

Birchwood 2nd Team progress to 4th final in 4 years!!!

Well, believe it or not, Birchwood's 2nd team has proven once again just how difficult they are to play against and how much determination that the team has got by getting through to yet another final of the North Cheshire League.

It all started off with an away date vs Flixton in the playoff game and it wasn't looking good after the results of the first 4 matches in the clubhouse left the score as 3.5 – 0.5 for Flixton!!

However the comeback then started and didn't stop. Wins for Danny Wells, Wes Gibson and John Welch got the score back to 3.5-3.5 with a single match left out on the course played by George Pearson.

When he eventually appeared and gave a big thumbs up and smile then the comeback was complete and it meant a semi-final appearance away against Antrobus.

Antrobus, the team that had only lost a single match in the league format of the competition and were defending champions having beaten Birchwood last year.... Away from home too. This was not going to be easy!!

But Birchwood are known as a tough team to beat either at home or away. The team always seems to excel in tough situations and that is exactly what they did.

It started off not too well with Antrobus winning the 1st two matches back in the clubhouse to get off to a 2-0 lead. However a good win from Andy Fox on the 18th pulled it back to 2-1 and then Paul Timmins holed out from off the green with a 40ft putt to get a half and yet another win from George Pearson 5&4 left the score all tied at 2.5-2.5.

Things were getting tense and this was made even worse when Antrobus won the next match to take a 3.5-2.5 lead and only needed to find a single point from the last 2 remaining matches to get into another final.

However, a massive 6&5 victory for Wes Gibson brought it back all square with one match left out on the course and it was just like the playoff match all over again... only this time it came down to John Welch.

And after what seemed like an eternity, John eventually appeared and gave another thumbs up with a 2&1 victory to take Birchwood through to yet another final appearance.

This is now their 4th final in 4 years since skipper Andy Fox took over and hopefully we can go on to repeat our success from 2016 and get our name on the trophy yet again.

A massive thanks to all those who have played for the team so far this year to get us to another final.

Andy Fox
Christian Genders
Danny Wells
Dave Queaney
Doug Broadstock
George Pearson
Ian Wright
John Welch
Mark Bex
Martyn Starkey
Paul Timmins
Pete Gold
Rob McLean
Steve Davock
Wes Gibson