can improve and sustain our desired level of environmental quality for years to come."