SOUTHERN SECRETARIES v SOUTHERN SECTION GREENKEEPERS AT BEACONSFIELD ON WEDNESDAY, 15th OCTOBER

Once again the secretaries fielded a team which just had the edge on the Greenkeepers which enabled them to retain the Challenge Trophy.

It was a glorious day for the middle of October and the way the course was

playing was a great credit to Bob Plain, Ernie, Brian and young Claydon.

The Captain of the Secretaries, Air Commodore F. A. Pearce, in accepting the Trophy, said how much he had enjoyed being at Beaconsfield for the occasion.

Replying on behalf of the Southern Section the Secretary congratulated the victors and expressed the hope that this now very popular annual event would continue for many years to come.

The results were as follows:-

SECRETARIES V GREENKEEPERS

	a.m.	
A. Heron & S. MacDonald R. Davenport & J. Miller G. Waites & J. O'Dwyer E. L. Williams & J. Keenan E. G. Smith-Wright & L. Warne J. Adair & P. Myhill	0 B. Payne & R. Plain 1 D. H. Major & E. W. West 1 G. Payne & W. Machin 1 E. Hall & E. W. Folkes 0 R. Whitehead & C. A. Moore 1 F. W. Ford & S. Kilby	1 0 0 0 1 0 -
	p.m.	
A. Heron	1 B. Payne	0
R. Davenport	0 R. Plain	1
S. MacDonald	1 D. Major	0
J. Miller	0 E. W. West 0 W. Machin	1
P. Myhill J. O'Dwyer	1 G. Payne	0
J. Keenan	0 E. Hall	1
E. Williams	1 E. Folkes	0
J. Adair	1 P. Whitehead	0
G. Waites	1 C. A. Moore	0
L. Warne	½ F. W. Ford	1/2
E. Smith-Wright	0 S. Kilby	1
	$\overline{6\frac{1}{2}}$	$\frac{1}{5\frac{1}{2}}$
Match Result	$10\frac{1}{2}$	$7\frac{1}{2}$

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call for a drainage layer and a soil mix equivalent to those set out for greens. This will be impossible for a whole new course on a tight budget but it is worth considering when new tees are to be made on existing courses. Inward external slopes may also need drainage to cut surface flow or seepage on to the tee. Where these factors have to be considered, soil conditions are also likely to

be those where surfaced paths have to be provided alongside tees to avoid the development of trampled mud, as they do at the other end of the scale on very sandy soil where the surface breaks up.

Many problems will be solved if an acceptable grass substitute can be found for teeing areas. The rubber mat is not the final answer. The new golf course in Alaska is having a nylon tufted carpet for tees.