



Leith Rules Golf Society 1744

Challenge Match v Bruntsfield Short Hole Golf Club at Leith Links - 7 July 2022

To paraphrase the song, the sun shone on Leith on the evening of 7 July for the annual hickory match on Leith Links against Bruntsfield Short Hole GC. A warm evening but with a stiffish breeze in evidence. The match was played with four teams aside in foursomes format. The result was an honourable draw 2-2.

The Leith Rules side of Jim Scanlon and Ian Hislop won their match against David Barron and Scott Allison. Robin Miller playing with Eamonn Keane also secured a win over the BSHGC pair of David Halkerston and Bruce Watt. In the other two matches Alastair Chalmers and Graeme Hislop lost to Alastair Bennett and Alan Smart with John Dixon and Llew Jenkins going down to Ian Proudfoot and William Wright. Three of the four matches were decided by the narrow margin of one hole all going to the last putt on the last green. A tight contest indeed.



The evening concluded with pie and beans in the bowling club. LRGS Secretary Robin Miller welcomed the BSHGC players to Leith Links and presented the Knowles Challenge club to BSHGC Captain David Barron to be shared between Leith Rules and BSHGC. Prior to the match a number of Bruntsfield Short Hole players had said that this was their first experience with hickory and Robin commented that they seemed to have learned pretty quickly! David, replying on behalf of the visitors, thanked Leith Rules for their hospitality and that the BSHGC team had much enjoyed the evening and looked forward to the return match at Bruntsfield Links on 21 July.



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The evening concluded with a vote of thanks to the marshals (from left): Charles Urquhart, Alison MacDonald, Pat Denzler and Maggie Archdale who all had done a sterling job in keeping things moving and to the staff of the bowling club for looking after every one so well.

