

21st April 2011 - Berkshire vs Hertfordshire.

Ladies 2nd team match at Reading GC.

Result: Hertfordshire won 5 1/2 points to 3 1/2.

Another beautiful day in the sunshine was experienced by the Ladies 2nd team in their match at a superbly presented Reading course. The match was again played in a friendly but competitive spirit and much fun was had and some excellent golf played.

Berkshire were extremely unlucky to end the morning foursomes 3 - 0 behind after Lauren Dodd & Emily Shaw and Maureen Harman & Elaine Moffatt both lost close matches on the 18th following a 5&3 loss for Lizzie Swallow and Jo Pitken. A spirited singles performance in the afternoon however meant that Berkshire would win the afternoon singles if not the match.

In those afternoon games there was a win for Lizzie Swallow 3&1 in a very high quality match which finally finished on the 17th. Elaine Moffatt halved her match after a late fightback by her opponent and Jo Pitken put up a brave fight which included an eagle on the 13th before succumbing 3&2. Lauren Dodd was eventually overpowered by her opponent 4 & 2 but Emily Shaw and Maureen Harman both sealed victories 4&2 and 2&1 respectively.

Reading GC are to be congratulated on the wonderful welcome they gave to the County teams from the moment of arrival to departure. It was with real pride that I hosted the match on the day and the lovely weather definitely helped too.