

## **SLCS with SGC**

### **21<sup>st</sup> August 2024 at Foxhills Club & Resort**

Our match with Surrey Golf Captains was very well supported by the members of our current and past Committees. It was a very joyous occasion for me as Foxhills is my home club and even the weather was kind. I was very pleased that our Vice President Sara Brown was our lead player. Unfortunately neither Joyce Jarvis or our President, Tonie Quantrell were able to attend.

Foxhills looked after us very well as we met for coffee or tea with sandwiches and hot snacks before play. The staff were very attentive and nobody got lost leaving the library and finding their way to the clubhouse and locker rooms.

We played the Longcross course, which was in very good condition: it had hosted a major tournament the previously. The course is lined with pine trees and somewhat narrow, however all the players were up for the challenge. I'm not sure how each group managed the 16<sup>th</sup>, which is played over water, with a tricky green that often sends your ball back into the lake.

Our starter, Archie was in full flow on the tee and made sure that everyone had all the information they could possibly need. In spite of the best efforts of our Course Marshal Paul some of the latter groups were somewhat behind the pace of play. This did mean that dinner was delayed. However I don't think anyone minded as they enjoyed their post match drinks in Bar XIX. The catering was very good, we had a delicious meal of braised feather blade of beef, thyme mash, roasted carrot, tender stem broccoli & red wine sauce, followed by passion fruit cheesecake and mango sorbet with passion fruit granola

My fourball included Clare Grigsby, who set the tone by sinking a huge putt on the first, the Mens Captain Graham Horn, who was a very good golfer and the ever present Eddie Wheeler. They all enjoyed the course and the whole experience, from the conversation and plenty of laughter making it a very friendly occasion, I had the impression that everyone enjoyed the day as much as my fourball

In common with our match with The London Captains we played a team competition with two best scores on each hole to count. On this occasion it was one female and one male score per hole. My group were the leaders in the clubhouse for the most of the afternoon, until the final group arrived to beat us by one point! Congratulations to the prize winners, Chris Braidwood, Cordelia Lamont, Richard Fawssett and Graham Palmer

Judy Searle

Captain 2024

Caroline Adderley, Sue Bower, Chris Braidwood, Sara Brown, Hazel Corstin, Suzie Gordon, Jeannette Goulding, Clare Grigsby, Judy James, Alex Jamison, Cordelia Lamont, Lesley Nickolds, Gerry Ross, Judy Searle, Helen Taylorson and Vicky Wheeler.