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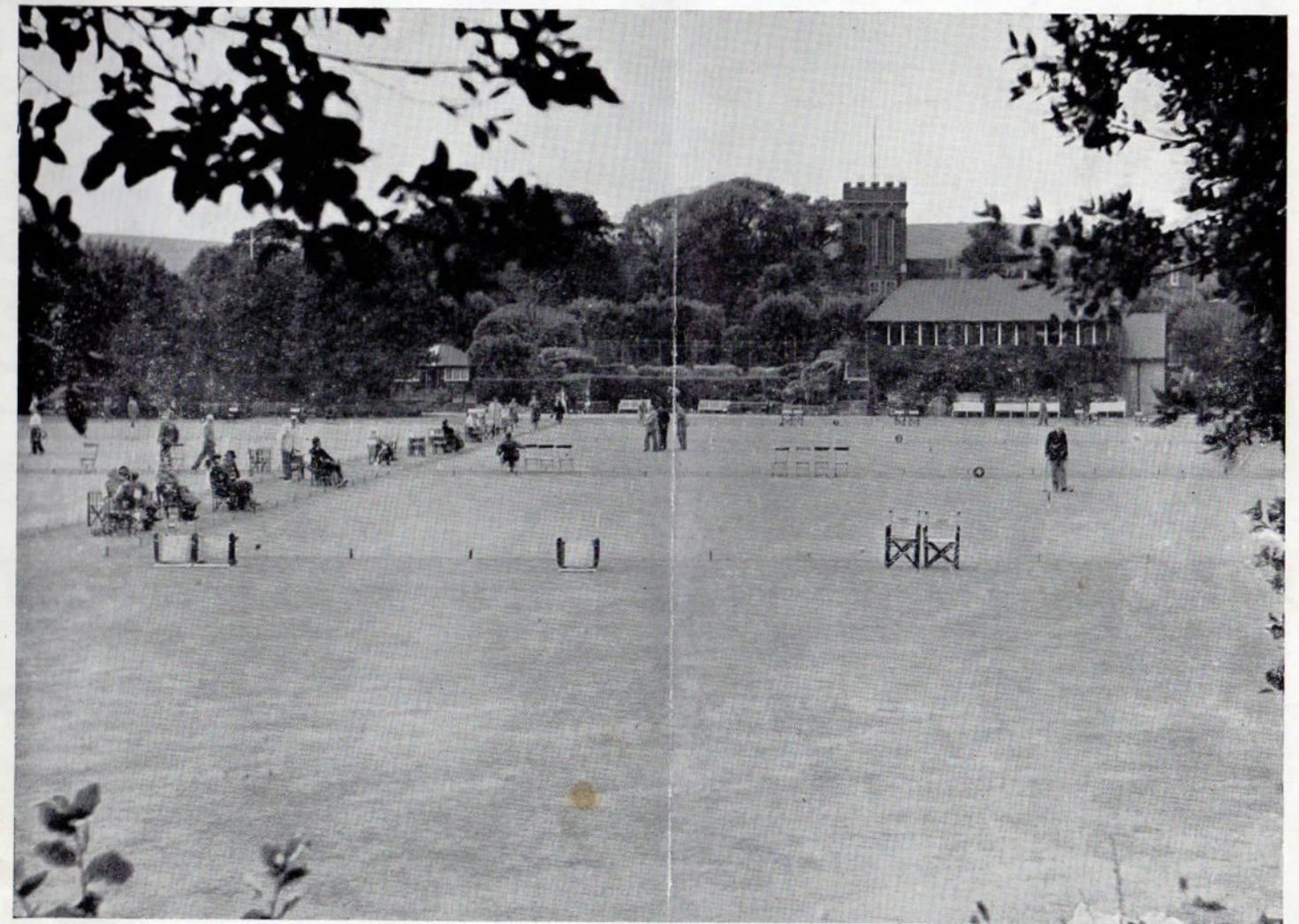
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Thursday, September 20th, 1956

### CHALLENGE AND GILBEY CUPS

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W. P. Ormerod —1 to —2.  
Mrs. E. Haigh Smith 7 to 6.  
Miss E. J. Warwick 1 to ½.

### SOUTHWICK

Mrs. M. Craven 1 to 3.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels 5½ to 5.  
Mrs. J. H. Dibley 4½ to 4.  
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G. F. Paxon 7 to 6.  
Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart 7 to 6.

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Miss E. E. Bennett 13 (12) to 11.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels 5 to 4½.  
Miss D. M. Latham 9 to 8½.  
Capt. J. Pulein Thompson \*7 to 14 (D 12)  
during play.  
Capt. J. Pulein Thompson 14 (D 12) to 12  
(D 10).  
Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart 6 to 5.

### HUNSTANTON

B. Lloyd-Pratt 6½ to 5.

### PARKSTONE

Major F. Hill-Bernhard 7½ to 6.  
A. G. F. Rash 9 new handicap.  
G. W. Solomon 3½ to 3.  
E. Whitehead 5½ to 5.  
Mrs. E. Whitehead 14 (D 12) to 12 (D 10).

### ROEHAMPTON CLUB RECOMMENDATION

Miss A. M. Carlyon 4½ to 6½.

### HANDICAP CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. W. Longman —1 to —1½.  
R. V. N. Wiggins 0 to —½.

## NOTES by ROVER

### Too Good to be True?

It seemed quite like old times to be talking at Roehampton again of the "Best Ten." Perhaps, however, the ten on this occasion were not in fact quite the best, seeing that, apart from the unhappy circumstances which prevented Clement Watkins from competing (and his wife from continuing), three of the great team which represented England at Hurlingham were absent from the list. We can readily understand that there may be good reason, especially in so crowded a season as this, why players should feel unable to accept an invitation for this event. Yet it would really detract from the prestige and interest of this unique competition if it often failed to attract those best qualified to play in it. Nothing of what has just been said must be interpreted to suggest any reflection upon the remarkably high standard of play shown by those who came out at the top this year. John Solomon and Patrick Cotter can seldom have played better, indeed there are moments as we watch them that we wonder whether they are not playing too well for the good of the game! Elsewhere the question is raised whether croquet does not take too long to play, but looking on at our greatest players it often seems to us not to take long enough!

### The Young Idea

Two years ago a writer in these pages ventured to suggest that in William Ormerod we might have "almost another John Solomon." The record of this young man (he is now, we believe, the same age as John was when he won the New Zealand Championship) as a Test Match and tournament player and, as winner of the Surrey Cup, is such as not only to justify this position but to indicate that now the word "almost" might well be removed. What is perhaps most remarkable about Mr. Ormerod's rise is not even its rapidity, but that it should have been prepared for not at a Metropolitan centre among experts at the game, but at a provincial club with no minus players amongst its members. Indeed this player may almost be said (on the analogy of a famous artist and the rhinoceros) to have evolved his croquet out of his inner consciousness. No doubt we are here in the presence of an exceptional talent; yet Mr. Ormerod's prowess suggests to us how much our game—understandably enough—loses in skill, enterprise and nerve by the predominance in its contests of what are politely described as the "upper age groups." "Strive, strive, how so e're we strive," sang Belloc, "Youth declines at fifty-five." But now that the young men are coming along (for our hero is not the only one), may we not hope to see something of the young ladies? There were plenty of them at tournaments when Rover began the game.

### Don't Just Drift!

Watching croquet this season has led one observer to the reflection that of all strokes in the game the most unprofitable is the long drifting

shot back to one's partner ball. Nothing is so difficult to achieve with accuracy; the ball goes too far, or not far enough, or on a rolly court may curve away at a most dismaying angle. The stroke, however, unlike most others, is one not to be practised but to be avoided; what does perhaps need to be practised are ways of avoiding it. For the long drift back is far more often than not the consequence of a lack of reasonable foresight. A common instance arises when one has to take off to separate two balls. In such a case if no hoop can easily be made so that a break can be begun and continued the player should never be content merely to croquet his adversary's ball away somehow, leaving himself a long return to his partner. He should either get a rush on one of them after having hit the other, and then take off to a favourable spot near his own ball, or arrange for a reasonably easy split shot which will take him to such a position. What many, even of the B class, to say nothing of higher bisquers, do not seem to realise is that accurate split shots are as necessary in laying breaks as they are in making them. And because such shots are not made from standard positions, they need even more care to achieve satisfactorily.

### Shortened Games

The experiment of timed games at the Hurlingham tournament, together with Major Abbey's letter in our August issue, has brought prominently before croquet players the difficult question of whether the game of croquet as played today is too long to attract many new players. This, we think, is the crucial question and not that any change is primarily desired either to help managers or to shorten tournaments.

Doubtless the council will give consideration to the matter. It seems to us that there are two fundamental questions which must first be asked and answered. They are these: (a) is there a real and pressing need for the introduction of a shorter game, and (b) if there is such a need can the game of croquet be shortened in any way and still remain the same fascinating trial of skill that it is today.

Major Abbey's letter suggests that the answer to the first question is *yes*. Many are doubtful and few would go so far as to say that croquet will be dead in twenty years time if some change is not made (as we have on occasion heard it said). It is the natural inclination to say why not leave well alone and wait and see. Is this wise?

Still it would be far better to do nothing if the answer to our second question is *no*. This question seems to be even more fundamental than the first, for if croquet is to suffer by being shortened then let us make no mistake and know that there is nothing to be done about it.

We hope the matter will be given the close consideration that it deserves and will be fully discussed.

# THE PRESIDENT'S CUP

September 10th—15th

THIS, the sixteenth competition for the President's Cup, was remarkable for two reasons; it was the first time since the last war that the original number of players—it was always known as "The Best Ten"—was reverted to; and never before had there been half that number our Test Match opponents playing for the International Trophy.

That fine New Zealand player, K. H. Izard, played in "The Best Ten" in 1914; and that very popular Australian, J. C. Windsor, had appeared in the competition in 1925 and 1937—in this last year he only failed to win the trophy because Miss D. D. Steel won 13 games and he 12.

In this competition for the President's Cup it will be noted that more than one of the New Zealand Test Match team very considerably interfered with the progress of their opponents.

Miss I. Wainwright was the first to achieve this; and she applied her mallet with such consistent accuracy when playing E. P. C. Cotter that instead of his continuing in sequence from six games to seven, by her accurate play his score remained at six. Not content with this, Miss Wainwright again resorted to a concentrated attack on Cotter in the sixteenth round by which his score remained at 13 and hers went to 9.

Mrs. C. Watkins was the other New Zealander to take a game off Cotter; this was accomplished by first of all triple-peeling him and pegging him out. To the regret of every one, soon after this fine victory Mrs. Watkins was taken ill and was unable to continue in the competition. Such a sad occurrence as this had happened once before; in 1927, when W. Windsor Richards was obliged to retire from the competition.

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins had come back to form in this important event, finishing third. A notable game of his was that against G. Rowling in the twelfth round. Rowling had played fine croquet; but when for 4-back and the peg he accidentally hit it! Allowed later to proceed from that hoop, he failed to make the rover hoop. Wiggins by one accurate three-ball break—and another not quite in sequence—won the game. J. W. Solomon, in the eighth round, did a quadruple—but not the peg-out in sequence. In the next round he did the quadruple and the peg-out. There were several triple-peels accomplished; the 3 11/16 hoops seemed to place no bar to their completion.

As the competition neared its last few rounds, the scores of three players kept close together—those of Cotter, Solomon and Wiggins; at the 16th round it was a neck and neck affair between Cotter and Solomon—each player in sequence had scores of 13, 14 and 15 games.

This, of course, meant that, after the 18th round these two players had to play a best-of-three match to decide which of them would be the 1956 winner of the President's Cup.

It was late in the afternoon when they met before a keen and interested group of spectators.

Solomon, though somewhat—for him—late in settling down to the first game, eventually played attractive croquet and won it, +14, embroidered by a triple peel.

The next game appeared, for quite a time, to be also his; Cotter, however, decided that one was enough, and he settled down to playing delightfully quick accurate croquet—winning this second game +15. We understand that it is—at the time of writing—impossible to say if and when a third game will be played.

Mrs. G. J. Turketine carried out her duty as manager of both this event and the Surrey Cup, in her usual quiet—but very efficient manner. She had the help of several ladies during the week to whom also thanks are rendered.

## The Surrey Cup

This comparatively new competition—in fact the second of its kind—was again kept to eight players—three of whom, M. Spencer Ell, Major J. W. Cobb and Col. D. W. Beamish, had played last year—Col. Beamish then being the winner with 11 games.

Of the other five players, W. P. Ormerod soon asserted himself—in fact it was not till the tenth round that he lost a game, Col. D. W. Beamish causing this long sequence of victories to cease. This fine player had only lost two games and finished second to Ormerod in the competition. Major Cobb was third with 7 games—and then R. Faulkner, who took some time to settle down to his true form, finished fourth.

That wonderful player, M. Spencer Ell, who finished second last year with 10 games, was not able to win more than half that number now.

It seems only fair to say something in conclusion about the weather; for by comparison with other important events on the Calendar of 1956—notably the Open Championships—the week's croquet now under review was almost allowed to happen in the dry.

Wootton, the head groundsman and his staff, had provided the 10 lawns with a surface of perfection.

## The President's Cup

E. P. C. Cotter won 15 games; namely, against Mrs. C. Watkins +17, M. B. Reckitt +9 +24, Mrs. W. H. Kirk +18 +26, G. D. Rowling +5 +26, Mrs. E. Rotherham +10 +14, A. G. F. Ross +19 +17, J. W. Solomon +24 +16, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins +26 +25. And lost 2 games to Miss I. Wainwright -5 -6.

J. W. Solomon won 15 games; namely, against Mrs. C. Watkins +6, Miss I. Wainwright +13 +26, M. B. Reckitt +26 +10, Mrs. W. H. Kirk +4 +15, G. D. Rowling +21 +13, Mrs. E. Rotherham +25 +26, A. G. F. Ross +23 +13, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins +16 +5. And lost 2 games to E. P. C. Cotter -24 -16.

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins won 11 games; namely, against Mrs. C. Watkins +16, Miss I. Wainwright +6, M. B. Reckitt +22 +5, Mrs. W. H. Kirk +8 +23, G. D. Rowling +17 +1, Mrs. E. Rotherham +25 +4, A. G. F. Ross +9. And lost 6 games to Miss I. Wainwright -16, E. P. C. Cotter -26 -25, A. G. F. Ross -5, J. W. Solomon -16 -5.

Miss I. Wainwright won 10 games; namely, against M. B. Reckitt +14, Mrs. W. H. Kirk +16, E. P. C. Cotter +5 +6, Mrs. E. Rotherham +11 +4, A. G. F. Ross +9 +26, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins +16, Mrs. C. Watkins +22. And lost 7 games to M. B. Reckitt -6, Mrs. W. H. Kirk -10, G. D. Rowling -16 -6, J. W. Solomon -13 -26, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins -6.

G. D. Rowling won 8 games; namely, against, Mrs. C. Watkins +12, Miss I. Wainwright +16 +6, M. B.

Reckitt +20 +12, Mrs. W. H. Kirk +10, Mrs. E. Rotherham +14, A. G. F. Ross +4. And lost 9 games to Mrs. W. H. Kirk -4, E. P. C. Cotter -5 -26, Mrs. E. Rotherham -1, A. G. F. Ross -15, J. W. Solomon -21 -13, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins -17 -11.

M. B. Reckitt won 5 games; namely, against Mrs. C. Watkins +17, Miss I. Wainwright +6, Mrs. W. H. Kirk +7 +13, Mrs. E. Rotherham +11. And lost 12 games to Miss I. Wainwright -14, E. P. C. Cotter -9 -23, G. D. Rowling -20 -12, Mrs. E. Rotherham -18, A. G. F. Ross -15 -9, J. W. Solomon -26 -10, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins -22 -5.

Mrs. W. H. Kirk won 5 games; namely against Mrs. C. Watkins +2, Miss I. Wainwright +10, G. D. Rowling +4, A. G. F. Ross +22 +19. And lost 12 games to Miss I. Wainwright -16, M. B. Reckitt -7 -13, E. P. C. Cotter -16 -26, G. D. Rowling -10, Mrs. E. Rotherham -19 -20, J. W. Solomon -4 -15, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins -8 -23.

Mrs. E. Rotherham won 5 games; namely, against M. B. Reckitt +18, Mrs. W. H. Kirk +19 +20, G. D. Rowling +1, A. G. F. Ross +2. And lost 12 games to Mrs. C. Watkins -8, Miss I. Wainwright -11 -4, M. B. Reckitt -11, E. P. C. Cotter -10 -14, G. D. Rowling -14, A. G. F. Ross -3, J. W. Solomon -25 -26, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins -25 -4.

A. G. F. Ross won 5 games; namely, against M. B. Reckitt +9, G. D. Rowling +15, Mrs. E. Rotherham +3, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins +5. And lost 12 games to Mrs. C. Watkins -17, Miss I. Wainwright -9 -26, M. B. Reckitt +9 +15, Mrs. W. H. Kirk -22 -19, G. D. Rowling -4, J. W. Solomon -23 -13, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins -9, E. P. C. Cotter -19 -17, Mrs. E. Rotherham -2.

## In the first series

Mrs. C. Watkins won 2 games; namely, against Mrs. E. Rotherham +8, A. G. F. Ross +17. And lost 7 games to Miss I. Wainwright -22, M. B. Reckitt -17, Mrs. W. H. Kirk -2, E. P. C. Cotter -17, G. D. Rowling -12, J. W. Solomon -6, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins -16. Withdrawn from the second series owing to illness.

## The Surrey Cup

W. P. Ormerod won 13 games; namely, against M. Spencer Ell +5 +26, E. P. Duffield +14 +16, Col. W. D. Beamish +8, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave +12 +24, Mrs.

W. Longman +16 +21, Major J. W. Cobb +21 +23, R. Faulkner +16 +25. And lost one game to Col. D. W. Beamish -15.

Col. D. W. Beamish won 12 games; namely, against M. Spencer Ell +5 +26, E. P. Duffield +18 +16, W. P. Ormerod +15, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave +11 +20, Mrs. W. Longman +16, Major J. W. Cobb +13 +26, R. Faulkner +20. And lost 2 games to W. P. Ormerod -8, Mrs. W. Longman -21.

Major J. W. Cobb won 7 games; namely, against M. Spencer Ell +16 +3, E. P. Duffield +14 +9, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave +8 +22, Mrs. W. Longman +9. And lost 7 games to Col. D. W. Beamish -13 -26, W. P. Ormerod -21 -23, Mrs. W. Longman -5, R. Faulkner -8 -18.

R. Faulkner won 6 games; namely, against E. P. Duffield +16, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave +18, Mrs. W. Longman +7 +17, Major J. W. Cobb +8 +18. And lost 8 games to M. Spencer Ell -16 -13, E. P. Duffield -5, Col. D. W. Beamish -20 -26, W. P. Ormerod -16 -25, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave -12.

M. Spencer Ell won 5 games; namely, against E. P. Duffield +9, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave +14, Mrs. W. Longman +23, R. Faulkner +16 +13. And lost 9 games to E. P. Duffield -3, Col. D. W. Beamish -5 -26, W. P. Ormerod -5 -21, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave -2, Mrs. W. Longman -7, Major J. W. Cobb -16 -3.

Mrs. W. Longman won 5 games; namely, against M. Spencer Ell +7, E. P. Duffield +12, Col. D. W. Beamish +21, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave +9, Major J. W. Cobb +5. And lost 9 games to M. Spencer Ell -23, E. P. Duffield -3, Col. D. W. Beamish -16, W. P. Ormerod -16 -21, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave -6, Major J. W. Cobb -9, R. Faulkner -7 -17.

Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave won 4 games; namely, against M. Spencer Ell +2, E. P. Duffield +2, Mrs. W. Longman +6, R. Faulkner +12. And lost 10 games to M. Spencer Ell -14, E. P. Duffield -19, Col. D. W. Beamish -11 -20, W. P. Ormerod -12 -24, Mrs. W. Longman -9, Major J. W. Cobb -8 -22, R. Faulkner -18.

E. P. Duffield won 4 games; namely, against M. Spencer Ell +3, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave +19, Mrs. W. Longman +3, R. Faulkner +5. And lost 10 games to M. Spencer Ell -9, Col. D. W. Beamish -18 -16, W. P. Ormerod -14 -16, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave -2, Mrs. W. Longman -12, Major J. W. Cobb -14 -9, R. Faulkner -16.

# BRIDGE

by E. P. C. Cotter, *British International*

SOUTH, who was in the antique furniture business, dealt the following hand, and it is clear from his cards that he was a clever "dealer".

S-7, 5.		
H-6, 4, 3.		
D-9, 7, 6.		
C-A, 10, 9, 7, 6.		
S-2.	N	S-10, 3.
H-Q, 7.	W E	H-J, 10, 9, 8.
D-K, Q, J, 10, 2.	S	D-8, 5, 4, 3.
C-K, J, 5, 3, 2.		C-Q, 8, 4.
	S-A, K, Q, J, 9, 8, 6, 4.	
	H-A, K, 5, 2.	
	D-A.	
	C-	

The score was love all and South, playing CAB opened the bidding with two Clubs, and north replied with three Clubs. This bid announces the Ace of Clubs but does not necessarily imply a Club suit. With a singleton Ace North would still bid three Clubs. Not knowing a conventional bid that would find out his partner's precise holding in Hearts, South decided to bid six Spades without more ado.

West made his natural opening of the King of Diamonds and South was in with the Ace, and gloomily surveyed the dummy. The promised Ace of Clubs was there but what a frozen asset! Now South was no palooka—he knew a thing or

two about squeezes. So he thought that if he ducked a Heart he would create the impression that he was trying to "rectify the count." So he drew the trumps and led the two of Hearts, which West won with the Queen and, when East dropped the Knave he continued the suit, South false carding with the Ace. This did not fool East who knew that South must have started life with both Ace and King of Hearts. So on the continued trump leads East discarded all his Diamonds (to help West to count) and two small Clubs. Thus South had to concede a second heart loser and went one down.

Though it is satisfying to make a contract by a swindle if there is no other way, the declarer undoubtedly had a better line of play. His lead to the second trick should have been the two of Hearts. He wins any return by West and leads one, *only one*, round of trumps. Then he plays Ace and King of Hearts and if both opponents follow the suit has broken and all is well. If the Hearts are divided 4-2 then there is the extra chance that the holder of the remaining trump is also the holder of the four Diamonds and cannot trump. This is a safety play. As the cards were actually so divided this play would have brought home the bacon.

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# THE FOURTH TEST MATCH

August 20th—22nd

IT may seem incredible, but it is true, that the above contest was given two of the three days without rain—in fact the sun shone on each of those days. There were many spectators keenly following the play.

The scene for the above match was set on the lawns of the Roehampton Club—for many years the Headquarters of the C.A.—and they reflected great credit on Wootton the head groundsman and his staff.

The first day's play resulted in our winning all three singles—two of them without the loss of a game—in the third Mrs. Watkins took the first from W. R. D. Wiggins. On Wednesday, the third day, Mrs. E. Rotherham was opposed to Mrs. W. H. Kirk. This was a match of quality, for both quite soon had clips on four-back in the first game; then Mrs. Kirk, playing well, seemed confident of putting her other on the peg—but a missed short roquet intervened and she lost it. The second game went to Mrs. Rotherham, though this too was hotly contested; the scores were +16, +15. G. F. Stone had a very close first game against Miss I. Wainwright which she only lost +8; the second game went to Stone +17.

The third singles game was between A. G. F. Ross, captain of the New Zealand team, and J. Solomon; it attracted a big gallery of spectators. The first game was wonderful to relate, remarkable for several errors from Solomon's mallet. Ross also just failed to hit shots—which would have opened the door to a break—by the proverbial hair's breadth; he lost the game +25. The second game was full of incident, both players having so

much play that the spectators were kept in a constant state of doubt as to who was going to win it. Solomon eventually was the winner, +3.

Reverting to Tuesday, this was Doubles Day. The match, E. P. C. Cotter and J. Solomon *v.* A. G. F. Ross and Mrs. C. Watkins was keenly watched by the many spectators.

There was quite a long interval before either side made points. Solomon got going at last, and, of course, meant to finish the game with a triple—for Cotter had put his clip on 4-back; when for 3-back he let Ross in, but progress just failed. Cotter hit in and Solomon went out with a single peel +26. The second game also went to this pair, +24.

G. Rowling and Mrs. McKenzie-Smart provided the most thrilling match; their opponents were W. R. D. Wiggins and Mrs. Rotherham. The games were one-all; the third gave the spectators some excitement at the finish.

Rowling had been pegged out, and eventually Wiggins and Mrs. McKenzie-Smart were both for the rover hoop. With a lift due to Mrs. McKenzie-Smart, Wiggins elected to take position for the rover hoop.

The other ball, Mrs. Rotherham's was not more than 12 yards from Bauk A. Mrs. McKenzie-Smart hit this ball, approached the ball that had been left in position for the rover hoop, made her hoop, and went out to win the game +3.

The third Doubles Match went to Stone and W. P. Ormerod, after a rather long first game +13 +24.

## INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

### Teams and Scores

#### New Zealand *v.* South of England, Saturday, 6th October

The New Zealand team will be chosen from the following:

A. G. F. Ross, *Captain*      Miss I. Wainwright  
Mrs. W. H. Kirk              Mrs. Rowling  
Mrs. McKenzie-Smart      Mrs. W. H. Kirk  
G. Rowling

The following will represent the South of England on Saturday, 6th October.

E. P. C. Cotter              Miss D. Lintern  
H. O. Hicks                  M. B. Reckitt  
L. Kirk-Greene              R. F. Rothwell

E. P. C. Cotter will captain for England.

In the fifth test match, played at Budleigh Salterton on September 18th, 19th and 20th, the scores were as follows:—

#### SINGLES

Major G. F. Stone *bt* G. D. Rowling +16 —24 +12.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham *bt* Mrs. W. H. Kirk +4 +17.  
W. P. Ormerod *bt* Mrs. M. Rowling +24 +26.  
J. W. Solomon *bt* A. G. F. Ross +16 +17.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins *lost* to Miss I. Wainwright +13 —25 +12.  
M. B. Reckitt *bt* Mrs. T. McKenzie-Smart +2 —11 +10.

#### DOUBLES

J. W. Solomon and M. B. Reckitt *bt* A. G. F. Ross and G. D. Rowling +12 +10.  
Major G. F. Stone and W. P. Ormerod *lost* to Mrs. W. H. Kirk and Miss I. Wainwright +3 +11.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham and Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins *bt* Mrs. T. McKenzie-Smart and Mrs. G. D. Rowling +9 +20.

England won 7 to 2.

## Notes from the Clubs

### Brighton

The Sussex County Croquet Club has just finished its third and last tournament of the 1956 season. It has been nice to welcome members of the New Zealand team to our open tournaments as well as others who have not played here before, notably the Ormerod brothers and Capt. Pulein Thompson and several ladies from Ryde. We hope to see them again. In spite of all our groundsmen, Adams', efforts to get rid of worms last winter the very wet summer brought a heavy crop of worm casts. He has already begun to treat the worst lawn and will doubtless get on to the others when the season is over. Southwick District Council are almost ready to lay main drainage pipes under the path running parallel with the railway line. They promise that the lawns will not be dug up, but judging by the piles of earth excavated on the other side of the road where similar work is in progress, the three lower courts look like being covered with soil. We are hoping the work will begin early in October which should give us time to have the lawns back to normal by next season.

### Roehampton

The outstanding Club event in September was the final of the Longman (Club Team) Cup which was played at Roehampton Club between Hurlingham and Roehampton on Saturday, 1st September. Roehampton won, this being their second win since the war. The Roehampton Team consisted of J. A. Hollweg, Brigadier A. E. Stokes-Roberts, Mrs. Haigh-Smith and Mrs. Adler.

The weather was so wet that by noon the courts were waterlogged and the teams adjourned for drinks and lunch. Play was resumed at 2.15 p.m. and Roehampton had completed and won their games by 6.15 p.m. with the exception of Brigadier A. E. Stokes-Roberts who, playing against I. W. Cheavin had reached the rover hoop with both balls when play was discontinued. Mrs. Carrington played in the team for the first two matches in the place of Mrs. Adler, who was unable to play.

### Hurlingham

A friendly match partaking more of the nature of a social occasion than a needle contest was played against our New Zealand visitors on September 16th. Hurlingham was represented by E. P. C. Cotter (captain), Mr. and Mrs. W. Longman, M. Spencer Ell, I. W. Cheavin and S. S. Townsend. Coming as it did between the testing eighteen game President's Cup week and the Fifth Test Match it was perhaps no surprise that the match went in Hurlingham's favour by 7 games to 2. Spencer Ell had a field day by making three all-round breaks and obviously enjoyed the occasion. Cotter, having suffered at the hands of Miss Wainwright in the President's Cup, took the opportunity for revenge in one of his "less than 30 minute" displays.

Our internal competitions have now been completed and the results are as follows:—

Club Championship	..	E. P. C. Cotter
Restricted Level Singles	..	D. E. Buckland
Lomas Cups—Group A	..	D. E. Buckland
Group B	..	T. E. Miles
Group C	..	A. D. Karmel
Golf Croquet Handicap	..	R. Tingey

In writing the last name we are reminded that we shall not see the Tingey's again for a few years. This charming couple have graced a number of tournaments and we shall miss them next year.

As reported elsewhere in this issue, Hurlingham succumbed to Roehampton in the Final of the Longman Club Cup. We can hardly begrudge Roehampton their success as it is many years since they last held the cup. From what we saw of the games, Hollweg and Mrs. Haigh Smith were playing consistently within their handicaps and remained oblivious to the weather which was dismally depressing even by this year's standards.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Sir,

In your September issue you invite high bisquers to give their views on the question of shortened games. I started croquet last year, so I have little experience and no inhibitions. My handicap is 7.

Before reading your correspondents' interesting letters on the subject, I had been conscious that my one complaint against the game was the length of time often taken to finish a game. Anything over three hours I become disinterested and often bored.

If a time limit is set, it is suggested that C and D class players should be allowed more time than the A and B class. It would appear, therefore, that there must be a bisque value in terms of time. Bearing in mind my inexperience, may I suggest 1 bisque=X minutes (perhaps five). To arrive at the number of X minutes allowed for a

game in excess of the agreed time, divide the joint handicaps by two. Perhaps something on these lines might be worthwhile considering.

I am also in favour of a shortened game in knock-ups, but not with 4 inch hoops. This form of game should quickly improve the standard of my class. We should find the "one hoop at a time" complex not good enough—perhaps Aunt Emma might even be forced into retirement.

One other observation if you will allow me, and here I expect to be torn to pieces, I do wish games could be played by some players in a more cheerful atmosphere. Everyone is so charming and helpful off the court—but I would like, sometimes, to hear a laugh on it!

Yours faithfully,

N. F. BLACKWOOD

Dear Sir,

Further to friendly discussions with other tournament players, it was suggested that I submit certain points for the consideration of the C.A. Council, in the hope that it may be possible to take some action, in keeping with what they find to be the main body of opinion.

The proposals in question are outlined below.

Yours faithfully,

L. KIRK GREENE

### Handicaps

As a result of reducing handicaps based on tournament results, there comes a time when the general standard is lower than desirable. In proof of this, the New Zealand team (apart from Mr. Ross) were ranked at minus 2, and practically no minus 2 in this country was able to beat them. When the writer went to Ireland with the English team, their standard was also found to be higher and the only player of our side to beat Mr. Duff Mathews, whose handicap was minus 1, was our present champion, John Solomon.

The suggested remedy is that every Associate should have his handicap increased by two bisques, which would regain the good standard of play expected in this country.

There will, of course, be some players, who might prefer to retain their present C.A. handicaps and the C.A. could easily arrange for this to be done on receipt of a post-card to that effect.

### Necessity to reduce time taken in doubles, particularly handicap doubles

The average handicap double takes some 15 turns per side or 30 turns in all. Consultations are frequent and often occupy from one to three minutes. Assuming an average number of 30 turns and a loss of two minutes per turn, the game then becomes an hour longer than seems necessary.

The remedy suggested is that consultations by the out-players should be concluded while watching the last few strokes of the striker. Partners should be barred from subsequently going on court and conferring; with two exceptions.

- If the competitor about to play next finds his ball unexpectedly wired, then consultation on the court with his partner would be permissible.
- Just before completing his turn, the in-player should be allowed to ask his partner where he would like the balls laid.

### A suggested modification to level play

It does not appear to be in the best interests of the game from either the players' or spectators' viewpoints, that A. should win a game by 26, possibly against an opponent of nearly equal skill and yet B. may never have taken croquet.

I realise that this is a controversial matter and hope that you may see fit to sound the opinions of other players, who have had more tournament experience than I have.

Nevertheless, the remedy suggested is that if a player reaches 4-back before his opponent has made a hoop, then if in his second break he runs 4-back, his opponent should be allowed the option of a lift or contact. This would still permit the top-rank players to finish in two breaks by means of a triple-peel, and for such a high degree of proficiency they deserve that reward. On the other hand, it would go a long way towards giving the out-player a fair chance to show what he can do, as only a triple-peel would deprive him of contact at the end of his opponent's second break.

### Shortened games

Dear Sir,

Major Abbey in the August number asks for suggestions with a view to shortening games.

The time limited game does not appeal to us, because it often deprives players of the fascination and thrill of the

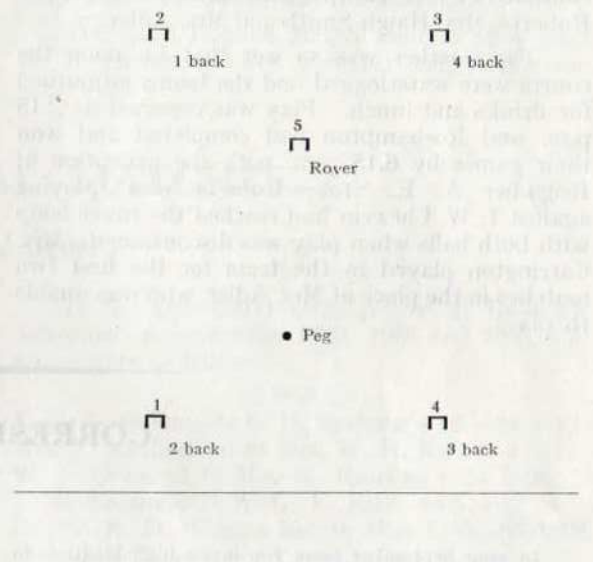
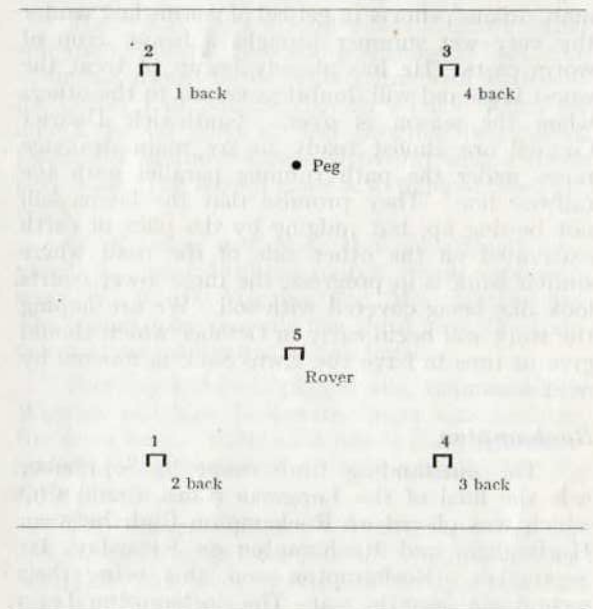
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"end game" in a hard fought struggle, and because it appears to offer an undue bias to a long bisquer.

Games likely to be unduly prolonged can be controlled under the present system whereby a Manager may at his discretion impose a time limit.

However, to initiate discussion, the following proposals are put up:—

- Start all games at hoop 3, as is often done now for doubles.
- Modify the present lay out slightly by omitting one hoop, either 5 or 6 on a court 30 yards by 24 yards.



The sequence of play to be 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1-back, 2-back, 3-back, 4-back—Rover—Peg.

The symmetry of the present lay out will unfortunately be somewhat disturbed, and the triple peel will (or may) be lost, but to the large majority of players the triple peel is almost a sealed book—and probably the pundits will find something, if the double peel does not satisfy.

Yours faithfully,

V. A. de la NOUGEREDE  
F. E. W. BALDWIN  
G. V. G. BEAMISH

## LONGMAN (CLUB TEAM) CUP

FINAL

ROEHAMPTON versus HURLINGHAM

Played at Roehampton on Sunday, September 9th, 1956. Roehampton players named first

SINGLES

J. A. Hollweg (1) bt D. E. Buckland (1½) by 11.  
Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts (2) v. I. W. Cheavin (2½) game unfinished.  
Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (6) bt N. O. Hicks (4) by 19.

DOUBLES

J. A. Hollweg and Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (7) bt I. W. Cheavin and N. O. Hicks (6½) by 11.  
Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts and Mrs. S. Adler (11) lost to D. E. Buckland and Mrs. M. L. Thom (7) by 5.

RESULT.—Roehampton bt Hurlingham by 3 games to 1. 1 game unfinished.

## GOLF CROQUET

ROEHAMPTON versus DULWICH

Played at Roehampton on Thursday, August 30th, 1956. Roehampton players named first

AMERICAN DOUBLES.

Mrs. D. Attfield and Miss M. L. Hellyer bt Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Frenken R7 D6; lost to Miss Richardson and Mrs. Swindlehurst R6 D7; bt Mrs. Bayley and Mrs. Terry R8 D5.  
Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Staub bt Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Frenken R7 D6; lost to Miss Richardson and Mrs. Swindlehurst R6 D7; bt Mrs. Bayley and Mrs. Terry R8 D5.  
Miss Carlyon and Mrs. Bristow lost to Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Frenken R5 D8; lost to Miss Richardson and Mrs. Swindlehurst R5 D8; lost to Mrs. Bayley and Mrs. Terry R4 D9.

RESULT.—Dulwich bt Roehampton by 5 events to 4.

## CHALLENGE and GILBEY CUPS

DIVISION I.

THE ROEHAMPTON CHALLENGE CUP.  
("Two Lives").

THE DRAW.

(14 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Col. C. C. Adams bt Mrs. W. Longman by 4.  
A. Ross bt W. P. Ormerod by 23.  
M. Spencer Ell bt Major J. W. Cobb by 23.  
Mrs. L. C. Apps bt Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins by 16.  
G. D. Rowling bt G. Williams by 17.  
M. B. Reckitt bt R. Tingey by 1.  
The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

E. P. Duffield bt Col. C. C. Adams by 6.  
A. Ross bt M. Spencer Ell by 15.  
G. D. Rowling bt Mrs. L. C. Apps by 3.  
M. B. Reckitt bt G. V. Evans by 13.

SEMI-FINAL.

A. Ross bt E. P. Duffield by 10.  
G. D. Rowling bt M. B. Reckitt by 15.

FINAL.

A. Ross bt G. D. Rowling by 15.

PROCESS.

(14 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

M. B. Reckitt bt M. Spencer Ell by 1.  
Col. C. C. Adams bt G. Williams by 12.  
E. P. Duffield w.o. Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins opponent scratched.  
R. Tingey bt Mrs. L. C. Apps by 7.  
Major J. W. Cobb bt G. V. Evans by 9.

Mrs. Longman bt G. D. Rowling by 16.  
The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

Col. C. C. Adams bt M. B. Reckitt by 10.  
W. P. Ormerod bt E. P. Duffield by 16.  
A. Ross bt R. Tingey by 20.  
Major J. W. Cobb bt Mrs. W. Longman by 12.

SEMI-FINAL.

W. P. Ormerod bt Col. C. C. Adams by 9.  
A. Ross bt Major J. W. Cobb by 9.

FINAL.

W. P. Ormerod bt A. Ross by 18.

PLAY-OFF.

W. P. Ormerod bt A. Ross by 16.

DIVISION II.

THE COUNCIL CHALLENGE CUP.

(½ to 2½ Bisques).  
(13 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

G. E. W. Hitchcock w.o. Mrs. R. Tingey opponent scratched.  
Miss G. J. Warwick bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts by 9.  
Dr. B. R. Sandiford bt Miss M. S. Carlyon by 13.  
R. G. H. Belcher w.o. H. T. Pinckney Simpson opponent retired.  
Major J. H. Dibley bt Mrs. C. Waydelin by 24.  
The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

G. E. W. Hitchcock bt Mrs. M. B. Reckitt by 15.  
Miss G. J. Warwick bt Dr. B. R. Sandiford by 17.  
Major J. H. Dibley bt R. G. H. Belcher by 11.  
S. S. Townsend bt Rev. Canon A. J. W. Pym by 17.

SEMI-FINAL.

Miss G. J. Warwick bt G. E. W. Hitchcock by 18.  
Major J. H. Dibley bt S. S. Townsend by 5.

FINAL.

Miss G. J. Warwick bt Major J. H. Dibley —2 +12 +15.

DIVISION III.

THE LUARD CHALLENGE CUP.

(3 to 5 Bisques).  
(9 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Miss J. Birch bt Major C. T. Carfrae by 2.  
The rest had byes.

SECOND ROUND.

Miss K. Ault bt Miss A. M. Carlyon by 5.  
Mrs. G. W. Solomon bt Miss J. Birch by 10.  
Mrs. H. J. Philpot w.o. opponent withdrawn.  
Mrs. H. J. Collins bt Miss D. Jennings by 2.

SEMI-FINAL.

Miss K. Ault bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 8.  
Mrs. H. J. Collins bt Mrs. H. J. Philpot by 21.

FINAL.

Mrs. H. J. Collins bt Miss K. Ault by 18.

DIVISION IV.

THE RECKITT CHALLENGE CUP.

(5½ to 7 Bisques).  
(7 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. D. Attfield bt Mrs. J. H. S. Murray by 13.  
Mrs. E. Haigh Smith bt Capt. V. G. Gilbey by 13.  
Mrs. E. Bristow bt Mrs. R. A. Hill by 19.  
The rest had byes.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. E. Haigh Smith bt Mrs. D. Attfield by 9.  
Mrs. E. Bristow bt B. Lloyd Pratt by 7.

FINAL.

Mrs. E. Haigh Smith bt Mrs. E. Bristow by 19.

DIVISION V.

THE STEVENSON CHALLENGE CUP.

(8 Bisques and over).  
(9 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. M. Carrington bt Mrs. M. D. Cork by 26.

SECOND ROUND.

F. Stanley Smith bt Mrs. R. G. H. Belcher by 18.  
Mrs. C. L. Robertson bt Mrs. M. Carrington by 12.  
Lord Charles Hope bt C. L. Robertson by 5.  
Major F. Hill-Bernhard bt L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts by 21.

Nine

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. C. L. Robertson bt F. Stanley Smith by 21.  
Major F. Hill-Bernhard bt Lord Charles Hope by 20.

## FINAL.

Major F. Hill-Bernhard bt Mrs. C. L. Robertson by 14.

## THE GILBEY CUPS.

## BLOCK "A".

(½ Bisque and under).  
(16 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

E. P. Duffield (—1) bt G. Williams (—½) by 11.  
Major J. H. Dibley (½) w.o. Mrs. W. Longman (—1) opponent scratched.  
A. Ross (—4) bt Mrs. C. Waydelin (½) by 17.  
G. V. Evans (—½) w.o. Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins (—4) opponent retired.  
W. P. Ormerod (—1) bt M. B. Reckitt (—3) by 3.  
G. D. Rowling (—2) bt Major J. W. Cobb (—1) by 12.  
Mrs. L. C. Apps (—1½) bt M. Spencer Ell (—½) by 25.  
Rev. Canon A. J. W. Pym (½) bt Col. C. C. Adams (—2½) by 17.

## SECOND ROUND.

E. P. Duffield (—1) bt Major J. H. Dibley (½) by 16.  
G. V. Evans (—½) bt A. Ross (—4) by 21.  
W. P. Ormerod (—1) bt G. D. Rowling (—2) by 13.  
Rev. Canon A. J. W. Pym (½) bt Mrs. L. C. Apps (—1½) by 24.

## SEMI-FINAL.

E. P. Duffield (—1) bt G. V. Evans (—½) by 7.  
W. P. Ormerod (—1) bt Rev. Canon A. J. W. Pym (½) by 19.

## FINAL.

W. P. Ormerod (—1) bt E. P. Duffield (—1) by 15.

## BLOCK "B".

(1 to 3½ Bises).  
(13 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

G. E. W. Hitchcock (2) bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts (2) by 13.  
Miss Ault (3) w.o. Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) opponent scratched.  
Miss Warwick (1) bt Miss D. Jennings (3½) by 23.  
Mrs. H. J. Collins (3½) w.o. Dr. B. R. Sandiford (1½) opponent scratched.  
S. S. Townsend (1) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (3) by 18.  
The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

G. E. W. Hitchcock (2) bt R. G. H. Belcher (2½) by 10.  
Miss Warwick (1) bt Miss Ault (3) by 7.  
S. S. Townsend (1) bt Mrs. H. J. Collins (3½) by 5.  
Mrs. Phillips (2½) bt Miss M. Carlyon (1) by 20.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Miss Warwick (1) bt G. E. W. Hitchcock (2) by 14.  
S. S. Townsend (1) bt Mrs. Phillips (2½) by 20.

## FINAL.

Miss Warwick (1) bt S. S. Townsend (1) by 2.

## BLOCK "C".

(4 to 7 Bises).  
(11 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) bt Capt. V. G. Gilbey (7) by 16.  
Mrs. Philpot (5) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (7) by 3.  
Miss J. Birch (4½) bt Major C. T. Carfrae (5) by 7.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (7) bt B. Lloyd-Pratt (6½) by 14.  
Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) bt Mrs. Philpot (5) by 20.  
Mrs. Attfield (6) bt Miss Birch (4½) by 1.  
Miss A. M. Carlyon (4½) bt Mrs. J. H. S. Murray (7) by 3.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (7) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) by 18.  
Mrs. Attfield (6) bt Miss A. M. Carlyon (4½) by 20.

## FINAL.

Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (7) bt Mrs. Attfield (6) by 22.

## BLOCK "D".

(8 Bises and over).  
(9 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

C. L. Robertson (9) bt Mrs. Carrington (10) by 6.  
The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Major Hill-Bernhard (8) bt Mrs. C. L. Robertson (10) by 5.  
C. L. Robertson (9) bt Mrs. R. G. H. Belcher (10) by 16.  
F. Stanley-Smith (9) bt W. A. FitzGerald (14) by 13.  
Lord Charles Hope (10) bt Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) by 1.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Major Hill Bernard (8) bt C. L. Robertson (9) by 22.  
Lord Charles Hope (10) bt F. Stanley Smith (9) by 1.

## FINAL.

Major F. Hill Bernhard (8) bt Lord Charles Hope (10) by 10.

## PLAY-OFF.

## SEMI-FINAL.

W. P. Ormerod (—1) bt Miss Warwick (1) by 20.  
Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (7) bt Major Hill-Bernhard (8) by 14.

## FINAL.

Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (7) bt W. P. Ormerod (—1) by 12.

We apologise for the omission of the above scores from our September issue.

## CHAMPIONSHIP OF IRELAND

August 11th-18th

The Tournament was played in very indifferent weather, in fact we had every variety and nearly all was bad. It was most unfortunate and disappointing that the Championship was not concluded. The weather on the final day was so bad that after about an hour's play the lawn became water-logged and unfit for further play. Mr. Mathews and Mr. Kirk after consultation agreed to divide the Championship. It was not possible to postpone the match as Mr. Kirk was leaving for England that night.

Despite the conditions the competitors seemed to enjoy the Tournament. We were all very pleased to have the visitors from New Zealand who were very appreciative of all our arrangements.

We very much hope we may welcome some of the English players at our Tournament perhaps next year.  
M. O'R.

## CHAMPIONSHIP OF IRELAND.

(12 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

G. M. FitzPatrick bt Lady FitzGerald +6 +5.  
P. D. Mathews bt G. Huskinson +13 +16.  
Miss Ivy Wainwright bt A. Robinson +23 +13.  
Mrs. W. H. Kirk bt Dr. R. E. Steen +14 +23.  
The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Col. Beamish bt Mrs. B. T. O'Reilly +14 +9.  
P. D. Mathews bt G. M. FitzPatrick +12 +13.  
Miss Ivy Wainwright bt Mrs. W. H. Kirk +23 +13.  
W. H. Kirk w.o. Mrs. E. D. Pegler scratched.

## SEMI-FINAL.

P. D. Mathews bt Col. Beamish +21 +13.  
W. H. Kirk bt Miss Ivy Wainwright —15 +17 +14.

## FINAL.

P. D. Mathews divided with W. H. Kirk.

## GREEN CUP.

LEVEL SINGLES.  
(3½ bisques and over).  
(8 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Col. Boxwell bt Miss I. Haire by 10.  
B. T. O'Reilly bt G. Huskinson by 5.  
J. K. Maconchy bt Mrs. L. O'Reilly by 5.  
D. Hopkins bt Mrs. Boxwell by 2.

## SEMI-FINAL.

B. T. O'Reilly bt Col. Boxwell by 5.  
J. K. Maconchy bt D. Hopkins by 11.

## FINAL.

B. T. O'Reilly bt J. K. Maconchy by 12.

## HANDICAP SINGLES.

"FOUNDERS CUP".  
(18 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

A. Robinson (1) bt Mrs. Boxwell (3½) by 2.  
A. V. McCormick (1½) bt Col. Beamish (1½) by 2.  
The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. L. O'Reilly (5½) bt Col. Boxwell (3) by 14.  
J. K. Maconchy (6) bt Mrs. Wainwright (2) by 9.  
Mrs. W. H. Kirk (—2) w.o. Mrs. E. D. Pegler scratched.  
A. Robinson bt Miss I. Haire (9) by 7.  
Mrs. B. T. O'Reilly (2) bt A. V. McCormick by 15.  
D. Hopkins (4) w.o. B. T. O'Reilly (6) scratched.  
Dr. R. E. Steen (3) bt Lady FitzGerald (scr.) by 9.  
W. H. Kirk (—1½) bt G. Huskinson (7) by 5.

## THIRD ROUND.

J. K. Maconchy bt Mrs. L. O'Reilly retired.  
A. Robinson bt Mrs. W. H. Kirk by 15.  
Mrs. B. T. O'Reilly bt D. Hopkins by 11.  
Dr. R. E. Steen bt W. H. Kirk by 4.

## SEMI-FINAL.

J. K. Maconchy bt A. Robinson by 10.  
Dr. R. E. Steen bt Mrs. B. T. O'Reilly by 21.

## FINAL.

J. K. Maconchy bt Dr. R. E. Steen by 24.

## HANDICAP DOUBLES.

"STONEBROOK CUPS".  
(8 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Col. Beamish and J. K. Maconchy (7½) bt Col. and Mrs. Boxwell (6½) by 4.  
Lady FitzGerald and Mrs. B. T. O'Reilly (2) bt Miss I. Haire and Capt. C. Woods (19) by 16.  
Miss I. Wainwright and Dr. R. E. Steen (1) bt Mrs. Wainwright and G. M. FitzPatrick (2) by 1.  
A. Robinson and B. T. O'Reilly (7) bt D. Hopkins and A. V. McCormick (5½) by 13.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Lady FitzGerald and Mrs. B. T. O'Reilly bt Col. Beamish and J. K. Maconchy by 5.

A. Robinson and B. T. O'Reilly bt Miss I. Wainwright and Dr. R. E. Steen by 13.

## FINAL.

Lady FitzGerald and Mrs. B. T. O'Reilly bt A. Robinson and B. T. O'Reilly by 10.

## BRIGHTON

August 27th—September 1st.

The Brighton Summer Tournament has come and gone, though the weather was not good it was far kinder than in other places and we did have two fine sunny days. The final day was cheerless and most of the spectators sat huddled in the pavilion like cinema-goers who had been driven from the streets for warmth. But there was no lack of cheer at lunch or tea-time: once more we owe Mrs. Miller and her canteen staff a deep debt of gratitude for the excellent meals provided, and to Mrs. Truett for the able way in which she officiated at the bar. Thanks must also be extended to all those who contributed gifts of food and flowers and those who assisted the groundsman. Tireless work was done by Mr. Corke, and the lawns, considering the weather, were in first rate condition thanks to the hardwork and long hours put in by the groundsman.

The Sussex Gold Cup saw some good croquet played by Stone, Kirk-Greene and Ormerod. Cotter produced the only triple of the week against Ross, and as winner of the Process opposed Ormerod as winner of the Draw in the play-off and won a closely contested match by nine points.

The Franc Cup produced a matricide final when D. J. disposed of Mrs. J. H. Dibley and the Monteith Bowl went to Lt.-Col. Stobart, who seemed a likely winner from the start. He has a handicap of seven, but the execution of a two-bisquer. Always playing within himself he beat Paxon somewhat comfortably in the final.

The Handicap Doubles seemed likely to go to Col. and Mrs. Daniels, was played well and intelligently, but in the final against the Ormerod brothers Mrs. Daniels rather rashly went to the rover. Nemesis in the guise of William Ormerod overtook her and she took no further part in the game; William later pegged himself out accidentally, but in the ensuing two ball game Henry, who started three hoops ahead, managed to get home first.

At the same time another two ball game was in progress on an adjacent court in the Handicap Singles final when Cotter hit the peg with Mrs. Longman still on

two-back. Thus, after four appearances in the final, Cotter at last managed to win the Maurice Reckitt Bowl.

Our grateful thanks to Miss Steel for the excellent way she managed the Tournament. Thank you and à la prochaine fois.

OPEN SINGLES.  
("Two Lives" System).

THE SUSSEX GOLD CUP.  
(15 Entries).

## THE DRAW.

## FIRST ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley bt Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton by 22.  
W. Longman bt Major J. R. Abbey by 9.  
M. B. Reckitt bt Mrs. M. Craven by 20.  
W. P. Ormerod bt Mrs. N. Oddie by 19.  
A. G. F. Ross bt Canon Creed Meredith by 18.  
Major G. F. Stone bt Rev. B. F. Brackenbury by 26.  
E. P. C. Cotter bt Mrs. W. Longman by 16.

## SECOND ROUND.

W. Longman bt Major J. H. Dibley by 4.  
W. P. Ormerod bt M. B. Reckitt by 22.  
Major G. F. Stone bt A. G. F. Ross by 17.  
L. Kirk Greene bt E. P. C. Cotter by 26.

## SEMI-FINAL.

W. P. Ormerod bt W. Longman by 8.  
Major G. F. Stone bt L. Kirk Greene by 10.

## FINAL.

W. P. Ormerod bt Major G. F. Stone by 15.

## PROCESS.

(15 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

W. P. Ormerod bt Mrs. W. Longman by 25.  
Major G. F. Stone bt W. Longman by 5.  
L. Kirk Greene bt Mrs. M. Craven by 24.  
Canon Creed Meredith bt Major J. H. Dibley by 19.  
Mrs. N. Oddie bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury by 13.  
E. P. C. Cotter bt M. B. Reckitt by 6.  
A. G. F. Ross bt Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton by 11.

## SECOND ROUND.

Major G. F. Stone bt W. P. Ormerod by 15.  
L. Kirk Greene bt Canon Creed Meredith by 12.  
Mrs. N. Oddie bt Major J. R. Abbey by 12.  
E. P. C. Cotter bt A. G. F. Ross by 24.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Major G. F. Stone bt L. Kirk Greene by 17.  
E. P. C. Cotter bt Mrs. N. Oddie by 22.

## FINAL.

E. P. C. Cotter bt Major G. F. Stone by 6.

## PLAY-OFF.

E. P. C. Cotter bt W. P. Ormerod by 9.

## LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS B).

THE FRANC CUP.  
(2 to 5 Bises).  
(22 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

H. T. Pinkney Simpson bt A. L. Megson by 8.  
E. A. Roper bt R. G. H. Belcher by 10.  
Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Mrs. M. B. Reckitt by 12.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels bt Mrs. A. L. Megson by 8.  
G. E. W. Hitchcock bt Mrs. A. G. F. Ross by 21.  
S. F. Sopwith bt Lady Ursula Abbey by 11.  
Capt. K. B. Millar w.o. Mrs. H. Franc opponent scratched.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. J. H. Dibley bt Miss L. Elphinstone Stone by 9.  
Miss M. Posford bt Mrs. M. Ray by 2.  
H. T. Pinkney Simpson bt E. A. Roper by 17.  
Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels by 2.  
G. E. W. Hitchcock bt S. F. Sopwith by 18.  
D. Jesson Dibley bt Capt. K. B. Millar by 17.  
Miss H. D. Parker bt Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels by 24.  
R. H. Newton bt Miss K. Ault by 4.

## THIRD ROUND.

Mrs. J. H. Dibley bt Miss M. Posford by 7.  
H. T. Pinkney Simpson bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 10.  
D. Jesson Dibley bt G. E. W. Hitchcock by 9.  
R. H. Newton bt Miss H. D. Parker by 16.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. J. H. Dibley bt H. T. Pinkney Simpson by 11.  
D. Jesson Dibley bt R. H. Newton by 24.

## FINAL.

D. Jesson Dibley bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley by 18.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS C).

THE MONTEITH BOWL. (5½ Bisques and over). (23 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. C. A. Bishop (11) bt Mrs. W. Alford Naylor (12) by 2. Mrs. C. M. Turner (8) bt Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) by 1. Miss E. E. Bennett (14) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6½) by 2. E. Whitehead (5½) bt H. L. Ormerod (9) by 14. Mrs. H. F. Roberts (6½) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (6) by 13. G. F. Paxon (7½) bt Miss L. Tallmach (6) by 4. Hon. Mrs. Clive Pearson (14) bt Mrs. J. A. Paxon (8) by 2.

SECOND ROUND.

Lt.-Col. Stobart (7) bt Mrs. D. L. Latham (9) by 7. Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth (5½) bt Mrs. R. G. H. Belcher (10) by 15. Mrs. C. A. Bishop (11) bt Mrs. C. M. Turner (8) by 8. E. Whitehead (5½) bt Miss E. E. Bennett (14) by 10. G. F. Paxon (7½) bt Mrs. H. F. Roberts (6½) by 2. Hon. Clive Pearson (10) bt Hon. Mrs. Clive Pearson (14) by 15.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) bt Mrs. E. Whitehead (14) by 15. D. Woodhams (7) bt Mrs. Cervantes (10) by 16.

THIRD ROUND.

Lt.-Col. Stobart (7) bt Mrs. Farnsworth (5½) by 14. E. Whitehead (5½) bt Mrs. C. A. Bishop (11) by 2. G. F. Paxon (7½) bt Hon. Clive Pearson (10) by 2. Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) bt D. Woodhams (7) by 16.

SEMI-FINAL.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (7) bt E. Whitehead (5½) by 13. G. F. Paxon (7½) bt Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) by 1.

FINAL.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (7) bt G. F. Paxon (7½) by 15.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

THE MAURICE RECKITT BOWL. (56 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. A. M. Daniels (5½) bt Mrs. A. G. F. Ross (4) by 21. Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (7) bt A. L. Megson (2½) by 7. W. P. Ormerod (-2) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3½) by 16. G. F. Paxon (7½) w.o. L. Kirk Greene (-3) opponent retired. G. E. W. Hitchcock (2) bt Major J. H. Dibley (½) by 13. A. G. F. Ross (-4) bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) by 3. Mrs. C. F. Farnsworth (5½) w.o. Major J. H. Abbey (0) opponent scratched. Mrs. E. A. Roper (6) bt Mrs. A. L. Megson (4) by 19. Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (2) bt Mrs. J. A. Paxon (8) by 17. E. Whitehead (5½) bt Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) by 23. E. A. Roper (2) bt Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) by 7. Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (5) bt D. Jesson Dibley (4) by 15. Lady Ursula Abbey (4) bt Miss E. E. Bennett (14) by 16. Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4½) bt H. T. Pinkney Simpson (2) by 14. Canon Creed Meredith (0) w.o. Mrs. H. Franc (4) opponent scratched. Miss D. L. Latham (9) bt Mrs. F. M. Cervantes (7) by 8. Mrs. C. A. Bishop (11) bt S. F. Sopwith (2) by 18. Miss M. A. Posford (5) bt H. L. Ormerod (9) by 4. Miss K. Ault (3) bt M. B. Reckitt (-3) by 16. Mrs. W. Longman (-1) bt Mrs. M. Craven (1) by 23. Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton (-½) bt R. G. H. Belcher (2½) by 6. Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) bt Mrs. R. G. H. Belcher (10) by 11. R. H. Newton (2) bt Miss Elphinstone Stone (3½) by 19. Capt. A. B. Millar (4) bt Mrs. Clive Pearson (14) by 2.

SECOND ROUND.

E. P. C. Cotter (-4½) bt Major G. F. Stone (-4) by 2. Mrs. E. Whitehead (14) w.o. Mrs. F. R. Carling (5) opponent retired. Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (7) bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels (5½) by 22. W. P. Ormerod (-2) w.o. G. F. Paxon (7½) opponent retired. A. G. F. Ross (-4) bt G. E. W. Hitchcock (2) by 23. Mrs. C. F. Farnsworth (5½) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (6) by 2. E. Whitehead (5½) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (2) by 24. E. A. Roper (2) w.o. Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (5) opponent retired.

Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4½) w.o. Lady Ursula Abbey (4) opponent retired. Canon Creed Meredith (0) bt Miss D. L. Latham (9) by 7. Miss A. M. Posford (5) bt Mrs. C. A. Bishop (11) by 3. Mrs. W. Longman (-1) bt Miss K. Ault (3) by 22. Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) bt Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton (-½) by 15. Capt. K. B. Millar (4) bt R. H. Newton (2) by 17. Mrs. N. Oddie (-2½) bt W. Longman (-3) by 3. Mrs. M. Roy (3) bt Hon. Clive Pearson (10) by 7.

THIRD ROUND.

E. P. C. Cotter (-4½) bt Mrs. E. Whitehead (14) by 16. Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (7) bt W. P. Ormerod (-2) by 14. Mrs. C. F. Farnsworth (5½) bt A. G. F. Ross (-4) by 21. E. Whitehead (5½) bt E. A. Roper (2) by 14. Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4½) bt Canon Creed Meredith (0) by 8. Mrs. W. Longman (-1) bt Miss M. A. Posford (5) by 5. Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) bt Capt. K. B. Millar (4) by 13. Mrs. M. Roy (3) bt Mrs. N. Oddie (-2½) by 5.

FOURTH ROUND.

E. P. C. Cotter (-4½) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (7) by 3. E. Whitehead (5½) bt Mrs. C. F. Farnsworth (5½) by 3. Mrs. W. Longman (-1) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4½) by 15. Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) bt Mrs. M. Roy (3) by 13.

SEMI-FINAL.

E. P. C. Cotter (-4½) bt E. Whitehead (5½) by 10. Mrs. W. Longman (-1) bt Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) by 15.

FINAL.

E. P. C. Cotter (-4½) bt Mrs. W. Longman (-1) by 6.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(24 Pairs).

FIRST ROUND.

L. Kirk Greene and E. P. C. Cotter (-7½) bt Miss K. Ault and Mrs. W. Longman (-2) by 8. Hon. Clive Pearson and Mrs. Pearson (22) bt Mrs. M. Craven and Mrs. M. Roy (4) by 5. Major G. F. Stone and E. A. Roper (-2) bt Mrs. N. Oddie and Lady Ursula Abbey (1½) by 3. Miss H. D. Parker and Mrs. A. L. Megson (7½) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (9) by 2. R. H. Newton and Mrs. W. A. Naylor (14) bt Capt. K. B. Millar and S. F. Sopwith (6) by 4. M. B. Reckitt and Mrs. Wallwork (2½) bt Miss M. Posford and Mrs. M. D. Cork (13) by 13. W. P. Ormerod and H. L. Ormerod (7) bt Major Dibley and D. Jesson Dibley (4½) by 16. G. E. W. Hitchcock and Mrs. F. M. Cervantes (9) bt E. Whitehead and Mrs. Whitehead (17½) by 9.

SECOND ROUND.

A. G. F. Ross and Mrs. E. A. Roper (2) bt Mrs. C. F. Farnsworth and Miss E. E. Bennett (17½) by 5. Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels and Mrs. A. M. Daniels (10½) bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury and Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton (½) by 12. L. Kirk Greene and E. P. C. Cotter (-7½) bt Hon. Clive Pearson and Mrs. Pearson (22) by 13. Miss H. D. Parker and Mrs. A. L. Megson (7½) bt Major G. F. Stone and E. A. Roper (-2) by 9. M. B. Reckitt and Mrs. Wallwork (2½) bt R. H. Newton and Mrs. W. A. Naylor (14) by 6. W. P. Ormerod and H. L. Ormerod (7) bt G. E. W. Hitchcock and Mrs. F. M. Cervantes (9) by 3. G. F. Paxon and Mrs. Paxon (15½) bt Miss L. Elphinstone Stone and Mrs. Bishop (14½) by 4. W. Longman and Mrs. A. G. F. Ross (1) bt Canon Creed Meredith and Mrs. Roberts (6½) by 2.

THIRD ROUND.

Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels and Mrs. A. M. Daniels (10½) bt A. G. F. Ross and Mrs. E. A. Roper (2) by 13. L. Kirk Green and E. P. C. Cotter (-7½) bt Miss H. D. Parker and Mrs. A. L. Megson (7½) by 6. W. P. Ormerod and H. L. Ormerod (7) bt M. B. Reckitt and Mrs. Wallwork (2½) by 9. G. F. Paxon and Mrs. Paxon (15½) bt W. Longman and Mrs. A. G. F. Ross (1) by 16.

SEMI-FINAL.

Lt.-Col. Daniels and Mrs. Daniels (10½) bt L. Kirk Greene and E. P. C. Cotter (-7½) by 12. W. P. Ormerod and H. L. Ormerod (7) bt G. F. Paxon and Mrs. J. A. Paxon (15½) by 6.

FINAL.

W. P. Ormerod and H. L. Ormerod (7) bt Lt.-Col. Daniels and Mrs. Daniels (10½) by 2.

BRIGHTON

(Unofficial)

September 3rd to 8th

The Douglas-Jones Challenge Cup presented by Lady Douglas-Jones in memory of her late husband, attracted 51 entries for the Handicap Singles and, despite the weather, resulted in some close games. The Handicap Doubles, 21 pairs, was the next most popular event, and many close finishes kept the excitement going.

The other events, Handicap Singles (5½ bisques and under) with 32 entries, Handicap Singles (6 to 8½ bisques) with 15 entries, and Handicap Singles (9 bisques and over) 16 entries, all were ably fitted in by Major J. H. Dibley, who wisely did not let the vagary of the weather interfere with the smooth completion of each event.

There was time for an extra event (16 entries), which was won by E. A. Roper playing Miss D. L. Latham in the final.

The lunches and teas were much appreciated. Thanks to Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Evans and their staff, who were fortunate in having many helpers, and many thanks for gifts of flowers and food, which added to the enjoyment of us all. The new tea arrangements were a great improvement.

W. Adams, the groundsman, by knowledge and hard work, kept the lawns in fine condition, despite the unruly weather.

Last but not least, the Secretary, F. E. Corke, still seems to do everything at the right time.

HANDICAP SINGLES (X.Y.Z.).

EVENT "X".

(5½ bisques and under).

(30 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (5) bt Mrs. N. Oddie (-2½) by 13. H. T. Pinkney Simpson (2) bt A. L. Megson (2½) by 18. Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth (5½) w.o. Mrs. H. Franc (4) opponent scratched. Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) bt Miss L. Elphinstone Stone (3½) by 6. Mrs. A. M. Daniels (5) bt Mrs. W. Longman (-1) by 15. Miss M. J. Daldy (-1½) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (5½) by 18. Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) bt Miss E. M. Watson (5) by 6. Mrs. C. F. Rand (3½) w.o. Mrs. C. R. Carling (5) opponent retired. T. A. Chignell (5) bt S. F. Sopwith (2) by 10. W. Longman (-3) w.o. Mrs. F. N. Latham (1½) opponent scratched. R. H. Newton (2) bt E. A. Roper (2) by 5. R. V. N. Wiggins (0) w.o. Miss G. Forbes Cowan (5) opponent scratched. Mrs. M. Craven (3) w.o. G. Williams (-½) opponent scratched. Mrs. M. Roy (3) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (2) by 3.

SECOND ROUND.

Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (5) bt Mrs. A. L. Megson (4) by 10. Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth (5½) w.o. H. T. Pinkney Simpson (2) opponent retired. Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) w.o. Mrs. A. M. Daniels (5) opponent scratched. Miss M. J. Daldy (-1½) bt Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) by 6. T. A. Chignell (5) bt Mrs. C. F. Rand (3½) by 9. W. Longman (-3) bt R. H. Newton (2) by 9. R. V. N. Wiggins (0) bt Mrs. M. Craven (3) by 16. Miss H. D. Parker (3½) bt Mrs. M. Roy (3) by 4.

THIRD ROUND.

Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth (5½) bt Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (5) by 2. Miss M. J. Daldy (-1½) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) by 12. W. Longman (-3) bt T. A. Chignell (5) by 3. R. V. N. Wiggins (0) w.o. Miss H. D. Parker (3½) opponent scratched.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth (5½) bt Miss M. J. Daldy (-1½) by 8. R. V. N. Wiggins (0) bt W. Longman (-3) by 9.

FINAL.

R. V. N. Wiggins (0) bt Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth (5½) by 15.

EVENT "Y".

(6 to 8½ Bisques).

(14 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

R. Whitham (8) bt Mrs. J. A. Paxon (8) by 10. Mrs. F. M. Cervantes (7) bt D. Woodhams (7) by 2. G. F. Paxon (7) bt Mrs. H. D. Cork (8) by 16. Miss P. Hartridge (8) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (6) by 6. Mrs. C. M. Turner (8) bt Miss L. Tallmach (6) by 5. Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (6) w.o. W. P. H. Roe (8) opponent scratched.

SECOND ROUND.

R. Whitham (8) bt Mrs. R. E. Pertwee (8) by 19. Mrs. F. M. Cervantes (7) bt G. F. Paxon (7) by 11. Mrs. C. M. Turner (8) bt Miss P. Hartridge (8) by 8. Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (6) bt Miss E. M. Bray (7) by 10. SEMI-FINAL. R. Whitham (8) bt Mrs. F. M. Cervantes (7) by 8. Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (6) bt Mrs. C. M. Turner (8) by 20. FINAL. Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (6) bt R. Whitham (8) by 8.

EVENT "Z".

(9 Bisques and over).

(16 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Hon. Clive Pearson (10) bt Mrs. C. A. Bishop (11) by 5. Mrs. R. Whitham (9) bt E. C. Moggeridge (10) by 3. Mrs. J. S. Omond (11) w.o. Mrs. K. Baker (10) opponent retired. Miss E. E. Bennett (13) bt Miss L. Isaac (12) by 11. Mrs. W. Alford Naylor (12) w.o. Miss M. Towers (12) opponent scratched. Mrs. E. Truett (12) w.o. Mrs. Browen (12) opponent scratched. Capt. H. J. Pullein Thompson (14) bt Mrs. Clive Pearson (14) by 12. Miss D. L. Latham (9) w.o. Mrs. C. A. Money (10) opponent retired.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. R. Whitham (9) bt Hon. Clive Pearson (10) by 10. Miss E. E. Bennett (13) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond (11) by 20. Mrs. W. Alford Naylor (12) w.o. Mrs. E. Truett (12) opponent scratched. Capt. J. H. Pullein Thompson (14) bt Miss D. L. Latham (9) by 5.

SEMI-FINAL.

Miss E. E. Bennett (13) bt Mrs. R. Whitham (9) by 14. Mrs. W. Alford Naylor (12) bt Capt. H. J. Pullein Thompson (14) by 4.

FINAL.

Miss E. E. Bennett (13) bt Mrs. W. Alford Naylor (12) by 19.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

(Unrestricted).

THE DOUGLAS-JONES CUP.

(51 Entries).

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (6) bt Mrs. C. A. Money (10) by 16. Mrs. M. Roy (3) bt Mrs. M. Craven (3) by 2. G. F. Paxon (7) bt Capt. H. J. Pullein Thompson (\*) by 21. Mrs. W. Longman (-1) w.o. Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (5) opponent retired. Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) bt Miss M. J. Daldy (-1½) by 9. Miss L. Isaac (12) bt Mrs. C. Pearson (14) by 8. Mrs. C. F. Rand (3½) bt Hon. Clive Pearson (10) by 3. Miss G. Forbes Cowan (5) bt R. Whitham (8) by 3. Miss H. D. Parker (3½) bt Miss E. E. Bennett (14) by 9. Miss E. M. Bray (7) bt Brig. S. J. Omond (5½) by 2. E. A. Roper (2) bt R. H. Newton (2) by 7. Mrs. F. N. Latham (1½) bt Mrs. N. Oddie (-2½) by 12. Miss L. Elphinstone Stone (3½) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond (11) by 3. R. V. N. Wiggins (0) bt W. P. H. Roe (8) by 6. Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (2) bt E. C. Moggeridge (10) by 16. S. F. Sopwith (2) bt Mrs. Pertwee (7) by 7. Miss E. M. Watson (5) bt W. Longman (-3) by 8. Mrs. F. R. Carling (5) w.o. Mrs. J. K. Brown (12) opponent scratched. Miss D. L. Latham (9) bt Mrs. C. A. Bishop (11) by 11.

SECOND ROUND.

T. A. Chignell (5) bt Mrs. A. L. Megson (4) by 21. Mrs. R. Whitham (9) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (6) by 14. Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth (5½) bt Mrs. C. M. Turner (8) by 6. Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (6) bt Mrs. M. Roy (3) by 11. Mrs. W. Longman (-1) bt G. F. Paxon (7) by 2. Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) bt Miss L. Isaac (12) by 14. Mrs. C. F. Rand (3½) bt Mrs. G. Forbes Cowan (5) by 16. Miss H. D. Parker (3½) bt Miss E. M. Bray (7) by 16. Mrs. F. N. Latham (1½) bt E. A. Roper (2) by 5. R. V. N. Wiggins (0) bt Miss L. Elphinstone Stone (3½) by 13.



## HUNSTANTON

September 3rd—8th

"Fly away Peter, Fly away Paul,  
Come back Peter, Come back Paul."

Our much cherished Chairman, Miss Gillespie, who was absent from the Tournament last year was with us again this year to the delight and pleasure of all. Dr. Lewis was missing this year for the first time within living memory, but everyone hopes next year to hear his deep throated chuckle sounding across the courts. The "B" singles was won by the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. B. C. Perowne, a well deserved victory by someone who has served the club long and loyally.

The principal protagonists in the open proved to be Mrs. E. Reeve, H. O. Hodgson and J. G. Warwick. Mrs. E. Reeve swept to a whirlwind victory over J. G. Warwick in 35 minutes, but in the final of the Draw, her sword and shield were inadequate weapons to cope with H. O. Hodgson with his trident and net; however, in the play-off between him and J. G. Warwick, who had won the Process, Warwick advanced with his sword and shield and struck down the man with trident and net.

Miss W. L. Stevenson who last year captured the doubles, this year won the event for long bisquers. The handicap was won by the improving B. Lloyd Pratt who successfully prevented Miss Warwick from adding to the seven cups which she now holds. In partnership with and under the direction of Mrs. Reeve, he also captured the doubles. The final, good as it was, against Commander Rowe and Mrs. Riddy lacked the excitement of the semi-final of the winners against Mr. and Mrs. Victor Evans. Mrs. Reeve was pegged out when her partner was also on the peg and Mrs. Evans was for 2-back. Her ball made steady advance whilst Lloyd Pratt shot desperately for victory. He had one last chance as the Evans' ball was laid by the peg ready to go out on the next turn and the chance was seized.

An unusual feature was that the extra event was a doubles. The friendly happy atmosphere which prevailed justified this experiment. The entry was small, but comprised a brace of Evans, Karmels, Baillieus, Warwicks and Rowes. The match between Captain Gilbey and Miss Roe witnessed a struggle between two ex-Olympic representatives on the croquet court. That doughty warrior of the courts E. V. Carpmael did not this year score a winning bracket. A. D. Karmel will surely soon lose his maiden allowance in Association events. Mrs. Evans playing for the first time for 13 years showed excellent form in the doubles, her only event. Mrs. Karmel also made an auspicious first appearance in this event.

Our thanks are due to Mr. C. B. Bird who managed the tournament so successfully that while everyone's convenience seemed to be met, everything nevertheless went like clockwork.

Last but by no means least, thanks must be given to the ladies who so kindly ministered to the players' needs in providing ever welcome coffee and tea each day.

### OPEN SINGLES (CLASS A).

#### THE NORFOLK CHALLENGE CUP.

##### THE DRAW.

(7 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

E. V. Carpmael bt I. C. Baillieu by 9.  
Miss E. J. Warwick bt H. O. Hodgson by 19.  
J. G. Warwick bt G. Victor Evans by 23.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

E. V. Carpmael bt Miss E. J. Warwick by 4.  
J. G. Warwick bt Mrs. E. Reeve by 21.

##### FINAL.

J. G. Warwick bt E. V. Carpmael by 23.

##### PROCESS.

(7 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. E. Reeve bt Miss E. J. Warwick by 16.  
J. G. Warwick bt E. V. Carpmael by 14.  
H. O. Hodgson bt G. Victor Evans by 11.

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (2) bt S. F. Sopwith (2) by 7.  
Miss E. M. Watson (5) bt Mrs. F. R. Carling (5) by 21.  
Miss D. L. Latham (9) bt Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (5½) by 4.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels (5) bt A. L. Megson (2½) by 17.  
Mrs. W. Alford Naylor (12) bt Mrs. M. D. Cork (8) by 22.  
Mrs. A. J. Paxon (3) bt Miss P. Hartridge (8) by 2.

##### THIRD ROUND.

T. A. Chignell (5) bt Mrs. Whitham (9) by 7.  
Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (6) bt Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth (5½) by 14.

Mrs. W. Longman (—1) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (4) by 6.  
Miss H. D. Parker (3½) bt Mrs. C. F. Rand (3½) by 5.  
Mrs. F. N. Latham (1½) bt R. V. N. Wiggins (0) by 12.  
Miss E. M. Watson (5) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (2) by 8.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels (5) bt Miss D. L. Latham (9) by 5.  
Mrs. J. A. Paxon (8) bt Mrs. W. Alford Naylor (12) by 12.

##### FOURTH ROUND.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (6) bt T. A. Chignell (5) by 3.  
Miss H. D. Parker (3½) bt Mrs. W. Longman (—1) by 22.  
Mrs. F. N. Latham (1½) bt Miss M. Watson (5) by 6.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels (5) w.o. Mrs. J. A. Paxon (8) opponent retired.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (6) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3½) by 23.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels (5) bt Mrs. F. N. Latham (1½) by 11.

##### FINAL.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (6) bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels (5) by 8.

### HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(Combined Handicaps not less than 4).

(21 Pairs).

##### FIRST ROUND.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Miss L. Elphinstone Stone (9½) bt R. V. N. Wiggins and Miss D. L. Latham (9) by 1 on time.

Mrs. J. S. Omond and Miss M. J. Daldy (9½) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor and F. E. Corke (16½) by 6.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels and Miss H. D. Parker (8½) bt Mrs. M. Roy and Mrs. MacArthur (6) by 16.  
Mrs. M. D. Cork and Mrs. F. M. Cervantes (15) bt Mrs. Rand and Mrs. Latham (5) by 8.

##### SECOND ROUND.

Miss L. Isaac and Mrs. M. Craven (15) bt Miss M. Towers and E. A. Roper (14) by 4 on time.  
Capt. Pullein Thompson and W. Longman (9) bt Miss E. M. Watson and T. A. Chignell (10) by 10.  
Mrs. N. E. Wallwork and F. E. Sopwith (7½) bt Mrs. C. M. Turner and D. Woodhams (15) by 15.

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Miss Elphinstone Stone (9½) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond and Miss M. J. Daldy (9½) by 4.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels and Miss H. D. Parker (8½) bt Mrs. M. D. Cork and Mrs. F. M. Cervantes (15) by 10.  
Hon. Clive Pearson and Mrs. N. Oddie (7½) bt Mrs. C. A. Bishop and Mrs. E. A. Roper (17) by 4.

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (7) bt G. Paxon and Mrs. Paxon (15) by 9 on time.  
R. H. Newton and Mrs. Farnsworth (7½) bt R. Whitham and Mrs. Whitham (17) by 1.

##### THIRD ROUND.

Capt. Pullein Thompson and W. Longman (9) bt Miss L. Isaac and Mrs. M. Craven (15) by 6.  
Mrs. N. E. Wallwork and F. S. Sopwith (7½) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Miss L. Elphinstone Stone (9½) by 5.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels and Miss H. D. Parker (8½) bt Hon. Clive Pearson and Mrs. N. Oddie (7½) by 2.

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (7) bt R. H. Newton and Mrs. Farnsworth (7½) by 10.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Capt. Pullein Thompson and W. Longman (9) bt Mrs. N. E. Wallwork and S. F. Sopwith (7½) by 6.  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels and Miss H. D. Parker (8½) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (7) by 7.

##### FINAL.

Capt. H. J. Pullein Thompson and W. Longman (9) bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels and Miss H. D. Parker (8½) by 17.

### EXTRA EVENT.

(16 Entries).

##### FINAL.

E. A. Roper bt Miss D. L. Latham.

Fourteen

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. E. Reeve bt J. G. Warwick by 26.  
H. O. Hodgson bt I. C. Baillieu by 18.

##### FINAL.

H. O. Hodgson bt Mrs. E. Reeve by 14.

##### PLAY-OFF.

J. G. Warwick bt H. O. Hodgson by 22.

### LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS B).

#### THE HUNSTANTON CHALLENGE BOWL.

(2 to 8½ Bisques).

(5 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

Capt. V. G. Gilbey bt Mrs. W. Leake by 7.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. B. C. Perowne bt Capt. V. G. Gilbey by 9.  
B. Lloyd Pratt bt Comdr. D. W. Roe by 6.

##### FINAL.

Mrs. B. C. Perowne bt B. Lloyd Pratt by 4.

### HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS C).

(9 Bisques and over).

(5 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

Miss I. Roe (9) bt Mrs. A. M. Riddey (9) by 17.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Miss I. Roe (9) bt A. D. Karmel (9) by 3.  
Miss W. L. Stevenson (9) bt Mrs. I. C. Baillieu (9) by 17.

##### FINAL.

Miss W. L. Stevenson (9) bt Miss I. Roe (9) by 10.

### HANDICAP SINGLES ("X.Y.").

#### INGLEBY CHALLENGE CUP.

##### EVENT "X".

(17 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

A. D. Karmel (9) bt Mrs. B. C. Perowne (6) by 5.

##### SECOND ROUND.

Miss W. L. Stevenson (9) w.o. Mrs. W. Leake (7) opponent scratched.

I. C. Baillieu (1) bt Miss I. Roe (9) by 6.  
Miss E. J. Warwick (½) bt A. D. Karmel (9) by 4.  
E. V. Carpmael (—½) bt Capt. V. G. Gilbey (7) by 7.  
Mrs. E. Reeve (—2) bt G. Victor Evans (—½) by 13.  
J. G. Warwick (—1½) bt H. O. Hodgson (0) by 10.  
Comdr. D. W. Roe (3) bt Mrs. A. M. Riddey (9) by 16.  
B. Lloyd Pratt (6½) bt Mrs. Baillieu (9) by 9.

##### THIRD ROUND.

I. C. Baillieu (1) bt Miss Stevenson (9) by 14.  
Miss E. J. Warwick (½) bt E. V. Carpmael (—½) by 13.  
B. Lloyd Pratt (6½) bt Mrs. E. Reeve (—2) by 16.  
Comdr. D. W. Roe (3) bt J. G. Warwick (—1½) by 6.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Miss E. J. Warwick (½) bt I. C. Baillieu (1) by 9.  
B. Lloyd Pratt (6½) bt Comdr. D. W. Roe (3) by 7.

##### FINAL.

B. Lloyd Pratt (6½) bt Miss E. J. Warwick (½) by 12.

##### EVENT "Y".

(8 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

Miss I. Roe (9) w.o. Mrs. W. Leake (7) opponent scratched.  
Mrs. B. C. Perowne (6) bt Capt. V. G. Gilbey (7) by 12.  
G. Victor Evans (—½) bt Mrs. I. C. Baillieu (9) by 16.  
H. O. Hodgson (0) bt Mrs. A. M. Riddey (9) by 12.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Miss I. Roe (9) w.o. Mrs. B. C. Perowne (6) opponent retired.  
G. Victor Evans (—½) bt H. O. Hodgson (0) by 1.

##### FINAL.

G. Victor Evans (—½) bt Miss I. Roe (9) by 3.

### HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(2 Bisques and over).

(8 Pairs).

##### FIRST ROUND.

G. Victor Evans and Mrs. Victor Evans (7½) bt H. O. Hodgson and Miss W. L. Stevenson (9) by 8.

Mrs. E. Reeve and B. Lloyd Pratt (4½) bt I. C. Baillieu and Mrs. Baillieu (10) by 16.  
J. G. Warwick and Miss I. Roe (7½) bt A. D. Karmel and Mrs. Karmel (19) by 4.

Comdr. D. W. Roe and Mrs. A. M. Riddey (12) bt Capt. V. G. Gilbey and Miss E. J. Warwick (7½) by 10.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. E. Reeve and B. Lloyd Pratt (4½) bt G. Victor Evans and Mrs. Victor Evans (7½) by 2.

Comdr. D. W. Roe and Mrs. A. M. Riddey (12) bt J. G. Warwick and Miss I. Roe (7½) by 8.

##### FINAL.

Mrs. E. Reeve and B. Lloyd Pratt (4½) bt Comdr. D. W. Roe and Mrs. A. M. Riddey (12) by 12.

### EXTRA EVENT.

#### HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(5 Pairs).

##### FIRST ROUND.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Victor Evans (7½) bt Comdr. D. W. Roe and Miss I. Roe (12) by 5 on time.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Miss E. J. Warwick and A. D. Karmel (7½) bt Mr. and Mrs. G. Victor Evans (7½) by 10.

Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Baillieu (10) bt J. G. Warwick and Mrs. A. D. Karmel (7½) by 7.

##### FINAL.

Miss E. J. Warwick and A. D. Karmel (7½) bt Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Baillieu (10) by 3.

## PARKSTONE (East Dorset)

September 3rd—8th

Parkstone was no more fortunate than the majority of clubs this year regarding the weather, and rain-resisting garments were much in evidence on four of the six days, but in spite of this obstacle to progress all Events were completed except for the Ashton Trophy which had to be abandoned—a great tribute to the tact and efficiency of the Manager, Mr. Ashton, and his assistant, Mrs. Ashton.

The lawns were naturally on the heavy side but stood up to the strain remarkably well and some very good croquet was achieved. W. H. Kirk and G. D. Rowling, both of New Zealand, fought out the final of the Open Singles, Kirk carrying off the Bournemouth Bowl after a closely contested match which produced tense moments.

G. W. Solomon played solid reliable croquet to win the Level Singles from a field in which he was by no means the back marker, while Major Hill-Bernhard's win in the "C" Handicap for 4½ bisques and over, was convincing enough to cause a shrinkage of his handicap in the near future.

G. D. Rowling played his best games in the Handicap Singles for the Gold Cup, both the semi-final and final each being completed within an hour by means of double peels.

The Handicap Doubles produced numbers of hard fought battles. Mrs. Kirk and Mrs. Roberts well deserved their win in this event as they both played consistently and well, but one must also congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead for the determined fight they put up.

The week was voted a great success by all those who took part. A.G.F.R.

### OPEN SINGLES.

#### BOURNEMOUTH BOWL.

(17 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

W. W. Sweet Escott bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 14.

##### SECOND ROUND.

G. D. Rowling bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 7.  
Mrs. W. H. Kirk bt Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith by 20.  
A. G. F. Ross bt Mrs. L. H. Ashton by 24.  
Mrs. C. Watkins bt W. W. Sweet Escott by 5.  
F. H. Fisher bt J. Hewitt by 15.  
W. H. Kirk bt Major J. R. Abbey by 8.  
C. Watkins bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish by 14.  
Col. D. W. Beamish bt Mrs. McKenzie-Smith by 14.

Fifteen

## DIRECTORY OF CLUBS

THIRD ROUND.

G. D. Rowling bt Mrs. W. H. Kirk by 6.  
Mrs. C. Watkins bt A. G. F. Ross by 16.  
W. H. Kirk bt F. H. Fisher by 7.  
Col. D. W. Beamish bt C. Watkins by 21.

SEMI-FINAL.

G. D. Rowling bt Mrs. C. Watkins by 13.  
W. H. Kirk bt Col. D. W. Beamish by 9.

FINAL.

W. H. Kirk bt G. D. Rowling by 3.

LEVEL SINGLES.  
THE DESHON CUP.  
(1½ to 4 Bishes).  
(9 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

G. W. Solomon bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson by 4.

SECOND ROUND.

Capt. K. B. Millar bt Lt.-Col. F. E. W. Baldwin by 10.  
G. W. Solomon bt Mrs. J. A. McMordie by 3.  
Mrs. G. W. Solomon bt Mrs. A. G. F. Ross by 5.  
Miss A. E. Mills bt Lady Ursula Abbey by 10.

SEMI-FINAL.

G. W. Solomon bt Capt. K. B. Millar by 7.  
Miss A. E. Mills bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 7.

FINAL.

G. W. Solomon bt Miss A. E. Mills by 4.

HANDICAP SINGLES.  
THE HALSE SALVER.  
(4½ Bishes and over).  
(13 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Miss L. H. Smith (6½) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) by 5.  
E. Whitehead (5½) bt A. F. Rash (9) by 12.  
Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6½) bt Miss G. L. W. Weston (9) by 3.  
Major F. Hill-Bernhard (7½) bt Mrs. H. F. Roberts (6½) by 16.  
Major C. T. Carfrae (5) bt Mrs. E. Whitehead (14) by 7.

SECOND ROUND.

Miss L. H. Smith (6½) w.o. Mrs. G. M. Robertson (12) opponent scratched.  
Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6½) bt E. Whitehead (5½) by 10.  
Major F. Hill-Bernhard (7½) w.o. Major C. T. Carfrae (5) opponent scratched.  
Mrs. G. Fitter (14) bt Mrs. A. E. Robinson (9) by 6.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6½) bt Miss L. H. Smith (6½) by 16.  
Major F. Hill-Bernhard (7½) bt Mrs. G. Fitter (14) by 15.

FINAL.

Major F. Hill-Bernhard (7½) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6½) by 17.

HANDICAP SINGLES.  
(Unrestricted).  
GOLD CUP.  
(36 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

V. A. de la Nougerede (—½) bt Major J. R. Abbey (0) by 6.  
Capt. K. B. Millar (4) w.o. Mrs. G. M. Robertson (12) opponent scratched.  
G. W. Solomon (3½) bt Miss L. H. Smith (6½) by 24.  
G. D. Rowling (—2) bt J. Hewitt (—½) by 9.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6½) w.o. Mrs. A. G. F. Ross (2½) opponent scratched.  
W. W. Sweet Escott (—1) bt E. Whitehead (5½) by 7.  
Miss A. E. Mills (1½) w.o. Lt.-Col. F. E. W. Baldwin (2½) opponent scratched.  
Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) w.o. Mrs. C. Watkins (—3) opponent scratched.  
F. H. Fisher (—1½) w.o. Mrs. L. H. Ashton (—2) opponent scratched.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt A. F. Rash (9) by 3.  
Mrs. McKenzie-Smart (—2) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1½) by 11.  
V. A. de la Nougerede (—½) bt Capt. K. B. Millar (4) by 3.  
G. D. Rowling (—2) bt G. W. Solomon (3½) by 9.  
Mrs. H. F. Roberts (6½) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) by 16.  
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (½) bt A. G. F. Ross (—4) by 25.  
Major F. Hill-Bernhard (7½) bt Mrs. W. H. Kirk (—2) by 1.  
Mrs. E. Whitehead (14) bt Mrs. A. E. Robinson (9) by 2.  
Mrs. J. A. McMordie (3) bt Col. D. W. Beamish (—2) by 2.  
Mrs. G. W. Solomon (3) bt W. H. Kirk (—1½) by 2.  
Lady Ursula Abbey (4) bt Miss G. L. W. Weston (9) by 15.

THIRD ROUND.

Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6½) bt W. W. Sweet Escott (—1) by 16.  
Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) by 7.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt F. H. Fisher (—1½) by 7.  
V. A. de la Nougerede (—½) bt Mrs. McKenzie-Smart (—2) by 1.  
G. D. Rowling (—2) bt Mrs. H. F. Roberts (6½) by 16.  
Major F. Hill-Bernhard (7½) bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (½) by 4.  
Mrs. E. Whitehead (14) bt Mrs. J. A. McMordie (3) by 5.  
Lady Ursula Abbey (4) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (3) by 11.

FOURTH ROUND.

Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (6½) by 10.  
V. A. de la Nougerede (—½) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) by 20.  
G. D. Rowling (—2) bt Major F. Hill-Bernhard (7½) by 4.  
Lady Ursula Abbey (4) bt Mrs. E. Whitehead (14) by 8.

SEMI-FINAL.

V. A. de la Nougerede (—½) bt Miss A. E. Mills (1½) by 8.  
G. D. Rowling (—2) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (4) by 17.

FINAL.

G. D. Rowling (—2) bt V. A. de la Nougerede (—½) by 21.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.  
(Unrestricted).  
(14 Pairs).

FIRST ROUND.

V. A. de la Nougerede and Major F. Hill-Bernhard (7) bt. F. H. Fisher and Major C. T. Carfrae (3½) by 13.  
Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (3) bt Mrs. McKenzie-Smart and Mrs. J. A. McMordie (1) by 4.  
E. Whitehead and Mrs. E. Whitehead (17) bt A. F. Rash and Mrs. G. Fitter (21) by 6.  
A. G. F. Ross and Mrs. A. G. F. Ross (—1½) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham and Capt. K. B. Millar (1) by 2.  
Col. D. W. Beamish and Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (—1½) bt W. W. Sweet Escott and Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) by 15.  
Mrs. W. H. Kirk and Mrs. H. F. Roberts (4½) bt Mrs. C. Watkins and Mrs. L. H. Ashton (—5) by 6.

SECOND ROUND.

V. A. de la Nougerede and Major F. Hill-Bernhard (7) w.o. C. Watkins and G. W. Solomon (1) opponent scratched.  
E. Whitehead and Mrs. E. Whitehead (17) bt Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (3) by 6.  
Col. D. W. Beamish and Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (—1½) bt A. G. F. Ross and Mrs. A. G. F. Ross (—1½) by 6.  
Mrs. W. H. Kirk and Mrs. H. F. Roberts (4½) bt W. H. Kirk and Mrs. H. D. Wooster (5) by 4.

SEMI-FINAL.

E. Whitehead and Mrs. E. Whitehead (17) bt V. A. de la Nougerede and Major F. Hill-Bernhard (7) by 16.  
Mrs. W. H. Kirk and Mrs. H. F. Roberts (4½) bt Col. D. W. Beamish and Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (—1½) by 2.

FINAL.

Mrs. W. H. Kirk and Mrs. H. F. Roberts (4½) bt E. Whitehead and Mrs. E. Whitehead (17) by 7.

### PARKSTONE CLUB MATCH

Tuesday, August 28th

MEN *versus* WOMEN

SINGLES

Mrs. Ashton (—2) lost to V. de la Nougerede (—½) by 26.  
Mrs. Gasson (1½) bt J. Hewitt (—½) by 26.  
Mrs. McMordie (3) lost to Comdr. Beamish (½) by 9.  
Mrs. Hill (6) bt Major Hill-Bernhard (7½) by 6.  
Miss Weston (9) lost to A. F. Rash (9) by 14.

DOUBLES

Mrs. Ashton and Miss Woolley (4) lost to Comdr. Beamish and Major Carfrae (5½) by 12.  
Mrs. Gasson and Mrs. Hill (7½) lost to V. de la Nougerede and Major Hill-Bernhard (7) by 21.  
Mrs. McMordie and Mrs. Wilson (14) bt Col. Baldwin and A. F. Rash (11½) by 9.

RESULT.—Men beat Women 5 games to 3.

**Barnstaple**—Hon. Secretary, Mrs. G. M. Ackland, 45 Orchard Road, Barnstaple, Devon.

**Bedford**—Hon. Secretary, Miss D. D. Steel, King's Close, Biddenham, Bedford.

**Bentley (Brentwood)**—Hon. Secretary, F. Stanley-Smith, Hatch House, Pilgrims Hatch, Brentwood.

**Birkdale (Southport)**—Hon. Secretary, Rev. F. I. Denbow, East View, Liverpool Road, Rufford, Ormskirk.

**Birmingham (Edgbaston)**—Hon. Secretary, Dr. B. R. Sandiford, 150 Great Charles Street, Birmingham.

**Blackheath (Blackheath Park)**—Hon. Secretary, Miss M. Willis, 3 Priory Lodge, Priory Park, Lee Road, Blackheath, S.E.3.

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**Felixstowe**—Hon. Secretary, Lt.-Col. H. F. Story, Orwell Hotel, Felixstowe.

**Ferranti Staff Recreation Club**—Crewe Toll, Edinburgh—Hon. Secretary, A. W. Dawson.

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