## A Good Way to Score Hcp Match Play

Kieran's Hcp is 29. Andy's is 16. 29-16= 13 so Kieran gets an extra shot on 13 holes. Use the Match Index to identify the 13 holes. They have been circled on this card. When scoring a hole show a Win with a + and a Loss with a - Show Halved holes with a 0
Hole 1 Kieran concedes before we reach the green. Win (+) to Andy. Loss (-) to Kieran. No scores to write down.
Hole 2 Kieran makes 5. Andy is 4 before he putts but needed 4 just to halve the hole. He concedes without putting. Win (+) to Kieran. We can write his score in but leave Andy's score blank.
Hole 3 Kieran makes 6 then Andy makes 4 to win the hole even though he is giving Kieran a shot.
Hole 4 They halve the hole because Kieran has an extra shot. Enter the respective 6 and 7 scores.
Hole 5 Andy loses shots in a bunker and concedes before anyone putts out. Just enter the + or - for each of us.
Hole 6 More bunkers and another hole conceded early by Andy.
Holes $\mathbf{7}$ \& 8 are Halved as Kieran makes use of his extra shots but Andy Wins the $\mathbf{9}^{\text {th }}$ Hole which is one of the holes with a Match Index index greater than 13 so there is no extra shot for Kieran.
After 9 Holes our Match is All Square because the Pluses and Minuses cancel out. Custom dictates that you draw a square in the result box to show the state of play instead of a zero. (If one of us had Won one hole more than the other player our scores would be +1 and -1 respectively.)

On the Back Nine Kieran strings together a few easy Wins to be $\mathbf{3}$ Up after 12 Holes. He Birdies 12 just to rub it in! Andy fights back to Halve the next two Holes but is still 3 Down after 14 Holes.
After the $12^{\text {th }}$ Hole Andy gets on a roll. He Wins both Hole 15 and Hole 16.


TEE MARKERS: Blue - Men's Competition. White - Ladies Competition and Forward Mens Competition. Yellow - Mens Green Fee Players and Member's Non Competition. Red - Ladies Green Fee Players and Forward Ladies Competition.

Andy is now only 1 Down with two holes to play. Perhaps he can count on the fact that he does not have to give a stroke to Kieran on the Par $517^{\text {th }}$ Hole. Do Miracles happen? No such luck. A poor drive and a chunked chip shop condemn him to a seven.
Kieran calmly sinks a 3 foot putt for 6, to Win the Hole. He moves to 2 Up with 1 Hole to play. Even if Andy wins the next Hole, he cannot catch Kieran.
Our Match is over.
KIERAN Wins 2 and 1

There is no need to play the next Hole because it cannot count. (P.S. If you are all Square in a Match after the 18 th hole or $15^{\text {th }}$ hole on the North, you keep replaying it until someone Wins the Hole and finishes 1 Up)

Make sure the Winner's name and the Winning margin are shown on the Score Card

There are other ways to keep score than the one modelled here. This is just one that allows you to double check the result pretty easily. AndyB

