

## THE OXFORDSHIRE GOLF CAPTAINS



### MATCH SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR COMMITTEE MEETING AT DRAYTON PARK GOLF CLUB ON 27<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2017

#### (1) 2017 CLUB CAPTAINS

We must try and remember next year that we still have to sign up the 2017 Captains from Bicester, the Cotswolds, Carswell, the Oxfordshire (?) and Drayton Park. I think we can forget the 2017 Burford Captain, Witney Lakes seems a lost cause and I have removed Shrivenham from my records.

#### (2) 2017 FIXTURES

Having completed our fixture list, the final tally reads;  
PLAYED 20, WON 14, HALVED 1 and LOST 5.

#### (3) 2018 CALENDAR

I'm still waiting for Gloucestershire and Warwickshire's invitation to play our match on their patches and once I have them, and the confirmation of the Cornish venues, the 2018 calendar will be almost complete.

#### (4) THE 2017 AND 2018 CORNISH TOURS

The 2017 Cornwall Captains tour of Oxfordshire seemed to be a resounding success at all three venues, at each of which 24 a-side matches were played. We won at the Oxfordshire by 8 matches to 4, also at Studley Wood by 8½ matches to 3½, but sadly lost by 5 matches to 7 at Burford on the final day.

As far as our 2018 tour to Cornwall is concerned, I am informed that they hope to play our matches next year at the Points of Polzeath (England Golf's Golfmark Club of the Year 2017), Carlyon Bay and one other. St Enodoc is not possible next year because my Cornish counterpart's approach to the club was too late, and others got in before us, but they have been assured that the 2019 booking will be fine.

In the coming weeks I will circulate members to establish the numbers who might be interested. You are already aware, from my previous reports, that I have booked the same number of rooms at Carlyon Bay for 2018 that we had this year; 35 is the maximum number we will entertain.

(5) THE CAPTAIN'S 2017 AUTUMN TOUR

Seventeen of us eventually made up the number at Dartmouth for a wet and windy three days of golf. The hotel and the golf course were both, in my opinion at least, superb but I was very pleased to be in a buggy rather than trying to engage in mountain climbing.

After the three days of golf, Gerry Hinnigan was justly declared the 2017 Touring Champion.

(6) AUTUMN NEWSLETTER

Once all the golf has been concluded, I will draft the newsletter and circulate it amongst the committee for alterations and additions. Should you have any ideas about what might be included, perhaps you would let me have them by email sometime please.

**Roger**

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Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2017