

County 2nd team Midlands South Regional Finals Tuesday 8th August 2023 at Edgbaston golf club



It was a very early start on the Tuesday 8th August for the county 2nd team Midland South regional finals held at Edgbaston golf club. Most of the team travelled early for the 8.20am start. We were playing Northamptonshire for the 1st/2nd team playoff having each won our mini regional league. The morning foursomes scratch matchplay went well, and we won two of the three matches.

Foursomes

Eloise Feely and Susanna Mitterer v Olivia Holyoak-Church and Katie Amos.	Won 2 & 1
Rachel Mackinlay and Amelie Jones v Chelsey Sharp and Emily Nun.	Won 3 & 2
Charlotte Keel and Sue Holdship v Lila Bisset and Amy Nunn.	Lost 6 & 4

The afternoon singles scratch matchplay games were keenly contested and ended with the final result being decided by putts on the 18th green in 3 of the matches. Northamptonshire edged these matches and won 3.5 of the first 5 matches to finish, meaning Sue Holdship needed a win to halve the whole competition which would result in a count back of holes won and lost by each county in total, in the combined morning foursomes and afternoon singles matches. Sue was 1 down going down the 17th but rallied to make it all square heading down the 18th. Unfortunately for us the opposition produced an excellent chip and single putt to deny us of a win on the last hole and hence secured 1st place to Northamptonshire.

Singles

Eloise Feely v Lila Bisset.	Lost 1 down
Rachel Mackinlay v Chelsea Sharp.	Halved
Charlotte Keel v Olivia Holyoak-Church.	Lost 5 & 4
Katie Reid (Capt) v Amy Nunn.	Lost 4 & 3
Sue Holdship v Katie Amos.	Lost 1 down
Amelie Jones v Eleanor Hamilton	Won 7 & 6

The standard of golf from both sides was superb on the day on a beautiful course in the heart of Birmingham. The course was in great condition considering the amount of rainfall in the week before. It was a challenging layout with lots of slopes and pins tucked away on many of the greens. The whole event was played in a sporting and respectful way from both counties, and everyone enjoyed playing a high standard of golf against different opposition. Thank you for all of the 2nd team representing Buckinghamshire, for giving up their whole day, travelling considerable distances, and playing some awesome golf!

Katie Reid
2nd team captain

