

1885 Hoylake, Royal Liverpool

Winner **AF Macfie**

First Round

J Ball III <i>R Liverpool</i>	8/6	Col EH Kennard <i>R Liverpool</i>
B Hall-Blyth <i>Honourable Company</i>	3/2	AH Doleman <i>Lytham & St Anne's</i>
HSC Everard <i>Royal & Ancient</i>	2/1	J Sharpe <i>Dalhousie</i>
J Ball jun <i>R Liverpool</i>	4/3	T Gilroy <i>Tantallon</i>
JW Duncan <i>London Scottish</i>	4/3	F Muir <i>R Liverpool</i>
Dr A Robertson <i>Royal & Ancient</i>	wo	TS Henry <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
J Dun <i>R Liverpool</i>	1/2	J Wilkie <i>R Liverpool</i>
HG Hutchinson <i>Royal & Ancient</i>	3/2	AH Molesworth <i>R Wimbledon</i>
FC Crawford <i>R Blackheath</i>	5/4	A Dennistoun
JW Mure <i>R Liverpool</i>	wo	R Wilkie <i>R Liverpool</i>
J Cullen <i>R Liverpool</i>	4/2	R Clark
W More jun <i>R Liverpool</i>	3/1	Col AM Brown <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
JR Hutchison <i>Royal & Ancient</i>	wo	J Penn <i>R Blackheath</i>
JE Laidlay <i>Honourable Company</i>	4/3	Col A Briggs <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
FH Maitland-Dougall	5/4	JL Luke <i>Dalhousie</i>
<i>Royal & Ancient</i>		
W Doleman <i>Glasgow</i>	1/2	AF Macfie <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
T Gilroy <i>Dublin</i>	6/4	TO Potter <i>R Liverpool</i>
C Hutchings <i>R Liverpool</i>	4/3	R Gilroy <i>Dalhousie</i>
S Mure Fergusson <i>Royal & Ancient</i>	wo	FP Crowther <i>R Liverpool</i>
JW Cathcart <i>Royal & Ancient</i>	2 holes	J Mansfield <i>Honourable Company</i>
RW Brown <i>R Liverpool</i>	2 holes	K Macdonald <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
WM de Zoete <i>R Blackheath</i>	7/5	Sir W Simpson <i>Royal & Ancient</i>



The draw for this first championship appears to have been made under the influence of the Calcutta Cup, a competition played at St Andrews in which the two competitors in a halved match both advance to the next round. Thus there appear in the second round J Dun and J Wilkie who finished all square in one match, and AF Macfie and W Doleman who also finished all square. In the fourth round Macfie again finished all square, this time against de Zoete. A new match was played between them which again finished all square and it was not until the 18th green in the third match they played that Macfie won. In all, they had been locked together over 54 holes. Whereas it is true to say that Macfie is the only man in the history of the championship to get a bye into the final, by the time he got there he had played two more rounds than his opponent.

The match of the week has always been considered to be the semi-final between Hutchinson and John Ball III, who in the third round had beaten his father, John Ball junior. In subsequent years the son assumed the name of John Ball junior.

Second Round

J Ball III <i>R Liverpool</i>
B Hall-Blyth <i>Honourable Company</i>
HSC Everard <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
J Ball jun <i>R Liverpool</i>
JW Duncan <i>London Scottish</i>
Dr A Robertson <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
J Dun <i>R Liverpool</i>
J Wilkie <i>R Liverpool</i>

HG Hutchinson <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
FC Crawford <i>R Blackheath</i>
JW Mure <i>R Liverpool</i>
J Cullen <i>R Liverpool</i>
W More jun <i>R Liverpool</i>
JR Hutchison <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
JE Laidlay <i>Honourable Company</i>
FH Maitland-Dougall <i>Royal & Ancient</i>

W Doleman <i>Glasgow</i>
AF Macfie <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
T Gilroy <i>Dublin</i>
C Hutchings <i>R Liverpool</i>
S Mure Fergusson <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
JW Cathcart <i>Royal & Ancient</i>
RW Brown <i>R Liverpool</i>
WM de Zoete <i>R Blackheath</i>

Third Round

Ball III
7/6
Ball jun
1 hole
Robertson
6/5
Dun
4/3

Hutchinson
2 holes
Mure
1 hole
More
5/4
Maitland-Dougall
2 holes

Macfie
5/4
Gilroy
3/2
Fergusson
4/3
de Zoete
3/1

Fourth Round

Ball III
4/2
Robertson
6/5

Hutchinson
4/3
More
2/1

Macfie
2/1
de Zoete
8/6

Semi Finals

Ball III
5/3

Hutchinson
5/3

Macfie
1 hole

Final

Hutchinson
3/2

Macfie 7/6

Macfie
bye