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## CALENDAR FIXTURES

1963

- July 1-5—**Budleigh Salterton.** (Non-official). *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. M. H. Vincent, Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Budleigh Salterton, Devon.
- „ 8-13—**Budleigh Salterton.** *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. M. H. Vincent, Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Budleigh Salterton, Devon.
- „ 15-19—**The Ladies' Field Cup.** *Southwick. Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- „ 15-20—**Ryde.** *Hon. Sec.*, Miss K. A. Wade, Partlands Avenue, Ryde, I.O.W.
- „ 22-27—**Cheltenham.** *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- „ 29—**Junior Tournament (26 years).** *Cheltenham. Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- Aug. 1—**C.A.,** The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- July 29—**Open Championships.** *Hurlingham. Secretary C.A.*
- Aug. 3—**The Hurlingham Club,** S.W.6.
- Aug. 5-14—**Hurlingham.** *Games Secretary,* The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6. (*NOT Secretary C.A.*)
- „ 10-17—**Championship of County Dublin.** (Non-official). *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. B. O'Reilly, Ballynamote, Carrickmines, Dublin.
- „ 15-24—**Challenge and Gilbey Cups, Ascot and Delves Boughton Cups.** *Roehampton. Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- „ 26-31—**Southwick.** *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Miss H. D. Parker, 4 Third Avenue, Hove 3.
- Sept. 2-7—**Hunstanton.** *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. J. A. Clarke, 49 Northgate, Hunstanton.
- „ 2-7—**Southwick.** (Non-official). *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Miss H. Parker, 4 Third Avenue, Hove 3.
- „ 9-13—**President's Cup (Hurlingham).** *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- „ 9-13—**Surrey Cup (Cheltenham).** *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- „ 9-13—**Parkstone.** *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. M. McMordie, 4 Overbury Road, Parkstone.
- „ 19-21—**All England Handicap. Area Finals.** *Roehampton. Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- „ 23-28—**Roehampton.** *Games Secretary,* Roehampton Club, Roehampton Lane, S.W.15. (*NOT Sec. C.A.*)
- „ 30—**Devonshire Park.** *Eastbourne. Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- Oct. 12

### LADIES' FIELD CUP

The following players were selected:—

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden  
Mrs. G. F. Elvey  
Miss D. A. Lintern  
Mrs. W. Longman  
Miss I. M. Roe  
Mrs. E. Rotherham  
Miss E. J. Warwick

Mrs. Elvey, Miss Lintern and Mrs. Longman were unable to accept and the following were invited:

Miss V. E. Mills  
Lady Ursula Abbey  
Miss A. E. Mills,  
Mrs. G. W. Solomon  
Mrs. R. Tingey  
Mrs. A. M. Daniels  
Mrs. M. H. Vincent

Miss A. E. Miss and Mrs. G. W. Solomon accepted (one more acceptance still to come).

V. C. GASSON,  
*Secretary.*

## CROQUET ASSOCIATION NOTICES

### NEW ASSOCIATES

E. F. Gadsden,  
Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot,  
Mrs. A. Isaacs  
C. H. Townshend  
Mrs. N. M. Tottenham  
B. G. Neal  
Miss F. I. Joly  
P. D. Hallett  
Mrs. S. McDonald

The attention of club secretaries and players is drawn to the fact that the new scheme of subscription and tribute was passed nearly unanimously by the A.G.M. Therefore the new subscriptions come into force on January 1st, 1964 — but new tribute became law on June 11th, 1963.

The following publications are available from the Secretary, C.A., Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.

The new edition of the laws, 2s. 6d. (Non Associates 3s. 6d.) All Associates are strongly advised to purchase the new Laws which can also be obtained through Clubs. 12 Hints to Beginners, 1s. 0d. A very valuable booklet which contains much useful information.

Entry forms for C.A. Tournaments. Pads of 25 price 2s. 0d.

### REFEREES

Associates who wish to become Referees should send their names to the Chairman of the Laws Committee (c/o. The Secretary, C.A.), who will arrange for their examination.

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### Change of Address

Maj. Gen. D. J. Wilson Haffenden,  
200 Rivermead Court,  
LONDON, S.W.6.

### Temporary Change of Address

Mr. & Mrs. W. Longman,  
58 Hurlingham Road,  
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### NEW REFEREE

P. J. M. Fidler

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## NOTES by ROVER

### So easy

"You make it all look so easy." How often have our minus experts been greeted with this, half admiring, half despairing comment at the end of one of their more hollow victories. They are generally too modest—or too much engaged otherwise—to attempt any reply on such occasions, and move away with a quiet smile, suggesting the possession of arcane but incommunicable wisdom. But were these great ones to "stay for an answer" what might we expect to be the nature of it? This could be summarised as Yes and No—or more accurately perhaps—No and Yes. No, it isn't easy, for what I've been doing on this occasion does demand at certain points the skill, especially at the beginning of a break, to be sure of making strokes, especially split shots and rushes, which have got to be learnt and assiduously practised. (It may involve some tactical "know how" too, especially at the end of the turn, but that, as the Americans say, is "something else"). But Yes, a great deal of what I've been doing is easy, and it would become easy for you too if you would take the trouble to watch first-class players really carefully and discover precisely how they plan and make their breaks—but how few of you do this! Let me give you a clue. Make your easy shots with much more exactitude than you generally trouble to do, so as to make the less easy ones less difficult. Take care, for example, just where you put the ball with which you make a hoop so as to give yourself a good chance of a controlling rush afterwards. Then you can get the three balls on the same line for your split shot. Make it easy, not take it easy, is the maxim to remember.

### The Men's and Women's Championships

The names of the winners of this year's Caskets are certainly not new in the history of these handsome trophies, Patrick Cotter having had two previous victories and Hope Rotherham four. What is surprising is that Cotter's last victory was nine years ago; for one who has so long been in the forefront of the game his victory this year is certainly not overdue and came appropriately at a time when he holds the Open Championship title and the honour of having led the recent touring team to victory. Mrs. Rotherham has spread her successes regularly over the last decade, and indeed has never been far from victory in the years when she has not won. A year or two back it seemed as if Joan Warwick might be about to exercise a proprietorial right to the women's event since she was beginning to find the measure of the best of the current players and at the same time there seemed little prospect of imminent new talent in the game who would be capable of testing her.

Mrs. Rotherham completed a successful week by winning the Mixed Doubles Championship in the company of Dudley Hamilton-Miller. The significant feature of this victory is that he is the fourth male to have steered or to have been steered by Mrs. Rotherham to victory, Patrick Cotter, Humphrey Hicks and Bobbie Wiggins having partnered Hope on earlier occasions.

### Then and now

A speaker at the dinner given in honour of our victorious team noted that the gathering had with them in Mr. Longman a member of the first side to represent this country, in 1925, when an equally conclusive success (against Australia) was achieved. Of the other members, Duff Mathews, Col. C. E. Wilson and G. L. Reckitt are no longer with us, but Miss D. D. Steel and David Joseph happily are. It is expected that the latter will be present to see our best eight perform this year; if Miss Steel were so too, they could revive memories of the sensational final in which they engaged in 1924, Joseph's play in this match being of a brilliance which has never perhaps been exceeded at this stage of the Open Championship. (If this statement seems extravagant let the inquirer take down the 1924 volume of the old Gazette from the shelf at Roehampton or Hurlingham and study what he will find there). It is interesting to speculate on how a match between the above-mentioned six and six of our present representatives might have developed. If Mr. Cotter chose to call on all eight of his team, Mr. Longman might have reinforced his by adding Ben Apps (champion in 1926, 1930 and 1931) and K. H. Cox (champion and winner of the Best Ten in 1928) or perhaps Cyril Corbally who, though he had by then almost given up the game, came over to win the Men's Championship in 1926. A few weeks ago this Rover was watching a young lady of ten having a croquet lesson at Roehampton and showing great keenness. Let Miss Warwick and her present rivals beware; the girl has Corbally blood in her veins.

### Deprivation of playing facilities

A poem appears elsewhere in this issue, the theme of which is that club members at Hurlingham are deprived during Counties week of facilities to play the game they love—and that with "Championships galore" later in the season further hardship is in store. In fact the only remaining first-class calendar events played at Hurlingham are the Open Championships and the President's Cup. In the former event there are invariably lawns available for members from mid-afternoon onwards, in the President's Cup four lawns only are used, and in fact during Counties week members were able to use the cricket field lawns which are of a good quality. Do they in fact really mind? We would have thought that most would welcome the opportunity of seeing first-class croquet, watching players in action of whom they had heard but not seen, and of renewing acquaintance with, and welcoming, players taking part in the tournament. It is surely for the good of the game that an adequate proportion of first-class events remain in the calendar, as the writer of the poem would probably be the first to agree. In passing, we would mention that up to a few years ago the Ladies' Field Cup was played at Hurlingham and its removal to Southwick has on the one hand reduced potential grievance at Hurlingham and, on the other, given pleasure to the numerous members of the Sussex club.



## Annual General Meeting

### Present

W. Longman (Chairman), J. W. Solomon, J. M. Rivington, Mrs. S. Adler, I. C. Baillieu, Dr. and Mrs. F. Bentley, Mrs. G. Black, G. H. Blackett, N. F. Blackwood, G. Birch, D. C. Caporn, Col. J. G. Clarke, A. J. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Curtis, Mrs. H. F. Chittenden, Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson, Maj. and Mrs. J. H. Dibley, V. A. de la Nougerede, Rev. and Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Evans, Miss G. Forbes-Cowan, Mrs. P. E. Heley, Miss K. D. Hickson, Mrs. E. M. Kay, Miss D. A. Lintern, Mrs. W. Longman, Miss A. Mills, Miss H. D. Parker, Dr. H. Penny, H. C. S. Perry, Mrs. J. Povey, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard, Mrs. and Mrs. M. B. Reckitt, Mrs. E. Reeve, E. A. Roper, Brig. and Mrs. C. Russell, Mrs. L. Showan, Mrs. A. Skempton, Mrs. J. W. Solomon, Mrs. G. W. Solomon, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. F. E. Stobart, Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts, L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts, Capt. H. G. Stoker, Cmdr. and Mrs. G. W. Style, Mrs. B. Sundius-Smith, Maj. R. Tingey, Mrs. M. L. Thom, Miss E. J. Warwick, J. G. Warwick, Dr. W. R. J. Wiggins, Mrs. R. R. Williams and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (secretary).

### Apologies for Absence

Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, Mrs. Caporn, Mrs. Carrington, A. J. Hollweg, E. P. Duffield, A. D. Karmel, A. J. Oldham, Mrs. J. Pavia.

Before turning to the agenda the Chairman rose to congratulate Mr. Rivington on the high honour paid to him by his election to be Chairman of the Hurlingham Club.

### Minutes

Minutes of the meeting held May 28th, 1962, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

### Report on Balance Sheet

Before moving the Report of the Accounts and Balance Sheet, Mr. Solomon said he wished to thank Mr. Rivington for carrying on the Chairmanship of the Council in his absence for three months and writing such an excellent Report. The test matches were probably the most outstanding event of the past year, and thanks were due to Miss Warwick and Mr. Lloyd-Pratt for their good reporting. Mr. Ashley Heenan, who has been in England but is not here at the moment, wishes to offer his apologies for absence and to express his congratulations to the test team and good wishes to all.

Mr. Solomon continued by saying that the Council's sole concern was the well-being and prospering of croquet: that they recognise that long and medium bisquers form the most vital part of the game. Therefore, various experiments were being made for them this year, i.e., different forms of handicap, evening tournaments, etc. These will naturally cause criticism which will be most carefully considered at the end of the season.

Cmdr. Style was then called upon to present the accounts. In presenting the Accounts and Balance Sheet for 1962 Cmdr. Style said that the accounts had been carefully examined and approved by Council. Consideration had been given to trying to reduce the cost of the magazine but Council was firmly of the opinion that the magazine in its present form was an essential part of the C.A. The credit balance of £182 could perhaps be misleading. It included a generous special gift of £59, and accrued expenses were much higher than in the previous year. In fact the accounts had just about broken even. Council was not dissatisfied with the present position, but it was less happy about the longer term financial aspect. The Chairman proposed the adoption of the accounts which was seconded by Capt. Stoker and they were approved unanimously.

### Appointment of the Hon. Treasurer

It was proposed from the Chair and seconded by Mr. Solomon that Cmdr. Style be re-appointed. This was passed unanimously.

### Election of Council

All eight existing retiring members were open to re-election and were re-elected.

### Motion by the Hon. Treasurer

Associates would have noticed the new scheme was in two parts—(a) Subscriptions and (b) Tribute—but Cmdr. Style said he particularly asked that it be considered as a homogeneous whole. It has been passed by a very large majority of the Council. However, it must be noted that Brig. Stokes-Roberts felt it was wrong, having raised subscriptions to three guineas to lower them, but he did not disagree with the new Tribute Scheme. The Treasurer said that he and the large majority of the Council felt most strongly that the Association's security for the future lay in more and more members paying less rather than in fewer and fewer paying more.

There had been considerable support for the new scheme from the provinces with one exception—Cheltenham Club, which was entirely opposed to it. Here the Commander outlined and replied to some of the points raised and concluded by saying that he shared Council's majority view that the broader scope of tribute was fair, and stood a very good chance of bringing in more Associates, as it undoubtedly gave a strong incentive to join the Association. He, therefore, moved the adoption of the motion, Mr. Roper seconded it. The meeting was invited to ask questions. Mrs. Skempton asked for the motion to be read and for Brig. Stokes-Roberts to state his view. The latter said his views had already been put before the meeting by the Treasurer. Miss Lintern said she would like to see tribute for evening and weekend tournaments reduced. It was proposed by Miss Warwick, seconded by Mr. Caporn, that this tribute should be 10s. and 5s. for one event only. This was carried unanimously.

Following a suggestion by Mr. Victor Evans the meeting discussed the question of a possible small reduction in the joint subscriptions of married couples. This suggestion was clearly against the wishes of the meeting and was accordingly not pursued. Mr. Blackwood wished to congratulate the Treasurer on his clear and lucid speech.

The Resolution with the Amendment was carried by a very large majority only ten (approximately) members not voting for it. Any other business

Mr. Rivington said ever since the new Laws were printed there had been a few differences with New Zealand, and Australia, and now, thanks to our test team delegates, these had been resolved. There were constitutional rules on the alterations of Laws, and these would be strictly adhered to, but Mr. Rivington would ask the A.G.M. to give Council authority to instruct that as from 28th May these Laws shall be played in tournaments. This was seconded by Dr. Wiggins and passed unanimously. Mr. Baillieu queried the application of the extra half hour in timed-games and was referred to the Laws Committee and Miss Warwick considered Inter-Counties should be played under the Laws of Advanced Play, being a Championship. She was referred to the Tournament Committee.

Mr. Blackett wished to thank the Chairman of Council and the Council for all their efforts.

## COMMITTEES, 1963

### LAWS

J. M. Rivington (Chairman)

E. P. Duffield, Col. J. G. Clarke, H. C. S. Perry, Mrs. E. Reeve, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, J. A. Hollweg, A. D. Karmel, D. C. Caporn.

### FINANCE & G.P.

Cmdr. G. W. Style (Chairman)

E. P. Duffield, H. C. S. Perry, Rev. B. V. Brackenbury, Col. J. G. Clarke, Maj. J. H. Dibley, G. V. Evans, Miss D. A. Lintern, Col. F. E. Stobart, L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts, E. A. Roper.

### TOURNAMENT

Miss D. A. Lintern (Chairman)

H. C. S. Perry, Mrs. E. Reeve, D. C. Caporn, Maj. J. H. Dibley, Mrs. E. Rotherham, Mrs. H. F. Chittenden, E. A. Roper, L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts, G. Birch.

### PUBLICITY

Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts (Chairman)

E. A. Roper, J. A. Hollweg, Maj. J. H. Dibley, G. V. Evans, Miss D. A. Lintern, Col. F. E. Stobart, L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts, Mrs. R. R. Williams, D. C. Caporn.

### GOLF CROQUET

Col. J. G. Clarke (Chairman)

G. V. Evans, Mrs. R. R. Williams, D. C. Caporn, G. Birch.

### HANDICAP APPEAL

Mrs. E. Rotherham (Chairman)

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, A. D. Karmel, Mrs. E. Reeve, Col. F. E. Stobart, Mrs. H. F. Chittenden.

### HANDICAP CO-ORDINATION

(Chairman to be elected)

Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts, J. W. Solomon, Maj. J. H. Dibley, Miss D. A. Lintern, M. B. Reckitt.

## THE MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

A glorious week for croquet, although on Friday afternoon the sky became black and threatening, but, apart from a sprinkling of rain and some loud claps of thunder, nothing happened to interrupt the play. As there was a chance of a "block", the final of the Doubles was started after tea on Friday, and, as all the players concerned wished to finish the game, it was duly won by Mrs. Rotherham and D. Hamilton-Miller, at 8.30 p.m. This paved the way for a very easy day on Saturday, and all was over at teatime bar the Women's Finals which ended somewhat later in the afternoon in a win for Mrs. Rotherham after a long second game in which Mrs. Elvey gave her quite a lot to do to avoid defeat. All last year's champions were overthrown, Cotter becoming a worthy Men's champion for the first time since 1954 and Mrs. Rotherham regaining the Women's Championship for the fifth time. The Doubles were won by Mrs. Rotherham and D. Hamilton-Miller, while J. G. Warwick took the Du Pre Cup. There were eighteen entries in the men's and eleven in the women's event, ten pairs in the Doubles and seventeen in the du Pre Cup. This is about the same as usual.

A. V. Camroux was notable in the men's event. He should have beaten Solomon in their first game and he played well to win two games off Warwick. Cotter had two fairly easy wins in his first two matches—apart from a near win for Stobart in one game—but Prichard gave him some trouble and he nearly lost his first game against Solomon, though he beat him easily in the third game of the final. It was unfortunate that Dr. Wiggins had to retire owing to pressure of medical work. Miss Lintern just failed to beat Miss Warwick in their first game, and she and her partner should certainly have won their doubles, but human nature is frail, even in the male sex, and short shots can so easily be missed! Mrs. Rotherham came back to her old form, and, apart from a tussle with Miss Roe, swept steadily on to her victory in the final of the women's event, which nearly ran to three games. Stoker and Warwick took three games each in the du Pre Cup. They met in the final which Warwick won by twelve points. There was only one "26"—Mrs. Rotherham beating Miss Mills by this amount—but several games, notably in the doubles, were won by narrow margins; one, when the Tingeyes beat Miss Lintern and Reckitt, by only one point. There was a large number of interesting pegged-out games. The lawns were in splendid condition and the catering at the club has much improved. Thanks are due to the club members who so kindly helped with coffee in the morning and tea in the afternoon. The players were most grateful to them for bringing refreshments out to them on the lawns. An evening X.Y. Handicap event was tried out for the first time for players who could not come till the evening. There were twelve entries and the games were well managed by J. Gilbert. This innovation proved to be very popular and we hope for more entries next year. The very handsome caskets and cups were given away by Mrs. Longman.

The tournament was once again in the management of Mr. Roper whose experience and direction served to maintain the continuous smooth running of a highly enjoyable week. Everyone was indebted to him for his services.

### Notes on some of the games.

In his first game with Camroux, Solomon gave him "contact," leaving one ball in each corner. Eventually, Camroux, playing very steadily, pegged out his opponent, his other ball being for 4-back and Solomon's ball for No. 4 hoop. He laid up in the 2nd corner but Solomon hit in, played perfect croquet in a 2 and 3 ball break and went out. Had Camroux pegged himself out as well, the result might have been very different.

In the second game between Cotter and Stobart, the latter by accurate play got to peg and rover, Cotter being on 4-back and 3rd hoop. Cotter had had many unlucky long shots, but eventually he hit in and made a brilliant recovery, winning the game in a couple of turns in a very short time. This was an exhibition of first-class croquet.

Solomon beat Hamilton-Miller in one hour in his first game having achieved a tricky triple peel. After making the rover he rushed his other ball to the peg. There was a long discussion as to whether it hit it or not. Is not an independent referee essential for shots of this kind?

In the final of the men's event, Cotter missed the peg-out and then Solomon missed a short roquet after making the rover—his other ball being for 4-back. The peg was missed again but soon after was hit by Cotter. The last few minutes of this game were tense. Solomon fairly ran round the court in the second game but in the third he failed to run the 3rd hoop. This was quite disastrous and an absolute gift for Cotter who won easily. The last two games of the final took one hour each.

In the Doubles there were some interesting situations. Colls and Miss Roe playing against Cave and Mrs. Reeve had the game in the bag—Cave still being for the 1st hoop—but Cave made a striking recovery, pegged out Miss Roe and won the game by two points.

Mrs. Elvey, playing with Col. Prichard against the Tingeyes, had every chance to win the game. She was for the penultimate, her partner ball being on the peg. She missed the hoop, hitting her ball *hard* against the wire. To the great amusement of the spectators, as she walked off the court she said: "Oh dear! and I did hit it so gently!"

### June 3rd, and following days

#### THE MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

(18 Entries)

##### FIRST ROUND

J. W. Solomon bt D. J. Hamilton-Miller +22 +6.  
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts +19 +23.

##### SECOND ROUND

A. V. Camroux bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave +6 +22.  
J. G. Warwick bt Capt. H. G. Stoker +16 +3.  
A. D. Karmel bt M. Spencer Ell +23 +5.  
J. W. Solomon bt Major R. Tingey +25 +15.  
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt D. Figgis +21 +16.  
M. B. Reckitt bt T. G. Colls +7 +11.  
E. P. C. Cotter bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart +19 +3.  
R. O. Hicks bt Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins -10 +14 (opponent retired).

##### THIRD ROUND

A. V. Camroux bt J. G. Warwick -19 +2 +5.  
J. W. Solomon bt A. D. Karmel +11 +21.  
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt M. B. Reckitt +25 (opponent retired).  
E. P. C. Cotter bt R. O. Hicks +19 +16.

##### SEMI-FINAL

J. W. Solomon bt A. V. Camroux +5 +16.  
E. P. C. Cotter bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard +19 +9.

##### FINAL

E. P. C. Cotter bt J. W. Solomon +5 -24 +24.



THE WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP  
(11 Entries)

FIRST ROUND  
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Miss I. M. Roe +4 +4.  
Miss A. E. Mills bt Mrs. L. A. Showan -9 +14 +10.  
Mrs. S. M. Adler bt Mrs. E. E. Reeve +6 +6.

SECOND ROUND  
Miss E. J. Warwick bt Miss D. A. Lintern +3 +15.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Miss A. E. Mills +23 +26.  
Mrs. G. W. Solomon bt Mrs. S. M. Adler +16 -3 +22.  
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson +17 +8.

SEMI-FINAL  
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Miss E. J. Warwick +9 +23.  
Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon +4 +18.

FINAL  
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey +16 +4.

MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP  
(10 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND  
R. O. Hicks and Miss A. E. Mills bt D. Figgis and Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 16.  
Major R. Tingey and Mrs. R. Tingey bt M. B. Reckitt and Miss D. A. Lintern by 1.

SECOND ROUND  
J. G. Warwick and Miss E. J. Warwick bt A. D. Karmel and Mrs. V. C. Gasson by 16.  
D. V. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs. E. Rotherham bt R. O. Hicks and Miss A. E. Mills by 5.  
Major R. Tingey and Mrs. R. Tingey bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard and Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 2.  
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and Mrs. E. Reeve bt T. G. Colls and Miss I. M. Roe by 2.

SEMI-FINAL  
D. V. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs. E. Rotherham bt J. G. Warwick and Miss E. J. Warwick by 18.  
Major R. Tingey and Mrs. R. Tingey bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and Mrs. E. Reeve by 13.

FINAL  
D. V. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Major R. Tingey and Mrs. R. Tingey by 10.

DU PRE CUP  
OPEN SINGLES  
(16 Entries)

FIRST ROUND  
D. Figgis bt T. G. Colls by 6.

SECOND ROUND  
Capt. H. G. Stoker bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts by 4.  
R. O. Hicks bt A. D. Karmel by 5.  
Major R. Tingey w.o. Mrs. S. M. Adler (opponent scratched).  
D. Figgis bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 2.  
M. B. Reckitt bt Mrs. E. Reeve by 15.  
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt M. Spencer Ell by 19.  
D. V. Hamilton-Miller bt Miss I. M. Roe by 18.  
J. G. Warwick bt Miss A. E. Mills by 22.

THIRD ROUND  
Capt. H. G. Stoker bt R. O. Hicks by 15.  
Major R. Tingey bt D. Figgis by 19.  
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt M. B. Reckitt by 24.  
J. G. Warwick bt D. V. Hamilton-Miller by 5.

SEMI-FINAL  
Capt. H. G. Stoker bt Major R. Tingey by 22.  
J. G. Warwick bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave by 13.

FINAL  
J. G. Warwick bt Capt. H. J. Stoker by 12.

EVENING HANDICAP  
SINGLES  
("X.Y.")

EVENT "X"  
FIRST ROUND  
Col. J. G. Clarke (3) bt Mrs. F. A. Davy (7) by 6.  
A. J. Oldham (6) bt Mrs. T. Croal (11\*) by 3 on time.  
D. C. Caporn (6) bt Mrs. G. Trull (7) by 10.  
Mrs. A. Smith (\*12) bt Mrs. H. Wills (\*11) by 2 on time.

SECOND ROUND  
B. G. Neal (2) bt R. S. Crowne (10\*) by 14.  
A. J. Oldham (6) bt Col. J. G. Clarke (3) by 16.  
D. C. Caporn (6) bt Mrs. A. Smith (\*12) by 10.  
Mrs. L. Faibe (9) bt Miss H. M. Pass (\*14) by 19.

SEMI-FINAL  
A. J. Oldham (6) bt B. G. Neal (2) by 4 on time.  
D. C. Caporn (6) bt Mrs. L. Farlie (9) by 12.

FINAL  
D. C. Caporn (6) bt A. J. Oldham (6) by 2.

EVENT "Y"

FIRST ROUND  
Mrs. F. A. Davy (7) bt Mrs. T. Croal (\*11) by 6.  
Mrs. G. Trull (7\*) bt Mrs. H. Wills (\*11) by 2 on time.

SEMI-FINAL  
Mrs. F. A. Davy (7) bt R. S. Crowne (10\*) by 16.  
Mrs. G. Trull (7) bt Miss H. M. Pass by 10.

FINAL  
Mrs. F. A. Davy (7) bt Mrs. G. Trull (7) by 6.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY v. A. A. REED'S VI  
on June 15th-16th at Hunstanton.

SINGLES  
C. J. E. Dashwood lost to A. A. Reed -11 -14.  
D. W. Miller bt J. Bolton +23, +17.  
R. F. Thorp bt H. J. Tovey -9 +22 +18.  
M. Murray bt Mrs. P. E. Heley by 21.  
M. Murray bt Mrs. A. N. Rolfe by 5.  
P. D. Hallett lost to Miss S. Hampson by 24.  
P. D. Hallett lost to Mrs. P. E. Heley by 9.  
B. J. Russ lost to Mrs. A. N. Rolfe by 15.  
B. J. Russ lost to Miss S. Hampson by 12.

DOUBLES  
Dashwood and Thorp bt Reed and Tovey by 5.  
Murray and Russ bt Bolton and Mrs. Rolfe by 3.  
Miller and Hallett bt Mrs. Heley and Miss Hampson by 20.  
Cambridge University won by 9 points to 6.

Arthur Reed, last year's Cambridge captain, brought a team which on handicap appeared to be stronger than that of Cambridge. In the end it was the doubles which decided the result. The first two could have gone either way as can be seen from the scores but in the third David Miller did well to take an inexperienced partner round. Reed's normally brilliant shooting failed him twice by a fraction in the last moments of the top doubles.

The singles were shared by the two teams with the first three playing 'advanced play' for the best of three games. With all due credit to Miller one suspects that John Bolton had an 'off day'. One of the most exciting games was between Martin Murray and Mrs. Rolfe. Murray was pegged out with about ten points to make but managed to get home on two somewhat speculative breaks. Thorp, who seems to play better when it is raining, duly improved in his second and final games against Tovey on the Sunday.

We all thank Mrs. Reeve and the Hunstanton club for allowing and encouraging a well enjoyed match.

"The Counties"

Hurlingham, 28th-31st May, 1963

Some years ago *Croquet* was generous enough to publish a critical but essentially constructive and practical article entitled: "Fair Shares for all". Hence the following "reminder", as supported by some of our great poets!

A POETICAL MOAN

"The lawns as white as driven snow"  
wrote *Shakespeare*—and how did he know!  
Last winter we can ne'er forget  
Our Banker's Order duly paid  
For Croquet which we hoped to get  
At Hurlingham—we planned and prayed!  
But: "chilly-fingered spring" said *Keats*  
Dispels our hopes—and pleasures cheats.

Now comes the last week-end in May  
With lovely sunshine, many a day.  
"And summer is a coming-in"  
With Croquet games we hope to win.

But no! "My love and I must lie"  
"and see the coloured counties" vie—  
As *Housman* truly wrote. Each lawn  
next week is occupied from dawn!

"The short and simple annals of the poor"  
Wrote *Gray*: and he could surely not say more:  
Depicting our sad fate and shame  
When we at last hoped for a game.

This poem is just a simple plea  
From many humble players—like me.  
Why should the experts use their powers  
To organise *their* games—and disrupt *ours*.  
While, later, Championships galore  
Will meet exclusive needs once more!

ANON

[Note: The theme of this poem is dealt with in a Note by Rover on page 1.]

Notes from the Clubs

Budleigh Salterton

Our annual Men v. Women match took place on Saturday, 15th June, in the afternoon. It was a really delightful day and we were thankful to see the threatening clouds keep their distance. Until tea time we battled with alternate "ins" and "outs", but shortly after returning to our games a dramatic and sudden fire in the next door games club pavilion claimed our attention. Several of our members dashed "over the road" to give assistance and on court 1 all pretence of play was given up temporarily. The other games proceeded erratically while those not playing watched the sad and complete disintegration of a well-known landmark. The result was a draw.

Mrs. Rotherham and Miss Warwick lost to J. G. Warwick and Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave by 4.

Mrs. Elvey and Miss V. E. Mills bt Major E. C. Heathcote and Capt. M. F. Buller by 5.

Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs. M. H. Vincent bt J. Weston Martyr and Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverly by 8.

Miss E. H. Fisher lost to G. R. Mills by 8.

The following afternoon saw our first encounter with Exeter University on our grounds. In view of the fact that they are still very inexperienced, the club fielded a team which we thought would give them a fairly level game, which in fact it did, but we were not quite good enough and were beaten 2-1.

Colchester

The season opened as usual on the third Saturday in April and a delightful new departure was a match, played on May 11th and 12th, against Cambridge University. An exhilarating event this proved to be, played as it was on level terms, ending in a thorough-going win for Cambridge by seven games to two and in spite of Rupert Thorp turning out for the club instead of his varsity.

The club now has four courts (one of modified size) and these are in better condition than ever before, largely as the result of spending some £40 in the previous autumn on exterminating worms.

Every year seems to experience the receiving of welcome acquisitions of one kind or another and grateful acknowledgment is made to Mr. and Mrs. Ewart Whitehead for the gift of a club championship honours board and to Mr. and Mrs. "Peter" Puxon who have presented a club championship challenge cup.

Bowdon

In spite of much labour and expenditure on fertilisers and moss and weed killers, the courts have not shown the improvements which we had expected. Undoubtedly the severe winter took its toll in no mean manner.

The season opened on April 13th. Owing to the biting East wind and sunless days, only a very few hardy annuals turned out for the next few weeks. An improvement in the weather enabled our energetic Croquet Secretary to get our many competitions started and, where necessary, to press gang the reluctant ones to play off their first rounds. The real weather arrived just in time to enable our annual Whit Weekend Tournament to be completed on time and helped to make this event most enjoyable to all who took part.

We have been most fortunate in getting Mr. R. Faulkner to join the club. His skill and the fluency with which he makes his strokes is a joy to watch. His example cannot fail to encourage our medium players to become better players.

Cambridge University

Results and reports of our first four matches should appear elsewhere in the magazine. Meanwhile in Cambridge itself the innovation of Croquet Cups was very successful. As many as seventeen colleges entered, the final being contested by the two seeded colleges, Peterhouse and Magdalene. Peterhouse won by two games to 1.

At the time of writing it seems that most of our team are about to lose most of their bisques: we shall have to play well if we are to win the Longman Cup, which is our aim after so narrowly losing the final last year.

Ryde

On Whit-Monday eleven of the club members joined in an all day American Tournament. This was played in two blocks. All the games were restricted to one hour and bisques adjusted accordingly. Unfortunately, at lunch time the weather broke up and in consequence many of the games were played in the rain. This was most unfortunate as the weather had been warm and sunny on the previous days. Be that as it may the tournament was brought to a successful conclusion. John Bolton was the ultimate winner. He beat Miss Taylor in the play-off of the two blocks. John was in good form and needed little practice after the winter recess. A splendid tea was provided by the club members.

Our tournament this year takes place six weeks later than usual. Normally it would have been held on June 3rd, but it was thought it would have been a most unsuitable time for visitors to have made the journey to the island at Whitsun. We hope our new date, namely July 15th and following days, will be a convenient time for many players to enter our tournament. The date clashes with no other tournament than the Ladies' Seven event at Southwick. So we do hope many players will come not only for croquet but also to see some of the amenities of the island during their stay. We feel sure the manager will give a spot of leave for this. Don't forget entries close on Thursday, July 11th. Miss Wade, 10 Parklands Avenue, Ryde is the Hon. Tournament Secretary.

CORRESPONDENCE

Call a Referee

Dear Sir,

An incident occurred in "Counties" week which seems to be worthy of mention. Yellow was in the middle of the penultimate hoop, black straight ahead in front of the peg. As yellow was half way through the hoop, it did not seem necessary to call a referee, but the opponents, rightly as it turned out, asked for the shot to be watched. Black shot, missed the ball, but grazed the left hand wire of the hoop, thus shaking yellow. Under Law 13 (b) the opponents claimed a lift as the position of the ball had been altered as a consequence of the stroke. *Verb. sap.* doubtful shots of this nature should always be watched by a referee.

Yours faithfully,

E. ANTHONY ROPER

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY v. J. G. WARWICK'S VI  
played at Hunstanton, June 1st-2nd, 1963

It was decided at the start of this match that as many games as possible would be played, but that unfinished games would not count in the final reckoning. A very tactful 9-9 draw was the final result.

Despite the fine weather the lawns were slow, and almost everyone found it difficult to establish their game. Rupert Thorp, however, was soon away, and Mrs. Solomon watched some excellent croquet before lunch. Thorp then went on to beat Mrs. Rolfe, and as he also engineered Cambridge's doubles win he had a very successful weekend. Chris Dashwood and David Miller both had in and out games to start with, as was the doubles. However the results were reversed when they changed opponents. Dashwood beat Prichard very easily while Miller, for 4 and 6, looked certain to lose to Warwick, rushing to within six feet of the peg. The forward ball missed however, and Warwick never got in again.

The Cambridge team was regally entertained to dinner at the Golden Lion on Saturday night, and everyone came away feeling they had spent a delightful weekend.

RESULTS

Singles

C. J. E. Dashwood lost to J. G. Warwick by 11.  
C. J. E. Dashwood drew with Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard +22 -11.  
D. W. Miller lost to Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard by 4.  
D. W. Miller bt J. G. Warwick by 1.  
R. F. Thorp bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon +25 +17.  
R. F. Thorp bt Mrs. A. N. Rolfe +13 +10.  
J. T. Laurensen drew with I. Baillieu +10 -7.  
M. Murray bt Mrs. A. N. Rolfe by 21.  
M. Murray lost to Mrs. G. W. Solomon -16 -14.  
M. de S. Brackenbury lost to Miss S. Hampson by 10.

Doubles

C. J. E. Dashwood and D. W. Miller lost to J. G. Warwick and Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard by 2.  
R. F. Thorp and M. Murray bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon and Mrs. A. N. Rolfe by 9.  
J. T. Laurensen and M. de S. Brackenbury lost to I. Baillieu and Miss S. Hampson by 8.



## Reception for Test Team

27th May, 1963

On Monday, 27th May, 1963, all the Vice-Presidents, all the officers of the Council, all the Chairmen of Committees and over seventy Associates assembled at the Hurlingham Club to pay tribute to the members of the touring team on their return from their most successful tour of New Zealand, winners not only of the MacRobertson Trophy but also of the Open Singles and Doubles Championships of New Zealand.

It was unfortunate that Mr. Humphrey Hicks was unable to be present owing to illness, and that Dr. William Ormerod, Mr. Brian Lloyd Pratt and Mr. David Curtis were still abroad, but the remaining four members of the team, Mr. Patrick Cotter, Mr. John Solomon, Dr. Bobby Wiggins and Miss Joan Warwick were all present.

In view of the unavoidable absence at the last moment, through indisposition, of the President, Sir Compton MacKenzie, and the fact that the Senior Vice-President, Mr. William Longman, had already paid his personal tribute to the team, in the course of his long and arduous duties as Chairman at the Annual General Meeting earlier in the afternoon, the privilege of officially welcoming the team was delegated to the Rev. Handel Elvey, and delightfully he performed this duty with the following speech:

Our cricketers came back from overseas not altogether pleased with themselves. Our footballers have held post mortems on their defeats; but our croquet players have come back from their twelve thousand mile journey with flags flying and tails wagging.

What strikes me about our game is its vitality. From the days of Walter Jones Whitmore, it has never had a good Press. It has never had commercial boosting, yet it has survived.

Sixty years ago we had such great players as Bruce and Woolston, later on Corbally and O'Callaghan. Between the wars, Du Pre, Miss Steel, Joseph and Nora Gilchrist, and now we have John, Patrick, Joan, Bobby, William, Brian, David and Humphrey. Our game is very much alive and we are going to keep it so.

I was delighted when I was listening to the radio one morning, to hear Patrick's voice, when he was welcomed at the airport. I thought what he said was excellent.

And now on behalf of us all I welcome the team. You have not only won a great victory, but you have won it in the opponents' territory, which is a still greater achievement. Heartiest congratulations.

Mr. Patrick Cotter replied and in the course of a very graceful speech thanked the Rev. Elvey for the welcome to the team, the members of the Association for all they had done to make the tour possible. He added that what had pleased him most about the tour was a remark made to him that the team has proved the most excellent ambassadors for Britain.

The remaining members of the team may have been basking under the delusion that they could shelter under the wing, or rather the tongue, of their captain, but they were soon disillusioned and each in turn called upon to speak. In doing so they revealed that their skill on the platform is comparable to their skill on the courts. In the course of his speech Mr. John Solomon drew attention to the wonderful hospitality extended to visiting croquet players in New Zealand and Australia and sincerely hoped that in future our clubs in England might make some effort to reciprocate it.

Dr. Bobby Wiggins had enjoyed the tour, there was no doubt about that, and his enthusiasm was so infectious that by the end of his speech it was obvious that everyone present was vicariously sharing that enjoyment.

Last but certainly not least, Miss Joan Warwick, who brought news and good wishes from Mrs. Enid Haigh-Smith, which were heartily reciprocated, and reminded us that not only had the MacRobertson Trophy returned to England, but that Mr. Solomon had brought with him the Singles Championship, and in partnership with Mr. Cotter the Doubles Championship of New Zealand.

After suitable toasts had been drunk, most of the assembly adjourned to the next room to enjoy a most interesting coloured cine record of the tour by Mr. Solomon.

Dinner was then taken, and as places had not been allotted this was preceded by an impromptu game of musical chairs. However, after a distinguished naval officer had been observed disconsolately cruising twice round the room before finding a vacant mooring, at last all were seated.

During the course of dinner cables were read from Dr. William Ormerod and Mr. David Curtis and Mr. Brian Lloyd Pratt.

The vice-chairman then called upon Mr. Maurice Reckitt for a speech on two grounds. Firstly as the third Vice-President, the other two having already done their stints; and secondly as he was so manifestly in no small way responsible for our team's victory. In his epic poem he had likened them to ancient gods, and bade them play like gods, and play like gods they had! Mr. Reckitt has been observed on rare occasions to miss a short roquet. He has never been heard to make a bad speech. This evening he was in scintillating form and excelled himself. Having thrilled us with an oratorical feast he reminded us of how much we owed to Brigadier Stokes-Roberts, who had been so largely responsible for raising the money to finance the tour, and warned us that we must prepare for challenges from Australia and New Zealand. After drawing our attention to the remarkable skill of the two young men of New Zealand, he confronted us by reminding us that we had "our" (or really rather "his") University boys. At the conclusion of his speech Mr. Reckitt had the pleasure of presenting each member of the team with a beautiful plaque commemorating the tour, the very generous gift of Mr. G. Birch, of Nottingham.

Brigadier Stokes-Roberts, called upon to thank Mr. Reckitt, did so in his usual polished manner.

We then adjourned for an exhibition of further coloured photographs by Dr. Wiggins and Mr. Cotter—and so to bed. A memorable evening.

## An Explanation

In view of the article in the Daily Mail in June and the statements therein attributed to me, I wish to say in the croquet players' magazine, that the article was a mis-representation and distortion of my views.

My every endeavour is to get new clubs and new croquet players and—as I said at least four times to the reporter—the Roehampton Rover scheme and the subsequent introduction of new clubs and players into Association croquet and tournaments was one of the best things that happened in 1962.

Any players or beginners interested to learn croquet will always receive the warmest welcome from the Association and myself.

I refute entirely the sentiments expressed in that article—my true feelings being exactly the reverse.

V. C. GASSON

The following letter was sent to all club secretaries:—

You will most likely have seen the article which appeared in the Daily Mail on Tuesday, 4th June, in which croquet played a prominent part.

The Council of the Croquet Association wish it to be known that they dissociate themselves completely from this article. Although an interview was given to the reporter, much of the sense and most of the spirit of the conversation was twisted and distorted, with the result that the article was vindictive and prejudiced.

The views expressed are NOT those held by the Council or any of the officers or the Secretary, and you are asked to be so kind as to put this letter on your club notice board, so that all croquet players may be aware of the true position.

(Signed) JOHN W. SOLOMON

## Questions and Answers

A correction in *Question 2* in April *Croquet*.

*Question:* Does the adversary get a lift if the striker merely shakes a ball when he is making a croquet?

*Answer:* The word croquet was a misprint and should read *ROQUET*. The answer was correct.

*Question:* May a player enquire from a referee whether one ball is wired from another before his turn has ended?

*Answer:* No, Law 49 (b) has just been altered and passed by the Council at the A.G.M., and the words "In time-limited games" have been deleted, which, therefore, forbids this enquiry from being made in any game, except before the first stroke of a turn.

## INTER-COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Two days of miserable wet and cold followed by two days of glorious sunshine and warmth ended with the holders, Middlesex, emerging once again as winners of the County Championship. But they were lucky in the availability of most of their best players, whereas other counties suffered from absentees—notably from Surrey H. O. Hicks, from Sussex Kirk-Greene and Abbey, from Eastern Counties Hodges and Lloyd-Pratt, and another of their good players whose absence on the first day could indeed be excused as he was in a different kind of court, successfully leading the defence in a murder trial. Yet the margin of Middlesex success was not as great as the figures might suggest. On the last day, if Devon had beaten Middlesex a three-fold tie in matches would have needed a count of games to decide the winner. But luck always seems to run against the strong Devon team in this competition; will it turn next year?

After the last New Zealand Championships, in which the galaxy of test team players from Australia and Britain also competed, most people regard the winners as "World Champions". So the outstanding event of the first day at Hurlingham was the defeat of "World Champions" Solomon and Cotter by Hamilton-Miller and Reckitt. It seemed as if the champions' shooting boots might have been left overseas, but their opponents thoroughly deserved the win. On the second day Surrey beat Devon, but the joy of the Surrey captain was later dimmed by a personal defeat in the third pair by Baillieu and Skempton of Eastern Counties who, in a handicap, would have been receiving four bisques. Middlesex second pair were lucky to escape defeat in their game against Hants and Dorset. As "time" approached Dibley and Penny were well ahead, but left a "double" for Miss Lintern to hit and get to the peg. Onlookers felt that either custom or regulations should ensure that opponents, well before the end, are clearly agreed on the exact moment when time shall be called. On the third day Mrs. Gasson and Miss Hickson scored a meritorious win against their Surrey opponents. And so to the final day and key match Devon v. Middlesex, but Devon only succeeded in one game and that by a single point.

Although not winning a match Hants and Dorset had their moment of triumph when Beamish and de la Nougerede beat the Devon first pair; they very nearly beat the Surrey 'A' team too. Consistently accurate play by Prichard won all the games for Middlesex third pair, Eastern Counties and Sussex fought bravely against lower bisqued opponents, and all players were grateful to Mrs. Cave for tirelessly adding many welcome attentions to her managerial duties.

### TEAMS

**Devon.** Mrs. E. Rotherham, Miss E. Warwick, J. G. Warwick, A. J. Cooper, Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave, Miss A. E. Mills. Reserve: Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey.

**Eastern Counties.** Mrs. E. Reeve, E. P. Duffield, Mrs. P. E. Heley, C. W. R. Hodges, A. D. Karmel, Mrs. A. D. Karmel, Prof. Skempton, I. C. Baillieu.

**Hants and Dorset.** Maj. J. H. Dibley, Mrs. V. C. Gasson, Miss K. D. Hickson, Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish, V. A. de la Nougerede, Dr. H. J. Penny.

**Middlesex.** Miss D. A. Lintern, Mrs. S. M. Adler, E. P. C. Cotter, Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard, J. W. Solomon, Capt. H. G. Stoker, Mrs. R. Tingey, R. Tingey.

**Surrey.** M. B. Reckitt (Capt.), A. V. Camroux, J. B. Gilbert, D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller, R. O. Hicks, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins.

**Sussex.** Mrs. W. Longman (Capt.), Lady Ursula Abbey, Mrs. H. F. Chittenden, Miss Forbes-Cowan, Miss H. D. Parker, E. A. Roper. Reserves: W. H. Austin, Mrs. E. A. Roper.

### ANALYSIS OF PLAY

**Middlesex** won 5 matches, v. Eastern Counties, 3-0; Hants and Dorset, 3-0; Surrey, 2-1; Devon, 2-1; Sussex, 3-0.

**Surrey** won 4 matches, v. Devon, 2-1; Eastern Counties, 2 to 1; Hants and Dorset, 2 to 1; Sussex, 3-0. Lost to Middlesex, 2-1.

**Devon** won 3 matches, v. Hants and Dorset, 2-1; Eastern Counties, 2-1; Sussex, 2-1. Lost to Surrey, 2-1; Middlesex, 2-1.

**Sussex** won 2 matches, v. Eastern Counties, 2-1; Hants and Dorset, 3-0. Lost to Middlesex, 3-0; Devon, 3-0; Surrey, 3-0.

**Eastern Counties** won 1 match, v. Hants and Dorset, 2-1.

**Hants and Dorset.** No games.

## AMENDMENTS TO THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS for Ratification under Rule XIV of the Rules of the Croquet Association.

In the spring of 1962 agreement had been reached between the Council of the C.A. and the Council of Australia on all points up to then raised on the Laws. This agreement was implemented by the Council passing the necessary amendments at their meeting held after the Annual General Meeting on the 28th May, 1962, the minutes whereof appeared in the Gazette No. 61 (September, 1962). There was, however, one outstanding point of difference between the above two Councils and the Council of New Zealand, and this difference related to the replacing of yard line balls, when two balls were competing for priority of placing on a corner, or other spot on the yard line. Pending agreement with New Zealand none of these provisional amendments has yet been formally ratified under Rule XIV of the Rules of the C.A. During the recent New Zealand tour representatives of the three Councils have agreed to follow the New Zealand practice in the replacing of yard line balls.

Further new points were also raised and agreed between the three countries, entailing further small amendments which were approved by Council on 27th May, 1963. There is now set out below all the amendments approved by Council, subsequent to the publication of the printed addenda and errata slip. These will now be formally ratified under Rule XIV.

The amendment to Law 8, which appeared in the Gazette No. 61 (September, 1962) has now been cancelled.

### Amendments to be Ratified

- Page 14. In Law 15(b) add the following words "Likewise if the striker at the beginning of a turn play a rover which is in contact with the peg it shall be pegged-out unless it is played in a direction away from the peg."
- Page 15. In Law 18(b) line 4 after the words "balls in hand" add the words "when the roqueted ball has been placed."
- Page 16. In Law 19(b) after the words "croqueted ball" substitute a full stop for the comma and delete the words "or a ball in contact with it other than his own ball."
- Page 17. In Law 23(b) add the following words "when any ball is moved under this sub-law, any other ball likely to be affected by this stroke shall also be moved so as to maintain the relative position of such ball. Any ball so moved and not displaced by this stroke, shall at once be replaced".
- Page 17. In Law 23(d) after the words "at any time" add the words "by the striker."
- Page 18. In Law 28 line 6 after the words "shall be valid" add the words "subject to Law 32."
- Page 21. In Law 32(a)(viii) after the word "Moves" add the words "or shakes."
- Page 21. In Law 32(a)(xi) delete the whole of this sub-section as amended by the printed addenda slip and substitute "Touches a ball other than his own ball, with the mallet or any part of his body or clothes or allows his own ball to touch any part of his body or clothes or to retouch his mallet."
- Page 21. In Law 32(a)(xii). After the words "croqueted ball" delete the words "or a ball in contact with it other than his own ball."
- Page 21. In Law 32(b)(i) delete the first sentence and substitute "Unless the fault is condoned the striker's turn ends, no point can be scored, and in all cases, except for a fault made during a croquet stroke wherein the striker's turn would have ended under Law 19(c), the balls are replaced."
- Page 21. In Law 33 for Law 14 "read Law 22".
- Page 30. In Law 49(b) delete the words "In time limited games."
- Note.*—The Council do NOT intend to ratify the resolution published in Croquet No. 61 (September, 1962), proposing the addition of a proviso to Law 8. Such proposal has now been cancelled and Law 8 should be read as originally printed.

### Amendments to the Regulations for Official Tournaments

It is proposed to take similar action to ratify the following amendments to the Regulations.

- Page 36. In Regulation 4(d) line 2 after the words "he shall not" delete the words "in a time limited game."
- Page 37. In Regulation 6 (a) at commencement of this sub-regulation add the words "Subject to (e) hereof".
- Page 37. In regulation 6. Add sub-regulation (e) "A referee on appeal may only award a fault under Law 32 if fully satisfied by personal observation that a fault has been committed."

*Note.*—This amendment is in substitution of the proposed sub-regulation (e) published in Croquet No. 61 in September, 1962, which Council do not propose to ratify and which has now been cancelled.



Page 43. In Regulation 19(f) substitute a comma for the semicolon at the end and add the words "but may, at his discretion, decide that the final of an event, which has been played in shortened games, may be played in the form of a full game."

Note.—Regulation 8. Time Limits.

The amended Regulation 8, which was provisionally approved and published in the Gazette No. 61 (September, 1962) may shortly be altered and, therefore, will not at present be formally ratified. In the meantime all games subject to Time Limits should continue to be played in accordance with the provisions thereof. J.M.R.

## Council Meeting Minutes

Minutes of a Council meeting held at the Hurlingham Club on May 27th, 1963.

### Present

J. W. Solomon (Chairman), J. M. Rivington, G. Birch, D. C. Caporn, Mrs. H. F. Chittenden, Maj. J. H. Dibley, G. V. Evans, Miss D. A. Lintern, H. C. S. Perry, M. B. Reckitt, Mrs. E. Reeve, E. A. Roper, Mrs. E. Rotherham, Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart, Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts, Lt.-Cmdr. D. W. Style, L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, Mrs. R. R. Williams.

### Apologies

Rev. B. V. H. Brackenbury, Col. J. G. Clarke, E. P. Duffield, J. A. Hollweg, A. D. Karmel.

The Chairman begged leave to bring forward the report on the laws changes agreed in New Zealand, and this was presented by Mr. Rivington.

### Changes in the Laws

Mr. Rivington said that ever since the new Laws were presented there had been a few differences with New Zealand and Australia, but now, thanks to our test team delegates these had been resolved.

Consequent upon agreement between the three countries it would be necessary to amend the Laws as follows:—

- Law 8. Delete the proviso published in *Croquet* 61 (September, 1962). Law 8 to be read as originally published.
- Law 18(b) Line 4 after the words "balls in hand" add the words "when the roqueted ball has been placed."
- Law 19(b) After the words "croqueted ball" substitute a full stop for the comma and delete the words "or a ball in contact with it other than his own ball."
- Law 23(d) After the words "at any time" add the words "by the striker."
- Law 28 After the words "shall be valid" add the words "subject to Law 32."
- Law 32(a) (viii) after the word "moves" add the words "or shakes."
- Law 32(a) (xii) After the words "croqueted ball" delete the words "or a ball in contact with it other than his own ball."
- Law 49(b) Delete the words "In time limited games."

Mr. Rivington then said that while the Regulations for official tournaments held within their respective jurisdictions are a domestic matter for the Council concerned it was desirable that as far as possible they should be uniform in the three countries and that as a result of the discussions in New Zealand the Council proposed the following alterations to the Regulations.

Regulation 4(d) After the words "he shall not" delete the words "in a time limited game."

Regulation 6(a) Add at commencement "Subject to (e) hereof".

6(c) Delete the sub paragraph (e) published in *Croquet* 61 (Sept. 1962), and substitute the following:

(e) A Referee on Appeal may only award a fault under Law 32 if fully satisfied by personal observation that a fault has been committed."

There were constitutional rules on the alteration of Laws and these would be strictly adhered to, but to avoid unnecessary delay he proposed to ask the A.G.M. to give Council authority to issue instructions that these proposed alterations and additions to the Laws of Association Croquet and the Regulations to Official Tournaments should be deemed to take effect from the 28th May. This proposal was seconded by Dr. Wiggins and carried unanimously.

Council's approval was given to the action taken by the delegates to the conference in New Zealand.

The Hon. Treasurer requested permission to agree to any minor amendments which might be put up at the Annual General Meeting regarding the married couples' subscriptions, and to the amount of tribute charged for evening and weekend fixtures, and this was granted.

Council meeting was then adjourned until after the Annual General Meeting.

The Council meeting was resumed following the Annual General Meeting.

### Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th March, 1963, approved and signed by the Chairman.

### Matters arising

There were none.

### Correspondence

The Secretary reported that Canon Creed-Meredith had tendered his resignation to the Council, which was accepted with regret.

### Questions

Mr. Roper asked who was responsible for enforcing the collection of tribute at tournaments, and was told it was the responsibility of the club tournament secretaries.

Miss Lintern asked if anything had been arranged about tents for the Eastbourne tournament, and Mr. Perry undertook to make the necessary arrangements with the Devonshire Park authorities.

### Notices of Motion

There were none.

### Matters arising from the Annual General Meeting

Mr. Baillieu's question on Regulations, referred to Laws Committee.

Miss Warwick's suggestion that Counties should be played under the Laws of Advanced Play was referred to Tournament Committee.

Cmdr. Style asked the Drafting Committee to consider if his resolution needed any amendment of phrasing.

Mr. Roper asked if a leaflet could be produced on the Association—advantages of membership—to be used as publicity. Referred to Publicity Committee.

It was decided to add at the bottom of the Annual General Meeting notice "please bring this agenda with you."

### Selection Committee

The Chairman regretted that there had been some confusion regarding the ballot for the Selection Committee but that most members had sent in their selection. The four members who had received the greatest number of votes were Mr. Reckitt, Miss Lintern, Major Dibley and Mr. Solomon. It was agreed that this committee should act for the current year, and on Mr. Reckitt's suggestion, the Chairman undertook to have the conditions governing the election of this committee available in good time for the following year.

### Election of Handicap Co-ordinating Committee

The same committee were re-elected, i.e., Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts, M. B. Reckitt, Miss D. A. Lintern, J. W. Solomon and Maj. J. H. Dibley.

### The Eastbourne Tournament

After some discussion Miss Lintern proposed that there shall be a match on the second Saturday at Eastbourne and that the Selection Committee decide the form it should take. This was seconded and agreed.

### Any other business

It was decided the Secretary should write to the Canon thanking him for his years of service. Also that the Secretary should write to the Bournemouth Corporation offering to stage an exhibition match on their lawn.

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

June 10th, 1963

### SOUTHWICK, BRIGHTON

- ✓ Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart 1½ to 1.
- ✓ Mrs. E. M. Kay 6 to 5.
- ✓ Mrs. E. M. Temple 5½ to 5.
- ✓ Mrs. E. F. Rose 4½ to 3½.
- ✓ Mrs. H. F. Chittenden 1 to ½.

### NEW HANDICAP

- ✓ Lt.-Col. H. F. Sanderson \*7 to 6.

### COMPTON CLUB RECOMMENDATION

- ✓ Mrs. H. C. S. Perry 8 to 7.

### CHELTENHAM

- ✓ E. A. L. Sulley 3½ to 3.
- ✓ P. J. M. Fidler 4 to 3.
- ✓ Mrs. A. M. Daniels 1½ to 1.

### MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

- ✓ A. V. Camroux 1 to 0.

### REDUCTIONS AT HURLINGHAM

- ✓ James Laursen 6½ to 4.
- ✓ Martin Murray 6½ to 5.
- ✓ D. Miller 4 to 2.
- ✓ R. Thorp 5 to 2.
- ✓ P. S. M. Fidler 3 to 1½.

## BRIGHTON

### THE ABBEY CHALLENGE CUP

#### OPEN SINGLES

("Two Life" System)

#### THE DRAW

(14 Entries)

#### FIRST ROUND

- L. Kirk-Greene bt E. A. Roper by 22.
- W. H. Austin bt Maj. J. R. Abbey by 20.
- N. F. Blackwood bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 11.
- Miss H. D. Parker bt Dr. H. J. Penny by 7.
- Col. F. E. Stobart bt G. Williams by 23.
- Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Miss E. F. Rose by 13.

#### SECOND ROUND

- L. Kirk-Greene bt Lady Ursula Abbey by 18.
- N. F. Blackwood bt W. H. Austin by 14.
- Col. F. E. Stobart bt Miss H. D. Parker by 13.
- Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Miss K. D. Hickson by 20.

#### SEMI-FINAL

- L. Kirk-Greene bt N. F. Blackwood by 6.
- Mrs. F. H. Chittenden bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 9.

#### FINAL

- Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt L. Kirk-Greene by 18.

#### PROCESS

(14 Entries)

#### FIRST ROUND

- Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt N. F. Blackwood by 15.
- L. Kirk-Greene bt Col. F. E. Stobart by 11.
- Lady Ursula Abbey bt Dr. H. J. Penny by 12.
- Miss E. F. Rose bt Miss H. D. Parker by 16.
- Mrs. G. W. Solomon bt Miss K. D. Hickson by 5.
- E. A. Roper bt G. Williams by 14.

#### SECOND ROUND

- L. Kirk-Greene bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 4.
- Lady Ursula Abbey w.o. Major J. R. Abbey (opponent scratched).
- Miss E. F. Rose bt W. H. Austin by 5.
- Mrs. G. W. Solomon bt G. A. Roper by 11.

#### SEMI-FINAL

- L. Kirk-Greene w.o. Lady Ursula Abbey (opponent scratched).
- Miss E. F. Rose bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 12.

#### FINAL

- L. Kirk-Greene bt Miss E. F. Rose by 23.

#### PLAY-OFF

- L. Kirk-Greene by 6.

### HANDICAP SINGLES

#### THE JELICORSE CUP

(34 Entries)

#### FIRST ROUND

- Mrs. E. M. Kay (6) bt Mrs. M. C. Puxon (12) by 11.
- Mrs. E. Thompson (10) bt Mrs. F. H. Curtis (12) by 18.

#### SECOND ROUND

- Miss E. F. Rose (4½) bt Miss E. Johnston (4) by 20.
- Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt Mrs. R. D. Griffiths (8) by 9.
- Mrs. E. M. Temple (5½) bt Miss Forbes-Cowan (4) by 3.
- N. F. Blackwood (1½) bt W. P. H. Roe (5½) by 7.
- H. A. Green (2½) bt Maj. J. R. Abbey (1½) by 18.
- Mrs. E. A. Roper (7) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) by 14.
- Mrs. C. M. Gibson (9) bt F. H. Curtis (8) by 5.
- Mrs. E. M. Kay (6) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor (9) by 12.
- Miss G. Allen (9) bt Mrs. E. Thompson (10) by 15.
- Miss M. Morgan (7) bt Mrs. F. M. Cervantes (9) by 6.
- Col. F. E. Stobart (1½) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (7) by 4.
- Miss M. Towers (9) w.o. A. M. Hicks (6½) (opponent scratched).
- Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (1) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond (9) by 8.
- W. H. Austin (3) bt G. Williams (½) by 24.
- H. F. Sanderson (7) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (6½) by 13.
- F. E. M. Puxon (8) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) by 13.

#### THIRD ROUND

- Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt Miss E. F. Rose (4½) by 2.
- Mrs. E. M. Temple (5½) bt N. F. Blackwood (1½) by 10.
- Mrs. E. A. Roper (7) bt H. A. Green (2½) by 6.
- Mrs. C. M. Gibson (9) bt Mrs. E. M. Kay (6) by 1.
- Miss G. Allen (9) bt Miss M. Morgan (7) by 3.
- Col. F. E. Stobart (1½) bt Miss M. Towers (9) by 5.
- W. H. Austin (3) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (1) by 17.
- H. F. Sanderson (7) bt F. E. M. Puxon (8) by 12.

#### FOURTH ROUND

- Mrs. E. M. Temple (5½) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (2) by 11.
- Mrs. C. M. Gibson (9) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (7) by 6.
- Col. F. E. Stobart (1½) bt Miss G. Allen (9) by 3.
- H. F. Sanderson (7) bt W. H. Austin (3) by 2.

#### SEMI-FINAL

- Mrs. E. M. Temple (5½) bt Mrs. M. C. Gibson (9) by 21.
- H. F. Sanderson (7) bt Col. F. E. Stobart (1½) by 2.

#### FINAL

- Mrs. E. M. Temple (5½) bt H. F. Sanderson (7) by 7.

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

#### EVENT "X"

(36 Entries)

#### FIRST ROUND

- Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1½) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor (9) by 17.
- Mrs. K. Lowein (13) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (2) by 4.
- Miss G. Forbes-Cowan (4) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (7) by 2.
- Miss E. Johnston (4) w.o. W. P. H. Roe (5½) (opponent scratched).

#### SECOND ROUND

- H. A. Green (2½) bt Miss G. Allen (9) by 11.
- Miss K. D. Hickson (4) bt Mrs. F. H. Curtis (12) by 23.
- Maj. J. R. Abbey (1½) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) by 23.
- Mrs. C. M. Gibson (9) bt Brig. J. Omond (6½) by 14.
- E. A. Roper (2) bt F. E. M. Puxon (8) by 14.
- Miss E. F. Rose (4½) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) by 11.
- Mrs. E. A. Roper (7) bt F. H. Curtis (8) by 3.
- Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1½) bt Mrs. Lowein (13) by 15.
- Miss E. Johnston (4) bt Miss G. Forbes-Cowan (4) by 10.
- Miss M. K. Towers (9) bt Mrs. J. Omond (9) by 11.
- Mrs. E. M. Temple (5½) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (2) by 16.
- Mrs. E. M. Kay (6) w.o. Maj. A. M. Hicks (6½) (opponent scratched).
- G. Williams (½) bt Mrs. R. D. Griffiths (8) by 5.
- W. H. Austin (3) bt Miss M. Morgan (7) by 2.
- Mrs. E. Thompson (10) bt Mrs. M. C. Puxon (12) by 14.
- Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) bt H. F. Sanderson (7) by 8.

#### THIRD ROUND

- H. A. Green (2½) bt Miss K. D. Hickson (4) by 23.
- Maj. J. R. Abbey (1½) bt Mrs. C. M. Gibson (9) by 7.
- Miss E. F. Rose (4½) bt E. A. Roper (2) by 7.
- Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1½) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (7) by 20.
- Miss E. Johnston (4) bt Miss M. Towers (9) by 4.
- Mrs. E. M. Kay (6) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (5½) by 7.
- W. H. Austin (3) w.o. G. Williams (½) (opponent scratched).
- Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) bt Mrs. E. Thompson (10) by 14.

#### FOURTH ROUND

- H. A. Green (2½) bt Maj. J. R. Abbey (1½) by 21.
- Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1½) bt Miss E. F. Rose (4½) by 10.
- Mrs. E. M. Kay (6) bt Miss E. Johnston (4) by 16.
- W. H. Austin (3) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) by 18.

#### SEMI-FINAL

- Col. F. E. Stobart (1½) bt H. A. Green (2½) by 11.
- Mrs. E. M. Kay (6) bt W. H. Austin (3) by 17.

#### FINAL

- Mrs. E. M. Kay (6) bt Col. F. E. Stobart (1½) by 5.

#### EVENT "Y"

(18 Entries)

#### FIRST ROUND

- Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor (9) by 11.
- W. P. H. Roe (5½) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (7) by 6.

#### SECOND ROUND

- Miss G. Allen (9) bt Mrs. F. M. Curtis (12) by 2.
- Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (6½) by 14.
- Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt F. E. M. Puxon (8) by 8.
- Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt F. H. Curtis (8) by 2.
- Mrs. J. S. Omond (9) bt W. P. H. Roe (5½) by 2.
- Dr. H. J. Penny (2) bt Miss M. Towers (9) by 12.
- Miss M. Morgan (7) bt Mrs. R. D. Griffiths (8) by 7.
- H. F. Sanderson (7) bt Mrs. Puxon (12) by 7.

#### THIRD ROUND

- Miss G. Allen (9) bt Mrs. Wooster (8) by 6.
- Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) w.o. Lady Ursula Abbey (2) (opponent scratched).
- Dr. H. J. Penny (2) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond (9) by 8.
- H. F. Sanderson (7) w.o. Miss M. Morgan (7) (opponent retired).

#### SEMI-FINAL

- Mrs. G. Solomon (2) bt Miss G. Allen (9) by 6.
- H. F. Sanderson (7) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (2) by 7.

#### FINAL

- Mrs. G. Solomon and H. F. Sanderson divided.



**HANDICAP DOUBLES**  
(Combined Handicap not less than 4)  
(Starting at Hoop 3  
(11 Pairs)

**FIRST ROUND**

Miss K. Hickson and Dr. H. J. Penny (6) bt Mrs. M. C. Puxon and Mrs. L. Lowein (25) by 3 on time.  
Miss Forbes-Cowan and Mrs. E. M. Temple (9½) bt E. M. Puxon and Miss G. Allen (17) by 9.  
Mrs. Chittenden and Miss Parker (4) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster and Mrs. R. D. Griffiths (16) by 4.

**SECOND ROUND**

E. A. Roper and Mrs. Solomon (4) bt F. H. Curtis and Mrs. F. H. Curtis (20) by 6.  
Miss Forbes-Cowan and Mrs. Temple (9½) bt Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. Hickson (6) by 7.  
Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Miss Parker (4) bt Miss Johnston and H. A. Green (6½) by 13.  
Mrs. E. A. Roper and Miss M. Taylor (14) bt N. F. Blackwood and Mrs. J. S. Omond (10½) by 1 on time.

**SEMI-FINAL**

E. A. Roper and Mrs. G. Solomon (4) bt Miss Forbes-Cowan and Mrs. E. Temple (9½) by 15.  
Mrs. Chittenden and Miss H. Parker (4) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper and Miss M. Taylor (14) by 7.

**FINAL**

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Miss Parker (4) bt E. A. Roper and Mrs. Solomon (4) by 10.

**PEEL MEMORIALS**

The results shown on page 10 of the June issue need correction in two particulars:

**Men's Event:** J. C. Baillieu bt Capt. H. G. Stoker in the play-off by 8.

**Ladies' Event:** Final of The Draw; Miss D. A. Lintern bt Mrs. Neville Rolfe by 11.

**CHELTENHAM**

June 1st-3rd

This Whitsun meeting was of the kind that the Cheltenham club believes may be the pattern for the future—a week-end event for busy people, who are guaranteed at least five games in three days. In a long week-end many players thus have as much croquet as they would have in a week's tournament, and yet they lose only one working day.

To achieve this desirable end, Tom Colls, the manager, devised an ingenious rectangular array which allowed each of the twenty-two players to have five games. The prize-winners, with five wins, or a good score in one losing game, could not be regarded as scientifically selected. Nevertheless, few would doubt that Fidler, Sulley and Mrs. Daniels, playing off 4, 3½ and 1½ respectively, were the most convincing players of the tournament. Fidler and Sulley won their matches with some ease, as did Mrs. Daniels in all but one game when she found Mrs. Mathews at her best, and lost by ten points. In any case the winning is of secondary importance in an event of this nature, which gives a gentle competitive urge, without obscuring the main objective, that of providing a thoroughly enjoyable and full week-end of croquet for everyone.

The courts gathered speed under the sun and wind, and at least one of them could be classed as tricky by Monday afternoon.

Four visitors from Edgbaston (Misses Lacey, Horton and Templeton and Mr. Newton) were very welcome, as was R. A. Godby from London, P. J. M. Fidler and C. G. Miller from Oxford, and our regular commuter from Newport, Edward Sulley.

There seems to be increasing support for these week-end tournaments, and the Cheltenham club may be able to develop them further next season.

**RESULTS**

First and second. Divided (5 games won). E. A. L. Sulley (3½), P. J. M. Fidler (4).

Third (4 games, losing 10 points.) Mrs. A. M. Daniels (1½).

**OTHER PLAYERS WHO WON MORE THAN HALF THEIR GAMES:—**

C. H. O'D. Alexander (2½), 4 games losing 13 points.

Miss K. M. O. Sessions (3½), 4 games losing 21 points.

Miss I. M. Roe (1½), 4 games losing 25 points.

**THREE WINNING GAMES:—**

T. G. S. Colls (1½),

R. A. Godby (2).

Miss H. McKean (10).

Mrs. Mathews (3½).

C. G. Miller (5).

W. H. Thorp (1½).

**INTER-CLUB MATCH**

ROEHAMPTON v. CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY

Played at Roehampton on Tuesday, June 18th, 1963. Roehampton players named first.

**SINGLES**

J. A. Hollweg bt C. Dashwood by 22.  
A. V. Camroux bt D. Miller by 3.  
J. B. Gilbert bt R. Thorp by 16.  
Miss D. A. Lintern lost to J. Laurensen by 7.  
R. O. Hicks bt M. Murray by 18.  
M. B. Reckitt bt A. Mozley by 24.

**DOUBLES**

J. A. Hollweg and A. V. Camroux lost to C. Dashwood and J. Laurensen by 8.  
J. B. Gilbert and R. O. Hicks lost to R. Thorp and M. Murray by 12.  
Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. S. M. Adler bt D. Miller and A. Mozley by 5.

**RESULT.**—Roehampton beat Cambridge University by 6 matches to 3.

**INTER-CLUB GOLF CROQUET MATCH**

ROEHAMPTON v. DULWICH

Played at Roehampton on May 21st, 1963. Roehampton players named first.

Mrs. S. Phillips and Mrs. D. Staub lost to Mrs. Pethebridge and Miss King by 4 to 9.

Mrs. S. Phillips and Mrs. D. Staub lost to Mrs. Kozhevar and Mrs. Frenkin by 6 to 7.

Mrs. S. Phillips and Mrs. D. Staub bt Mrs. Beck and Miss Hammer 7 to 6.

Mrs. M. H. Carrington and Mrs. J. Pavia lost to Mrs. Pethebridge and Miss King by 5 to 8.

Mrs. M. H. Carrington and Mrs. J. Pavia bt Mrs. Kozhevar and Mrs. Frenkin by 9 to 4.

Mrs. M. H. Carrington and Mrs. J. Pavia lost to Mrs. Beck and Miss Hammer by 6 to 7.

Mrs. D. Caporn and Mrs. C. Hawes lost to Mrs. Pethebridge and Miss King by 4 to 9.

Mrs. D. Caporn and Mrs. C. Hawes bt Mrs. Kozhevar and Mrs. Frenkin by 7 to 6.

Mrs. D. Caporn and Mrs. C. Hawes v. Mrs. Beck and Miss Hammer unfinished.

**RESULT.**—Dulwich beat Roehampton by 5 games to 3 and one unfinished.

**LONGMAN (CLUB TEAM) CUP**

**FIRST ROUND**

ROEHAMPTON v. COMPTON

Played at Roehampton on Thursday, June 13th, 1963. Roehampton players named first.

**SINGLES**

Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) bt H. W. Austin (3) by 11.  
Mrs. S. M. Adler (2) lost to R. J. Pickett (7) by 12.  
D. C. Caporn (6) bt N. V. Snell (7) by 9.

**DOUBLES**

D. C. Caporn and Mrs. S. M. Adler (8) bt N. V. Snell and R. J. Pickett (14) by 8.

A. S. Oldham and Mrs. G. W. Solomon (8) bt H. W. Austin and E. Gadsden (15) by 14.

**RESULT.**—Roehampton beat Compton by 4 games to 1.

**SOUTHWICK v. ROEHAMPTON**

Tuesday, June 11th at Southwick

(Southwick players named first)

**SINGLES**

L. Kirk-Greene bt Maj. R. Tingey by 15.  
Col. F. Stobart bt Miss Lintern by 11.  
N. F. Blackwood lost to Mrs. Solomon by 9.  
E. A. Roper lost to Mrs. Tingey by 8.

**DOUBLES**

L. Kirk-Greene and E. A. Roper bt Maj. R. Tingey and Mrs. Solomon by 3.

Col. F. Stobart and N. F. Blackwood lost to Miss Lintern and Mrs. Tingey by 11.

The match was drawn with three games each.

**HURLINGHAM**

**THE ANNUAL CROQUET TOURNAMENT**

including the

**"LADIES' FIELD" CANDLESTICKS**

(Under the direction of the C.A.)

will be held from

**\*Monday, August 5th, to Wednesday, August 14th, 1963**

Committee.—The Croquet Committee of the Club.

Manager and Handicapper.—E. A. Roper.

Referee.—J. G. Warwick.

Secretary.—Lt.-Col. R. F. J. Hayward, V.C., M.C.

**EVENTS**

1.—**THE HURLINGHAM CUP.** Holder, E. P. C. Cotter. Level Singles. Entrance Fee, 12s. 6d. Draw and Process.

2.—**THE TURNER CUP.** Holder, Mrs. S. M. Adler. Level Singles. For players handicapped at 1 bisques and over not entered for Event 1. Challenge Cup presented by the late Mrs. Ernest Turner. Single games throughout. Entrance Fee, 10s.

3.—**THE HURLINGHAM DOUBLES.** Holders, H. O. Hicks and Mrs. W. Longman. Level Play. Mixed Pairs. Challenge Cup presented by the late Mrs. Henry Franc. Single games throughout. Entrance Fee, 10s. each player.

4.—**THE YOUNGER CUP.** Holder, P. J. Fidler. Level Singles. For players handicapped at 4½ bisques and over not entered for Events 1 or 2. Challenge Cup presented by the late Lt.-Col. J. A. C. Younger. Single games throughout. Entrance Fee, 10s. Law 36 suspended.

Play in this event will not start before 1.30 p.m. Tuesday, August 6th, and competitors can enter on the understanding that they will not be called upon to play in this or any other event before that time.

5.—**THE LONGWORTH CUP.** Holder, T. F. H. Jessel. Level Singles. For players handicapped at 8 bisques and over not entered for Events 1, 2 or 4. Challenge Cup presented by Mrs. R. C. Longworth. Single games throughout. Entrance Fee, 10s. All games to start at the third hoop. Law 36 suspended.

Play in this event will start on Tuesday, August 6th, and the early rounds will be played at Roehampton.

6.—**THE PINCKNEY SIMPSON CUP (HANDICAP SINGLES).** Holder, E. A. L. Sully. Entrance Fee, 10s.

7.—**THE "LADIES' FIELD" CANDLESTICKS (Ladies' Handicap Doubles).** Holders, Mrs. V. C. Gasson and Miss B. Duthie. Open to lady Members of the C.A. only. Entrance Fee, 10s. each player. All games to start at the third hoop.

8.—**MEN'S HANDICAP DOUBLES.** Entrance Fee, 10s. Holders, B. Lloyd Pratt and D. W. Miller. All games to start at the third hoop.

Tournament Plant by Messrs. John Jaques and Son Ltd., 3½in. Hoops and Standard Setting.

**PRIZES**

The winners of Trophies will be entitled to hold them for one year. Other prizes in accordance with the entries.

**ENTRIES AND DRAW**

All Entries with Fees for Events 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6, with the addresses of the competitors (and telephone number) must reach the Secretary, Croquet Tournament, The Hurlingham Club, Fulham, S.W.6, by first post on Wednesday, 31st July (not C.A. Secretary). Entries

for Events 3, 7 and 8, will close at noon on Tuesday, August 6th. The Draw for Events 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 will take place at the Club on Wednesday, July 31st, at 2.30 p.m.: for other Events as announced on the ground.

Cheques should be made payable to the Hurlingham Club.

**GENERAL**

The Committee reserves the right of altering the conditions and refusing entries without assigning a reason.

Flat-soled footwear must be worn.

Play will commence at 10 a.m. daily and continue till 7.30 p.m. if necessary.

Competitors will be made Honorary Members of the Club for the duration of the Tournament.

At least six Lawns will be provided.

Luncheons, Teas and Dinners can be obtained at the Club. There will also be a Snack Bar.

Leave for the first day of a Tournament lasting six days or less may be considered at the time of the Draw by the Manager or a deputy authorised by him, but leave for any other days may only be given by the Manager.

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- 3.—**THIRD DIVISION. THE RECKITT CHALLENGE CUP.** Open to Associates handicapped at 6 to 8 bisques inclusive. Entrance Fee, 11s. Matches of single games throughout. Play under the Laws of Handicap Singles play omitting Laws 38(b) and 39. Each competitor will receive 6 bisques. Holder: D. C. Caporn.
- 4.—**FOURTH DIVISION. THE STEVENSON CHALLENGE CUP.** Open to Associates handicapped at 9 bisques and over. Entrance Fee, 11s. Matches of single games throughout. Play will be under Laws of Handicap Singles play omitting the Laws 38(b) and 39. Each competitor will receive 9 bisques. Holder: R. W. Farrington.

N.B.—No competitor may enter for more than one of the above events.

- 5.—**THE "GILBEY" CUP HANDICAP SINGLES.** This event will be drawn in four blocks. "A", "B", "C" and "D", according to handicaps. Entrance Fee, 11s. Matches of single games throughout. To qualify for the "Gilbey" Cup the winner of "A" v. "B" will play the winner of "C" v. "D". Holder: Miss E. E. Fisher. Supplementary Cups: Block A, R. O. Hicks; Block C, Mrs. M. Carrington; Block D, W. G. A. Burgess.

- 6.—**HANDICAP DOUBLES.** Combined handicaps of 4 bisques or over. Entries should be made in pairs if possible. Entrance Fee, 11s. each person. Matches of single games throughout. Winners 1962: Mrs. L. A. Showan and Mrs. E. M. Speer.  
*Open to all Croquet Players*

- 7.—**GOLF CROQUET SINGLES. THE "ASCOT" CHALLENGE CUP.** Entrance Fee, 6s. The competition will be played under the Official Laws of Golf Croquet. Played in two blocks according to handicaps: the winners of the blocks playing-off to decide the winner of the Cup. Holder: Mrs. Kozhevar.

- 8.—**GOLF CROQUET DOUBLES. THE "DELVES BROUGHTON" CHALLENGE CUPS.** Presented by the late Sir Delves Broughton. Open to pairs with a combined handicap of not less than 4 bisques. Entrance Fee, 6s. each person. The competition will be played under the Official Laws of Golf Croquet. Holders: Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson.

### PLAY

Play will normally begin at 10 a.m. and continue until 7 p.m. The Manager may vary these times if it seems necessary.

### LEAVE

Applications for leave on the first day will be considered immediately after the draw by the Manager or a deputy authorised by her. Leave on other days may be given by the Manager only.

### CONDITIONS

Hoops 3½ inches wide. Jaques "Eclipse" balls will be used. Six courts will be provided. Competitors who are not members of the Roehampton club will be made Hon. Members of the club for the duration of the tournament.

### ENTRIES

All entries must be made on official entry forms and must be accompanied by the entrance fees. Entries for Events 1 to 5 and 7 must be received by the Secretary before 11 a.m. on Friday, August 9th. Entries for other events by Monday, August 12th.

### DRAW

The Draw for the Challenge Cups and Gilbey Cups will take place at the Croquet Office, Hurlingham Club, S.W.6., on Monday, August 12th, at 11 a.m. The Draw for Events 7 and 8 at the Roehampton Club on Thursday, August 15th, at 2.30 p.m., and for Event 6 on Friday, August 16th at 2.30 p.m.

Twelve

## BRIGHTON

### THE FIFTIETH

#### AUTUMN TOURNAMENT

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 26th and FIVE FOLLOWING DAYS

To be held on the Lawns of the Sussex County Croquet Club, Victoria Road, Southwick, Sussex.

(Under the Laws and Regulations of the C.A.)

Manager and Handicapper: Major J. H. Dibley.

Referee: E. A. Roper.

Hon. Tournament Secretary: Miss H. Parker, 4 Third Avenue, Hove.

### EVENTS

- 1.—**OPEN SINGLES** ("Two Lives" system). **THE SUSSEX GOLD CUP** presented by the late E. R. Harrison. Entrance Fee, 14s.
- 2.—**LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS B).** Law 37 in force. **THE FRANC CUP** presented by the late Mrs. H. Franc. Open to players handicapped 2½ to 6 bisques. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 3.—**HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS C).** **THE MONTEITH BOWL** presented by the late G. C. Braithwaite. Open to players handicapped 6½ and over. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 4.—**HANDICAP SINGLES. THE MAURICE RECKITT BOWL** presented by Mr. M. B. Reckitt. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 5.—**HANDICAP DOUBLES.** Combined handicaps 2 or over. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d. each partner.  
All games in Event 5 to start at No. 3 hoop with a time limit of 3½ hours.

### NOTE

Leave for the first day of a Tournament lasting six days or less may be considered at the time of the Draw by the Manager or a deputy authorised by him, but leave for any other days may only be given by the Manager.

### ENTRIES

Players may not enter for more than one of Events 1, 2 or 3. Entries on official forms please, for 1, 2, 3 and 4, must reach the Hon. Secretary by first post on Thursday, August 22nd.

### THE DRAW

The Draw for 1, 2, 3 and 4, will take place at Southwick on Thursday, August 22nd, at 2.30 p.m., and Event 5 on Tuesday, August 27th.

Post cards will be sent to all those required to play before noon on Monday.

### PLAY

Play will commence at 10 a.m. and continue till 6.30 p.m. or later if necessary.

### GENERAL

Standard setting, 3½ inch hoops and "Brento" balls will be used. Ten courts will be available.

Flat-soled footwear must be worn.

Competitors will be made hon. members of the Club during the Tournament. Lunches and Teas will be obtainable in the Club Canteen.

### TRANSPORT

Green buses along the Brighton front leave the Palace Pier every seven minutes. The 9.30 bus arrives Southwick, Grange Road, 9.40 a.m. From Worthing bus service every quarter of an hour and train service to Southwick four times an hour.

## BRIGHTON

### (Unofficial)

An unofficial tournament will be held on

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd, and FIVE FOLLOWING DAYS

(Under C.A. Laws and Regulations)

Manager, Handicapper and Referee.—E. A. Roper.

Hon. Tournament Secretary.—Miss Parker, 4 Third Avenue, Hove.

### EVENTS

- 1.—**OPEN SINGLES.** 3 and under. Entrance Fee, 11s.
- 2.—**HANDICAP SINGLES.** 3½-7 bisques. Entrance Fee, 11s.
- 3.—**HANDICAP SINGLES.** 7½ and over. Full bisques to be used by each player. Entrance Fee, 11s.
- 4.—**HANDICAP SINGLES.** Entrance Fee, 11s.
- 5.—**HANDICAP DOUBLES.** Combined handicap not less than 5. All games start at number 3 hoop with a time limit of 3½ hours. Entrance Fee, 11s.

Entries, on official forms, please, for Events 1, 2, 3 and 4, must reach the Hon. Secretary not later than first post Thursday, August 29th.

Event 5 will be drawn at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 3rd. For general information see above.

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