



everyone a winner

The **"MAY DAY DOUBLES"** at Hartley country Club held on Sunday 1st May, with 34 teams taking part from Croydon, London, Wales, Railway, Bat & Ball, Lordswood, New Ash Green, Sidcup, Maypole, Seal, Ightham and Hartley. Good to see Juniors AARON NASH, GEORGE MARTIN and JASON WHITE taking part.

A day with weather that seemed to cover all the seasons, from warm sun, cold and grey, wet and windy, but the players helped to produce a good playing atmosphere. The competition was organised by MICK NASH, COLIN SENNECK and HAZEL TEALE with a few of the Hartley members helping to set-up and clear-up after the competition. JANET and REG DOBBSON provided an excellent bar-b-que with the first time addition of home made cakes in the afternoon.

This was a long day, starting on time at 10am with the final of the main competition finishing just before 9pm. No particular reason other than a couple of games throughout the day took a lot longer to play than normal. Good to see the players from Wales again, who make several visits to Kent during the summer (led it seems by PHIL BRADSHAW), to play in some of the open competitions. Some made an early morning start driving from Wales and others stayed on Saturday night at the "Bull Hotel" at Wrotham, both hotel and restaurant come recommended by DAN MURPHY from Wales.

As is the norm at Hartley open competitions, all the entry fees are returned as prize money, distributed this time as follows.....MAIN COMPETITION £120 winner, £70 runner-up, £30 and £30 semis. PLATE COMPETITION £50 winner £30 runner-up. CONSOLAGE £40 winner and £20 runner-up.

The overall winning team of the MAIN COMPETITION was FERDI and RASCHID London Club with runners-up MATT HERRIGAN and BARRY WING Lordswood and London Club. PLATE WINNERS were CRAIG POYNTER and GLENN HUTCHINSON Hartley with runners-up JAN and DENNIS GREENLAND Hartley. CONSOLAGE WINNERS were BOB GAYWOOD and JEAN LOUIS GUIOT Hartley and the runners-up were DUNCAN and CHRIS BROWN from the Railway.