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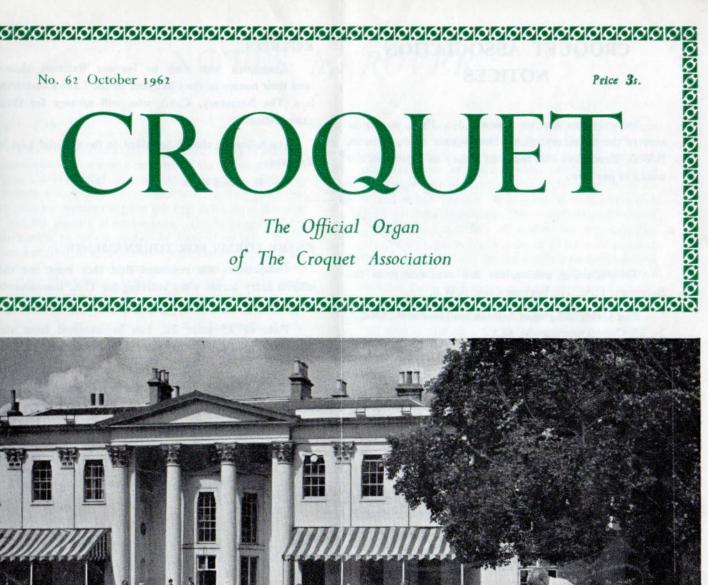
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CROQUET ASSOCIATION NOTICES

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Clubs are reminded that the last meeting of the Handicap Co-ordination Committee in 1962 will be early in November. Secretaries should, therefore, ensure that any alterations which they wish to recommend at the close of this season should reach the Secretary, C.A., not later than mid October.

TOURNAMENT FIXTURES, 1963

Will Club Secretaries who have not yet done so notify the Secretary, C.A., of their 1963 Tournament dates as early as possible.

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The following should be added to the Official List of **Referees:-**

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> V. C. GASSON, Secretary

Eight of the Best

This year's President Cup gave the opportunity to spectators to see every member of the touring team in action, David Curtis being the odd man out quantitatively although not, it proved, qualitatively. The more the pity that the weather during the first three days daunted all but the keenest of enthusiasts. The high spot of the tournament to which justice is done elsewhere in this issue, but fully deserves further mention here, was John Solomon's feat of winning all fourteen games and so equalling Humphrey Hicks' effort eight years ago. In only one game did he permit his opponent to win more than twelve points, so marked was his superiority: this indeed is an augury for his matches in the forthcoming winter on the other side of the world.

No less noteworthy was A. A. Reed's debut in the Surrey Cup during the same week. His form at Budleigh in July had obviously marked him out as a candidate for higher honours and the selectors have been proved eminently correct in including him. To have won 13 games out of 14 in what was freely admitted to be a very good eight is evidence of the excellent play of this young man. Hardly a tournament has gone by this year without one or other of the younger generation making his mark and Reed's victory is accordingly in character with what has gone before.

The Club Team Cup

The result of the final of the Club Team Cup competition between Hurlingham and Cambridge University is reported in this issue. The handsome trophy donated by our senior vice-president, William Longman, returns to Hurlingham after an absence of one year. during which Edgbaston held it. The competition this year was enriched by the presence of both University Clubs and right well did they perform. They had the misfortune to meet in the semi-final, Cambridge prevailing very narrowly. The final itself was no less narrowly decided; indeed dusk was falling rapidly on a wet and windy evening when the peg out in the deciding game determined the issue in favour of Hurlingham. Much of Hurlingham's success this year has stemmed from the play of Mr. R. A. Godby, who has come down from 81 bisques to 3 bisques and has accustomed himself readily to each successive downward stage in the handicap. A noteworthy win in the final was that of Brigadier Stokes-Roberts over the much improved Christopher Dashwood. Let us hope that the successes of the two University teams this year will encourage them to be regular contenders for the trophy.

Why I Lost

There are certain categories of people, among whom parliamentary candidates and defeated boxers are

NOTES by ROVER

prominent, who are recurrently expected to explain their situation under the above headline. Croquet players may congratulate themselves on being spared the need for such explanations, though some of them will quite spontaneously provide them. It may do many of us no harm, and in fact quite a lot of good, if we address this question, on suitable occasions, to ourselves and furnish the most sincere answers of which we are capable. This is perhaps particularly true of rapidly improving players, such as our very up-and-coming undergraduates and the schoolboys (but why not girls?) beginning to follow after them. (There are those, of course, among senior generations whose form has deserted them who know only too well why they habitually lose and are puzzled only to account for the fact when occasionally they do not.) But promising players do sometimes experience a series of checks for which they are unprepared and which they cannot easily explain. This is the moment when a little of what it is now fashionable to describe as "self-criticism" may be well worthwhile.

What went wrong

There are, of course, plenty of ways of losing a game for which a player may have no good reason for reproaching himself. One may lose a game by sheer bad luck, an experience which, if it is a good deal less common than one might suppose in listening to those who believe themselves to be the victims of it, can quite often occur. Or one can lose through being confronted by a virtually impossible task-as for example was this Rover when required to give about seven bisques to a boy of fourteen who two years later became champion of New Zealand. More often defeat is due to the fact that you had an "off day" at the same time as your opponent had an "on day". Perhaps you were tired or somewhat unwell, which will be enough to account for this. But the great thing is to avoid being satisfied with mere excuses to yourself, however impulsively you may have made them at the time. Why did you lose? If it was chiefly due to some recurrent failure of execution, set yourself to remedy this. If-as is much more frequently the case than most players seem able to recognise-it was mainly due to faulty tactics, search your memory to spot the failures here and (literally) make a note to avoid them in future. Two points may be suggested in conclusion. Players who come down quickly often do so because they have learnt how to make a good use of their bisques. When they have none, or worse still have to give them, they find themselves much at a loss. There are books-and sometimes notes in this journal-which may help them here. But secondly, there comes a point in the career of nearly every player when a "pause" is natural and inevitable. He must learn to play "a class better", and he should not be dismayed if the process takes a little longer than he would like it to.

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CORRESPONDENCE

INTERNATIONAL APPEAL

Dear Sir,

At a time when the Association is looking forward with interest to the coming Test Matches on the other side of the world, I hope it will not seem inappropriate to ask whether the Council has any contact with croquet players less far afield.

During the course of an article in the Observer (August 12th, 1962), on becoming "an honorary member of the Russian elite" Mitchell Wilson, an American physicist turned writer, describes a visit to Peredelkino, an artistic community, known outside Russia as the home of the novelist, Boris Pasternak. He recalls "driving one hot day along a road; off to the left, across a beautiful meadow, was the balled tower of a church built by Ivan the Terrible. It was where Pasternak is buried. To my right, I could hear the click of Soviet croquet balls and the plop-plop of badmintonbourgeois lawn games that have recently swept the community like a fever".

Two or three days later, in a gossip column of the Evening Standard, there was a reference to President de Gaulle on holiday, enjoying croquet, his favourite pastime.

It would be interesting to know whether the game, as played in Russia and in France, differs from the Association Croquet played by the Commonwealth and Eire, and whether in these and other European countries there are organisations similar to the Croquet Association.

If contact could be made, might not exchange visits and representative matches follow? Volunteers for an annual week-end match in Paris would not be hard to find, I imagine. And who would not readily give a dozen bisques in exchange for a fortnight's croquet in Peredelkino?

Yours faithfully, DAVID JESSON-DIBLEY

"Lessons from the Lawns"

"To Peel or not to Peel" (That is the question).

A true tale from the "Gilbeys" 1962.

Said the charming Mrs. C*r*ie "Sure indeed why should we tarry" "I'll peel Black, then Blue, right through the Rover hoop." Though the sage Miss M----- replied: "What if both should stick inside?" But, to conquer, Mrs. C. was set to stoop!

Let us call it shocking luck! But in fact both balls got stuck. Thus for Black and Blue—alack Things indeed looked blue and black!	
Picture now the joined up Yellow After prospects hardly mellow!	
Picture also happy Red Thinking Black and Blue were dead!	
On the progress of this tale. Till at last the cunning Black	

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ONE DAY CROOUET MATCH

August 28th Learnington Spa v. Cheltenham. Cheltenham names first.

SINGLES Capt. L. C. Adye lost to Mrs. Lewty by 21. F. H. Pugh bt L. Overell by 13. Group Captain Lowe-Holmes bt Mrs. Slade by 24. W. Green v. R. Lewty unfinished.

DOUBLES F. H. Pugh and W. Green bt R. Lewty and Mrs. Lewty by 8. Capt. L. C. Adye and Group Captain Lowe-Holmes bt L. Overell

and Mrs. Slade by 10, RESULT-Cheltenham bt Learnington by 4 games to 1 with one game LONGMAN (CLUB TEAM) CUP

FINAL HURLINGHAM V. CAMBRIDGE

Played at Hurlingham on Sunday, 26th August, 1962. Hurlingham players named first.

SINGLES

Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts (2) bt C. Dashwood (2) by 13. R. A. Godby (3) bt E. A. L. Sulley $(3\frac{1}{2})$ by 23, Mrs. M. L. Thom $(5\frac{1}{2})$ lost to D. Miller (5) by 7.

DOUBLES

R. A. Godby and Mrs. M. L. Thom (8¹/₂) bt E. A. L. Sulley and D. Miller (8¹/₂) by 7.

Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts and R. J. Pickett (10) lost to C. Dashwood and E. Thorpe (11) by 11.

RESULT-Hurlingham bt Cambridge by 3 games to 2.

OLD BOYS' CROOUET Dulwich v. Woodbridge

Following the report in the June, 1961, issue of *Croquet* of a previous Old Boys' match a challenge was issued by two up and coming Old Woodbridgians (David and Christopher Miller) for a match with Dulwich, represented by David Curtis and Derek Caporn.

Through the kindness of the Sussex County Croquet Club the match was played on the lawns at Southwick on September 2nd, under ideal conditions-even the sun made a welcome appearance.

The match commenced in the afternoon with doubles, starting at the 3rd hoop in which Woodbridge received 31 little needed bisques. David Miller soon went round to 4-back and helped his brother to 1-back before a bisque was used. Meanwhile Caporn managed to reach 3-back on a series of two ball breaks, Curtis having only contributed a ball jammed at the 3rd hoop. Woodbridge soon reached the pegging-out stage in which one ball was pegged out, Christopher Miller being left with a ball at the peg and a bisque in hand. Curtis then hit in and made a forlorn break of 4 hoops before the game went to Woodbridge by 12.

After tea singles began with David Miller facing Curtis and receiving 51 bisques. Using bisques to set up the break the former went round to the peg with 3 bisques still in hand. Curtis missed the shot and David Miller then went out on one more bisque. A fine piece of play with a +26 victory for Woodbridge.

In the other singles a rather longer match took place with Caporn giving Christopher Miller 2 bisques. The game was a dour struggle with every point contested, Caporn giving of his best to save something for Dulwich from the wreckage. But it was not to be and Christopher Miller ran out the winner by 1 on time.

An enjoyable match with Woodbridge worthy victors by 3 matches to none.

NOTES FROM COMPTON

Owing to poor weather and ill-health among our members the courts have had less use than usual, a great pity as they have been in particularly good condition.

A most enjoyable match was played against Southwick on our lawns. Southwick won both doubles, but Compton triumphed by gaining victories in all four singles. Mrs. Chittenden with her usual generosity provided a lavish lunch and tea for both teams.

In the afternoon of Sunday, August 19th, we entertained about a dozen members of the Eastbourne Rugger Club and their wives and children. An exhibition match was played by Mrs. Chittenden and Miss Parker. This was followed by our visitors trying their hands at the game with the help of a number of our members. The children too had a bash and luckily there were no casualties. Mrs. Chittenden again provided a splendid tea and in the evening there were drinks. The occasion was enjoyed by our guests and by us.

Mr. Birley has been approached with a view to interesting Eastbourne College in croquet. He was most sympathetic and has promised to commend the game to the boys and is optimistic about results

Howard Austin, who is our representative in the All England Handicap, is to be congratulated on winning the Horsburgh Cup. He beat Noel Snell in the final by 7. Noel was also his opponent in the final of our stage of the All England.

An Experiment and a Challenge

The Fifties

Due to the hard work of many people too numerous to mention but including all those who have written books, nurtured Croquet at Schools and Universities, obtained much publicity in local and national press, built up established clubs and started new ones, we had by the dawn of the sixties an established base from which to attack the Victorian conception of the game and to establish a link with the many who play Croquet with a vague idea of the Rules and who offer such a potential source of members.

Many of us had been pondering how to meet the situation.

The Problems

The essential ones seemed to be :---

- (a) To spread knowledge of the game.
- (b) To show that the C.A. are actively interested in the small Registered Clubs.
- (c) To encourage more members to join the C.A. by showing them that they will get value for money if they join, and will get active help.
- (d) To encourage members to enter Tournamentsoften people can only play in the evenings or at weekends.
- (e) To encourage Schools to take up the gamethere is already a nucleus of "old boy" teams.
- (f) To encourage the growth of new clubs.

How to Tackle the Problems

The obvious solution was to take reasonably good players to play small clubs on their home grounds, thus helping such members to improve their game and to show C.A. interest in them. We also planned that this should logically develop into a League Competition based on the "Mother" Club with all in the League playing each other the following season and to launch evening tournaments. This gave birth to a Roving side from the Rochampton Club.

The Roehampton Rovers

We examined the list of registered clubs on the back page of Croquet and in May 1962 wrote to ten of these offering to play a friendly afternoon or evening match on their ground. Seven accepted with enthusiasm, one failed to reply, one refused, and one declined with regret. The letter also asked if the club concerned had any knowledge of any unregistered clubs, not anticipating any reply to this, but to our astonishment Mr. Buckley of Reigate Priory said he knew of three, Beechams, Mullards and Vitamins! Letters were sent and all accepted evening games. Some of the small clubs had one Court, some had two and Beechams had four! The last named now has over 50 members and exceeds that of the Cricket Club! One had to even book a Court a week ahead! Some of our teams were of two players, some of four playing two in afternoon and two in the evening, and to Beechams we took eight for doubles. including two experts, Miss Lintern and Mr. Gilbert. The lawns in many cases were poor-others particularly Reigate, Parsons Green and Crouch Hill were excellent. At Beechams two of the Courts were in part of the

parkland and two in a walled garden, all with their hazards! During one game our doubles pair, Mr. Gilbert and Mrs, Caporn, whilst they were "out" sitting in their deckchairs, suddenly couldn't see their balls anywhere on Court. Leaping up in alarm they discovered them nestling in a hollow! Mr. Gilbert after several attempts to master the difficult conditions finally got going and did a break of six hoops which was a fine effort under the circumstances and during this his young opponents were seen kneeling on each side of the lawn, their eyes glued on the "Court". If a bomb had fallen, I don't think it would have disturbed their concentration, for they had never seen a break like this before! Meanwhile Miss Lintern in the walled garden had made a superb all round break to the Rover under hazardous conditions with fervent prayers at each shot, assisted by splayed hoops which suited her well. This was a real test of skill witnessed by an enthusiastic crowd. Indeed, she has numerous new fans who are seeking a signed photograph-will someone oblige! This is indeed a wonderful opportunity for our leading players to see if their skill on good lawns matches their skill on bad ones for surely an expert should be able to play on a sticky wicket! What a chance for our Test Team to give an exhibition on these Courts! Mr. Camroux also had a fine break at Vitamins. It was however Mr. Ashurst of Reigate Priory, a young man who learnt his Croquet at Vitamins, who produced the most astonishing Croquet of all by making the Penultimate from behind 4 back in one shot. This was something to which not even Mr. Cotter could aspire! Some Clubs invited us to play with one of their players, in others tactfully we managed to combine a game with a lesson. When we went to Mullards, due to holidays and Tournaments we could only field two weakish players instead of four reasonably good ones, and Mullards were most disappointed we couldn't bring the Stars, particularly Mr. Gilbert and Miss Lintern, stories of whose prowess had gone via the bush telegraph! At Westminster School, Messrs. Caporn and Oldham, were confronted with playing on Dean's Yard, rough mown, on a Court one and a half times the proper size! They suggested a size of 20 feet by 12 would be better, and then with great skill managed a break of several hoops! Mr. Caporn was welcomed by a charming gentleman on arrival whom he took to be a member of the Staff. He expressed disapproval of the ground and was told that something would be done as the boys were so keen. Later he discovered he had been talking to the Headmaster! The boys told us they could never get further than six hoops and the stick and received the reply that we were not surprised! We hope they finish their games on the smaller Court! The ground at Ealing Grammar School was similar but the Headmaster is now taking an interest and has promised improvements.

The result of all this is at least eight new members to the C.A., two new Registered Clubs and the kindling of great enthusiasm. Keen interest has been shown in the idea of a League which we hope to start next year. We have discovered that many of these players are working and so cannot enter Tournaments as at present constituted but many would like to do so if they could be re-arranged.

Thus, with the co-operation of the Roehampton Club Management we launched an experiment for a week beginning on 27th August.

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Evening Tournament

Players from Barnes, Ealing Grammar School, Beechams, Mullards, Parsons Green and ourselves competed, limited to those with C.A. handicap of six bisques and above. It was played level as we couldn't devise a handicap. Twenty-two people, excluding us, entered which was most encouraging, some travelling over 20 miles to play. The games were doubles with two lives, i.e., those defeated in the first game passed into another block. The games started at 5.45/6 p.m. and finished when we couldn't see, at 8.30 p.m., beginning at 5th hoop. Tremendous enthusiasm was shown, and play improved throughout the Tournament which was won by Messrs Crowne and Smith (Beechams) with Oldham (Roehampton) and Miss Thorpe (Barnes) runners up, and the "Y" event by Mrs. Trull and Farlie (Parsons Green) with Messrs Annis and Pullen (Mullards) runners up. This was a tremendous success and for many players was their first experience of a real Tournament on a good lawn. We think it would have been a better Tournament and the competitors would have learnt more if some had been paired with good experienced Tournament players. As time was short and many games were not finished we hope to repeat this earlier next year. Who is going to follow our lead?

Where Do We Go From Here?

The tremendous success of this idea must be followed up and help is wanted from ALL members of the C.A. Will all large Clubs consider launching Roving Teams in their area? They will be amazed by the results that will follow. Tact and patience are required and whenever possible clubs should be invited back to play on the 'Mother" ground. In addition, consideration must be given to the following at C.A. and Club levels:

1. Evening Tournaments, with different Manager and Referee, played during some of the main Tournament events enabling people to enter who cannot play during the daytime due to work or being "Mum" with children. In this way, some could probably manage an hour or two in the afternoon watching some of the main events.

2. Weekend and evening Tournaments separate from the main ones.

3. The re-arrangement of the C.A. Calendar to provide time for the above, and new Tournaments, e.g., dropping of separate men's and women's events and limitation of open events by C.A. and Clubs.

4. The provision of certain events in Tournaments to start on say Friday morning and finish Sunday evening, and these events to be advertised. This is particularly applicable to any Tournament longer than a week.

5. Tournaments for Novices, Schoolboys, interschool, inter-Services, inter-Old Boys, which would result in welcome publicity in Press, Magazines, etc.

6. The abolition of distinction between amateur and professional to encourage people to coach and people to ask for coaching.

7. Exploration of flourishing Croquet known to exist in Naval, Military and other establishments-the taking of the game into the highways and byways and the active help of assisting Clubs passing through difficult times

The wind of change is blowing. We cannot stand still. Croquet must either gain ground, or lose it. Which it is to be is up to the C.A. and ALL its members.

D. C. Caporn.

HANDICAPS CONFIRMED OR ALTERED BY THE HANDICAP CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

September 21st, 1962

SOUTHWICK (Official)	
J. Bolton 6 to 3. M. F. Buller 3 to $2\frac{1}{2}$. Miss S. Hampson 8 to 7. D. W. Curtis $-\frac{1}{2}$ to -1 . A. Challon 12^* to 10.	 Denumini, ali Denumini
SOUTHWICK	
Mrs. R. A. Simpson 8. R. A. Simpson 10. (non-associate)	
BEFORE PLAY R. A. Shewan 9* to 12*. Mrs. C. M. Gibson 12 to 9*. Miss M. K. Towers 10 to 9*.	
AFTER PLAY	
Miss K. Ault 41 to 4. Miss E. Johnston 41 to 4. Miss D. M. Horton 10. Mrs. C. M. Gibson 10*.	
Miss M. K. Towers 9*. R. A. Shewan 13* (D 11). Mrs. R. A. Simpson 10 to $8\frac{1}{2}$. R. J. Pickett $8\frac{1}{2}$ to $7\frac{1}{2}$. W. E. Moore 3 to 2.	

PARKSTONE

Dr. C. A. Boucher 5 to 3. C. H. R. Penny 2 to 11. Mrs. C. Devitt 12 (D 11) to 11. Lt.-Col. R. L. de Brisay 15 to 14 (D 12).

CARRICKMINES

Mrs. H. M. Read	6 to 5.
D. F. Strachan 4	to $2\frac{1}{2}$.
C. Meredith 4 to	3.

NON-ASSOCIATES R. S. Duff 4 to 21/2. Miss F. Joly 5 to 4. Mrs. Tottenham 5 to 4.

HUNSTANTON

D. W. Miller 5 to 4 C. G. Miller 8 to 61/2. Mrs. M. L. Thom 51 to 5. Mrs. A. N. Rolfe 71 to 7. Miss E. C. Brumpton 6 to $5\frac{1}{2}$. G. B. Horridge $6\frac{1}{2}$ to 6.

CHELTENHAM CLUB

Group Capt. Lowe-Holmes 10 to 8
C. L. H. Prichard 14 to 13.
R. D. C. Prichard 16 to 14.
F. H. Pugh 91 to 9.
Miss K. M. O. Sessions 5 to 4.
H. A. Sheppard 7 ¹ / ₂ to 6.
W. H. Thorp 2 to 11.

SOUTHWICK CLUB

Mrs. Naylor 91 to 9 Mrs. Gibson 10 to 9

THE PRESIDENT'S CUP HURLINGHAM September 10th-14th, 1962

"Toiling-rejoicing-sorrowing", how well do Longfellow's words about the Village Blacksmith suggest the five exacting days spent by our Best Eight. Whether the "something attempted, something done" (or not done) by our star players secured for them a night's repose it certainly earned one, and more than ever this year after the atrocious weather of the first three days, which even to the more successful competitors must have involved more toil and sorrow than rejoicing. The sunshine that blessed the closing days cheered everyone up and brought out the spectators as it brought out better play from some of those competing who had seemed, very understandably, to be metaphorically, as well as literally, "under the weather"

The eight this year established a record in one respect by including exactly the same players as in the previous one. With insurgent youth "knocking at the door" this is perhaps unlikely to happen again in the near future. The competition was significant in two other respects. First, all but one of the competitors were members of the Test Team, and if any one of them lost to another they could find consolation from reflecting that the team possessed in their conqueror so fine a player. The exception, David Curtis, did quite well enough to ratify his claim to appear in this company, without being so overpowering to shake the morale of the team members.

The other notable feature of this year's competition was the overwhelming victory of John Solomon, who in winning all his games equalled the similar achievement of Humphrey Hicks in 1954 Not only did our Chairman of Council do this, but after a rather narrow victory in his first game (by 3 points over Wiggins) he never looked in the least likely to lose any of the following thirteen. This reporter failed to count the number of John's "recurrent triples", but the number of hoops he missed during the week were counted, and they amounted to two. Consistency of the sort which this player maintained during the event, in rain or shine, verges on the miraculous; indeed the complaint was made that it spoilt the competition and that nobody could in fact compete with it. If he continues to play like this in New Zealand it is difficult to see how anyone else is going to win that Dominion's Championship, which in fact John won on his former visit there a dozen years ago, and that will be a title which next March must surely imply the championship of the world.

His captain was a clear second, and he again never looked like being displaced from this position. Patrick Cotter has played this year as well as he ever did, but he did not appear quite so formidable during this week as in some previous ones. He seemed to find the courts rather too slow (as in view of all the rain that fell for three days they inevitably were) for him to bring off his more daring coups. Yet a total of ten games must always be a highly creditable one in such company; two of his losses were, of course, to his famous partner-one (a very close game) to Dr. Wiggins, and one to the younger medico, Ormerod.

Speaking generally, the play fell somewhat below the standard usually attained in this event. Too many hoops (3 11/16 inch ones of course) were missed; too many breaks, skilfully picked up, were unaccountably "put down" again; there were tactical misjudgments from certain of the competitors which ought not to have been in evidence in this company. For some of this no doubt the weather was partly responsible; by Wednesday evening some of the players were excusably tired, physically and psychologically, and a certain reckless spirit seemed to creep into the play of a few. Perhaps the best feature of the week was the long shooting; a quite remarkable number of "lifts" were hit, and many much more distant shots than this were brought off. The most remarkable of all was a stroke by Hicks, of which the memory will surely remain in the minds of all those who saw it. He had been pegged out by his opponent (Wiggins) and was for the penultimate with his ball left in, as at this point, too, was his adversary. Bobby had refrained from using Humphrey's ball, left it on the east boundary about level with the fifth hoop, and rushed his partner to the north boundary, completely wiring both balls from the opponent. It was observed of Hicks in a poem recently appearing in these pages that "he'll always hit the shot that he has got to", but not even his warmest admirer could have believed that he would hit this one. But Humphrey is never so formidable as when he is in a tight place, and he achieved on this occasion what was theoretically impossible by deliberately hitting across his ball and (it seemed) slightly turning his wrist over in doing so. However this may be, he produced a curve round the sixth hoop sufficient to enable him to hit the wired balls, and a few moments later had won a most improbable victory. One could sympathise with his opponent in having a game "stolen" from him in such a way, and in fact Wiggins seemed to have a very high percentage of shots hit against him during a week in which his general standard of play was high.

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His final game, against Ormerod, was a faultless one, polished off in forty minutes.

Wiggins was concerned in another curious incident. In "boosting" a difficult 4-back against Miss Warwick, whose two balls lay near the boundary beyond it, he displaced his opponent's clip which was rather insecurely attached to the top of the hoop and it fell in the path of the doctor's ball. It was the player's view (not accepted by all the spectators however) that had the clip not done so, his ball would have cleared the hoop sufficiently to give him an unhampered shot at his opponent's balls. The clip was, of course, "an agency outside the match," and had Bobby made a claim to place his ball on the spot which he thought it would have reached, the Law would have supported him. But it did not occur to him to make the claim; hampered as he was, he failed to hit the boundary balls and ultimately lost the game.

Ormerod tied with Wiggins and Hicks for third place. His record in the competition has been remarkably consistent; he has never finished lower than fourth in it. He is a brilliant shot, though he was not quite so formidable during this week as he had been in the Championship, and he has a remarkable capacity for picking up breaks which hardly seem to be "on"-one of these pick ups against Joan Warwick was a particularly fine effort. He has a strikingly successful "jump roll" stroke which will carry his balls great distances with great accuracy. With the continuous play he will get on the tour, he should become one of the strongest members of the side.

David Curtis fully justified his selection on this occasion, though he was rather slow getting into his stride. He was also rather slow, it must be said, even when he had got into it. It is understandable that a player relatively new to championship class croquet should find himself puzzled by somewhat unfamiliar situations; but his games did tend to drag themselves out, though this was certainly due in part to his fine capacity to hit in. He has greatly improved his hoop running since last year, but on this occasion was missing altogether too many roquets.

Neither Joan Warwick nor Bryan Lloyd-Pratt did themselves justice during the week; they know as well as we all do that they can play much better than this, and indeed it was partly this knowledge that, it seemed, was getting them down. It should not do so; the skill in both cases is clearly there, and was on occasion admirably exhibited, both in some of the games which they lost as well as in those which they won. Joan was missing too many hoops and short roquets, though with her wholly excellent stance and swing it was not clear to this reporter why she was doing so. But in Bryan's case his now quite exaggerated body swing was often clearly taking him off balance; croquet is best played when both feet retain contact with the ground. When he is good he is very, very good, and there were enough periods during the week when he looked so to encourage faith that the "horrid" ones will easily be eliminated.

The tournament was managed for the first time by Mr. L. E. Stokes-Roberts and a particularly good job he made of it. Matters were not rendered easier for him by certain uncovenanted absences of one of the players, but he never allowed himself to become "rattled" by this or by anything else, and everything was safely wrapped up by tea time on Friday. The sun shone; the noble trophy was handed to the peerless conqueror, whose praises were on every tongue, by Mrs. Reckitt; and Maurice added the proverbial "few words", which were in fact rather fewer on this occasion than they are apt to be.

Analysis of Play

J. W. Solomon won 14 games: namely, against Cotter +20 +22, Curtis +26 +18, Hicks +16 +16, Ormerod +19 +14, Lloyd Pratt +17 +25, Wiggins +3 +25, Miss Warwick +23 +17.

Fratt +17 + 25, Wiggins +3 + 25, wiss Walwer +25 + 17. E. P. C. Cotter won 10 games: namely, against Curtis +26 + 8, Hicks +26 + 2, Ormerod +9, Lloyd Pratt +7 + 15, Wiggins +8, Miss Warwick +26 + 8; and lost 4 games to Ormerod -10, Solomon -20 - 22, Wiggins -1.

H. O. Hicks won 7 games: namely, against Curtis +11, Lloyd Pratt +8 +22, Wiggins +10 +4, Miss Warwick +11 +13; and lost 7 games to Curtis -5, Cotter -26 -2, Ormerod -13 -16, Solomon -16 -16.

W. P. Ormerod won 7 games: namely, against Curtis +5, Cotter +10, Hicks +13 +16, Lloyd Pratt +10 +23, Miss Warwick +3; and lost 7 games to Curtis -15, Cotter -9, Solomon -19 -14, -9 -26, Miss Warwick -6.

W. R. D. Wiggins won 7 games: namely, against Curtis +9 +2, Cotter +1, Ormerod +9 +26, Lloyd Pratt +7, Miss Warwick +26; and lost 7 games to Cotter -8, Hicks -10 -4, Lloyd Pratt -6, Solomon -3 -25, Miss Warwick -6. D. W. Curtis won 5 games: namely, against Hicks +5, Ormerod

15, Lloyd Pratt +6, Miss Warwick +11 +15; and lost 9 games to Cotter -11 -14, Hicks -11, Ormerod -5, Lloyd Pratt -16, Solomon -26 -18, Wiggins -9 -2,

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B. Lloyd Pratt won 3 games: namely, against Curtis +16, Wiggins +6, Miss Warwick +23; and lost 11 games to Curtis -6, Cotter -7, -15, Hicks -8, -22, Ormerod -10, -23, Solomon -17, -25, Wiggins -7, Miss Warwick -14.

Miss E. J. Warwick won 3 games: namely, against Ormerod +6, Lloyd Pratt +14, Wiggins +6; and lost 11 games to Curtis -11 -15, Cotter -26 -8, Hicks -11 -13, Ormerod -3, Lloyd Pratt -23, Solomon -23 -17, Wiggins -26.

SURREY CUP

RESULTS

A. A. Reed, 13 games A. J. Cooper, 9 games J. G. Warwick, 8 games A. D. Karmel, 7 games Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish, 6 games Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave, 6 games Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard, 5 games A. V. Camroux, 2 games

A. A. Reed bt Beamish +17 + 26, Cooper +7 + 26, Cave +3, Karmel +1 + 5, Prichard +15 + 4, Warwick +26 + 7, Camroux +25 +7; and lost to Cave -23.

A. J. Cooper bt Beamish +26, Cave +11, Karmel +2 +26, Prichard +2 +12, Warwick +16, Camroux +22 +24; and lost to Beamish -4, Cave -17, Reed -7 -26, Warwick -2.

J. G. Warwick bt Beamish +1, Cooper +2, Cave +2 +2, Prichard +11 +7, Camroux +25 +8; and lost to Beamish -3, Cooper -16, Karmel -24 -6, Reed -26 -7.

A. D. Karmel bt Beamish +14, Cave +13, Prichard +23, Warwick +26 +6, Camroux +12 +3; and lost to Beamish -11, Cooper -2 -26, Cave -23, Prichard -16, Reed -1 -5.

Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt Cooper +4, Cave +23, Karmel +11, Prichard +21, Warwick +3, Camroux +13; and lost to Cooper -26, Cave -11, Karmel -14, Prichard -8, Reed -17 -26, Warwick -1, Camroux -11.

Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt Beamish +11, Cooper +17, Karmel +23, Prichard +8, Reed +23, Camroux +13; and lost to Beamish -23, Cooper -11, Karmel -13, Prichard -23, Reed -3, Warwick -2 -2, Camroux -14.

Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt Beamish +8, Cave +23, Karmel +16, Camroux +7 +23, and lost to Beamish -21, Cooper -2-12, Cave -8, Karmel -23, Reed -15 -4, Warwick -11 -7. A. V. Camroux bt Beamish +11, Cave +14, and lost to Beamish -13, Cooper -22 -24, Cave -13, Karmel -12 -3, Prichard -7 -23, Reed -25 -7, Warwick -25 -8.

(The account of the Surrey Cup has not been received in time for inclusion.)

Indoor Croquet

Indoor croquet can be an excellent game for the winter and can cause great interest and excitement. All that is needed is a smooth plain carpet or felt, six miniature hoops, four snooker balls and a couple of small mallets. The whole outfit need not cost more than a few pounds and an ordinary mallet can be used if desired. The size of the "lawn" is immaterial—eight yards by five yards would be approriate or even a smaller area in that proportion. Ordinary croquet can be played and tactics, etc., are just the same, or each of two players may play with one ball each. Doubles are usually played first six hoops and peg. There is a variation of the one ball game as follows: Start from B baulk as for golf croquet and a ball must be roqueted before a hoop can be run, but position for a hoop may be taken after a roquet and the hoop run in the next turn.

Three ball game. One ball is placed by the peg and cannot be used to make roquets. Contact is given after 1-back.

Variation. One ball is placed by the peg and thereafter either that ball (which can run hoops) or your own ball may be played, but rover and peg can only be made with your own ball.

One ball games generally last about quarter of an hour and a half-hour time limit is adequate for all other games. Boundary balls are replaced on a line made by the mallet head. There are several places where indoor croquet is now being played and further information can be obtained from the writer.

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THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

"The troubles of a Manager!"

(Inspired by W. S. Gilbert's immortal song in the Gondoliers on the "Troubles of a King. . . ." Hence the use of the Royal 'WE')

Rising early Wednesday morning,

We prepare to make the draw. Championships ! Let's heed the warning,

Full of Rules we can't ignore.

Let's embark without delay, on the duties of the day.

First we scrutinise the entries, perfect watch-dogs, trusty sentries, Of the interests and burdens of C.A.

Are initials in big print? Other details all succinct? Are there blobs—if I may say—in some strange and silly way? Are the cheques enclosed and crossed ? Is all right and nothing lost?

Refrain

Oh the Manager may sing of his troubles-like a King, But his duties are entrancing and his troubles are just pawns. If he keeps his head, poor fool and remembers every Rule. And conducts the noble champions to their pleasures on the lawns !

Comes at last the Monday morn, after sleepless nights till dawn When we launch the Singles Matches, in their orderly batches And admire the gallant figures on each Lawn ! Let's now think how best low bisquers to appease.

Let's arrange for coffee hot, to assist their hardy lot. Later, cups of tea can hardly fail to please !

Next the handling of the Doubles, must not lead to any troubles; For the Doubles need attention, and some problems are worth mention

Such as Mrs. A's, 'coiffeur'-for his timings are not sure. Will her partner's ancient car, bring him safely from afar. And if both of them are late, what indeed should be their fate ? Can one face their ire-and scratch ! And in such a vital Match ?

Refrain Thus the Manager should feel that imaginary, or real, All his problems are indeed just a necessary mead. Any "wiggings" that arise must be treated like a prize, Just a source of happy fun—IF his duty he has done !

Lastly comes the C.A. Plate, so important for the fate Of the many who have fall'n in earlier rounds. After yet another draw, we allot them lawns galore. Since their ardour-and their hopes-can have no bounds.

Swiftly flows the course of play, and for sunshine we just pray; Since the forecasts rarely mention any sun. May each day and every match bring a thrill to those who watch; May the Finals, fierce and 'gory' terminate a week of glory. When the Manager fades out-his duty done !

Epilogue

So at last the great week ends; None were really round the 'bends'. Any tensions were in minimal amounts. Let us gratefully record, every kindly thought and word; Admonitions without spice: timely help and sound advice; Freely giv'n to ease one's chores, by the victims of one's flaws. TO THE MANAGER IT'S THIS THAT REALLY COUNTS !

F.H.N.D.

CHALLENGE AND GILBEY CUPS Roehampton August 16th-25th

This year, unlike 1961, the weather was on the whole fine, apart from one very wet day-and from the "unloosing" by "sage Hippotades" of almost continuous and unpleasant winds. Six lawns were in use-fast, true and with none of the former boundary "slopes" which had been skilfully levelled. Miss D. A. Lintern was once more in charge, assisted again by Miss Mills as her able second-in-command. The entries, apart from the Challenge Cups, tended to fall a bit from last year.

Several "old favourites" were much missed this year, particularly Spencer Ell, Hamilton Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, B. Lloyd Pratt and, of course the Tingeys-now in Australia. On the other hand, it was refreshing to note several new-and young-competitors, such as R. W. Farrington (Oxford), J. Leaver (Westminster School) and R. O. Havery (Roehampton). They made their mark and will be welcome in future years.

The Challenge Cups

The Draw fell to Karmel after a series of fine wins, many of +20 vintage. The Process. In this Hollweg emerged as winner, often with large margins. The Final was a remarkable match. For a long time Karmel could produce nothing like his true form, while Hollweg, by typical play, had his clips on "penult" and "peg". Karmel then struck form and soon completed two fine turns and was back right in the running. After a series of tense exchanges Hollweg succeeded in winning a fine match (+4).

The Council Cup was truly won by Mrs. Gasson who played well and defeated that tough opponent-Mrs. Showan-in the final.

The Reckitt Cup proved a victory for D. Caporn who continued the fine form shown in 1961.

The Stevenson Cup was a triumph for youth, in which Farrington beat Havery, showing bright promise for the future, with his skill and happy temperament.

The Gilbeys

As usual the chief interest in the Tournament centered in the Gilbey (and supplementary) Cups, and in the Handicap Doubles which produced some epic games.

Block A. The welcome return of R. O. Hicks (of the renowned "brotherhood") after several years abroad, was marked by his sterling victory after defeating strong opposition.

Block B proved a triumph for Miss Fisher who overcame several tough adversaries, especially Mrs. Adler in the final.

Block C: Mrs. Haigh-Smith, despite arthritic troubles and lack of practice, produced a "tour de force" in defeating Caporn and then General Davidson with a final spurt when things looked black. In the Final, however, she succumbed, after a wet and exhausting day's play, to Mrs. Carrington who showed what a worthy and wily opponent she can be.

Block D. Burgess repeated his victory of 1961, his young opponent being Havery who showed considerable promise.

The Semi-finals: Miss Fisher defeated the till then victorious Hicks after a splendid and close game: and Burgess likewise over-came Mrs. Carrington after a long, hard fought match.

The Final deserves special mention (Miss Fisher v. Burgess). It was a long drawn out game, during the first half of which Burgess' "wall" of bisques fell with alarming frequency, to stave off disasters indeed. Then, with only one bisque left, he nobly fought on, on level terms, and nearly achieved a "fabian" victory—losing by 2 after a great tussle.

The Handicap Doubles produced perhaps the high-lights of the Tournament, especially in the top half of the draw. In this Buller and Farrington just defeated Col. Adams and Mrs. Cork (+2)-Farrington pegging out both balls after making the last 4 hoops. They then lost an epic match to Miss Mills and Mrs. Carrington (+2) who in turn were defeated by the Parsons Green Ladies-Mrs. Showan and Mrs. Speer-after another fine game.

In the lower half, that skilled couple-M. B. Reckitt and D. Caporn-devastated their various opponents; and all seemed set for a great Final. Once again Mrs. Showan and Mrs. Speer put up a sterling and intrepid performance, winning by +10, with a bisque in hand.

The Golf Croquet Competitions again produced a large entry, including half a dozen sporting ladies from Dulwich C.C. It is indeed pleasant to record the return of Miss Lintern to her best "hooping" form! She won the Doubles with Mrs. Davidson against the "old and bold"-Fitzgerald and General Davidson-the latter handicapped by a strained back.

In the Singles (Block A) Final Miss Lintern just lost to Miss Fisher on the 12th "Green". Meanwhile Mrs. Kozhevar, from Dulwich, had carried all before her in Block B and went on to defeat Miss Fisher in the Play-off. The Ascot Cup thus returned to Dulwich, Mrs. Pethebridge having won it in 1961.

Extra Event. Miss Lintern arranged a timely "Extra" which produced no less than 18 starters—and many exciting games. The winner, R. O. Hicks rather overwhelmed, in the final, Miss Mills who had got there owing to Mrs. Speer having to scratch "on the peg", after the second of her "smash and grab"—and peg out-triumphs!

Thus ended a happy and typically well run Tournament— a tribute to the efforts of Miss Lintern and Miss Mills which was warmly acclaimed at the prize giving, when Col. Adams, in a few well chosen words, introduced Mrs. Caporn who gracefully carried out the final ceremony.

Competitors were sorry to miss the presence of Mrs. Collins who has been unable to play croquet for some time because of an arthritic complaint. She entered University College Hospital for an operation at the end of September and the good wishes of all go with her.

CHALLENGE CUPS

DIVISION I

THE ROEHAMPTON CHALLENGE CUP ("Two Lives")

> THE DRAW (2 Bisques and under) (12 Entries)

> > FIRST ROUND

M. B. Reckitt bt Miss A. E. Mills by 5. R. O. Hicks bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 5. C. W. R. Hodges bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts by 21. J. A. Hollweg bt Mrs. S. M. Adler by 15. SECOND ROUND

Col. C. C. Adams bt Mrs. W. Longman by 10. M. B. Reckitt bt R. O. Hicks by 16. C. W. R. Hodges bt J. A. Hollweg by 21. A. D. Karmel bt Capt. H. G. Stoker by 14. SEMI-FINAL

Col. C. C. Adams bt M. B. Reckitt by 9 A. D. Karmel bt C. W. R. Hodges by 23. FINAL

A. D. Karmel bt Col. C. C. Adams by 22.

PROCESS

(12 Entries) FIRST ROUND

A. D. Karmel bt M. B. Reckitt by 16.

J. A. Hollweg bt Col. C. C. Adams by 20. Capt. H. G. Stoker bt C. W. R. Hodges by 9. Mrs. W. Longman bt Mrs. S. M. Adler by 23.

SECOND ROUND A. D. Karmel bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts by 17. J. A. Hollweg bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 26. Miss A. E. Mills bt Capt. H. G. Stoker by 8. Mrs. W. Longman bt R. O. Hicks by 21.

SEMI-FINAL J. A. Hollweg bt A. D. Karmel by 11.

Mrs. W. Longman bt Miss A. E. Mills by 19. FINAL

J. A. Hollweg bt Mrs. W. Longman by 21. PLAY OFF

J. A. Hollweg bt A. D. Karmel by 4.

DIVISION II

THE COUNCIL CHALLENGE CUP $(2\frac{1}{2} \text{ to } 5\frac{1}{2} \text{ Bisques})$

(9 Entries)

FIRST ROUND G. V. Evans bt Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith by 19.

SECOND ROUND

Capt. M. F. Buller w.o. Mrs. S. M. Adler (opponent withdrawn) Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt G. V. Evans by 24. Miss E. E. Fisher bt Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson by 11.

Mrs. L. A. Showan bt Major J. H. Dibley by 10. SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt Capt. M. F. Buller by 15.

Mrs. L. A. Showan bt Miss E. E. Fisher by 9.

FINAL

Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt Mrs. L. A. Showan by 7.

DIVISION III

LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "C") THE RECKITT CHALLENGE CUP (6 to 8¹/₂ Bisques) (5 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. M. H. Carrington bt R. A. Stigant by 11. SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. M. H. Carrington bt Mrs. E. M. Speer by 10. D. C. Caporn bt Major Gen. F. H. N. Davidson by 12.

FINAL D. C. Caporn bt Mrs. Carrington by 15.

> DIVISION IV LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS 'D') THE STEVENSON CHALLENGE CUP (9 Bisques and over) (9 Entries) FIRST ROUND

R. W. Farrington bt W. G. A. Burgess by 10. J. Leaver bt Mrs. K. Gray by 1.

Seven

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. M. D. Cork bt Mrs. M. Francis by 17. R. W. Farrington bt Miss G. Bartlett by 18. Mrs. D. Caporn bt J. Leaver by 9. R. O. Havery bt Mrs. V. E. Wheeler by 8 (on time).

R. W. Farrington bt Mrs. M. D. Cork by 9. R. O. Havery bt Mrs. D. Caporn by 2.

R. W. Farrington bt R. O. Harvey by 6.

THE GILBEY CUPS

BLOCK "A"

(7 Entries)

 $(-1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 bisques)

FIRST ROUND Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts (1) by 15. Miss A. E. Mills $(1\frac{1}{2})$ bt Col. C. C. Adams (-1) by 10. A. D. Karmel (- $\frac{1}{2}$) bt M. B. Reckitt (- $\frac{1}{2}$) by 7.

SEMI-FINAL Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt Miss A. E. Mills $(1\frac{1}{2})$ by 14. R. O. Hicks (2) bt A. D. Karmel $(-\frac{1}{2})$ by 3.

FINAL

R. O. Hicks (2) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) by 12.

BLOCK "B" $(2\frac{1}{2} \text{ to } 6\frac{1}{2} \text{ bisques})$ (7 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. V. C. Gasson $(2\frac{1}{2})$ bt Major J. H. Dibley $(2\frac{1}{2})$ by 3. Miss E. E. Fisher $(2\frac{1}{2})$ bt Capt. M. F. Buller (3) by 11. Mrs. S. M. Adler (2) bt Mrs. L. A. Showan (4) by 10.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{SEMI-FINAL} \\ \text{Miss E. E. Fisher (2}_{\frac{1}{2}}\text{) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson (2}_{\frac{1}{2}}\text{) by 3.} \\ \text{Mrs. S. M. Adler (2) bt G. V. Evans (3}_{\frac{1}{2}}\text{) by 16.} \end{array}$

Miss E. E. Fisher $(2\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. S. M. Adler (2) by 16.

BLOCK "C"

(7 to 9 bisques) (7 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith $(5\frac{1}{2})$ bt D. C. Caporn (6) by 7. Gen. F. H. N. Davidson $(7\frac{1}{2})$ bt R. A. Stigant $(7\frac{1}{2})$ by 17. Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson $(5\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. E. M. Speer $(6\frac{1}{2})$ by 12.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith $(5\frac{1}{2})$ bt Gen. F. H. N. Davidson $(7\frac{1}{2})$ by 2. Mrs. M. Carrington $(7\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson $(5\frac{1}{2})$ by 16.

FINAL Mrs. M. Carrington $(7\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith $(5\frac{1}{2})$ by 6.

BLOCK "D" $(9\frac{1}{2}$ to 16 bisques) (10 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. K. Gray (12) bt Miss G. W. Bartlett (10) by 9. R. O. Havery (11) w.o. J. Leaver (13) opponent scratched.

SECOND ROUND SECOND ROUND Mrs. D. F. Caporn (11) bt Mrs. M. D. Cork $(9\frac{1}{2})$ by 13. W. G. A. Burgess (14) bt Mrs. K. Gray (12) by 1. R. O. Havery (11) bt Mrs. M. Francis $(9\frac{1}{2})$ by 7. Mrs. V. E. Wheeler (16) w.o. R. W. Farrington (9) opponent

scratched.

SEMI-FINAL W. G. A. Burgess (14) bt Mrs. D. F. Caporn (11) by 7. R. O. Havery (11) bt Mrs. V. E. Wheeler (16) by 9.

FINAL W. G. A. Burgess (14) bt R. O. Havery (11) by 10.

PLAY-OFF

SEMI-FINAL Miss E. E. Fisher bt R. O. Hicks by 3. W. G. A. Burgess bt Mrs. M. Carrington by 2.

FINAL

Miss E. E. Fisher bt W. G. A. Burgess by 2,

Eight

HANDICAP DOUBLES (Combined handicap of 4 or over) (11 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs. M. Carrington (9) bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts and Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (9½) by 16. M. F. Buller and R. W. Farrington (12) bt Col. C. C. Adams and

Mrs. M. D. Cork (81) by 2. M. B. Reckitt and D. C. Caporn (6) bt A. D. Karmel and Mrs. A. D. Karmel $(7\frac{1}{2})$ by 11.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. L. A. Showan and Mrs. E. M. Speer (101) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon and R. O. Havery (13) by 11.
Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs. M. Carrington (9¹/₂) bt M. F. Buller and R. W. Farrington (12) by 2.
M. B. Reckitt and D. C. Caporn (6) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson and Mrs.

F. Davidson (8) by 14. R. A. Stigant and W. G. A. Burgess (19½) bt Mrs. D. F. Caporn and

Mrs. M. Francis (201) by 10.

SEMI-FINAL Mrs. L. A. Showan and Mrs. E. M. Speer (10¹/₂) bt Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs. M. Carrington (9) by 8. M. B. Reckitt and D. C. Caporn (6) bt R. A. Stigant and W. G. A.

Burgess (19¹/₂) by 10.

FINAL Mrs. L. A. Showan and Mrs. E. M. Speer $(10\frac{1}{2})$ bt M. B. Reckitt and D. C. Caporn (6) by 10.

GOLF CROQUET

THE ASCOT CHALLENGE CUP

BLOCK "A"

(14 Entries)

FIRST ROUND Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (2) bt R. A. Stigant (2) by 1. Mrs. G. W. Solomon (0) bt Mrs. M. H. Carrington (2) by 2 and 1. Miss D. A. Lintern (0) bt Mrs. Haigh-Smith (1) by 7 and 5. A. D. Karmel (0) bt Miss A. E. Mills (0) by 4 and 2. A. D. Karmel (0) bt Miss A. E. Mills (0) by 4 and 2. Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (1) bt Mrs. S. Phillips (1) by 3 and 1. Miss E. E. Fisher (1) bt Col. C. C. Adams (-1) by 1. SECOND ROUND Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (2) bt Mrs. Pethebridge (2) by 6 and 4.

Miss D. A. Lintern (0) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (0) by 5 and 3. Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (1) bt A. D. Karmel (0) by 2. Miss E. E. Fisher (1) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson by 2 up.

SEMI-FINAL Miss D. A. Lintern (0) bt Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (2) by 5 and

Miss E. E. Fisher (1) bt Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (1) by 3 and 2.

FINAL Miss E. E. Fisher (1) bt Miss D. A. Lintern (0) by 2 up.

BLOCK "B" (14 Entries) FIRST ROUND

Miss Young (3) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (2) by 6 and 4. W. A. Fitzgerald (2) bt Miss King (2) by 3 and 1. W. A. Ph2gerad (2) of Miss King (2) by 3 and 1.
R. O. Havery (2) bt Miss G. Bartlett (2) by 1.
Mrs. Kozhevar (3) bt Mrs. M. Francis (2) by 3 and 1.
Mrs. A. D. Karmel (2) bt Miss Eaton (3) by 2.
Mrs. Beck (3) bt Mrs. D. M. Corke (2) by 3 and 1.
SECOND ROUND

W. A. Burgess (3) bt Miss Young (3) by 2 up. W. A. Fitzgerald (2) bt R. O. Havery (2) by 2 up. Mrs. Kozhevar (3) bt Mrs. A. D. Karmel (2) by 2 up. Mrs. Beck (3) bt Mrs. V. E. Wheeler (3) by 1 up.

SEMI-FINAL W. A. Fitzgerald (2) bt W. A. Burgess (3) by 1 up. Mrs. Kozhevar (3) bt Mrs. Beck (3) by 1 up. FINAL

Mrs. Kozhevar (3) bt W. A. Fitzgerald (2) by 2 up.

DELVES BROUGHTON CHALLENGE CUP HANDICAP DOUBLES (12 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

S. M. Adler and Mrs. S. M. Adler (2) bt A. D. Karmel and Mrs. A. D. Karmel (2) by 1 up.

Mrs. G. Solomon and Mrs. D. M. Corke (2) bt Mrs. Kozhevar and Mrs. Beck (6) by 3 and 2. Col. C. C. Adams and R. O. Havery (1) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson and

Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith (2) by 3 and 1.

Miss E. E. Fisher and Mrs. Carrington (3) bt Mrs. Pethebridge and Miss Eaton (5) by 2 up.

SECOND ROUND Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (1) bt Miss

Young and Miss King (5) by 1 up. Mrs. G. W. Solomon and Mrs. D. M. Corke (2) bt S. M.

Adler and Mrs. S. M. Adler (2) by 2 up. Col. C. C. Adams and R. O. Havery (1) bt Miss E. E. Fisher and

Mrs. Carrington (3) by 4 and 2. Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson and W. A. Fitzgerald (4) bt Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs. S. Phillips (1) by 1 up. SEMI-FINAL

SEMI-FINAL Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (1) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon and Mrs. D. M. Corke (2) by 5 and 3. Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson and W. A. Fitzgerald (4) bt Col. C. C. Adams and R. O. Havery (1) by 2 up.

FINAL

Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (1) bt Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson and W. A. Fitzgerald (4) by 3 and 1.

PARKSTONE August 20th-25th

This most enjoyable meeting was, perhaps owing to the change of date, slightly less well-attended than in previous years. However, the courts were playing well, and competitors thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The A Opens were won by Colonel Beamish who met his brother, Commander Beamish, in the final. These two, by the way, had for three years running formed a partnership which had carried off the Parkstone Handicap Doubles—a fact that escaped Rover's attention in the last Gazette.

Dr. Boucher again proved invincible in his class-the B's this year-surely next year he will be in the Opens. He has a lovely style and is an excellent stroke player. Christopher Penny prevailed in the big Handicap after an exciting final against Dr. Boucher. The C class was won by Mrs. Devitt who hits the ball well but does not yet make the most of her skill.

Canon and Mrs. Creed-Meredith were worthy finalists in the Handicap Doubles. The Canon gave us all, in the earlier rounds, a superb though excessively lengthy demonstration of getting a weak partner round, but in the final against Christopher Penny and Dr. Boucher they only scored one point and Mrs. Creed-Meredith made only three strokes.

Everyone's gratitude to Barrow, the groundsman, and to the devoted ladies who were responsible for the catering, must be recorded, with a special mention of Mrs. Ashton's incomparable alcoholic trifles.

OPEN SINGLES (CLASS "A")

BOURNEMOUTH BOWL AND ASHTON TROPHY DRAW

(6 Entries)

FIRST ROUND Col. D. W. Beamish bt Rev. Canon R. Creed-Meredith by 18. Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt C. H. R. Penny by 13.

SEMI-FINAL V. A. de la Nougerede bt Col. D. W. Beamish by 15. Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt B. Lloyd Pratt by 3.

FINAL Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 24.

PROCESS (6 Entries)

V. A. de la Nougerede w.o. Rev. Canon R. Creed-Meredith

FINAL

PLAY-OFF

LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "B")

(Law 36 suspended) (2¹/₂ to 6 bisques)

(9 Entries)

SECOND ROUND

FIRST ROUND V. A. de la Nougerede bt Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish by 12. B. Lloyd Pratt bt C. H. R. Penny by 14. SEMI-FINAL

Col. D. W. Beamish bt B. Lloyd Pratt by 16.

Col. D. W. Beamish bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 24.

FIRST ROUND Miss R. M. Allen bt Miss K. D. Hickson by 11.

Dr. H. J. Penny bt Maj. F. Hill Bernhard by 19.

Miss R. M. Allen bt Mrs. M. McMordie by 10. Dr. C. A. Boucher bt Mrs. R. A. Hill by 23.

Miss K. Ault bt Mrs. L. H. Ashton by 26.

Col. D. W. Beamish bt Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish by 12.

(opponent retired).

Miss R. M. Allen bt Dr. H. J. Penny by 14. Dr. C. A. Boucher bt Miss K. Ault by 26.

FINAL Dr. C. A. Boucher bt Miss R. M. Allen by 20.

> HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "C") (6¹/₂ bisques and over) (5 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. E. M. McMillan (7) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (61) by 17.

SEMI-FINAL Mrs. E. M. McMillan (7) bt Mrs. H. F. Woolley (7) by 5 M. A. C. McMillan (91) bt Miss S. G. Hampson (8) by 4.

FINAL

Mrs. E. M. McMillan (7) bt M. A. C. McMillan (91) by 4.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "D")

(10 bisques and over) (9 Entries)

FIRST ROUND Miss M. M. Fickling (15) bt Mrs. K. M. Loween (13) by 13.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. F. Stanley-Smith (10) bt Mrs. R. Creed-Meredith (16) by 12 Mrs. C. Devitt (12) bt Miss M. M. Fickling (15) by 12.

W. Trevor Johnson (13) bt Miss O. M. Black (11) by 2. Lt.-Col. R. L. de Brisay (14) bt F. Stanley-Smith (10) by 3. SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. C. Devitt (12) bt Mrs. F. Stanley-Smith (10) by 6. Lt.-Col. R. L. de Brisay (14) w.o. W. Trevor Johnson (13) opponent scratched.

FINAL Mrs. C. Devitt (12) bt Lt.-Col. R. L. de Brisay (14) by 12.

HANDICAP SINGLES

GOLD CUP

(Unrestricted) 23 Entries

FIRST ROUND Dr. H. J. Penny (3) bt Miss K. Ault (41) by 11. Col. D. W. Beamish (-1) bt Mrs. L. H. Ashton (*6) by 23. Mrs. E. M. Temple (61) bt Mrs. C. Devitt (12) by 19.

Dr. C. A. Boucher (5) bt Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) by 20 Miss S. G. Hampson (8) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) by 19. Miss K. D. Hickson (4) w.o. W. Trevor Johnson (13) opponent

scratched. C. H. R. Penny (2) bt Mrs. E. M. McMillan (7) by 15.

C. H. R. Penny (2) bt Mrs. E. M. McMillan (7) by 15. SECOND ROUND Maj. F. Hill Bernhard (5) bt B. Lloyd Pratt (-2) by 16. Mrs. M. McMordie (5) bt Mrs. K. M. Lowein (13) by 6. Dr. H. J. Penny (3) bt Col. D. W. Beamish (-1) by 7. Dr. C. A. Boucher (5) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (6¹/₂) by 13. Miss K. D. Hickson (4) bt Mrs. S. C. Hampson (8) by 2. C. H. R. Penny (2) bt Lt.-Col. L. R. de Busay (14) by 10. Miss R. M. Allen (5) bt Mrs. G. Fitter (8) by 17. Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish (¹/₂) bt Miss M. M. Fickling (15) by 13. THIRD BOUND

Maj. F. Hill Bernhard (5) bt Mrs. M. McMordie (5) by 18. Dr. C. A. Boucher (5) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (3) by 14. C. H. R. Penny (2) bt Miss K. D. Hickson (4) by 7. Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish (-1) bt Miss R. M. Allen (5) by 17.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. C. A. Boucher (5) bt Maj. F. Hill Bernhard (5) by 20. C. H. R. Penny (2) bt Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish (-1) by 4.

FINAL C. H. R. Penny (2) bt Dr. C. A. Boucher (5) by 6.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(Combined handicaps not less than 2 bisques) (11 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND Mrs. M. McMordie and N. A. C. McMillan (141) bt Maj. F. Hill Bernhard and W. Trevor Johnson (18) by 13. C. H. R. Penny and Dr. C. A. Boucher (7) bt B. Lloyd Pratt and

Mrs. S. G. Hampson (6¹/₂) by 14. Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith and Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (14) bt Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish and Mrs. E. M. McMillan (6¹/₂) by 2

(on time).

SECOND ROUND Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. D. Hickson (7) bt Mrs. F. Stanley

Di. H. J. Pelniy and Miss K. D. Hickson (7) bt Miss. P. Stanley Smith and F. Stanley Smith (19) by 11.
C. H. R. Penny and Dr. C. A. Boucher (7) bt Mrs. M. McMordie and M. A. C. McMillan (14½) by 14.
Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith and Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (14) bt V. A. de la Nougerede and Miss K. Ault (3½) by 19.

Mrs. G. Fitter and Mrs. C. Devitt (19) bt Col. D. W. Beamish

and Lt.-Col. R. L. de Brisay (11) by 3.

Nine

SEMI-FINAL

C. H. R. Penny and Dr. C. A. Boucher (7) bt Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. D. Hickson (7) by 18. Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith and Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (14) bt Mrs. G. Fitter and Mrs. C. Devitt (19) by 3 (on time).

FINAL C. H. R. Penny and Dr. C. A. Boucher (7) bt Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith and Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (14) by 21.

DUBLIN

August 11th-18th

CHAMPIONSHIP OF CO. DUBLIN (Rule 44 partially suspended)

DRAW (14 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

- D. Figgis bt C. Meredith by 7. J. Stokes bt G. M. FitzPatrick by 14.
- A. Robinson bt Mrs. Tottenham by 11.
- D. J. Hamilton-Miller bt D. F. Strachanby 7.
- Miss F. Joly bt Mrs. R. J. Leonard by 3. S. R. Duff bt R. J. Leonard by 7.
- SECOND ROUND
- D. Figgis bt R. E. Steen by 9. A. Robinson bt J. Stokes by 22.
- D. J. Hamilton-Miller bt Miss F. Joly by 25.
- Lady FitzGerald bt S. R. Duff by 11.

SEMI-FINAL

- A. Robinson bt D. Figgis by 10. D. J. Hamilton-Miller bt Lady FitzGerald by 15.
- FINAL
- D. J. Hamilton-Miller bt A. Robinson by 7.

PROCESS FIRST ROUND

S. R. Duff bt Mrs. Tottenham by 10. Mrs. R. J. Leonard bt D. Figgis by 8. D. J. Hamilton-Miller w.o. R. E. Steen (scratched). D. F. Strachan bt R. J. Leonard by 18. Lady FitzGerald bt A. Robinson by 6. C. Meredith bt Miss F. Joly by 11. S. R. Duff bt Mrs. R. J. Leonard by 7. D. J. Hamilton-Miller bt J. Stokes by 12. D. F. Strachan bt G. M. FitzPatrick by 20. Lady FitzGerald bt C. Meredith by 21. SEMI-FINAL D. J. Hamilton-Miller bt S. R. Duff by 7 D. F. Strachan bt Lady FitzGerald by 13. FINAL D. J. Hamilton-Miller bt D. F. Strachan by 6.

DUFF MATTHEWS CUP LEVEL SINGLES (No Lifts) $(5\frac{1}{2}$ bisques and over)

(11 Entries) FIRST ROUND

Mrs. Purefoy bt Mrs. Figgis by 15. J. H. Wilson bt T. Purefoy by 6. Mrs. H. M. Read bt Miss I. Haire by 15. SECOND ROUND

Miss G. Hopkins bt Miss E. Haire by 20. H. M. Read bt Mrs. Purefoy by 10. Mrs. H. M. Read bt J. H. Wilson by 8. Mrs. L. O'Reilly bt G. Gilpin by 19.

SEMI-FINAL H. M. Read bt Miss G. Hopkins by 10. Mrs. H. M. Read bt Mrs. L. O'Reilly by 7.

FINAL Mrs. H. M. Read bt H. M. Read by 11.

BOXWELL CUP HANDICAP SINGLES (22 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Ten

FIRST ROUND Mrs. Lightfoot (9) bt H. M. Read (6) by 5. D. F. Strachan (3) bt Miss G. Hopkins (7) by 20. Mrs. H. M. Read (6) bt Miss E. Haire (8) by 15. D. Figgis (2) bt J. Stokes (4) by 16. D. J. Hamilton-Miller $(-1\frac{1}{2})$ bt T. V. Murphy (3) by 12. A. Robinson (2) bt J. H. Wilson (9) by 11.

SECOND ROUND C. Meredith (41) bt R. E. Steen (3) by 19. G. Gilpin (9) bt Miss I. Haire (8) by 14. Lady FitzGerald (1) bt Mrs. Lightfoot (9) by 5. Mrs. H. M. Read (6) bt D. F. Strachan (3) by 12. D. J. Hamilton-Miller $(-1\frac{1}{2})$ bt D. Figgis (2) by 10. R. J. Leonard (1) bt A. Robinson (2) by 1.

S. R. Duff (3) bt Mrs. Figgis (9) by 11. Mrs. Tottenham (5) bt J. Lightfoot (11) by 15.

THIRD ROUND C. Meredith (4 $\frac{1}{2}$) bt G. Gilpin (9) by 18. Lady FitzGerald (1) bt Mrs. H. M. Read (6) by 17. R. J. Leonard (1) bt D. J. Hamilton-Miller (-1 $\frac{1}{2}$) by 2. Mrs. Tottenham (5) bt S. R. Duff (3) by 12.

SEMI-FINAL

C. Meredith (41) bt Lady FitzGerald (1) by 19. R. J. Leonard (1) bt Mrs. Tottenham (5) by 2.

C. Meredith (4¹/₂) bt R. J. Leonard (1) by 5.

CORONATION CUPS HANDICAP DOUBLES (Games limited to 3 hours)

(11 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

- Mrs. Tottenham and Miss F. Joly (8) bt D. J. Hamilton-Miller and R. E. Steen (1¹/₂) by 14.
 A. Robinson and J. H. Wilson (10) bt D. Figgis and T. V. Murphy
- (5) by 10. D. F. Strachan and S. R. Duff (6) bt Mrs. Lightfoot and Miss I.
- Haire (17) by 13. SECOND ROUND
- R. J. Leonard and Mrs. R. J. Leonard (2) bt Miss G. Hopkins and
- Mrs. Gatenby (17) by 5.
 Mrs. Tottenham and Mrs. F. Joly (8) bt G. M. FitzPatrick and G. Gilpin (11) by 20.
 D. F. Strachan and S. R. Duff (6) bt A. Robinson and J. H. Wilson
- (10) by 10 on time.
- Lady FitzGerald and C. Meredith (5) bt H. M. Read and Mrs. H. M. Read (12) by 14.
 - SEMI-FINAL
- Mrs. Tottenham and Miss F. Joly (8) bt R. J. Leonard and Mrs. R. J. Leonard (2) by 12.
- D. F. Strachan and S. R. Duff (6) bt Lady FitzGerald and C. Meredith (5) by 16. FINAL
- D. F. Strachan and S. R. Duff (6) bt Mrs. Tottenham and Miss F. Joly (8) by 6 on time.

BRIGHTON

(Official)

August 27th-September 1st

Five sunny—one might almost describe them as hot—days out of six was the generous provision of our hosts at Southwick this year. For that and for much warm-hearted hospitality, the manager, players and spectators were duly thankful. We were glad to see Mrs. Truett, Mrs. Kirk-Greene and Mr. Corke in their customary seats of custom, and we were especially grateful to Mrs. Roper for giving up her week's croquet in order that we might be well coffeed, lunched and tea'd by her obliging team of helpers. Adams, as usual, kept the lawns trim for us, after months of

contention with an unhelpful winter and summer, and Major Dibley, our manager, steered a large entry through the complicated channels of the tournament without collision, confusion or con-tretemps. By seven o'clock on Saturday evening all the winners had been led safely into their predestined harbours.

Croquet, these days, seems to be no respecter of persons, age or experience. We have heard this season much of the triumphs of "boy" undergraduates. A few years ago the present writer was enjoying like success as a "boy" over thirty. How then is one to write of John Bolton, aged 14, winner of the Open Handicap and the "B" Levels, and of his promising sixteen year old companion (already too old for croquet ?) from Ryde, Andrew Chalon, winner of Class "C"? Is croquet, after all, mere "child's play"? We prefer to say that John's fluency of style and fineness of touch are gifts of the gods. Be that as it may, his success was a just reward for his enthusiastic application to the refinements of the game, and to his ready acceptance of instruction and advice from those, especially Miss Taylor, who have fostered his talents. Mr. David Curtis (a "boy" of the not-so-old brigade ?) toppled those illustrious Gold Cup winners, Kirk-Greene and Cotter. The achievement speaks for itself. It will not be long before we see him playing Goliath to John Bolton's David in this event; but first, no doubt, he will have to contend with the formidable

vengeance of Mr. Cotter and Mr. Kirk-Greene. Mrs. Longman and Colonel Pritchard made a shrewd and tenacious pair. If any other combination was to beat them, we thought it would be Mr. Cotter and John Bolton. Their meeting in the third round produced the best and most fascinating play of the event. With her opponents poised for victory, a bisque in hand, and her partner's ball pegged out, Mrs. Longman shot in, made her last palpitating points and went out to the sound of Wimbledon-like applause from a large and enthralled host of spectators.

OPEN SINGLES THE GOLD CUP THE DRAW

(19 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Canon Creed Meredith w.o. Maj. J. R. Abbey (opponent scratched). Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Mrs. F. N. Latham by 11. D. Curtis bt D. Jesson Dibley by 12.

SECOND ROUND E. A. Roper bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels by 18. Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 10. N. F. Blackwood bt E. Whitehead by 14. Canon Creed Meredith bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 6. D. Curtis bt M. B. Reckitt by 16.

E. P. C. Cotter bt Mrs. W. Longman by 15. L. Kirk-Greene bt Lt.-Col. D. M. Pritchard by 11.

A. D. Karmel bt B. Lloyd Pratt by 3.

THIRD ROUND E. A. Roper bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 10. N. F. Blackwood bt Canon Creed Meredith by 7. D. Curtis bt E. P. C. Cotter by 9. L. Kirk-Greene bt A. D. Karmel by 6

SEMI-FINAL

N. F. Blackwood bt E. A. Roper by 7. D. Curtis w.o. L. Kirk-Greene (opponent scratched). FINAL

D, Curtis bt N. F. Blackwood by 15.

PROCESS (19 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

A. D. Karmel bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 7.

L. Kirk-Greene bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels by 17. B. Lloyd Pratt bt E. A. Roper by 11.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. W. Longman bt Canon Creed Meredith by 15.

A. D. Karmel bt D. Jesson Dibley by 8. M. B. Reckitt bt E. Whitehead by 22.

L. Kirk-Greene bt Mrs. F. N. Latham by 16. Lt.-Col. D. M. Pritchard bt Maj. J. R. Abbey by 25. D. Curtis bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 20.

E. P. C. Cotter bt N. F. Blackwood by 19. B. Lloyd Pratt bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 26.

THIRD ROUND

LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "B")

THE FRANC CUP

(Law 44 suspended)

 $(2\frac{1}{2} \text{ to 6 bisques})$ (23 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

A. D. Karmel bt Mrs. W. Longman by 13. L. Kirk-Greene bt M. B. Reckitt by 10. D. Curtis bt Lt.-Col. D. M. Pritchard by 21. B. Lloyd Pratt bt E. P. C. Cotter by 4.

SEMI-FINAL L. Kirk-Greene bt A. D. Karmel by 3.

B. Lloyd Pratt bt D. Curtis by 16.

L. Kirk-Greene bt B. Lloyd Pratt by 6.

PLAY-OFF

D. W. Curtis bt L. Kirk-Greene by 9.

J. Bolton (6) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (24) by 3.

Miss K. Ault (41) bt T. A. Chignell (4) by 6. Dr. H. J. Penny (3) bt Miss G. Forbes-Cowan (4) by 21.

Mrs. M. Kay (6) bt Miss K. Hickson (4) by 9. M. F. Buller (3) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3) by 8. W. E. Moore (2) bt Mrs. R. H. Hill (6) by 20.

H. A. Green (21) bt E. G. Bantock (21) by 13.

SECOND ROUND

Miss E. Johnston $(4\frac{1}{2})$ w.o. B. V. Brackenbury $(4\frac{1}{2})$ (opponent retired). P. J. M. Fidler (4) bt Miss E. F. Rose (5) by 13.

J. Bolton (6) bt Miss K. Ault ($4\frac{1}{2}$) by 16. Dr. H. J. Penny (3) bt Mrs. M. Kay (6) by 23.

M. F. Buller (3) bt W. E. Moore (2) by 2. H. A. Green $(2\frac{1}{2})$ bt Miss M. A. Posford (6) by 23. C. Ratcliffe $(5\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. F. R. Briggs $(2\frac{1}{2})$ by 18. R. H. Newton (4) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) by 2.

THIRD ROUND

P. J. M. Fidler (4) bt Miss E. Johnston ($4\frac{1}{2}$) by 17. J. Bolton (6) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (3) by 13. H. A. Green ($2\frac{1}{2}$) w.o. M. F. Buller (3) (opponent scratched). C. Ratcliffe ($5\frac{1}{2}$) bt R. H. Newton (4) by 7.

SEMI-FINAL

J. Bolton (6) bt P. J. M. Fidler (4) by 6. H. A. Green $(2\frac{1}{2})$ bt C. Ratcliffe $(5\frac{1}{2})$ by 8.

FINAL

J. Bolton (6) bt H. A. Green (71) by 23.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "3") MONTEITH BOWL

 $(6\frac{1}{2}$ bisques and over)

(19 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. E. M. Temple $(6\frac{1}{2})$ bt Miss S. Hampson (8) by 12. C. G. Miller (8) bt Miss M. Towers (8) by 14. Maj. R. Driscol $(6\frac{1}{2})$ bt D. M. Horne (8) by 6.

SECOND ROUND

SECOND ROUND A. Challon (12) bt Mrs. C. M. Gibson (12) by 15. Miss M. M. Taylor (7) bt Mrs. R. Atcherly (13) by 14. Mrs. G. Fitter (8) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor (9 $\frac{1}{2}$) by 10. Mrs. E. M. Temple (6 $\frac{1}{2}$) bt C. G. Miller (8) by 11. Maj. R. Driscol (6 $\frac{1}{2}$) bt R. A. Stigant (7 $\frac{1}{2}$) by 17. A. M. Hicks (6 $\frac{1}{2}$) bt F. H. Curtis (8) by 15. G. E. Bergen (2) bt Msi. L. Atcherly (12) by 8 G. F. Paxon (7) bt Maj. J. Atcherly (12) by 8. Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) bt Mrs. J. Paxon (8) by 1.

THIRD ROUND A. Challon (12) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (7) by 14. A. M. Temple (6¹/₂) w.o. Mrs. G. Fitter (8) (opponent scratched)
A. M. Hicks (6¹/₂) bt Maj. R. Driscol (6¹/₂) by 11.
G. F. Paxon (7) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) by 15.

SEMI-FINAL

A. Challon (12) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (61) by 12. A. M. Hicks (61) bt G. F. Paxon (7) by 18.

A. Challon (12) bt A. M. Hicks (61) by 3.

HANDICAP SINGLES

FINAL

MAURICE RECKITT BOWL

(Unrestricted) (60 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. W. A. Naylor (91) w.o. B. V. F. Brackenbury (41) (opponent retired). Miss E. Johnston $(4\frac{1}{2})$ bt A. Challon (12) by 1. J. Bolton (6) bt E. A. Roper (2) by 13. Miss M. M. Taylor (7) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple $(6\frac{1}{2})$ by 5.

Miss M. M. Taylor (7) of Mrs. E. M. temple (0_2) by 3. Miss E. Rose (5) bt Mrs. G. Fitter (8) by 7. Miss K. Ault (4¹/₂) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1¹/₂) by 15. Dr. H. J. Penny (3) bt Maj. J. R. Abbey (1¹/₂) by 9. Miss K. B. Hickson (4) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (2¹/₂) by 11. M. E. Buller (3) bt Miss G. Forbes Cowan (4) by 17.

M. E. Buller (3) bt Miss G. Forbes Cowan (4) by 17. Miss M. Kay (6) bt Mrs. K. A. Hill (6) by 5. Mrs. A. M. Daniels (1½) bt Miss H. Parker (3) by 14. E. G. Bantock (2½) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (1) by 21. Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt Maj. J. Atcherley (12) by 8. Miss A. M. Posford (6) bt Mrs. R. Atcherley (13) by 14. Miss E. Hampson (8) bt Mrs. W. Longman (-1) by 5. C. Ratcliffe (5½) w.o. W. Longman (1) (opponent retired). D. Cortic (12) bt F. Wittenberd (2) bt 5.

D. Curtis $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt E. Whitehead (2) by 5. Canon Creed Meredith (0) bt Mrs. F. H. Curtis (12) by 7. F. H. Curtis (8) bt Mrs. F. N. Latham (2) by 13.

Eleven

M. B. Reckitt $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt N. F. Blackwood $(1\frac{1}{2})$ by 3. Lt.-Col. Pritchard $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt G. F. Paxon (7) by 9. W. E. Moore (3) bt C. M. Miller (8) by 16. D. Jesson Dibley (3) bt Mrs. J. Paxon (8) by 15. H. A. Green (21) w.o. Mrs. M. K. Briggs (21) (opponent scratched). A. D. Karmel $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) by 13. T. A. Chignell (4) bt Mrs. A. D. Karmel (8) by 20. Maj. A. M. Hicks $(6\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) by 22. D. M. Horne (8) bt R. H. Newton (4) by 5.

SECOND ROUND

SECOND ROUND P. M. Fidler (4) bt Mrs. C. M. Gibson (12) by 17. Miss E. Johnston (4¹/₂) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor (9¹/₂) by 21. J. Bolton (6) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (7) by 7. Miss K. Ault (4¹/₂) bt Miss E. M. Rose (5) by 18. Dr. H. J. Penny (3) bt Miss K. D. Hickson (4) by 16. M. F. Buller (3) bt Mrs. M. Kay (6) by 14. Mrs. A. M. Daniels (1¹/₂) bt E. G. Bantock (2¹/₂) by 4. Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt Miss M. A. Posford (6) by 2. Miss S. Hampson (8) bt C. Ratcliffe (5¹/₂) by 6. D. Curtis (—) bt Canon Creed Meredith (0) by 17. D. Curtis $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt Canon Creed Meredith (0) by 17. M. B. Reckitt $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt F. H. Curtis (8) by 8. W. E. Moore (3) bt Lt.-Col. Pritchard $(-\frac{1}{2})$ by 8. H. A. Green (21) bt D. Jesson Dibley (3) by 5. A. D. Karmel $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt T. A. Chignell (4) by 14. D. M. Horne (8) bt Major A. M. Hicks $(6\frac{1}{2})$ by 15. B. Lloyd Pratt (-2) bt R. A. Stigant $(7\frac{1}{2})$ by 10.

THIRD ROUND P. M. Fidler (4) bt Miss E. Johnston $(4\frac{1}{2})$ by 17. J. Bolton (6) bt Miss K. Ault $(4\frac{1}{2})$ by 19. M. F. Buller (3) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (3) by 6. Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels $(1\frac{1}{2})$ by 11. Miss S. Hampson (8) bt D. Curtis $(-\frac{1}{2})$ by 11. Miss S. Hampson (8) bt D. Curtis $(-\frac{1}{2})$ by 2. W. E. Moore (3) bt M. B. Reckitt $(-\frac{1}{2})$ by 2. H. A. Green (3) w.o. A. D. Karmel $(-\frac{1}{2})$ (opponent scratched). B. Lloyd Pratt (2) bt D. M. Horne (8) by 20.

FOURTH ROUND

J. Bolton (6) bt P. J. M. Fidler (4) by 22.

M. F. Buller (3) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) by 15. Miss S. Hampson (8) bt W. E. Moore (3) by 12, B. Lloyd Pratt (2) bt H. A. Green $(2\frac{1}{2})$ by 11.

SEMI-FINAL

J. Bolton (6) bt P. J. M. Fidler (4) by 22. B. Lloyd Pratt (-2) bt Miss S. Hampson (8) by 7.

FINAL

J. Bolton (6) bt B. Lloyd Pratt (-2) by 26.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(Unrestricted)

(23 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

E. P. C. Cotter and J. Bolton (3) bt Canon Creed Meredith and Mrs. Fitter (8) by 16.

P. Fidler and M. B. Reckitt (31) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Miss

H. D. Parker (4) by 7. Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Pritchard and Mrs. W. Longman $(-1\frac{1}{2})$ bt E. Whitehead and Mrs. Whitehead (16) by 9.

G. Paxon and Mrs. G. Paxon (15) bt Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss

K. Hickson (7) by 1 on time. M. Buller and Mrs. W. A. Naylor (12½) bt F. H. Curtis and R. A.

Stigant $(15\frac{1}{2})$ by 13. B. Lloyd Pratt and Miss S. Hampson (6) bt D. H. Curtis and W.

A. Moore $(2\frac{1}{2})$ by 7. E. A. Roper and Mrs. G. W. Solomon (4) bt E. C. Bantock and

Miss E. Johnston (7) by 12. SECOND ROUND

C. Ratcliffe and Mrs. H. D. Wooster (131) bt C. Miller and Miss

G. Forbes Cowan (12) by 13 on time.
D. Jesson Dibley and Mrs. A. M. Daniels (4½) bt A. Challon and Miss M. M. Taylor (19) by 17.
E. P. C. Cotter and J. Bolton (3) bt P. Fidler and M. B. Reckitt

(3¹/₂) by 19.
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Pritchard and Mrs. W. Longman (-1¹/₂) bt G. Paxon and Mrs. Paxon (15) by 8.
B. Lloyd Pratt and Miss S. Hampson (6) bt M. Buller and Mrs.

W. A. Naylor (124) by 8. E. A. Roper and Mrs. G. W. Solomon (4) bt Maj. J. Atcherley and

Mrs. Briggs $(14\frac{1}{2})$ by 14. A. D. Karmel and Mrs. Karmel $(7\frac{1}{2})$ bt Miss K. Ault and Mrs. C.

Temple (11) by 11. H. A. Green and Maj. J. Driscol (9) bt D. M. Horne and R. Newton (12) by 14.

THIRD ROUND

D. Jesson Dibley and Mrs. Daniels (41) bt C. Ratcliffe and Mrs.

H. D. Wooster $(13\frac{1}{2})$ by 1 on time. Lt -Col. D. M. C. Pritchard and Mrs. W. Longman $(-1\frac{1}{2})$ bt E. P. C. Cotter and J. Bolton (4) by 4. E. A. Roper and Mrs. G. W. Solomon (4) bt B. Lloyd Pratt and

Miss S. Hampson (6) by 5.

A. D. Karmel and Mrs. Karmel (71) bt H. A. Green and Maj. J. Driscol (9) by 13.

SEMI-FINAL Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Pritchard and Mrs. W. Longman (-1¹/₂) bt D. Jesson Dibley and Mrs. A. M. Daniels (4¹/₂) by 11. A. D. Karmel and Mrs. Karmel (7¹/₂) bt E. A. Roper and Mrs. G. W. Solomon (4) by 13.

FINAL Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Pritchard and Mrs. W. Longman (-11) bt A. D. Karmel and Mrs. Karmel (71) by 4.

SOUTHWICK

(Unofficial)

September 3rd-8th, 1962

A large entry-62 in the big handicap-and the fact that every event except one was played on handicap made the problem of running this tournament rather acute. Time-limited games were the order of the day for most players and the "third hoop" became so familiar that one pair actually made 12 hoops from the 3rd hoop to the peg thinking that they were starting their game at the first hoop! The Manager must have been relieved to have no less than 16 scratchings or retirements for various reasons and she brought the tournament to a satisfactory end late on Saturday. The uncertain weather was no help either, the courts on one day becoming nearly unplayable owing to the rain. W. E. Moore creditably won the open event, Miss A. Mills the big handicap—having beaten Moore on the way; Miss Ault won her class, and Mr. Pickett and Mrs. Simpson divided their final, it being too dark to finish the game! Mrs. Burrell won the high bisquers event and D. Curtis coached Rodney Shewan well enough to win the doubles. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson from the Bowden Club are a promising pair, the latter having a very pretty style, and one or two of the high bisquers should soon find themselves in a lower class. Great credit is due to Mrs. Roper and her band of extremely hard working helpers for providing really first class fare; Mrs. Truett was in her accustomed place at the bar; Mrs. Naylor's flowers, Adams' lawns and the "fruit machine's" contribution were all much appreciated, while last, but by no means least, Mrs. Chittenden's management was efficient, fair and obviously successful.

(The results of this Tournament are unavoidably held over.)

HUNSTANTON

September 3rd-8th

The writer believes that there are indeed tournament players who have never been to Hunstanton. He advises them very strongly to remedy this omission. Five distinctly good courtswith very little to choose between them, a most peaceful setting, wonderful air, and a very friendly atmosphere are among the ingredients awaiting visitors. When these are reinforced by an absolutely first-class manager, and superb teas, what more can one desire '

The entry was a good one; and there were four new com-petitors to this tournament; Mr. and Mrs. Read who made a most welcome appearance from Ireland, and the brothers, David and Christopher Miller, who went away with three cups between them,

and presumably, rather fewer bisques. Guy Warwick is to be congratulated on winning the Norfolk Challenge Cup for the seventh time; and in doing so he beat the

Challenge Cup for the seventh time; and in doing so he beat the two leading lady players. Mrs. Thom played three splendid uphill games to win the "B" Levels. Her win against David Miller, when all seemed lost, was a particularly plucky one. Mrs. Perowne played well in this event, and indeed came very near to winning the final. The handicap doubles, as usual, proved a most popular event and when the manager announced "no time limits", players were able to indulge in protracted tussles to their hearts' content. In point of fact some of the games were finished reasonably quickly

point of fact some of the games were finished reasonably quickly.

Mrs. Clarke and her very happy band of workers earned the gratitude of all; special mention must be made of Mrs. Clayton, who came all the way from Nottingham to assist behind the scenes

In conclusion, many thanks are due to Mrs. Edmund Reeve, who most nobly gave up the whole week to carry out her duties as manager, in her usual exemplary way.

OPEN SINGLES DRAW AND PROCESS THE NORFOLK CHALLENGE CUP (2 bisques and under)

DRAW

(6 Entries) FIRST ROUND

A. D. Karmel bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 14. J. G. Warwick w.o. B. Lloyd Pratt.

SEMI-FINAL A. D. Karmel bt H. O. Hodgson by 11 J. G. Warwick bt Miss E. J. Warwick by 2.

FINAL J. G. Warwick bt A. D. Karmel by 14.

PROCESS

(6 Entries) FIRST ROUND

B. Lloyd Pratt bt H. O. Hodgson by 1 Miss E. J. Warwick bt A. D. Karmel by 11.

SEMI-FINAL B. Lloyd Pratt bt J. G. Warwick by 3. Mrs. E. Rotherham w.o. Miss E. J. Warwick opponent retired.

FINAL Mrs. E. Rotherham bt B. Lloyd Pratt by 20. PLAY-OFF

J. G. Warwick bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 11.

LEVEL SINGLES

(Law 36 suspended) HUNSTANTON CHALLENGE BOWL (2) bisques to 6 bisques inclusive)

(5 Entries) FIRST ROUND

Mrs. M. L. Thom bt Miss E. C. Brumpton by 3. SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. M. L. Thom bt D. W. Miller by 3 Mrs. G. D. Perowne bt W. T. Bell by 13.

FINAL Mrs. M. L. Thom bt Mrs. G. D. Perowne by 3.

HANDICAP SINGLES

 $(6\frac{1}{2}$ bisques and over)

SILVER ROSE BOWL

(10 Entries)

FIRST ROUND Mrs. A. N. Rolfe $(7\frac{1}{2})$ bt Mrs. H. M. Read (7) by 10. Dr. H. M. Browning (13) w.o. Mrs. A. D. Karmel (8) opponent

Miss S. Hampson (7) bt Miss L. Smith (61) by 18.

SECOND ROUND C. G. Miller (8) bt Miss E. M. Brumpton (9) by 4. Mrs. A. N. Rolfe $(7\frac{1}{2})$ bt Dr. H. M. Browning (13) by 17. Miss S. Hampson (7) bt G. B. Horridge $(6\frac{1}{2})$ by 16. H. M. Read (7) bt Mrs. T. Cherry (12) by 19. SEMI-FINAL

C. G. Miller (8) bt Mrs. A. N. Rolfe (74) by 14. H. M. Read (7) bt Miss S. Hampson (7) by 5.

C. G. Miller (8) bt H. M. Read (7) by 17.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "X") INGLEBY CHALLENGE CUP (Unrestricted) (23 Entries)

FIRST ROUND C. G. Miller (8) bt H. O. Hodgson (2) by 16. H. M. Read (7) bt Miss S. Hampson (7) by 4. Mrs. M. L. Thom (51) bt Miss L. H. Smith (61) by 17. B. Lloyd Pratt (-2) bt Miss E. C. Brumpton (6) by 4. G. B. Horridge (6) bt Mrs. G. D. Perowne (5) by 6. Mrs. E. Rotherham (-3) bt Mrs. A. D. Karmel (8) by 3. Mrs. H. M. Read (7) bt J. G. Warwick (-1) by 14.

SECOND ROUND

A. D. Karmel $(-\frac{1}{2})$ bt W. T. Bell (5) by 14. D. W. Miller (5) bt Dr. H. M. Browning (13) by 18. C. G. Miller (8) bt H. M. Read (7) by 6. Mrs. M. L. Thom (5 $\frac{1}{2}$) bt B. Lloyd Pratt (-2) by 17. G. B. Horridge (6 $\frac{1}{2}$) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham (-3) by 15. H. O. Hicks (-3) bt Mrs. H. M. Read (7) by 18. Miss E. M. Brumpton (9) bt Mrs. A. N. Rolfe (71) by 9. Miss E. J. Warwick (-2) bt Mrs. T. Cherry (12) by 18.

THIRD ROUND D. W. Miller (5) bt A. D. Karmel (-1) by 26. C. G. Miller (8) bt Mrs. M. L. Thom $(5\frac{1}{2})$ by 9. H. O. Hicks (-3) bt G. B. Horridge $(6\frac{1}{2})$ by 5. Miss E. J. Warwick (-2) bt Miss E. M. Brumpton (9) by 8. SEMI-FINAL

D. W. Miller (5) bt C. G. Miller (8) by 2. H. O. Hicks (-3) bt Miss E. J. Warwick (-2) by 16.

FINAL D. W. Miller (5) bt H. O. Hicks (-3) by 26.

EVENT "Y" (Unrestricted) (11 Entries)

FIRST ROUND Miss S. Hampson (7) w.o. H. O. Hodgson (2) opponent retired. Miss E. C. Brumpton (6) bt Miss L. H. Smith ($6\frac{1}{2}$) by 12. Mrs. A. D. Karmel (8) bt Mrs. G. D. Perowne ($5\frac{1}{2}$) by 3.

SECOND ROUND W. T. Bell (5) bt Dr. H. M. Browning (13) by 8. Miss E. C. Brumpton (6) bt Miss S. Hampson (7) by 17. Mrs. A. D. Karmel (8) w.o. J. G. Warwick (-1) scratched. Mrs. A. N. Rolfe (71) bt Mrs. T. A. Cherry (12) by 21.

SEMI-FINAL W. T. Bell (5) w.o. Miss E. C. Brumpton (6) opponent scratched. Mrs. A. N. Rolfe (7½) bt Mrs. A. D. Karmel (8) by 8.

Mrs. A. N. Rolfe (71) bt W. T. Bell (5) by 25.

HANDICAP DOUBLES (Combined handicap not less than 5) (9 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

J. G. Warwick and Miss E. C. Brumpton (5) bt Miss L. H. Smith and Dr. H. M. Browning (19¹/₂) by 17.

SECOND ROUND

G. B. Horridge and H. O. Hodgson (81) bt A. D. Karmel and Mrs. A. D. Karmel $(7\frac{1}{2})$ by 10. J. G. Warwick and Miss E. C. Brumpton (5) bt B. Lloyd Pratt and Miss S. Hampson (5) by 7.
Miss E. J. Warwick and C. G. Miller (6) bt H. M. Read and Mrs. H. M. Read (14) by 6.
D. W. Miller and Mrs. M. L. Thom (10¹/₂) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham and Miss E. M. Brumpton (6) by 13.

SEMI-FINAL J. G. Warwick and Miss E. C. Brumpton (5) bt G. B. Horridge and H. O. Hodgson (8¹/₂) by 7. Miss E. J. Warwick and C. G. Miller (6) bt D. W. Miller and Mrs. M. L. Thom (101) by 4.

Miss E. J. Warwick and C. G. Miller (6) bt J. G. Warwick and Miss E. C. Brumpton (5) by 5.

EXTRA EVENT HANDICAP SINGLES (8 Entries)

FIRST ROUND Mrs. H. M. Read (7) bt Dr. H. M. Browning (13) by 15. G. B. Horridge (6¹/₂) bt Miss L. H. Smith (6¹/₂) by 11. Miss E. M. Brumpton (9) bt Mrs. T. A. Cherry (12) by 11. A. D. Karmel ($-\frac{1}{2}$) bt W. T. Bell (5) by 12.

SEMI-FINAL G. B. Horridge ($6\frac{1}{2}$) bt Mrs. H. M. Read (7) by 17 on time. A. D. Karmel ($-\frac{1}{2}$) bt Miss E. M. Brumpton (9) by 8.

G. B. Horridge ($6\frac{1}{2}$) bt A. D. Karmel ($-\frac{1}{2}$) by 11.

CHELTENHAM CLUB EVENT FINALS **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

G. E. P. Jackson bt Col. D. M. C. Prichard by 18. "B" LEVELS Miss K. M. O. Sessions bt H. A. Sheppard by 10. "X" HANDICAP Miss K. M. O. Sessions bt H. A. Sheppard by 3. "Y" HANDICAP G. E. P. Jackson bt Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard by 1.

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