

Match Report

BTRGS v Halesworth Golf Club – The Baumbach Trophy

Our team arrived on time at 16.00 but Halesworth, like us, were struggling to get a full team so some of their players arrived later than expected (after work). Eventually both sides managed to field eight golfers each and the last ones teed off at 16.50. The weather, unlike my golf, was great and we enjoyed golf in beautiful sunshine with a gentle breeze. The greens were in good condition, although some had been drilled recently. The fairways were firm, favouring the big hitters, but the rough was treacherously dense and deep, so demanded accuracy.

The course is set in a beautiful, quiet (apart from the nearby peacocks!) part of Suffolk. A barn owl winnowed over the rough looking for mice – I hope he had more luck than we did looking for our golf balls that strayed there – and hares watched from the safety of the fairways, as we progressed towards the 19th in the twilight and gathering humidity.

Trevor and David played an excellent round, beating their opponents (which included the Halesworth Captain) by seven holes. Unfortunately the rest of us fared less well. I felt particularly sorry for Kevin and Paul whose opponents turned out to be 8 and 9 handicappers, but they put on a valiant performance and did well.

After the match we enjoyed a delicious two-course meal and coffee in the comfort of the spikes bar.

All in all: good golf, good company, good food and a good thrashing. We'll be back next year!

Match Results

Group	Player	Opponents	Result
1	T Buck	Player A	BT 7 up
	D Clark	Player B	
2	R Gillman	Player C	BT 4 down
	J Hopkins	Player D	
3	P Burke	Player C	BT 8 down
	K Folan	Player D	
4	I Wright	Player C	BT 5 down
	S Hughes	Player D	
			BT 10 down

Iain Wright
Captain of the Day