ESSEX CAPTAINS' NARROW VICTORY VERSUS GREENKEEPERS

On Wednesday, 12th July, the annual match between the Society of Essex Golf Captains and the Essex Greenkeepers took place at the Romford Golf Club. This very popular event was held in ideal conditions both inside and out; the course was in excellent condition and the cold buffet for lunch and the fry-up for tea satisfied the needs of the inner man. Liquid refreshment was also plentiful, so naturally there was no room for complaints.

The match was 20-a-side and as we could not raise sufficient Greenkeepers an invitation was extended to a few outside the county. The Captains have donated a cup to be held by the winning side for a year; they also provided prizes for a four-ball competition among the Greenkeepers.

The Captains proved too strong for us and won by 391 points to 379, so became the first holders of the trophy. The Greenkeepers' prizes were won by a mixture of old and young and it gave me great pleasure to see the youngsters among the winners, giving them an incentive to continue.

Mr B. K. Herve, Captain of the Association, said how much pleasure it gave them to entertain the Greenkeepers for the day as it gave them a chance to repay the very excellent work entailed in keeping the courses in such fine condition; he also thanked the Romford Golf Club for allowing us to play, and the outdoor and indoor staff for the first-class service provided.

I replied by thanking the Captain for the wonderful day and also endorsed his remarks regarding the excellent services provided by the golf club staff, and also how much we all looked forward to this meeting. I would also like to thank Mr Robin Galloway, the Romford professional, for allowing the free use of trolleys.

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45	v.	R. Gould and S. Dennis ¹	43
39	v.	Hollington and F. Smith ²	41
34	v.	. Bennet and . Coyte ³ (19 2nd 9)	40
35	v.	P. Moore and P. Staines ⁴ (18 2nd 9)	40
41	v.	J. Ness and D. Craig	38
44	v.	C. Moore and F. Ford	37
35	v.	B. Ryan and F. Reed	37
38	v.	E. James and D. Singleton	36
37	v.	J. K. Glass and J. Noakes	35
43	v.	J. Stobbs and E. Foulkes	32
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1st Prizes Two pewter tankards engraved Essex Greenkeepers 1967

- 2nd Prizes Two table lamps
- 3rd Prizes Two cigarette lighters

4th Prizes Two bottles of whisky

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