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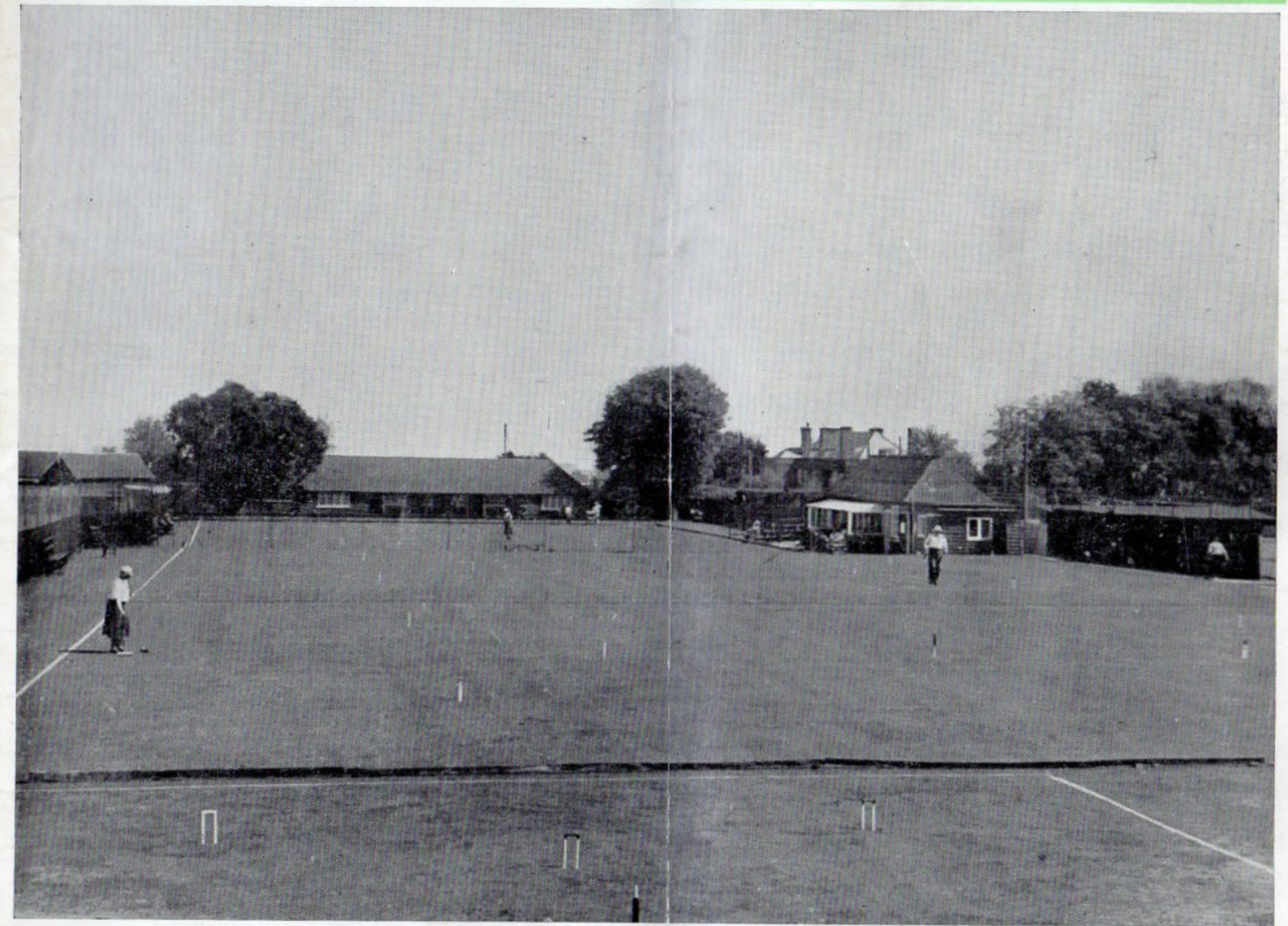
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 „ 16 Southwick. *Hon. Sec.*, Miss J. Daldy, 10 Lansdowne Road, Hove 3.  
 „ 24 Inter-County Championships (Hurlingham). *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.  
 „ 30 Men's and Women's Championships (Roehampton). *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.  
 „ 30 Ryde. *Hon. Sec.*, Cmdr. J. Radford, R.D., R.N.R. (ret.), Leaholme, Appley Road, Ryde, I.O.W.  
 June 6 Woking. *Hon. Sec.*, Major J. W. Cobb, Farm Hotel, Woking.  
 „ 13 Compton (Eastbourne). *Hon. Sec.*, C. J. Speer, 36c Upperton Gardens, Eastbourne.  
 „ 13 Nottingham. *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, 15 St. Jude's Avenue, Mapperley, Nottingham.  
 „ 20 Parkstone. *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. M. McMordie, 4 Overbury Road, Parkstone.  
 „ 27 Leamington Spa. *The Croquet Secretary*, Guys Cliffe Avenue, Leamington Spa.  
 July 4 Budleigh Salterton. *Hon. Sec.*, Major G. F. Stone, Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Budleigh Salterton.  
 „ 11 Open Championships (Hurlingham). *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.  
 „ 18 Cheltenham. *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.  
 „ 25 The Ladies' Field Cup (Hurlingham). *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.  
 Aug. 1 Hurlingham. *Games Secretary*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.  
 „ 9-11 All England Handicap. Area Finals (Roehampton). *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.  
 „ 10-20 Challenge and Gilbey Cups, Ascot and Delves Broughton Cups (Roehampton). *Secretary C.A.*, Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.  
 „ 22 Southwick. *Hon. Sec.*, Miss J. Daldy, 10 Lansdowne Road, Hove 3.  
 „ 29 Hunstanton. *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. J. A. Clarke, 49 Northgate, Hunstanton.  
 Sept. 5 President's Cup (Hurlingham), Surrey Cup (Roehampton). *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.  
 „ 12 Parkstone. *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. M. McMordie, 4 Overbury Road, Parkstone.  
 „ 19 Roehampton. *Games Secretary*, Roehampton Club, Roehampton Lane, S.W.15.  
 „ 26 Devonshire Park (Eastbourne). *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.

### NON-OFFICIAL

- Apr. 22-24 Hunstanton (American). *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. J. A. Clarke, 49 Northgate, Hunstanton.  
 May 9 Budleigh Salterton. *Hon. Sec.*, Major G. F. Stone, Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Budleigh Salterton.  
 June 4-6 Cheltenham (American). *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.  
 Aug. 29 Southwick. *Hon. Sec.*, Miss J. Daldy, 10 Lansdowne Road, Hove 3.  
 Sept. 12 Cheltenham. *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.

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V. C. GASSON,

*Secretary*

### EDITORIAL PANEL OF "CROQUET"

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 Miss D. A. Lintern  
 M. B. Reckitt  
 E. A. Roper  
 S. S. Townsend

# THE 1959 SEASON

By MAURICE B. RECKITT

*Now are the seasons of our discontent  
 Made glorious summer by this sun of heaven.*

THOUGH no doubt we have not done justice to Shakespeare in the above, one feels that it is only such a master of our language who *could* do justice to the five months of weather which croquet players have experienced this year. Few of them can ever remember a season like it, for not many of us were free to play the game at all in 1940; only a handful can recall the summer of 1921; and fewer still that of 1911, when a shade temperature of 100 degrees was experienced during the week of the first Ladies' Field Cup and the Manager (Col. Brooke) withdrew his charges from the courts for a whole afternoon, the menace of sunstroke having become an occupational hazard. By the Thursday of the Peels this year the temperature had risen to 71 degrees; on the second Wednesday at Devonshire Park it was 74 degrees, and week after week with similar figures stretched between. For what we have received this season we must be—as surely we are—truly thankful.

If the weather was this summer's most spectacular characteristic, a more strictly croquetical one is scarcely less memorable. This is the remarkable record of our greatest player, John Solomon. Competing successively in the Men's Championship, the Open Championship, the Doubles Championship (with Patrick Cotter), the Opens at Hurlingham and the President's Cup, he won all of these premier contests, a record which could not be surpassed and has never, one believes, been precisely equalled. Having spoken of John as our greatest player, this chronicler, with fifty years' experience of the game, will go a step further and venture the claim that he is in fact the greatest player of all time, in this country at any rate. When one recalls the great names of the past this may appear to be a temerarious judgment, and in any case comparisons in such a matter can never be satisfactorily established. But the temptation to make this one is to me irresistible.

In the face of such a record as this not much scope was left to John's rivals. One is reminded of Lewis Carroll's hippopotamus:

... descending from a bus; ...  
 if he should come to tea, I said,  
 there won't be much for us.

Perhaps the "rankings" at the end of the President's Cup can be taken as fairly representing the next three placings. Humphrey Hicks was not only a good second in this event but the runner-up in the Open Championship and the winner of the Sussex Cup at Brighton. Patrick Cotter had one of his less successful seasons, but even when things are not going his way he never looks anything but the masterly player we all know him to be. William Ormerod could play only in the Open Championship and the President's Cup, but lack of practice seems in no way to impair the immense effectiveness of his game. Yet one may respectfully question whether his increasingly loosely-knit methods of "boosted" hoop and long roquet can ever produce croquet of the very highest class. No one could fairly describe his game as "hit and miss" since in fact William scarcely ever does miss, but if balls are to be spread thus over so wide an area of the court something of the precision necessary to perfection is inevitably sacrificed.

It was unfortunate that a miscalculation prevented Dr. Wiggins from competing with his peers in the Best Eight, for this is an event in which he generally appears to advantage. It was he who deprived Cotter of his title in the Open Championship, and he subsequently played three good games with Ormerod. At Hurlingham he fell to Brian Lloyd-Pratt whose game made the advance which all good judges had confidently predicted would be the case, despite his having less opportunities for play than was the case last year. Once he had mastered the narrow hoops in the President's Cup he looked equal to beating anyone, and he has surely established a secure position in this event for a long time to come. Tied with him at the end of the competition was Dudley Hamilton-Miller, whose return to the game was one of the happiest features of the season. How pleasant it was for those who remember that controlled and leisurely swing from earlier days to see it once more in action on the courts, to welcome back to our midst a former captain of England, and to salute a new South of England champion.

Mrs. Rotherham's play during the season was as successful as it was indefatigable and won for her the merited distinction of the "basic" handicap of minus three. She came nearer than anyone else to inflicting (at Hurlingham) a defeat upon John Solomon, and her beautifully accurate breaks and fine shooting meant that she was always likely to be in the hunt even against the strongest opposition. But one trophy which might almost have seemed to belong to her of right in fact eluded her, for it was Miss Warwick who carried off the Ladies' Field Cup. This lady's advance was very marked, especially perhaps where it might have seemed most needed—in strategy and tactics. Having gone far towards mastering this department of the game, the widest possibilities are now open to this enterprising and enthusiastic player. Mrs. Longman maintained the advance she made last season; she is perhaps at her very best in handicap play, whether in singles or doubles. Miss Lintern's labours for the Association, especially in the emergency created by the death of Mrs. Apps, so cheerfully and sacrificially shouldered, left her too little time and energy to play much competitive croquet this year; released from these cares we shall expect to see her to the fore again next season. Both Mrs. Elvey and Mrs. Reeve had their notable successes, the former more especially at Hurlingham and the latter at Eastbourne. There is still no clear evidence of the emergence of a new star among women players, but the potentialities of Mrs. Daniels (whose long hoops and long shots are remarkable indeed) and Mrs. Adler were noted in these pages last year. Others coming to the fore include Lady Ursula Abbey, Miss Roe (who would do still better perhaps with less body movement in her swing), Miss Fisher and Mrs. Haigh-Smith, who won so creditable a victory in the big handicap at Hurlingham. Mrs. Tingey deserves a special word of commendation; she has come on a lot since she was here last and no doubt owes much to her husband's tuition. Robert's play seemed to improve steadily as the season went on, and reached its best at Roehampton in September.

As many as 21 players received—and 13 of these declined—invitations for the Surrey Cup. It is a pity that this very interesting competition does not seem to

draw into the lists those who should be fitting themselves to displace some of the competitors for the senior "Eight." It is impossible to do justice either to the achievements or the potentialities of all these 21; it can only be noted how even those who did actually play proved themselves to be; how good it was to see the winner, Col. Cave, back again in his best form, with the wonderful Mr. Spencer Ell so hard on his heels. Among those who could not accept, however, the name of Mr. Hollweg stands out. If ever there were a potential candidate for high honours it is he, and one hopes that the day is not far ahead when he will receive—and accept—an invitation for the President's Cup. It is sad indeed that his opportunities for competition among "top people" are so few.

The younger men whose promise was noted in our corresponding article last year have restricted opportunities for play, but most of them showed at one point or another in the season that their advance is continuing. 1959 brought some new accessions to their ranks, notably Mr. D. W. Curtis and Mr. R. F. O. Kemp, both of whom appeared at Hurlingham with handicaps calculated to strike terror into the hearts of their opponents. Mr. Curtis, who won the "Draw" in the Opens in the second week at Southwick with a victory over Mr. Kirk-Greene, one of the most difficult men in the country to beat, looks capable of anything, and with a handicap still no lower than 4 will surely do a lot of "damage" in the future. Among older players mention must be made of that spirited enthusiast Mr. Huskinson, who won the Peel Memorial for a second consecutive year; Col. Prichard, who fully earned a good reduction in his handicap; General Wilson-Haffenden, who made a rapid advance in his first season, and Mr. N. F. Blackwood, winner of the All England Handicap, who has a beautiful style and a very good knowledge of the game. Two of his fellow members at Southwick, Mr. H. A. Green and Mr. W. A. Moore, show considerable promise. Finally a word of regretful, though one hopes only temporary, farewell, may be bidden here to Dr. and Mrs. Yoxall, who have now left Cheltenham, no doubt to spread in the U.S.A. the true faith about our game. They will be much missed among us, not only for the keen enthusiasm they show, but for the fine croquet they play and the no less fine spirit in which they play it.

It was said here of the County Championship last year that the winners, Middlesex, had "a team so strong that so long as they can continue to field it, it is difficult to see how they can be deprived of the title." They were not deprived of it this year, though Surrey, with a side much reduced in strength, were worthy runners-up. Matched against "The Rest" again at Devonshire Park, Middlesex were defeated rather more easily than was the case last year. The Club Team Cup was won for the first time by Colchester, such a victory by one of the smaller clubs being particularly welcome. Teams visiting them, however, to save their wounds tried to console themselves by the reflection that the home side was somewhat generously handicapped—a matter on which this chronicler is in no position to express an opinion. The unofficial match between Budleigh Salterton and London, now quite a well-established fixture, resulted on this occasion in a narrow victory for the redoubtable Devonians, one of the contests having unfortunately, but unavoidably, to be abandoned as a draw. The visit of an Irish team provided a delightful experience for all who met them, and we should like to see much more of these so promising players over here.

The most notable event of the year in the internal life of the Association was the move to its new offices at Hurlingham, which took place at midsummer. Previous to this a sort of interregnum had stretched over a full six months for the unhappiest of reasons, the illness and death, in April, of our well-beloved secretary, Mrs. Apps. Apart from the grievous personal loss which the Association thus sustained, a situation of extraordinary strain and difficulty arose which must have proved insurmountable had it not been for the self-sacrifice of the same two ladies who had come to the rescue of the C.A. in a similar but less prolonged crisis last year, Miss Lintern and Mrs. Thom. No gratitude to them can be too great, and a debt is owed too to Mr. Townsend who did so much to help these two with the heavy task involved in the move to the new office. Almost immediately after this transit was completed it became known that the Council had found a new secretary to initiate the new regime at our delightful new headquarters. The whole Association will give Mrs. Gasson a very warm welcome, pausing only to sympathise with Parkstone in losing her valuable services now given to Croquet in a wider context.

Much work has been going on behind the scenes on the project for producing a redraft of the Laws pioneered by its zealous originator, Mr. Ian Baillieu. The work of his committee is not far from completion, but waits upon the extended comment still to reach us from the antipodean councils, who have, however, already made known their general assent to the proposition. The Council is hoping that it may prove to be possible to issue a revised code to which all concerned are at any rate substantially agreed by the opening of next season.

Croquet players are wont to live long, but the day comes when they are no longer with us, and this year we have had to mourn the passing of some who were already famous in our little world before the great majority of today's associates had entered it. To Mrs. Apps reference has been made already; two ladies who had been even longer in the game died during the summer; the obituary notices of Mrs. Beaton and Mrs. Ernest Turner have told us something of their achievements and their services to the game, but such friendships as many of us had formed with them over long years leave memories which the printed word alone can never sufficiently preserve. And with them we shall remember one whose name has a special significance for these pages to which he contributed so much—"Crowther", the brilliant draughtsman, the witty writer, the incisive and often scintillating talker, who may sometimes have made a momentary enemy, but always re-established him as a lifelong friend.

Looking forward, we find the Triangular Test Match prospect still as it were hull down on the horizon, but likely very soon to emerge into full view. No more than this can be said now, but associates can be assured that the project is very much alive and that the Council has the matter clearly in mind. Finally, we have a very pleasant and fruitful prospect before us in the publication next spring of a book to be entitled *Tackle Croquet This Way*. Since the "way" is Patrick Cotter's way there could not possibly be a better one, and the book should do much to nourish, in beginner and "old hand" alike, that gusto, intelligence and enterprise which its author always so attractively exhibits, whether on the court or on the page.

## HANDICAPS CONFIRMED OR ALTERED BY THE HANDICAP CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

November 5th, 1959

### CHELTENHAM (NON-OFFICIAL) (September 14th)

Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard 5½ to 5.  
Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard 16 to 14.  
Miss R. M. Allen 7 to 6.  
T. G. S. Colls 6 to 4.  
Miss I. M. Roe 4 to 3½.  
Capt. L. C. Abye 9 to 8.  
Miss E. M. Leonard 12 to 11.

### NON-ASSOCIATES (New Handicaps)

J. Crugam 14.  
Miss C. Harding 16.  
H. A. Sheppard 14.  
C. Brent-Smith 14.

### ROEHAMPTON (September 21st)

Mrs. S. M. Adler 5½ to 4.  
A. V. Camroux 8 to 6.  
Mrs. R. Tingey 4½ to 3½.  
Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson 9½ to 8½.  
A. D. Karmel 3 to 2½.  
Mrs. J. S. Omond 10 to 9.  
Dr. T. E. Ryves 6 to 5.

### NON-ASSOCIATES

Mrs. L. A. Showan 6½ to 6.  
Mrs. E. M. Speer 7½ New Handicap.

### ROEHAMPTON CLUB RECOMMENDATIONS

F. H. Curtis 14 to 12.  
Miss E. Fisher 3½ to 2½.  
J. B. Gilbert 1½ to ½.  
S. M. Adler 11 to 10.  
Col. C. C. Adams —½ to —1.  
Mrs. D. M. Staub 10 to 9.  
W. A. Fitzgerald 14 to 12 (D 10).  
M. Spencer Ell 1 to 0.

### DEVONSHIRE PARK (September 28th)

#### BEFORE PLAY

Parkstone Club Recommendation  
Miss K. D. Hickson 9½ to 9.

#### After Play

Miss G. Forbes-Cowan 6 to 5.  
H. C. S. Perry 7½ to 7.  
Mrs. G. Fitter 11 to 10.  
Mrs. J. R. Oxley 11 to 10.  
Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style 8 to 7½.  
Mrs. W. Longman 0 to —1.  
Miss D. L. Latham 9 to 8½.  
D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller —1 to —1½.  
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish 1½ to 1.  
Mrs. G. D. Perowne 6 to 5½.  
L. Kirk Greene —1 to —1½.

### PARKSTONE CLUB RECOMMENDATIONS

Miss K. D. Hickson 9½ to 8½.  
A. F. Rash 10 to 9.

### COLCHESTER

#### LONGMAN TEAM CUP (WINNERS)

R. J. Hinnell 8 to 6½.  
C. S. Ratcliffe 8 to 6.  
B. T. Cresswell 7 to 5½.  
Mrs. R. J. Hinnell 13 to 11.

### BUDLEIGH SALTERTON CLUB RECOMMENDATIONS

A. J. Cooper 3 to 2.  
Major E. C. Heathcote 11 (D 10) to 10.  
G. Mills 9 to 8.  
Mrs. M. H. Vincent 5½ to 5.

### CORRECTIONS

BRIGHTON (UNOFFICIAL)  
Mrs. D. Toms 14.

HUNSTANTON (OMISSION)  
Miss S. Hampson 14 to 12 D (10).

## Australian Croquet Carnival

The Australian Croquet Council Carnival was held in Brisbane, Queensland, in September, 1959. The weather was lovely, almost right through the Carnival. The lawns at Windsor, Stephens and Merthyr were used. The Carnival opened with a reception to all players and visitors and was held in the Windsor Bowling Club House.

Victoria again won the Interstate Cup, the Team this year consisting of Miss N. Burne (capt.), Mrs. J. Edwards, Mrs. McGregor and Miss Stokes. Mr. C. Burrows, the reserve, had to play in two of the matches. It was entirely a new team this year, and they played well. South Australia was the runner-up, their team being Mesdames Bartle, Tucker, Lewis and Donovan.

Mr. T. Howat, Victoria, won the Australian Singles Championship in fine style. Mrs. W. P. Lewis, South Australia, was the runner-up.

The British Medal Play winner was Mrs. G. Leahey, of West Australia. The Bronze (British) Medal winner was Mrs. E. Rudder, of Queensland. Mrs. and Mrs. T. Howat won the Australian Doubles Championship, and Mrs. M. Harrison and Miss K. Hanley, were runners-up.

Mr. T. Howat, of Victoria, is a worthy champion and will be hard to displace from that position. He has a wonderful record in the sporting world. He was a champion sprinter in his youth, a billiards champion and also a bowls champion, but he thinks that croquet is the best game of all.

Mrs. Williamson, the President of Queensland, and Mrs. Daniels, Manager and Secretary, are to be congratulated on the success of the Carnival.

As there were record entries this year, Law 13 (b) was imposed if games were too long.

## SOUTH AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

October 5th—10th, 1959

### OPEN SINGLES.

THE BELCHER CUP.  
THE CROQUET ASSOCIATION SILVER MEDAL AND BRONZE MEDAL.  
(17 Entries).

#### FIRST ROUND.

Capt. R. Belcher bt Mrs. D. Woodhead by 2.  
SECOND ROUND.

Mr. Richardson bt B. Evans by 12.  
Miss G. Cotton bt Miss H. Robertson by 21.  
G. Neaves bt Mrs. E. Belcher by 20.  
Miss M. Chick bt Miss C. Robertson by 11.  
Capt. R. Belcher bt Miss O. McDougall by 18.  
Miss M. Simkins bt F. Hough by 17.  
Mrs. B. Hough bt Mrs. F. Bull by 13.  
Comdr. A. Clark bt Mrs. H. Neaves by 19.

#### THIRD ROUND.

Mr. Richardson bt Miss G. Cotton by 22.  
G. Neaves bt Miss M. Chick by 21.  
Miss M. Simkins bt Capt. R. Belcher by 22.  
Mrs. B. Hough bt Comdr. A. Clark by 13.

#### SEMI-FINAL.

G. Neaves bt Mr. Richardson by 26.  
Mrs. B. Hough bt Miss M. Simkins by 15.

#### FINAL.

G. Neaves bt Mrs. B. Hough by 12 and 10.

### OPEN DOUBLES.

LADY STEELE SILVER SALVER.  
(9 Pairs).

#### FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. H. Neaves and Mrs. F. Bull bt Miss O. McDougall and Mrs. Young-Thompson by 7.

#### SECOND ROUND.

Comdr. A. Clark and F. Hough bt Capt. R. Belcher and Mr. Richardson by 15.  
Mrs. D. Woodhead and Miss G. Cotton bt Misses H. and C. Robertson by 8.

Mrs. B. Hough and B. Evans bt Mrs. H. Neaves and Mrs. F. Bull by 14.

G. Neaves and Miss M. Simkins w.o. opponents scratched.

#### SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. D. Woodhead and Miss G. Cotton bt Comdr. A. Clark and F. Hough by 6.  
Miss M. Simkins and G. Neaves bt Mrs. B. Hough and B. Evans by 13.

#### FINAL.

G. Neaves and Miss M. Simkins bt Mrs. D. Woodhead and Miss G. Cotton by 8.

## Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of a meeting of the Council held at the Hurlingham Club on Monday, May 25th, 1959.

### Present

Miss D. A. Lintern (Chairman), I. C. Baillieu, Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, Mrs. H. F. Chittenden, Col. J. G. Clarke, Major J. H. Dibley, E. P. Duffield, Rev. G. F. H. Elvey, Mrs. P. E. Heley, W. Longman, Canon R. Creed Meredith, Dr. G. L. Ormerod, H. C. S. Perry, M. B. Reckitt, Mrs. M. M. Reeve, Mrs. E. Rotherham, Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style, Mrs. J. H. Turketine, S. S. Townsend, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, Mrs. M. L. Thom (Acting Secretary).

Apologies for absence were received from Col. C. C. Adams, Mrs. L. H. Ashton, D. E. Buckland, G. Victor Evans and Brig. J. S. Omond.

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the great loss suffered by the Association in the death of Mrs. Apps. It was only now being fully appreciated how much she had done, and particular mention should be made of her contacts with overseas associations. Mr. Elvey spoke of the difficult period immediately after the close of the Second World War when the Association was largely kept in being by the efforts of Mrs. Apps. The Chairman read letters from Mrs. Apps' daughter, the *Baptist Times* and the Baptist Union. The two latter revealed the extent of the esteem and affection which these bodies had for Mrs. Apps.

The Chairman then welcomed the newly elected members of the Council.

### Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th February, 1959, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

### Correspondence

A letter was read from the Carrickmines Club regarding the alternative dates for the match at Roehampton. An amended date was agreed.

Mr. Rivington had written to thank the Council for their letter to him regarding his work on the Laws.

### Questions

Dr. Wiggins and Major Dibley raised the question of bringing the boards at Roehampton up to date.

Dr. Ormerod referred to Licensing Duty provisions at Clubs but the Chairman did not think this was a matter on which the C.A. should take action.

### Memorial Fund for Mrs. Apps

It was agreed that this should be dealt with through means of a letter to the secretaries of Clubs. Mrs. Turketine, in conjunction with the Chairman and Mr. Brackenbury, would prepare and dispatch the letter. The matter would also be referred to in July *Croquet*. Lt. Cmdr. Style proposed and Mr. Brackenbury seconded that a suggested maximum of 10s. be incorporated in the letter. This was agreed.

### Report of the Finance Committee

This was presented by the Chairman of the Committee. Mr. Brackenbury explained the situation regarding the filling of the office of Secretary and referred to the advertisement which was to appear in June *Croquet*.

He then referred to the provision of tents at Devonshire Park. After discussion on the present costs it was agreed that Mr. Perry should approach Green's, of Hailsham, regarding a tender. Mrs. Chittenden proposed and Mr. Duffield seconded that the entry fees at Devonshire Park should be adjusted in the light of the expenditure on tents, the matter to lie within the discretion of the Chairman of the Finance Committee. It was agreed.

He also referred to the Committee's recommendation that up to £200 be spent on furniture, etc., in connection with the move from Southampton Row. In fact, the cost was likely to be under £100.

### Replies to the Challenge for the International Trophy

After a review of the position to date it was proposed by Mr. Reckitt and seconded by Canon Creed Meredith that the challenges for the Trophy from Australia and New Zealand be accepted. This was agreed.

### Eastbourne Match

After considerable discussion it was agreed in principle that a match should be played and on the proposition of Dr. Wiggins, seconded by Mr. Perry, it was agreed that the details be arranged by the Chairman, the Chairman of the Tournament Committee and the Joint Managers of the Devonshire Park Tournament.

### Selection Committee for Invitation Events in 1959

Mr. Reckitt proposed and Mrs. Chittenden seconded that Mr. Brackenbury, Mr. Duffield and Mr. Longman be appointed. This was agreed.

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Minutes of a meeting of the Council held at the Hurlingham Club on Thursday, 15th October, 1959.

### Present

Miss D. A. Lintern (Chairman), Col. C. C. Adams, I. C. Baillieu, Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, Mrs. H. F. Chittenden, Col. J. G. Clarke, Major J. H. Dibley, E. P. Duffield, G. Victor Evans, Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith, Brig. J. S. Omond, H. C. S. Perry, M. B. Reckitt, Mrs. M. Reeve, Mrs. E. Rotherham, J. W. Solomon, Lt. Cmdr. G. W. Style, Mrs. I. M. Turketine, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, Mrs. V. C. Gasson (Secretary).

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. L. H. Ashton, D. E. Buckland, Rev. G. F. H. Elvey, Mrs. P. Heley, Dr. G. L. Ormerod, Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts, S. S. Townsend.

### Appointment of Secretary

The Chairman opened the meeting with a warm welcome to Mrs. Gasson and wished her every happiness in her new work. A formal Resolution was proposed by Col. Adams and seconded by Dr. Wiggins that Mrs. V. C. Gasson be appointed Secretary to the Association and be empowered to sign cheques with Mr. Buckland, the Treasurer. This was unanimously agreed.

### General

Miss Lintern then said she would like to propose from the Chair a vote of thanks to Mrs. Thom for all the work she had done for the Association. She had given up more time than anyone could expect, and nearly all her season's tournament croquet. Miss Lintern said Mrs. Thom was extremely conscientious and she asked that the Council would send her a letter of appreciation. It would not have been possible to carry on the work of the Office without her help.

The Chairman said she would like to thank Mr. Townsend who had been a great help to her and to Mrs. Thom. These votes of thanks were seconded by Col. Adams and endorsed by the whole Council. The Chairman then referred to the loss suffered by the Association by the deaths of Mrs. Ernest Turner, Mrs. Beaton and Mr. Crowther-Smith. They had all been good players in their time and had worked and supported the Association well. She asked the Council to stand in tribute to them.

### Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held at the Hurlingham Club on Monday, 25th May, 1959, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

### Correspondence

The Chairman referred to a letter she had received from Mrs. Crowther-Smith expressing her thanks for the sympathy shown to her on her husband's death, and to the Council for the generous way they had treated her husband.

The Secretary read a letter from the Baptist Union of Gt. Britain and Ireland expressing their pleasure in the long association with the C.A. and sending all good wishes for the future. The Secretary was asked to write to them in reciprocal terms.

A letter was read from Capt. Reid-Walker offering a Cup in memory of Mrs. Apps. This proposal was passed to the Mrs. Apps Memorial Fund Committee for consideration.

A letter was read from Mr. Spencer-Ell about the Surrey Cup. The Council agreed with his suggestion that Cups should be put on show whenever possible and asked that the Tournament Committee should consider other points raised in his letter.

### Questions

Dr. Wiggins asked if the Council would approach the Hurlingham or Roehampton Clubs about a return match in London with Budleigh Salterton, but this was deemed not to be a C.A. event and the Council could take no action.

Major Dibley asked for the definition of an "unofficial" tournament and it was suggested that this was a non-calendar fixture, assumed to be run under C.A. Regulations unless permission to vary this was obtained, this to be referred to the Tournament Committee.

Mr. Brackenbury asked if the Handicap Appeal Committee had met this year and was told it had not. He then asked, in that case, how a handicap was increased. The Chairman said that when a player made a personal request to have his or her handicap increased this was put before the co-ordinating committee, and they considered it in the light of past results. The Handicap Appeal Committee was only called in if a player was not satisfied with the decision of the Co-ordinating Committee. Further discussion then took place and Mr. Baillieu said he did not see how the Handicap Appeal Committee could be concerned unless, as the Chairman had said, a player was not satisfied.

### Notices of Motion

By Canon Creed Meredith:—

(a) That it be an instruction to the Laws Committee to amend Law 30c so as to provide that if one of the striker's balls has been pegged out by an adversary, the striker's remaining ball must be left one open shot each turn, otherwise he may lift his ball and play from baulk.

(b) That in future the selection of players for the President's and Surrey Cups should appear in *Croquet* in this form: "The following players were selected. X.Y.Z., etc., having been unable to accept, A.B.C.D., etc., were invited and of these A.B.C. accepted."

By Mr. Longman:—

That when the Handbook is next printed the Surrey Cup be inserted, from the first competition in the same way as the President's Cup and the Ladies' Field Cup.

From Mr. Brackenbury:—

That the principle on which the Handicap Co-ordination Committee is now constituted be re-examined and alternative possibilities be considered.

From Mr. Victor Evans:—

That those members of the Association invited to play in the "Surrey Cup" competition shall be entitled to wear a tie, to be known as "The Surrey Cup" tie.

By Dr. Wiggins:—

(a) That all players selected for Invitation Events sponsored by the C.A. should be charged an entrance fee.

(b) That the statutory meetings of the Council be amended to read so that either the January or February meeting be abolished and a meeting during the playing season be held instead.

### Commander Style's Resolution

"That the Council of the C.A. be asked as a matter of priority to study the whole question of finances of the Association in the light of present and future commitments and to consider what steps will be necessary to strengthen the economy of the Association."

In the discussion which followed some members thought that subscriptions should not be raised, while others thought that the Levy should be increased, so that those who played most, paid most. Mr. Duffield proposed and Mr. Solomon seconded that the whole matter be referred to the Finance Committee and this was agreed. The Chairman said the discussion would doubtless be helpful to the Committee in their deliberations.

### Redraft of Laws

Mr. Baillieu said that on the first Draft there was virtual agreement with the Dominions. The Chairman suggested, and it was agreed, that a letter be sent to New Zealand and Australia urging them to send their comments as soon as possible or, the position might be reached of having no Law Books to issue.

### Report of the Apps Memorial Fund

Mrs. Turketine reported that to date forty-one Clubs had been circulated; nineteen had responded and a total of £67 17s. 0d. had been collected. Individual donations came to £7 6s. 0d., making a total of £75 3s. 0d. Mr. Brackenbury proposed and Mr. Duffield seconded that the Fund should be kept open until November 30th and that those Clubs which had not replied should be re-circularised. This Mrs. Turketine agreed to do. The Chairman thanked her for all her hard work.

### Venue of future Council Meetings

After discussion it was proposed by Mr. Evans and seconded by Mrs. Reeve that future meetings should be held at Southampton Row, providing that the room was available on the same terms as heretofore. This was agreed.

### Any Other Business

Mr. Reckitt said that the Army and Navy Stores had suggested to him that a 2s. 6d. book on croquet be published in the series "Know the Game" as it would be good publicity. It was agreed that if Mrs. Turketine, as Chairman of the Publicity Committee could find a suitable author, Mr. Reckitt should try to arrange matters.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held at the Hurlingham Club on Thursday, 5th November, 1959.

### Present

Miss D. A. Lintern (Chairman), I. C. Baillieu, Mrs. H. F. Chittenden, Col. J. G. Clarke, Major J. H. Dibley, E. P. Duffield, G. V. Evans, Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith, Brig. J. S. Omond, Dr. G. L. Ormerod, H. C. S. Perry, W. Longman, M. B. Reckitt, Mrs. E. Reeve, Mrs. E. Rotherham, J. W. Solomon, Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style, Mrs. I. H. Turketine, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, Mrs. V. C. Gasson (Secretary).

### Apologies for Absence

Col. C. C. Adams, Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, Rev. G. F. H. Elvey, Mrs. Heley, Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts, S. S. Townsend.

### General

Miss Lintern announced that she had received the resignation of Mrs. L. H. Ashton from the Council due to ill-health. It was proposed by Mrs. Reeve and seconded by Col. Clarke that the Secretary be asked to send a letter of thanks to Mrs. Ashton for her services and best wishes for her recovery. This was agreed to.

The Chairman also said that she had heard with regret that Brig. Stokes Roberts had had a relapse last week. Mrs. Stokes Roberts assured her he was improving again.

### Matters arising from the Minutes

The Mrs. Apps Memorial Fund. Letters had been sent again to those Clubs which had not replied and, as a consequence, the Fund now stood at just over £100.

### Motion of Canon Creed Meredith

"That it be an instruction to the Laws Committee to amend Law 30c so as to provide that if one of the striker's balls has been pegged out by an adversary, the striker's remaining ball must be left one open shot each turn, otherwise he may lift his ball and play from baulk." Canon Creed Meredith said that, in his view, it was generally the weaker player who was pegged out; it did not need very much skill on the part of a good player to wire each time and it was only a matter of infinite patience and prolonged the game. He considered his suggestion more sporting and more in the spirit of the game. Other speakers said that they considered any alteration would ruin the character of the game, as pegged out games were always the most interesting, both to players and spectators. The Chairman said there was much to be said for both sides and put the matter to the vote. The motion was lost.

### Second Motion by Canon Creed Meredith

"That in future the selection of players for the President's and Surrey Cups should appear in *Croquet* in this form: 'The following players were selected. X.Y.Z. having been unable to accept A.B.C., etc., were invited and of these A.B.C. accepted.'" Canon Creed Meredith said he wished to ensure that it was made clear who were the eight players first honoured by being chosen for the competitions. After much discussion it was suggested that the first eight players be published in alphabetical order, this to include the Ladies' Field Cup. The motion was put to the vote and carried.

### Motion by Mr. Longman

"That when the Handbook is next printed the Surrey Cup be inserted from the first competition in the same way as the President's Cup and the Ladies' Field Cup. Mr. Longman said in support of his motion that the Surrey Cup was the only invitation event not listed in the Handbook. Mr. Reckitt seconded the motion and suggested that by deleting the pre-war list of Gold and Silver Medallists there could be room made for the modern events. The Chairman suggested that this recommendation should go to the Finance and General Purposes Committee and perhaps further deletions might be found possible. This was agreed.

### Mr. Brackenbury's Motion

This was deferred to the next meeting as he was absent owing to illness.

### Motion by Mr. Evans

"That those members of the Association invited to play in the Surrey Cup competition shall be entitled to wear a tie, to be known as the 'Surrey Cup Tie.'" This was seconded by Mr. Solomon. There was much discussion, some members suggesting that it was a great pity to take away any of the prestige attaching to the tie which was awarded to players in the President's Cup and International Events. It was later agreed, however, that the design for the tie should be submitted to the Council for approval, and that the motion should be approved with retrospective effect.

### Motions by Dr. Wiggins

"That all players selected for Invitation Events sponsored by the C.A. should be charged an Entrance Fee." Dr. Wiggins said that were the C.A. in a happy financial status he would be the last person to suggest that players invited to compete in C.A. Events should pay entry fees. But could the Association afford to have expenses of this nature? The Chairman said that, in her view, if people were honoured by invitations she considered it undesirable for them to have to pay entrance fees. After discussion Lt.-Comdr. Style suggested that Dr. Wiggins should withdraw his motion for the time being until the Committee had studied the whole question of finance. This was agreed.

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"That the Statutory meetings of the Council be amended to read so that either the January or February meeting be abolished and a meeting during the playing season be held instead." Dr. Wiggins in proposing this Motion said he only wanted to ensure that the machinery was there to call a summer meeting if needed. There was a prolonged discussion and the outcome was that most members seemed to consider that the necessary powers were already included in the Standing Orders. The wording was, however, not free from doubt and Mr. Baillieu was asked if he would undertake to rephrase the wording of the first Standing Order if Dr. Wiggins would consider withdrawing his motion. This Dr. Wiggins with the consent of the Council did.

**Any Other Business**  
The Chairman asked the Council members to send to Mrs. Turketine any suggestions they might have on how best to spend the sums collected for the Mrs. Apps Memorial Fund.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### A Word for the "B" Class

Dear Sir,  
I think it is not realised by most people that the B class players have been treated rather badly since handicaps went up by two bisques two years ago. Now 2½ bisquers who would have been ½ bisquers two years ago are very often allowed in the B event, whereas before no one below 2 bisques (now 4), was ever allowed in that class.

I think this is very discouraging for the "true" B class player. It may be said that he can at least get his chance in handicaps, but this is not so as he so often meets players with larger handicaps than they should have.

I think the B class should never go below 4 (the old 2 bisques). Sometimes it is said that the higher bisquers in the A class have no chance, but at Eastbourne this year one of the B class players who should have been in the A's came within two points of winning the Women's Open Singles. Another had already won a good B class event elsewhere this year, and another got through several rounds of the A class last year at Eastbourne.

Yours faithfully,  
AIMEE RECKITT

### A New Outlook Needed

Dear Sir,  
As a comparatively recent recruit to the game, it seems to me that if croquet is to survive at more than a few clubs a new outlook by some Committees is long overdue. The days when clubs can exist on leisured afternoon players are past.

Business people and children are the obvious hopes for the future of the game. Business people will not take up the game in great numbers while there are restrictions on Sunday play. I have been struck by the enthusiasm of children for the game on private courts—understandably so as they find a croquet ball far easier to hit than a tennis ball. Clubs could encourage junior membership and allow morning play for a small subscription.

In the interest of the future of croquet, some new thinking is required and that at once.

Yours faithfully,  
ISOBEL M. ROE

### Did it Move?

Dear Sir,  
"Did you see that ball move?"—How often does that heart-burning (but practically never asked) question rise to the lips of the out player?

The root of the trouble lies in the words "or shake" in Law 19. Granted that certain strokes such as "Wiring at the peg" call for a great delicacy of touch, need that delicacy be carried so far as to leave a feeling of doubt or sense of dissatisfaction in the mind of an opponent—or spectator.

A referee may be called in, but—  
Would it not ease a lot of tension, heart-burning and feelings of frustration if the words "or shake" were omitted from Law 19 and 26(m).

Yours faithfully,  
V. A. de la NOUGEREDE

## Decline and Fall

Ambition doth o'er leap itself,  
And tends to leave one on the shelf,  
The croquet player's lot is hard  
If he this truth should disregard.  
Such was the fate of Robert Brown,  
Whose story I will now set down.

It was in the athletic line  
That Robert always hoped to shine,  
But life was very hard on Bob,  
It chained him to a city job;  
For Rugger, Tennis, Golf and Cricket  
It left no time—he had to stick it,  
And though particularly thrifty  
Was still condemned to work at fifty.  
But when he got to fifty-eight,  
Retiring ere it was too late,  
Bob hit on Croquet as the game  
At which he'd win belated fame.

But Bob was shrewd; he thought it meet  
To cut down chances of defeat  
And so obtained to ward off risks  
A handicap of fourteen bisques.  
And soon by taking quite a lot o'  
These he vanquished Patrick Cotter,  
And next by taking only six  
He got a game from Humphrey Hicks.  
He won a C, and then a B,  
And at the age of sixty-three  
Won the Association Plate  
And was invited for "The Eight".

So far, so good; but 'twas a shame  
He failed to note when he became  
At length a septuagenarian  
He was no longer such a wary'un.  
His skill with age was much diminished  
He was—to put it plainly—finished.  
Bob, now bedecked with iron-grey whiskers,  
Began to lose to seven bisquers,  
So often did he miss the ball  
He never won a game at all,  
Till when he was approaching eighty  
His friends, desiring to be matey,  
Suggested he should pack it up  
And manage (say) the Surrey Cup.  
But even this so simple job  
Proved to be far too much for Bob;  
It now was absolutely plain  
He never would be asked again  
To manage anything, or be  
Upon the list as referee;  
'Twas obvious he must renounce all  
Hope to be chairman of the Council  
Indeed 'twas only out of pity  
They left him on the Laws Committee.

### Moral

Although you may get near the top,  
Be sure you realise when to stop. M. BEAR

## INTER-CLUB GOLF CROQUET MATCH

ROEHAMPTON *versus* DULWICH

Played at Roehampton on Thursday, August 27th, 1959. Roehampton players named first

### AMERICAN DOUBLES

(IN THREE ROUNDS)

Mrs. D. Staub and Mrs. F. H. Curtis  
bt Mrs. Lydell and Mrs. Frenken by 10—3,  
bt Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Ward by 8—5,  
bt Mrs. White and Mrs. Furlong by 7—6.  
Mrs. S. Phillips and Mrs. Hawes  
bt Mrs. Lydell and Mrs. Frenken by 7—6,  
bt Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Ward by 8—5,  
bt Mrs. White and Mrs. Furlong by 8—5.  
Mrs. M. H. Carrington and Miss G. W. Bartlett  
bt Mrs. Lydell and Mrs. Frenken by 7—6,  
bt Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Ward by 8—5,  
bt Mrs. White and Mrs. Furlong by 8—5.

RESULT.—Roehampton bt Dulwich by 9 events to nil.

## Questions and Answers

**Question:** Has the opponent a lift if the striker shakes a ball but does not move it in aiming at a ball on the wire and only hits the wire and not the ball?

**Answer:** Law 30 (c). No, he has no lift as the striker has not moved the ball on the wire, see Law 10 (e). Law 30 (c) was altered in 1957 from ball "shaken" to ball "moved."

**Question:** Is it a foul to rest a hand or an arm, directly connected with the stroke, or rest the shaft of the mallet against any part of the leg or foot when making a stroke, even if the striker is making a forward stroke as well as during a hammer stroke?

**Answer:** Yes, it is a foul. See Law 26 (o).

**Question:** Is this a foul? To touch a ball at rest other than the striker's own ball with his mallet or with any part of his body or clothes when taking aim or making a stroke.

**Answer:** Yes, it is a foul. See Law 26 (c).

## OBITUARY

Mrs. W. F. HAYNES

We regret to report the death of Mrs. Haynes. She was a most sporting and excellent member of the Ipswich Croquet Club for a number of years, always ready to help the beginners and full of enthusiasm and interest in her club. She won many cups and other prizes in tournaments, not only in Ipswich, but in Notting-ham, Roehampton, and croquet centres throughout the country.

S. F. SOPWITH

By the death of S. F. Sopwith on November 10th, the Sussex County Croquet and Lawn Tennis Club has lost an old and valued member. He began to play serious croquet at Lewes in 1931 but did not join the Sussex County Club until some years later. Since moving to Hove in 1949, he had played regularly. An afternoon spent on the courts with him was always a happy one. His love of the game made him a charming doubles partner.

At Southwick we owe him a debt of gratitude for his work as Hon. Treasurer from 1951-1957. We shall all miss him, and remember him with affection for all his many acts of kindness, and for his constant help to beginners, some of whom have now become good players.

## Encyclopaedia of Sport

This handsomely produced volume has just been published by Sampson, Low, Marston & Co., Ltd., at the very reasonable price of 12s. 6d.

Historical notes of no fewer than 67 sports are included, with lists of champions, records, etc., and each sport carries with it an interesting series of quiz questions.

Croquet plays its part in the encyclopaedia and the winners of the championships and other leading events in our Calendar are shown back to the earliest days of Croquet.

At a lunch recently to launch the encyclopaedia our representative found himself between two gentlemen representing Judo and Wrestling. He emerged from lunch unscathed.

A particularly pertinent comment made at the lunch by the Chairman was that over a long period on the Magistrate's bench during which many youthful offenders had come before him, he could not recall a case where a delinquent had been a participant in an organised team game.

## BRIDGE

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

Here is our Christmas Competition. In each case you are South, playing rubber Bridge at Love All, with Two Club, Strong No-trump and Blackwood.

**Question 1:** Your partner North bids One Spade. You hold S—A, K, Q, 9, 4; H—10, 8, 6, 5, 3; D—A; C—K, J.

What do you bid?

**Question 2:** You deal and bid One Club on S—Q, 10, 3; H—A, 8, 4; D—5, 2; C—A, K, Q, 9, 6.

If your partner bids One No-trump

What is your re-bid?

**Question 3:** Your partner bids One Diamond and over your response of One Spade rebids Two Hearts.

You hold S—J, 10, 9, 5, 3; H—10, 5; D—Q, J, 5, 4; C—A, 4.

What do you now bid?

**Question 4:** East deals and bids One Spade, you pass and West bids Two Hearts. Your partner bids Two No-trumps and East bids Four Hearts. After two passes your partner bids Four Spades and East doubles.

You hold S—8, 6, 5, 4, 2; H—9, 7, 6, 3; D—A, 8, 2; C—4.

What do you bid?

**Question 5:** East bids One Heart, your bid Four Spades and all pass. West leads the H2.

S—10, 5.  
H—8, 6, 3.  
D—A, 7, 6, 4, 2.  
C—J, 10, 8.

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S—A, K, J, 8, 7, 4, 3.  
H—9, 7.  
D—8.  
C—A, Q, 2.

You ruff the third round of Hearts with the S3.

What should you play to tricks four and five? Why?

**Question 6:** You are playing a contract of 3 No-trumps against the opening lead of the DJ.

S—K, 5.  
H—A, J, 9, 5.  
D—A, Q, 4.  
C—A, 10, 6, 2.

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S—A, 7, 4, 2.  
H—K, 7, 3.  
D—K, 8.  
C—J, 7, 5, 3.

You win with the lead with the DK in your own hand.

What should you play to tricks two and three? Why?

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A prize of One Pound is offered for the best solution to the above problems. Closing date, 31st December, 1959. Post your answers to the Secretary, C.A., Hurlingham Club, London, S.W.6.

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# Notes from the Clubs

## Hurlingham

Two end of season events contrived by Ian Baillieu, our energetic croquet section chairman, rounded off a successful 1959 season. On October 10th and 11th, four groups, the Tickers, Menacers, Splitters and Rushers, marshalled by Robert Tingey, Ian Baillieu, Capt. Stoker and Jim Townsend respectively, contested for the Hurlingham Handkerchiefs donated by Jack Rivington, the Tickers coming out the winners. The event partook of a informal free for all atmosphere and had it not been for the advanced mathematical techniques brought to bear by Jack Rivington we doubt whether any one could have deduced the result. The following week, newcomers to the game were encouraged to take part in a "one innings" form of game assisted as to tactical play by a caddie. With the balls set up for a four-ball break the object was to get one ball round with a minimum of bisques, the caddie giving advice where necessary.

Our get together on October 24th to receive suggestions and discuss improvements brought the usual crop of ideas. Considerable discussion took place on the relative priorities of C.A. events and members' claims when it came to the policy of lawn maintenance and preparation. The next meeting of the croquet sub-committee will be considering the various matters that were raised.

## Bristol

With nine new members and the fine weather the Bristol club has had a very good season. Never before have all three lawns been so consistently occupied. One lawn is still (4th November) in use and the final of the Golf Croquet competition (somehow always the Cinderella event) remains to be played. A pleasing feature was that the combined ages of the finalists in the club's open singles competition came to only forty-six years.

In outside tournaments several events were won by members of the club, and we were very pleased that one of our new members entered for the Cheltenham September tournament and won some games in it.

Our Secretary has some schemes in hand to raise some money this winter for the lawns' spring dressing.

## Roehampton

The many who groped their way to and from the Club for the annual general meeting of croquet members on Saturday, 7th November (owing to intense fog), were rewarded by a very interesting meeting, and regaled with a sumptuous afternoon tea, provided by "The Nickisson Fund."

In the absence of the Croquet Chairman (Mrs. Collins), Mrs. Turketine took the Chair, and welcomed Colonel P. D. Miller, recently elected Chairman of the Roehampton Club, who attended, presented the prizes, and was present at the tea party. Mrs. Turketine paid a well deserved tribute to the ground staff for the most excellent work they had done on the courts, which had been in first-class condition throughout the season. She also thanked the Croquet Committee and to others who had given so much help, with special thanks to Miss D. Jennings for once again binding the 1958 magazine *Croquet* for the Club, as she has done since 1939. The Club suffered grievous loss through the deaths of Mrs. L. C. Apps, Mr. Crowther Smith and Mrs. H. J. Philpot.

Miss D. A. Lintern was unanimously re-elected Captain for 1960, and we are quite unable adequately to express thanks to her for all that she does. Miss Lintern gave a very interesting Captain's Report, and announced alterations in handicaps.

Colonel Miller assured the meeting that he and his fellow Directors had the interest of Croquet very much at heart. The present Croquet Pavilion had been condemned, but he and his co-Directors would do all they could to provide suitable accommodation for croquet players.

Mr. J. B. Gilbert was elected Chairman of the Croquet Committee for 1960, and Colonel Adams agreed to represent the Croquet section on the General Club Committee.

Mr. A. J. Hollweg in proposing a vote of thanks to Colonel Miller for attending the meeting and presenting the prizes, referred to the essential creature comforts of croquet players who disappointed themselves in appalling weather at times, stressed the importance of providing locker accommodation and changing rooms, cloakrooms and a small room for office use. Croquet players fully appreciate the difficulties facing the Roehampton Directors, the cost of building any kind of pavilion was enormous, but he trusted they would do their best to continue to provide adequate accommodation.

Colonel Adams expressed the thanks of all present to Mrs. Turketine for presiding.

The end of season Golf Croquet day was held on Saturday, 17th October. A record number of entries, and an ideal day too, concluded a successful season. Thanks are due to the members who contributed gifts and prizes, and to those who gave two useful items for raffling.

Club winners for 1959:—  
 Championship of the Club—Heathcote Cup: Major R. Tingey; runner-up: Miss D. A. Lintern.  
 Ladies' Championship—Whitaker Cup: Miss D. A. Lintern; runner-up: Mrs. I. H. Turketine.  
 Open Singles "B"—The Philpot Cup: Mrs. S. M. Adler; runner-up: A. J. Oldham.  
 Handicap Singles "C"—The Mrs. Reginald Brook Cup: A. J. Oldham; runner-up: Mrs. Haigh Smith.  
 Handicap Singles (open to all)—The Middlesex Hussars Cup: J. B. Gilbert; runner-up: Mrs. F. Pavia.  
 American Handicap Singles—The Thorpe Cup: J. B. Gilbert; runners-up: Col. C. C. Adams, Miss E. Fisher, Mrs. D. M. Staub.  
 All England Handicap Singles—Mrs. John Bell Cup: J. B. Gilbert; runner-up: Miss E. F. Rose.  
 Handicap Singles—The Turketine Trays: Miss E. Fisher; runner-up: Col. C. C. Adams.

## Budleigh Salterton

The Club had a very good season what with the favourable weather and bigger entries to both tournaments, including the welcome visit of the Irish contingent to the July tournament. Among individual successes, Hope Rotherham won the Ladies' Championship and a number of other events in the various tournaments she went to. From May 26th to October 10th, she only spent five weeks in Budleigh Salterton, which included the July tournament. Joan Warwick won the Ladies' Field Cup, and is now among the minus players, and Gerald Cave won the Surrey Cup for the second time.

### Club Competitions

THE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP. Singles games, best of three in the final. This was won by John Cooper, who beat Hope Rotherham in the semi-final and Desmond Beamish in the final. This win by the No. 8 in the Budleigh team was a popular victory. John Cooper has only been playing croquet three years and won the Novices Cup in 1957. He plays his games to enjoy them and does not treat them as a grim, serious business.

THE GOSSAGE CUP. Handicap Singles, knock-out. Won by Miss A. E. Mills.

THE SIMPSON CUP. Handicap Singles, American (4 blocks). Won by Mrs. M. H. Vincent, who beat Gerald Cave in the semi-final +22 and Hope Rotherham in the final +26. The "Sickly Six" or the "Heavenly Seven" or whatever they are called would have to look to their laurels if she had more time to give to the game.

THE BULL CUP. Handicap Singles. Known in the Club as the Cow Cup because it was presented by Mrs. Bull for Ladies only. This was won by Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt whose excellent long shooting was very noticeable throughout the season.

THE CALTHROP CUP. Handicap Doubles. Won by Gerald Cave and Major Edyvean.

THE HUTCHISON CUP. Handicap Singles played in September and October, was won by Gerald Cave, who in the final just beat Major Heathcote, a player who improved all the time as the year went on.

THE HEATHCOTE CUP. Golf Croquet Handicap Singles. Won by Freddie Stone.

THE NOVICES COMPETITION. Won by Nora Kitchen.

A very successful gymkhana was held early in August, in which most croquet players helped to run the various events, but by far the most money was made by Doff Gatehouse's white elephant stall. Resulting from the gymkhana £25 was sent to the C.A. for the Dominion Tour Fund.

The lawns were open earlier this year than usual, two being ready by Easter, and it is hoped that one will be in use for the diehards until about the New Year. This last month the groundsmen have been lifting and levelling to further improve lawns 3 and 4.

## CHAMPION COUNTY

### (MIDDLESEX) v THE REST

Played at Eastbourne on October 3rd, 1959

#### Teams

<i>Middlesex</i>	<i>The Rest</i>
J. W. Solomon	Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins
E. P. C. Cotter	Mrs. E. Rotherham
Miss D. Lintern	M. B. Reckitt
Major R. Tingey	L. Kirk Greene
J. A. Hollweg	Mrs. W. Longman
S. S. Townsend	Miss J. Warwick

RESULT.—The Rest 6 games; Middlesex 2 games; One unfinished.

This match was played on one of those lovely days that have turned Autumn into Summer this year. It was the last day of "Summer" time but it might have been a Saturday in July. Middlesex had a strong team but the Rest were formidable opponents, and all was set for a good fight when the Doubles began at 10.30 a.m. The surprise of the morning was the defeat of Solomon and Cotter by Wiggins and Kirk Greene by 25. The former pair was not up to its usual form and several roquets were missed while Wiggins and his partner played well. Kirk Greene had a good chance of a triple peel but did not take it. He went to the peg (Wiggins was on 4-back) and left the opponents cross-wired there. Solomon hit the lift shot but unfortunately ran off the boundary and Wiggins finished the game with some clever strokes.

Mrs. Longman and Miss Warwick were on Rover and 2-back before Tingey and Townsend had started, and playing nice croquet won the game by 16. The game between Miss Lintern and Hollweg, and Reckitt and Mrs. Rotherham was pegged down with the former pair on 3-back and 4-back and Mrs. Rotherham for the peg and Reckitt for the Rover. As the match was decided in the afternoon, this game was not finished, but can perhaps be counted as a moral victory for the Rest.

The Singles were played after lunch, Solomon meeting Mrs. Rotherham and winning by 17. This game was noteworthy for an accidental peel by Solomon through 4-back from about 15 yards and for two one foot little cuts into the second corner having been missed by each player in turn! Wiggins drew away in his game with Cotter and soon had one ball on 4-back and the other on the peg, Cotter being unable to get farther than 2-back with one ball. Wiggins won by 19. Kirk Greene outplayed Tingey and gave us an example of his almost mathematical accuracy. He did not allow his opponent to score a point and won by the maximum—26. These three games finished simultaneously after one hour and twenty minutes' play. The score was 4—1 in favour of the Rest. For a time the game between Reckitt and Hollweg was close. Each player had a clip on the Rover but eventually Hollweg, playing very well, made his second break from the second hoop, single peeled his partner ball and won by 7. Score: The Rest 4, Middlesex 2. In an even game between Miss Lintern and Miss Warwick the latter player played well and carefully during the last part and won by 14, thus deciding the match in favour of the Rest by 5 games to 2. Mrs. Longman had a long struggle with Townsend and this game was also very even. Mrs. Longman secured the lead but Townsend caught her up. Towards the end Mrs. Longman made the penultimate awkwardly and had to leave a ball in baulk for the lift shot. After some further progress by Townsend the position was—one ball each on peg and rover. Shortly afterwards all four clips were on the peg, Mrs. Longman finally winning the game by 2 points. This was a good fighting finish to an interesting competition. Score: The Rest 6, Middlesex 2.

In an exhibition game during the morning Cotter beat Solomon by 23 points, after executing a nice triple peel. This game lasted for 35 minutes!

E.A.R.

## CHELTENHAM

(Unofficial)

	Handicaps	
	<i>A year ago</i>	<i>Now</i>
A. L. Yoxall .. .. .	5	1
Mrs. A. M. Daniels .. .. .	5	2½
Miss I. M. Roe .. .. .	7	4
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard .. .. .	11	5½
T. G. S. Colls .. .. .	10	6

What an alive club Cheltenham is, and how, as seen by the reductions above, players have improved such a lot in the last 12 months! Some of the above such as Miss Roe, Lt.-Col. Prichard and Colls may find their handicaps being further reduced after the tournament and I am certain that they will find themselves in the "A" class before long.

Cheltenham are so lucky to have the Foreign Office to supply new recruits the latest being Miss Harding and J. T. Grugeon, who seem to hit nearly everything, and should improve a lot when their knowledge of the game improves.

It was a great pity that Dr. and Mrs. Yoxall were unable to take part in the tournament, owing to the proximity of their move to the U.S.A. I wonder if they will be introduced to the American game of "crokey" and whether they will be able to spread the game of croquet to America. During their three years' absence they will be greatly missed, especially by the Cheltenham Club.

The tournament started off in real summer weather, which had definitely changed to autumn before the end of the week. We were well managed by Mrs. Reeve, who was able to put on an extra event.

The A Opens was won by Jackson, an enterprising player, who does make the game so much more interesting than the ultra safety first tactics indulged in by quite a number of the A class throughout the country. Croquet needs enterprising players to keep it alive and flourishing.

It was not surprising to see Lt.-Col. Prichard win the "B" Levels, and with Miss Roe the Doubles, the latter event producing two games of note, the winners by two good breaks winning their first round in an hour without their opponents making a hoop, and the final which took 4½ hours playing time, where in the last two hours the game was prolonged by bad play on both sides, and excellent long shooting by the two men. With the winners there was quite a lot of "Partner, are you thinking," but I am afraid that quite often the thought didn't produce the best answer.

The "C" Handicap Singles was won by Miss Allen, who was playing very well during the week, being the finalist in the big handicap, which was won by Colls, whose croquet this week was something like the Curate's egg, but mainly good.

The "Y" Handicap final was fought out by Miss Roe and Miss Hulton, the former winning.

Everyone including her opponent was very pleased to see Mrs. Prichard win her first tournament game, and what a game it was. It ended by each player having a ball for the peg, having shots at it, and eventually Mrs. Prichard was the one to hit it. By her cheeriness she is a great acquisition to croquet, and an example to players who look so grim on the lawn.

Finally, I would like to thank all those, who in their various ways added to the success of the tournament, which it undoubtedly was.

### OPEN SINGLES.

("Two Lives").

### THE DRAW.

(8 Entries).

### FIRST ROUND.

G. E. P. Jackson bt F. W. Ward by 23.  
 Major G. F. Stone bt J. K. Brown by 11.  
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey w.o. opponent scratched.  
 Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels by 22.

### SEMI-FINAL.

G. E. P. Jackson bt Major G. F. Stone by 15.  
 Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 22.

### FINAL.

G. E. P. Jackson bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 5.

### PROCESS.

(8 Entries).

### FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Major G. F. Stone by 10.  
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt F. W. Ward by 8.  
 J. K. Brown w.o. opponent scratched.  
 G. E. P. Jackson bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels by 10.

### SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 13.  
 G. E. P. Jackson bt J. K. Brown by 5.

### FINAL.

G. E. P. Jackson bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 5.

G. E. P. Jackson won the Event.

### LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "B").

(3½ bisques or more).

(8 Entries).

### FIRST ROUND.

Comdr. D. W. Roe bt A. N. Other by 1.  
 Miss K. Ault w.o. opponent scratched.  
 T. G. S. Colls bt Miss I. M. Roe by 5.  
 Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt Miss L. Hulton by 13.

### SEMI-FINAL.

Comdr. D. W. Roe bt Miss K. Ault by 7.  
 Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt T. G. S. Colls by 17.

### FINAL.

Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt Comdr. D. W. Roe by 26.



**HANDICAP DOUBLES.**

(Combined Handicap not less than scratch).  
(12 Pairs).

**FIRST ROUND.**

Dr. T. E. Ryves and A. V. Camroux (12) bt Gen. F. H. N. Davidson and Mrs. L. A. Showan (14½) by 15.  
Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts and Mrs. E. M. Speer (9½) bt Major E. C. Heathcote and Mrs. J. G. Stevenson (16½) by 1.  
Major R. Tingey and Mrs. R. Tingey (4) bt M. B. Reckitt and A. J. Oldham (5) by 8.  
F. H. Curtis and Mrs. M. Carrington (20) bt I. C. Baillieu and Mrs. I. C. Baillieu (12) by 11.

**SECOND ROUND.**

Mrs. G. W. Solomon and Mrs. J. S. Omond (14½) bt Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (8½) by 7.  
Dr. T. E. Ryves and A. V. Camroux (12) bt Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts and Mrs. E. M. Speer (9½) by 8.  
Major R. Tingey and Mrs. R. Tingey (4) bt F. H. Curtis and Mrs. M. Carrington (20) by 7.  
Mrs. M. L. Thom and Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (13) bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard and Miss I. M. Roe (8½) by 8.

**SEMI-FINAL.**

Mrs. G. W. Solomon and Mrs. J. S. Omond (14½) bt Dr. T. E. Ryves and A. V. Camroux (12) by 6.  
Major R. Tingey and Mrs. R. Tingey (4) bt Mrs. M. L. Thom and Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (13) by 14.

**FINAL.**

Major R. Tingey and Mrs. R. Tingey (4) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon and Mrs. J. S. Omond (14½) by 14.

**EASTBOURNE**

**DEVONSHIRE PARK**

September 28th—October 10th

When the date of the General Election was announced, not only the Council but croquet players in general were faced with a number of teasing questions. If the tournament were to be held as usual, would it be adequately supported; would political zeal overcome croquetical zest in keen party workers; would those who came to play have opportunity to gather in any fruits of their labours before departing to cast their vote? In the event, all these problems sorted themselves out satisfactorily, or more precisely were sorted out by the able management which has now for so long presided over this tournament. Events were accelerated without any unreasonable strain being placed on anyone, and by the evening of October 7th, only those needed to stay on who were happy to do so, with enough left for them to engage their interest for the days which remained. But Messrs. Brackenbury and Dibley will doubtless be glad to reflect that they are unlikely to be faced with the problem again for another five years.

The weather—but what is there left to say on this subject in this miraculous summer? The gloriously warm and sunny days were the more enjoyable by contrast to the very unusual dampness of last year's tournament, and it was only on the very last day, with but a handful of games left to play, that the sun retired and some rain fell.

It was doubtless expected by many competitors that in a summer so exceptionally dry the lawns would be particularly fast, but paradoxically enough the drought produced an opposite effect. So much watering had been necessary that the grass—where not worn away altogether by many months of lawn tennis—had become rather coarse, and the courts were slower and less interesting than is normally the case here. Players were not unanimous as to which court played the best, but all agreed that No. 1 (behind the stand) did not.

There appeared to be five competitors with pre-eminent claims to a place in the semi-final of the South of England Championship, but since five into four won't go, one of these had to go, and the victim was the holder, Dr. Wiggins, who found Mrs. Rotherham in the almost invincible form she maintained nearly to the end of the tournament. Her first game with Mr. Hamilton-Miller in the final was distinguished by brilliant shooting on the part of the lady, but losing this by the narrowest of margins, Mrs. Rotherham seemed to have shot her bolt and could not make much of such chances as

came her way, her opponent's tactic of going right round and giving contact paying off better than it has done on some other occasions this summer. It is good to see this fine player making so convincing a come-back this season, crowning this with a signal victory on his native heath.

Mr. Kirk-Greene, who played two close games against Hamilton-Miller in the semi-final of this event, got his revenge in the Men's Championship and so retained his title here. The Women's Championship was remarkable for some striking reversals of form, most notably in Lady Ursula Abbey's victory over Mrs. Longman, and her very narrow defeat in the final by Mrs. Reeve—a game which must have gone the other way if excitement had not been added to inexperience in the closing stages. But Mrs. Reeve is to be congratulated not only for her calm and confident play at the end of this uphill game, but for good victories in earlier rounds. Mrs. Chittenden was not very seriously challenged in the "B" levels—though Capt. Buller made a good stand against her. Miss Forbes-Cowan, who always plays well here and seemed hardly ever off the courts, was a convincing winner of the C levels, in which event, however, Capt. Gilbey did perhaps unexpectedly well; and Mrs. Fitter was clearly the best of the bunch in the D levels and should soon find herself playing in more skilled company.

The draw for the Open (curiously described here as "unrestricted level") Doubles revealed—to the satisfaction of the rest of the competing pairs—that the two strongest combinations had drawn each other, and when Dr. Wiggins and Mr. Kirk-Greene emerged victorious from this encounter, it was generally assumed that they would win the event. But having proceeded a stage further, Dr. Wiggins found himself prevented by his medical duties from playing in the final, which thus went by default to Mr. Reckitt and Miss Warwick, who had shown themselves a combination with distinct possibilities.

Mr. Reckitt was victorious too in the Handicap Doubles, and for a second consecutive year with the same partner. But he would be—and in fact was—the first to attribute a major measure of credit for their success to Mr. Perry, whose potentialities as a player are considerable. Professing, and even at times appearing, to be the victim of nerves, his steadiness "under fire" was remarkable, and in more than one game it was a long shot from his mallet at a crucial moment which clinched the issue. A word of praise is due to Commander Beamish who played very well throughout this event, and had in addition two good victories to his credit in the Men's Singles.

The big Handicap at Devonshire Park has been for some years as it were the "personal property" of Mrs. Rotherham and it looked for some time as if she might be going to win it against at her now maximum handicap. But Miss Forbes-Cowan showed her usual fighting spirit, and despite some rather dubious tactics, emerged victorious. Meanwhile, in the other half, Mrs. Longman had been winning her games by notably large margins, and if her ultimate victory wins for her, as surely it should, a minus handicap, the recognition will certainly not have come before it was due.

Both Commander and Mrs. Style, whether in partnership or separately, won a large number of games during the week, and the former did well in the Limited Handicap, in which Miss Doris Latham, on the eve of her visit to New Zealand, had a satisfying victory. Despite the distracting magnet of the ballot box, a fair number of players stayed on to play in Extra Events. A game in one of these drew applause for both players. Mr. Kirk-Greene, having gone round to the rover hoop with the third ball in play, Mrs. Style immediately went round in her turn taking only two bisques, and won the game using only a few more in the turn that followed.

An experiment was made with the Pegged-Out Game event suggested in the October number of *Croquet* by Mr. Reckitt, with an amendment introduced by the originator requiring all balls to start from B baulk. This gave rise to a great deal of interest, and (as its proposer had hoped) discussion of the conditions tentatively laid down. Players went away saying that they meant to give the game a good try-out on their clubs, and it will be useful if they will in fact do so, since it may then be possible to agree upon the details for a form of game which clearly provides a good deal of scope not only for skill but for intelligence. Col. Stobart, showing a maximum of both on this occasion, was a worthy winner.

And so thank you, Brack, thank you Major Dibley, thank you ladies who so unselfishly brought us out our coffees and teas—but above all thank you SUN for shining so long and so radiantly on this crowning glory of a wonderful season.

**OPEN SINGLES.**  
**CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.**  
(18 Entries).

**FIRST ROUND.**

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Major J. R. Abbey +4—5 +12.  
M. B. Reckitt bt W. Longman +23 +4.

**SECOND ROUND.**

J. K. Brown bt Mrs. E. Reeve —3 +11 +3.  
D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller bt Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish +20 +20.  
L. Kirk-Greene bt Mrs. W. Longman +5 +12.  
Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey —3 +10 +3.  
M. B. Reckitt bt G. Williams +7 +7.  
Miss E. J. Warwick w.o.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt E. V. Carpmal +8 +23.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt V. A. de la Nougerede +19 +22.

**THIRD ROUND.**

D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller bt J. K. Brown +17 +9.  
L. Kirk-Greene bt Col. F. E. Stobart —3 +10 +3.  
M. B. Reckitt w.o. Miss E. J. Warwick.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins +24 +5.

**SEMI-FINAL.**

D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller bt L. Kirk-Greene +8 +7.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt M. B. Reckitt +22 +25.

**FINAL.**

D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller bt Mrs. E. Rotherham +1 +22.

**MEN'S OPEN SINGLES.**

**MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.**  
(13 Entries).

**FIRST ROUND.**

Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt G. Williams by 10.  
L. Kirk-Greene bt J. K. Brown by 6.  
Rev. G. F. H. Elvey bt G. V. Evans by 6.  
D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller bt E. V. Carpmal by 26.  
V. A. de la Nougerede bt W. Longman by 15.

**SECOND ROUND.**

Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt M. B. Reckitt by 11.  
L. Kirk-Greene bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey by 23.  
D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 22.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt Major J. R. Abbey by 22.

**SEMI-FINAL.**

L. Kirk-Greene bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish by 18.  
D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller w.o. Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins opponent scratched.

**FINAL.**

L. Kirk-Greene bt D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller by 17.

**WOMEN'S OPEN SINGLES.**

**WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.**  
(11 Entries).

**FIRST ROUND.**

Miss J. E. Warwick bt Mrs. Haigh Smith by 10.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Mrs. F. N. Latham by 15.  
Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Miss A. E. Mills by 16.

**SECOND ROUND.**

Mrs. E. Reeve bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 25.  
Miss J. E. Warwick bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 15.  
Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 5.  
Lady Ursula Abbey bt Mrs. W. Longman by 5.

**SEMI-FINAL.**

Mrs. E. Reeve bt Miss J. E. Warwick by 9.  
Lady Ursula Abbey bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson by 16.

**FINAL.**

Mrs. E. Reeve bt Lady Ursula Abbey by 2.

**LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "B").**  
**A CHALLENGE SILVER SALVER.**  
(2½ to 5 Bisques).  
(13 Entries).

**FIRST ROUND.**

Miss H. D. Parker bt Mrs. D. E. Chorlton by 5.  
M. F. Buller bt Mrs. M. McMordie by 11.  
Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Dr. H. J. Penny by 13.  
Miss A. E. Mills bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 17.  
Mrs. F. N. Latham bt E. A. Roper by 1.

**SECOND ROUND.**

Mrs. M. Briggs bt Miss H. D. Parker by 7.  
Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt M. F. Buller by 8.  
Miss A. E. Mills bt Mrs. F. N. Latham by 6.  
Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt Lady Ursula Abbey by 1.

**SEMI-FINAL.**

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Mrs. M. Briggs by 10.  
Miss A. E. Mills bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson by 25.

**FINAL.**

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Miss A. E. Mills by 14.

**LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "C").**  
**A CHALLENGE TROPHY.**

(6 to 9½ Bisques).  
(16 Entries).

**FIRST ROUND.**

Miss G. Forbes Cowan bt Mrs. J. Pavia by 18.  
Mrs. E. Haigh Smith bt Mrs. E. A. Roper by 6.  
Mrs. G. D. Perowne bt Miss K. D. Hickson by 2.  
Mrs. G. W. Style bt Rev. C. W. Wordsworth by 18.  
Mrs. H. D. Wooster bt Miss M. C. Macaulay by 11.  
Mrs. J. H. Dibley bt Miss D. A. Latham by 7.  
Capt. V. G. Gilbey bt Comdr. G. W. Style by 3.  
Mrs. C. M. Turner bt Mrs. R. A. Hill by 3.

**SECOND ROUND.**

Miss G. Forbes Cowan bt Mrs. E. Haigh Smith by 12.  
Mrs. G. W. Style bt Mrs. G. D. Perowne by 4.  
Mrs. H. D. Wooster bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley by 7.  
Capt. V. G. Gilbey bt Mrs. C. M. Turner by 12.

**SEMI-FINAL.**

Miss G. Forbes Cowan bt Mrs. G. W. Style by 11 on time.  
Capt. V. G. Gilbey bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster by 8.

**FINAL.**

Miss Forbes Cowan bt Capt. V. G. Gilbey by 17.

**LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "D").**  
**A CHALLENGE CUP.**

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

**FIRST ROUND.**

Miss M. M. Taylor bt Mrs. A. Topp by 15.

**SECOND ROUND.**

M. Vlasto bt Mrs. A. W. Naylor by 13.  
Miss M. M. Taylor bt Miss M. White by 7.  
Miss M. Bryan bt Hon. Clive Pearson by 9.  
Mrs. G. Fitter bt Mrs. E. M. Temple by 13.

**SEMI-FINAL.**

Miss M. M. Taylor bt M. Vlasto by 13.  
Mrs. G. Fitter bt Miss M. Bryan by 21.

**FINAL.**

Mrs. G. Fitter bt Miss M. M. Taylor by 23.

**UNRESTRICTED DOUBLES.**

(9 Pairs).

**FIRST ROUND.**

Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and E. A. Roper bt G. V. Evans and Mrs. F. N. Latham by 10.

**SECOND ROUND.**

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins and L. Kirk-Greene bt D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs. E. Rotherham by 10.  
Rev. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and E. A. Roper by 14.  
W. Longman and Mrs. W. Longman bt V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. V. C. Gasson by 3.  
M. B. Reckitt and Miss E. J. Warwick bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Miss A. E. Mills by 10.

**SEMI-FINAL.**

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins and L. Kirk-Greene bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 23.  
M. B. Reckitt and Miss E. J. Warwick bt W. Longman and Mrs. W. Longman by 24.

**FINAL.**

M. B. Reckitt and Miss E. J. Warwick w.o. opponents scratched.

**RESTRICTED DOUBLES HANDICAP.**

(Starting at 3rd hoop. Time limit 3 hours).  
(21 Pairs).

**FIRST ROUND.**

W. Longman and Mrs. E. A. Roper (6½) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. F. E. Stobart (18½) by 7 on time.  
Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. D. Hickson (12½) bt Major J. R. Abbey and Miss A. E. Mills (4) by 5 on time.  
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (12) bt V. A. de la Nougerede and G. V. Evans (2) by 7 on time.  
Mrs. W. Longman and Mrs. Briggs (3) bt M. F. Buller and Lady Ursula Abbey (8½) by 5.  
Miss E. J. Warwick and Mrs. J. Pavia (6) bt Mrs. F. Oddie and Miss G. Forbes Cowan (5½) by 9.



SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Mrs. G. Fitter (13½) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham and M. Vlasto (7) by 9.  
 Comdr. Beamish and Mrs. McMordie (6½) bt Miss M. M. Taylor and Miss M. Bryan (24) by 3 on time.  
 Comdr. G. W. Style and Mrs. G. W. Style (15) bt W. Longman and Mrs. E. A. Roper (6½) by 1.  
 Dr. H. J. Penny and Mrs. K. D. Hickson (12½) bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. E. M. Temple (12) by 6 on time.  
 Miss E. J. Warwick and Mrs. J. Pavia (6) bt Mrs. W. Longman and Mrs. M. Briggs (3) by 9.  
 Mrs. V. C. Gasson and Miss H. D. Parker (8) bt J. K. Brown and Mrs. J. H. Dibley (7) by 6.  
 M. B. Reckitt and H. C. S. Perry (6) bt E. A. Roper and Mrs. G. D. Perowne (9) by 5.  
 D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs. H. D. Wooster (7) bt Mrs. F. N. Latham and Mrs. A. W. Naylor (14) by 9.

THIRD ROUND.

Comdr. Beamish and Mrs. McMordie (6½) bt Mrs. Chittenden and Mrs. G. Fitter (13½) by 9.  
 Comdr. G. W. Style and Mrs. G. W. Style (15) bt Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. D. Hickson (12½) by 19.  
 Miss E. J. Warwick and Mrs. J. Pavia (6) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson and Miss H. D. Parker (8) by 5 on time.  
 M. B. Reckitt and H. C. S. Perry (6) bt D. V. J. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs. H. D. Wooster (7) by 13.

SEMI-FINAL.

Comdr. Beamish and Mrs. McMordie (6½) bt Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style and Mrs. G. W. Style (15) by 3 on time.  
 M. B. Reckitt and H. C. S. Perry (6) bt Miss E. J. Warwick and Mrs. J. Pavia (6) by 5 on time.

FINAL.

M. B. Reckitt and H. C. S. Perry (6) bt Comdr. Beamish and Mrs. McMordie (6½) by 7.

HANDICAP SINGLES.

THE "SUSSEX" PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP.

(54 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) bt Mrs. A. Topp (16) by 9.  
 Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style (8) bt A. L. Megson (4½) by 23.  
 Mrs. W. Longman (0) bt Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins (—3) by 24.  
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (0) bt Mrs. G. D. Perowne (6) by 16.  
 Miss H. D. Parker (5) bt Miss D. L. Latham (9) by 9.  
 Miss K. D. Hickson (9) bt E. A. Roper (3) by 12.  
 Mrs. M. Briggs (3½) bt Miss A. E. Mills (2½) by 5.  
 Mrs. C. M. Turner (9) bt Capt. V. G. Gilbey (8½) by 5.  
 Mrs. G. Fitter (11) bt E. V. Carpmael (3½) by 17.  
 G. Williams (1) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor (13) by 8.  
 Miss M. M. Taylor (12) bt Miss E. J. Warwick (—½) by 11.  
 Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (6½) bt Mrs. D. E. Chorlton (5½) by 11.  
 W. Longman (—1) bt Mrs. F. N. Latham (3) by 1.  
 Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (1½) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (2½) by 4.  
 Mrs. E. M. Temple (12) bt G. Victor Evans (1½) by 6.  
 Mrs. E. Reeve (0) bt M. F. Buller (5) by 2.  
 Mrs. V. C. Gasson (3) bt R. V. N. Wiggins (1½) by 1.  
 Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt Mrs. G. W. Style (7) by 10.  
 Miss Roebuck ( ) bt Miss M. C. Macaulay (7) by 16.  
 Mrs. J. R. Oxley (11) w.o. opponent retired.  
 Mrs. J. H. Dibley (6) bt M. Vlasto (10) by 5.  
 Lady Ursula Abbey (3½) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (2½) by 3.

SECOND ROUND.

Rev. C. W. Wordsworth (8) w.o. opponent scratched.  
 Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) bt J. K. Brown (1) by 22.  
 Mrs. M. McMordie (5) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) by 4.  
 Mrs. W. Longman (0) bt Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style (8) by 21.  
 Miss H. D. Parker (5) bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (0) by 1.  
 Miss K. D. Hickson (9) bt Mrs. M. Briggs (3½) by 16.  
 Mrs. G. Fitter (11) bt Mrs. C. M. Turner (9) by 15.  
 G. Williams (1) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (12) by 10.  
 W. Longman (—1) bt Mrs. E. Haigh Smith (6½) by 2.  
 Mrs. E. M. Temple (12) bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (1½) by 11.  
 Mrs. E. Reeve (6) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson (3) by 17.  
 Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt Miss Roebuck ( ) by 16.  
 Mrs. J. H. Dibley (6) bt Mrs. J. R. Oxley (11) by 3.  
 Lady Ursula Abbey (3½) w.o. opponent scratched.  
 Miss G. Forbes Cowan (6) bt V. A. de la Nougerede (½) by 16.  
 Major J. R. Abbey (1½) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (3½) by 16.

THIRD ROUND.

Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) bt Rev. C. W. Wordsworth (8) by 10.  
 Mrs. W. Longman (0) bt Mrs. M. McMordie (5) by 17.  
 Miss H. D. Parker (5) bt Miss K. D. Hickson (9) by 2.  
 G. Williams (1) w.o. opponent scratched.  
 Mrs. E. M. Temple (12) bt W. Longman (—1) by 19.  
 Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt Mrs. E. Reeve (0) by 19.  
 Mrs. J. H. Dibley (6) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (3½) by 16.  
 Miss G. Forbes Cowan (6) bt Major J. R. Abbey (1½) by 10.

FOURTH ROUND.

Mrs. W. Longman (0) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) by 15.  
 Miss H. D. Parker (5) bt G. Williams (1) by 1.  
 Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (12) by 7.  
 Miss G. Forbes Cowan (6) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (6) by 1.

SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. W. Longman (0) bt Miss H. D. Parker (5) by 18.  
 Miss G. Forbes Cowan (6) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (12) by 10.

FINAL.

Mrs. W. Longman (0) bt Miss G. Forbes Cowan (6) by 17.

LIMITED HANDICAP SINGLES.

THE "SUSSEX" UNION CHALLENGE CUP.

(3½ bisques and over).

(30 Entries).

FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. D. E. Chorlton (5½) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (7½) by 3.  
 Mrs. J. H. Dibley (6) bt Rev. C. W. Wordsworth (8) by 3.  
 Dr. H. J. Penny (3½) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (12) by 4.  
 Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style (8) bt M. Vlasto (10) by 13.  
 Mrs. M. Briggs (3½) bt Miss M. C. Macaulay (7) by 4.  
 M. F. Buller (5) bt Hon. Clive Pearson (12) by 20.  
 A. L. Megson (4½) bt Mrs. A. Topp (16) by 16.  
 Miss D. L. Latham (9) bt Mrs. F. E. Stobart (16) by 20.  
 Mrs. J. Pavia (6½) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) by 8.  
 Miss H. D. Parker (8) bt Miss K. D. Hickson (9) by 2.  
 Mrs. G. W. Style (7) bt Mrs. M. McMordie (5) by 24.  
 Mrs. G. Fitter (11) w.o. opponent retired.  
 Miss G. Forbes Cowan (6) bt Mrs. J. R. Oxley (12) by 5.  
 Mrs. G. D. Perowne (6) bt Mrs. A. W. Naylor (13) by 14.

SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. D. E. Chorlton (5½) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (12) by 5.  
 Dr. H. J. Penny (3½) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (6) by 10.  
 Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style (8) bt Mrs. M. Briggs (3½) by 9.  
 M. F. Buller (5) bt A. L. Megson (4½) by 17.  
 Miss D. L. Latham (9) bt Mrs. J. Pavia (6½) by 3.  
 Mrs. G. W. Style (7) bt Miss H. D. Parker (5) by 17.  
 Miss G. Forbes Cowan (6) bt Mrs. G. Fitter (11) by 2.  
 Mrs. G. D. Perowne (6) w.o. opponent retired.

THIRD ROUND.

Dr. H. J. Penny (3½) bt Mrs. D. E. Chorlton (5½) by 7.  
 Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style (8) bt M. F. Buller (5) by 1 on time.  
 Miss D. L. Latham (9) bt Mrs. G. W. Style (7) by 9 on time.  
 Mrs. G. D. Perowne (6) bt Miss G. Forbes Cowan (6) by 5.

SEMI-FINAL.

Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style (8) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (3½) by 15.  
 Miss D. L. Latham (9) w.o. opponent retired.

FINAL.

Miss D. L. Latham (9) bt Lt.-Comdr. G. W. Style (8) by 12.

PRIZE WINNERS 1959

The list includes all events (of which the full scores have been received for publication in the Gazette) at (1) Open Tournaments, (2) Tournaments open to all Associates, together with the All-England Handicap and the Champion Cups.

Where the entries in an event were less than 16, semi-finalists are not included unless they actually won two matches. The same applies to the second prize winner where the entries were less than 8.

Figures in square brackets indicate the handicap of players.

OS—Open Singles or Open Singles (Class "A"); OSB—Level Singles (Class "B"), etc.; LS—Level Singles; HS—Handicap Singles; HSA—Handicap Singles (Class "A"), etc.; HSX (Y, Z)—Handicap Singles (Event "X") ("Y," "Z"); HSEK—Extra Handicap Singles; GHS—Gentlemen's Handicap Singles; LHS—Ladies' Handicap Singles; OD—Open Doubles; MOD—Mixed Open Doubles; LLD—Limited Level Doubles; HD—Handicap Doubles; GHD—Gentlemen's Handicap Doubles; LHD—Ladies' Handicap Doubles; MHD—Mixed Handicap Doubles.

ABBEY, Major J. H. [1½] Brighton (May), HSY, 3.  
 ABBEY, Lady Ursula [4½] Brighton (May), HSX, 3; Parkstone (Sept.), OSB, 1; Eastbourne, LOS, 2.  
 ADLER, Mrs. S. M. [5½] Luard Challenge Cup, 2; Roehampton, HSX, 1.  
 ADYE, Capt. L. C. [9] Cheltenham (non-official), HD, 2.  
 ALLEN, Miss R. M. [8] Cheltenham, RHS, 2; Cheltenham (non-official), HSC, 1, HSX, 2.  
 AULT, Miss K. [5] Brighton (August), HS, 3, HD, 1.

BANTOCK, E. G. [6] Cheltenham, HS, 2.  
 BARTLETT, Miss G. W. [13] Stevenson Challenge Cup, 2.  
 BEAMISH, Col. D. W. [—] Doubles Championship, 2; Parkstone (Sept.), OS, 1, HD, 2.  
 BEAMISH, Comdr. G. V. G. [1½] Parkstone (Sept.) HD, 2; Eastbourne, MOS, 3, HD, 2.  
 BEATLEY, F. E. [10] Leamington, HSY, 2.  
 BIRCH, G. [3½] Ryde, HSX, 1; Nottingham, OS, Draw, 2.  
 BLACK, G. A. [9] Budleigh Salterton (July), HSC, 2.  
 BLACKWOOD, N. F. [8] Brighton (May), HS, 2, HSX, 1; All England Handicap, 1; Brighton (August), LS, 1; Brighton (non-official), HSY, 1.  
 BOUCHER, Dr. C. A. [10] Brighton (August), LHS, 1.  
 BRIGHT, G. N. [4] Nottingham, OS, Process, 2, HS, 1.  
 BRISTOW, Mrs. E. [9] Reckitt Challenge Cup, 2; Roehampton, HSY, 3.  
 BROWN, J. K. [1] Compton, HS, 3; Hunstanton, HSY, 1, HD, 2.  
 BRUMPTON, Miss E. C. [12] Nottingham, Robin Hood Cup, 1, HS, 3; Hunstanton (Sept.), HSY, 2, HD, 2.  
 BUCKNELL, A. J. [11] Nottingham, HD, 2.  
 BULLER, Capt. M. [5] Budleigh Salterton (May), HD, 2; Budleigh Salterton (July), OSB, 3.

CAMPBELL, D. [8] Carrickmines, LS, divided.  
 CAMROUX, A. V. [8] Roehampton, HSB, 1, HSX, 2.  
 CARPMAEL, E. V. [3½] Woking, HS, 3.  
 CARRINGTON, Mrs. M. H. [8½] Reckitt Challenge Cup, 1; Gilbey Cup, 2 "C".  
 CAVE, Lt.-Col. G. E. [1] Cheltenham, HS, 1; Surrey Cup, 1.  
 CHIGNELL, T. A. [4½] Parkstone, LSB, 2, HSX, 3.  
 CHITTENDEN, Mrs. H. F. [3] Compton, HS, 2; Ladies' Field Cup, 5; Brighton (non-official), HSX, 3; Eastbourne, OSB, 1.  
 COLLS, T. G. S. [6] Parkstone (Sept.), HD, 1; Cheltenham (non-official), HSX, 1.  
 COOK, E. J. [7] Nottingham, HD, 1.  
 COOPER, A. J. [3] Budleigh Salterton (May), HD, 1.  
 CORK, F. E. [6] Ryde, OSB, 1.  
 COTTER, E. P. C. [—3] Men's Championship, 2; Doubles Championship, 1; Hurlingham, MOD, 1; Brighton (August), OS, 2; President's Cup, 3.  
 CURTIS, F. H. [14] Delves Broughton Challenge Cup, 2.  
 CURTIS, Mrs. F. H. [14] Brighton (non-official), LHS, 2.  
 CURTIS, D. W. [6] Hurlingham, LS, 1, HS, 2; Luard Challenge Cup, 1; Gilbey Doubles, 2; Ascot Challenge Cup, 1; Delves Broughton Cup, 2; Brighton (non-official), OS, 2, HSY, 2.

DANIELS, Mrs. A. M. [5] Woking, OSB, 2, HS, 1, HD; Cheltenham, HD, 1; Ladies' Field Cup, 6; Brighton (August), HS, 2, HD, 2.  
 DAVIDSON, Mrs. F. H. N. [10] Gilbey Doubles, 1; Delves Broughton Challenge Cup, 1; Roehampton, HSC, 1.  
 DE LA NOUGEREDE, V. A. [—] Du Pre Cup, 1; Surrey Cup, 3 equal.  
 DIBLEY, Mrs. J. H. [6] Compton, LHS, 3; Brighton (non-official), HSY, 3.  
 DRISCOLL, Major R. [12] Brighton (non-official), HD, 2.  
 DUTHIE, Miss B. [8] Ladies' Field Candlesticks, 2.

ELL, M. Spencer [1] Association Plate, 2; Surrey Cup, 2; Roehampton Challenge Cup, Draw, 2, OS, Draw, 2.  
 ELVEY, Mrs. G. F. H. [0] Cheltenham, HS, 3; Ladies' Field Cup, equal 2; Hurlingham, OS, 3; Ladies' Field Candlesticks, 1; President's Cup, 8.  
 EVANS, G. V. [1½] Ryde, HSX, 3; Woking, HD, 2; Surrey Cup, 8.

FARNSWORTH, Mrs. C. R. [5½] Brighton (May), HSX, 2.  
 FIGGIS, D. [9] Carrickmines, HS, 2, HD, 1.  
 FISHER, Miss E. [5½] Peels, Process, 2; Gilbey Cup, HS, 3 "B", HD, 2.  
 FITTER, Mrs. G. P. [13] Ryde, HSD, 1, HD, 2; Eastbourne, OSD, 1.  
 FORBES-COWAN, Miss G. [6] Brighton (May), HSY, 2, HD, 2; Hurlingham, LS, 2; Eastbourne, OSC, 1, HS, 2.

GASSON, Mrs. V. C. [3] Budleigh Salterton (May), HD, 2; Roehampton, HSX, 3.  
 GILBEY, Capt. V. G. [8½] Eastbourne, OSC, 2.  
 GOUGH, Miss S. C. [13] Leamington, HD, 1.  
 GREEN, H. A. [6] Brighton (May), HS, 3; Brighton (August), OSB, 3, HS, 3; Brighton (non-official), HSX, 2.

HAIGH-SMITH, Mrs. E. [8] Hurlingham, HS, 1; Roehampton, HSX, 3.  
 HAMILTON-MILLER, D. V. J. [—] Woking, OS, 1; Ryde, OS, 1; Parkstone, OS, 2; Compton, HD, 1; Association Plate, 1; Roehampton, Challenge Cup, 1; President's Cup, 5; Roehampton, OS, 2; Eastbourne, OS, 1, MOS, 2.  
 HAMPSON, Miss S. [14] Hunstanton (Sept.), HD, 1.  
 HEATHCOTT, Major E. C. [14] Budleigh Salterton (May), HS, 2.  
 HELEY, Mrs. P. E. [4] Parkstone, LSB, 1; Ladies' Field Cup, 7; Hunstanton (Sept.), HSB, 1.  
 HICKS, H. O. [—3] Nottingham, OS, 1; Open Championship, 2; Brighton (August), OS, 1; President's Cup, 2.  
 HICKSON, Miss K. D. [12] Peels, 1; Parkstone, HS, 2; Leamington HSB, 3; Cheltenham, RHS, 3.  
 HILL-BERNHARD, Major F. [7] Parkstone, HSY, 3; Hurlingham, GHD, 2; Parkstone (Sept.), LSB, 2; HS, 3, HD, 1.  
 HINNELL, R. J. [8] All England Handicap, 3.  
 HITCHCOCK, G. E. W. [2½] Brighton (May), HSY, 3; Council Challenge Cup, 2.  
 HUSKINSON, G. N. B. [5½] Peels, 1; Brighton (May), HSX, 3.  
 HULTON, Mrs. R. W. [12] Ryde, HSY, 2.

JACKSON, G. E. P. [0] Cheltenham, OS, 2.  
 JESSON-DIBLEY, D. [3] Brighton (non-official), HSX, 3.  
 JOHNSON, Miss E. [6] Brighton (non-official), HSY, 3.

KARMEL, A. D. [4½] Budleigh Salterton (May), HS, 3; Hurlingham, OSB, 2; Roehampton, HSY, 1.  
 KAY, Mrs. E. M. [7] Ryde, OSB, 2.  
 KEMP, R. F. O. [9] Hurlingham, HS, 3.  
 KIRK GREENE, L. [—1] Brighton (May), OS, 3; Brighton (August), HD, 1; Brighton (non-official), OS, 1; Eastbourne, OS, 3, MOS, 1, OD, 2.

LATHAM, Miss D. L. [9] Eastbourne, LHS, 1.  
 LATHAM, Mrs. F. N. [3½] Ryde, OS, 2.  
 LEONARD, Miss E. M. [12] Cheltenham (non-official), HSD, 1.  
 LEONARD, R. J. [4] Carrickmines, HS, 3, HD, 2; Budleigh Salterton, OSB, 2.  
 LEONARD, Mrs. R. J. [5] Carrickmines, Championship of Ireland, 1, HS, 1, HD, 2.  
 LINTERN, Miss D. A. [—1] Peels, HD, 1; Women's Championship, 2; Hurlingham, MOD, 1; Delves Broughton Challenge Cup, 1.  
 LLOYD-PRATT, B. [1] Hurlingham, OS, 3, GHD, 2; Gilbey Cup, HS, 1 "A"; Ascot Challenge Cup, 2; President's Cup, 5.  
 LONGMAN, Mrs. W. [½] Brighton (May), OS, 2; Ladies' Field Candlesticks, 2; Brighton (non-official), HD, 2; Eastbourne, HS, 1.

MACAULAY, Miss M. C. [7] Leamington, HSY, 3.  
 MEACHEM, J. B. [4] Leamington, HSX, 1.  
 McMORDIE, Mrs. J. A. [5] Eastbourne, HD, 2.  
 MEREDITH, C. M. [4½] Carrickmines, HS, 3.  
 MEREDITH, Rev. Canon R. Creed [1] Ryde, HSX, 2; Parkstone, HSX, 1; Cheltenham, HD, 2; Parkstone (Sept.), HS, 2; Surrey Cup, 3 equal.

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MILLAR, Capt. K. B. [3] Woking, HD, 1; Brighton (August), HD, 2.  
 MILLS, Miss A. E. [2½] Ladies' Field Cup, 4; Brighton (non-official), HD, 1; Eastbourne, OSB, 2.  
 MILLS, G. R. [10] Budleigh Salterton (July), HS, 2.  
 MOGRIDGE, E. C. [10½] Brighton (non-official), HS, 2.  
 MOORE, W. E. [7] Brighton (May), HS, 1, HD, 2; Brighton (non-official), LS, 2, HSX, 1.  
 MORGAN, Miss M. [9] Brighton (non-official), HS, 2.  
 MURPHY, T. V. [4] Carrickmines, HD, 1.  
 NEWTON, R. H. [3½] Leamington, HSB, 1, HSY, 1.  
 OLDHAM, A. J. [6½] Roehampton, HSY, 3.  
 O'MOND, Mrs. J. S. [10] Roehampton, HD, 2.  
 O'REILLY, Mrs. L. [4] Carrickmines, LS, divided.  
 ORMEROD, Dr. G. L. [3] Ryde, HS, 2, HD, 1, HSX, 3; All England Handicap, 3.  
 ORMEROD, Mrs. G. L. [14] Ryde, HD, 1.  
 ORMEROD, H. L. [8] Parkstone, HS, 1; Leamington, HD, 1.  
 ORMEROD, W. P. [—1½] Open Championship, 3; President's Cup, 4.  
 PARKER, Miss H. D. [5½] Compton, HD, 2, LHS, 1; Brighton (August), OSB, 3; Brighton (non-official), LS, 1; Eastbourne, HS, 3.  
 PAVIA, Mrs. J. [6½] Eastbourne, HD, 3.  
 PENNY, Dr. H. J. [3] Nottingham, HD, 2; Parkstone, HSY, 3; Eastbourne, LHS, 3.  
 PEROWNE, Mrs. B. C. [7] Ryde, HS, 1, HD, 2; Parkstone, HD, 2; Hunstanton (Sept.), HSX, 2; Eastbourne, LHS, 3.  
 PERRY, H. C. S. [7½] Compton, HS, 3; Eastbourne, HD, 1.  
 PICKETT, Mrs. R. J. [12] Budleigh Salterton (July), HSC, 3; Gilbey Cup, 3 "D".  
 PRICHARD, Lt.-Col. D. M. C. [9] Budleigh Salterton (July), HD, 1; Cheltenham, HS, 1; All England Handicap, 2; Brighton, HS, 1; Cheltenham (non-official), OSB, 1, HD, 1.  
 PRIOR, Sir Henry [11] Nottingham, HS, divided.  
 PURVES, Mrs. I. M. [12] Compton, LHS, 2.  
 RASH, A. F. [11] Parkstone, HS, 3.  
 RECKITT, M. B. [—1½] Doubles Championship, 2; Eastbourne, OS, 3, OD, 1, HD, 1.  
 REEVE, Mrs. E. [0] Eastbourne, LOS, 1.  
 RIVINGTON, J. M. [6] Hurlingham, GHD, 1.  
 ROBERTSON, C. L. [11] Stevenson Challenge Cup, 1.  
 ROE, Mrs. D. W. [8] Leamington, HD, 2.  
 ROE, Miss I. M. [6] Budleigh Salterton, OSB, 3, HD, 1; Cheltenham, OSB, 1, HD, 1; Cheltenham (non-official), HSY, 1, HD, 1.  
 ROE, W. P. H. [8] Brighton (May), HS, 3, HSY, 3; Compton, LHS, 3.  
 ROE, Mrs. W. P. H. [10] Brighton, HS, 2.  
 ROLFE, Mrs. A. N. [14] Hunstanton, HSC, 1.  
 ROPER, E. A. [3] Brighton (May), HD, 1; Woking, HD, 2; HS, 3.  
 ROTHERHAM, Mrs. E. [—2] Women's Championship, 1; Mixed Doubles Championship, 1; Parkstone, OS, 1, HSX, 2, HD, 2; Compton, OS, 2; Budleigh Salterton (July), OS, 1, HS, 3; Cheltenham, OS, 1; Ladies' Field Cup, equal 2; Hurlingham, OS, 2; Ladies' Field Candlesticks, 1; President's Cup, 7; Hunstanton (Sept.), OS, 1, HSX, 1, HD, 1; Eastbourne, OS, 2, HS, 3.  
 SAALFELD, Lt.-Col. A. E. [2] Brighton, OS, 1; Du Pre Cup, 2; Woking, HS, 2; Compton, HD, 2; Leamington, OS, 1, HSX, 2.  
 SANDIFORD, Dr. B. R. [3½] Leamington, HSB, 3; Cheltenham, OSB, 2.

SIDWELL, E. [7½] Leamington, HSX, 3, HD, 2.  
 SMARTT, Dr. R. B. N. [9] Budleigh Salterton (May), HS, 3; Parkstone, HD, 1.  
 SOLOMON, Mrs. G. W. [4½] Roehampton, HD, 2.  
 SOLOMON, J. W. [—3] Men's Championship, 1; Open Championship, 1; Doubles Championship, 1; Hurlingham, OS, 1; President's Cup, 1.  
 SPEER, C. J. [4] Compton, HD, 1.  
 STANLEY-SMITH, Mrs. F. [12] Peels, 2, Peels Doubles, HD, 1.  
 STEPHENS, F. B. [13] Nottingham, HS, 2.  
 STOBART, Lt.-Col. F. E. [3] Parkstone, HSX, 3; Budleigh Salterton, OSB, 1.  
 STOKER, Capt. H. G. [2] Peels, 2.  
 STOKES-ROBERTS, Brig. A. E. [2] Council Challenge Cup, 1; Roehampton, OS, Process, 2.  
 STOKES-ROBERTS, L. E. W. [11] Hurlingham, LS, 2.  
 STONE, Major G. F. [—3] Woking, OS, 2.  
 STYLE, Mrs. G. W. [7] Eastbourne, OSC, 3, HD, 3.  
 STYLE, Lt.-Cmdr. G. W. [8] Eastbourne, LHS, 2, HD, 3.  
 TAYLOR, Miss M. M. [13] Ryde, HSD, 2; Leamington, HSB, 2; Eastbourne, OSD, 2.  
 TEMPLE, Mrs. [14] Brighton (non-official), HS, 1.  
 TEMPLETON, Miss C. [10½] Leamington, HSY, 3.  
 THOM, Mrs. M. L. [6½] Peels, HD, 2; Budleigh Salterton (July), HS, 3.  
 THOMPSON, P. [8½] Parkstone (Sept.), HSC, 1, HS, 1.  
 THORNEWILL, Mrs. F. M. [11½] Cheltenham, HD, 2.  
 TINGEY, Major R. [—] Nottingham Robin Hood Cup, 2; Hurlingham, MOD, 2; Roehampton, Challenge Cup, Process, 2, OS, 1, HD, 1.  
 TINGEY, Mrs. R. [4½] Peels, Draw, 2; Nottingham, HS, 3; Cheltenham, OSB, 3; Hurlingham, MOD, 2; Gilbey Cup, Doubles, 1; Roehampton, HSB, 2, HD, 1.  
 TOWNSEND, S. S. [1½] Peels, Draw, 2, HD, 2; Surrey Cup, 3 equal.  
 WADE, Miss K. A. [15] Ryde, HSY, 1.  
 WALLACE, W. [12] Nottingham, HS, 3, HS, Divided, HS, 3, HD, 1.  
 WALLWORK, Mrs. N. E. [4½] Brighton (May), HD, 1; Brighton (August), OSB, 2; Brighton (non-official), HD, 1.  
 WARWICK, Miss E. J. [1] Budleigh Salterton (May), HS, 1; Mixed Doubles Championship, 2; Parkstone, HSY, 1, HD, 1; Budleigh Salterton (July), HS, 1; Ladies' Field Cup, 1; Surrey Cup, 6 equal; Hunstanton (Sept.), OS, 2; Eastbourne, OD, 1, HD, 3.  
 WARWICK, J. G. [½] Mixed Doubles Championship, 2; Budleigh Salterton (July), OS, 2; Open Championship, 3; Surrey Cup, 6 equal; Hurlingham, HS, 3, GHD, 1.  
 WESTON-MARTYR, J. [6] Budleigh Salterton (May), HD, 1.  
 WHITHAM, R. [8] Woking, OSC, 1.  
 WHITHAM, Mrs. R. [9] Woking, OSC, 2.  
 WIGGINS, Dr. W. R. D. [—3] Mixed Doubles Championship, 1; Compton, OS, 1, HS, 1; Eastbourne, MOS, 3, OD, 2.  
 WILLIAMS, A. McClure [4] Woking, OSB, 1; Cheltenham, OSB, 3.  
 WILLIAMS, G. [1½] Hurlingham, OSB, 1.  
 WILSON, Mrs. A. V. [13] Parkstone, HS, 3; Parkstone (Sept.), HSC, 2.  
 WILSON-HAFFENDEN, Gen. D. J. [10] Hurlingham, LS, 1; Roehampton, HSC, 2.  
 WOOLLEY, Miss H. F. [8] Parkstone, HS, 3; HSY, 2.

YOXALL, Dr. A. L. [1] Budleigh Salterton (July), HD, 2.  
 YOXALL, Mrs. A. L. [8] Budleigh Salterton (July), HSC, 3, HD, 2; Cheltenham, LHS, 3, HS, 3.

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