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Many of you have told me how you looked forward to, and were entertained by, Jim's post match round-ups. I can't pretend to have his turn of phrase or skill with anecdotes, but I am delighted to report a comfortable (6.5 to 3.5) win in our opening match of the season, against our close neighbours (and rivals) from North Berwick. We were blessed with an almost perfect day for winter golf – sunshine, a light breeze, and most importantly, no rain! Given the conditions from the day before and the relocated beach covering the first fairway and green at the start of the day it really was a minor miracle.

North Berwick had a strong start, gaining narrow victories in the first two matches - a tough baptism for two of the four rookies in the team (Neil and Alan). I am sure they will take positives from the experience for their next time (as will your defeated captain). With half of the matches home the visitors held a 1 point lead, but a half from game 6 (with Eric in his first match) finally ended their points gathering with the final four matches all going to Tantallon to secure the win. Congratulations to all, including Mark Roberts, the final newbie.

Tantallon has now won the trophy in each of the four years since it was first presented, though their captain Rod was happy, noting this was their closest match yet! Now that's how to spin and find a positive! Finally and most importantly, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the camaraderie and post-match hospitality with a cracking meal from Jane and the team and I'd just like to reiterate my thanks to them.

We had really strong interest from the senior members in this match, with many eager to play, act as reserves, or just giving apologies for this match while expressing desire to participate in future matches. That makes my role in pulling team together really easy and I am really looking forward to the rest of the season.

Next up are matches against the Glen GC (at home) on Wed 11th March closely followed by a match away to Dunstanburgh Castle GC on Wednesday 18th March. You can express your availability (or not) through the ClubV1 members app or let me know one way or the other if you have any technical difficulties.

Far and Sure

Richard