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NOTES by ROVER

Celt and Saxon

It is reported that the Council have in mind for the annual match at Devonshire Park a contest between representatives of England and those from the other three parts of the (once) United Kingdom. The qualifications for membership of these teams will, one must suppose, be analogous to, though not perhaps identical with, those governing the County Championship, and if so, it is likely that it will be rather birth or descent than present residence which will provide the bulk of what we may for convenience describe as the Celtic side. We know that Britain's Test Captain is of Hibernian origin, but if he heads the "Celts" on this occasion he may possibly find himself reinforced by some of the up and coming players now beginning a very welcome invasion from across the Irish Sea. No well-informed croquet player needs, of course, to be told that this sortie is not occurring for the first time, nor in fact would an "international match" between England and Ireland be a novelty. Several such contests were played in the years before World War I when with Erin able to call on Corballys, O'Callaghans, Duff Mathews and the Ladies Julian and Marcia Jocelyn (two sisters who would be a match for the best of our women players now), England was hard put to it to gain the day, though her representatives, led by the Beaton, did sometimes succeed in doing so. There were some tournaments in Wales and Scotland too in those days, but they produced few players of note. Then (as now) their contributions to a Celtic team would have come rather from race than residence.

The Ladies' Field Cup

In winning the right to hold the Ladies' Field Cup for the next twelve months, Mrs. Hope Rotherham is continuing to enjoy a highly successful season. Of particular interest is of course the winning of all her games during the five days, a feat only once performed in the long history of this event—by Miss Mona Bryan thirty-eight years ago when she won all 14 games from her seven opponents. Mrs. Rotherham is indeed back to the form she displayed in the late nineteen fifties when she won the cup three years running. In passing, we believe she holds the record for the number of times any competitor has appeared in the Ladies' Field Cup, for if our arithmetic is correct, this year made the nineteenth in which she has played. The first occasion was back in 1935 when in fact she finished joint second to Mrs. Apps. Since none of her rivals this year appeared in the list before 1957 she was beyond peradventure the doyenne of the party. What a pity it is that Miss Lintern and Mrs. Longman have found themselves in recent years unable to accept the Council's invitation to play since the event inevitably loses some of its lustre by the absence of these former holders of the Cup.

Beating Oneself

It was remarked during the recent Wimbledon lawn tennis fortnight that one of the finalists in the ladies' championship, Miss Billie Jean Moffitt, possessed the valuable attribute of not allowing her game to be affected by any mistakes she had made earlier in the match. The assumption to be drawn from this remark is that most players are so affected—that, for example, a misdirected smash early in a match can so weigh on the mind as to affect the efficiency of subsequent smashes. This subject came to mind when watching a Longman Club Cup match earlier this summer. One of the players, a greatly improved low bisquer, had picked up a break from virtually nothing, made the first hoop and was all set to go round when he unaccountably failed at his attempt at a simple second hoop. From this point nothing was to go right: twice he found himself in front of the second hoop and twice he failed. Take-offs either landed short or went off the boundary, short roquets were missed. In a word his game went to pieces because, lodged at the back of his mind, was the irritation of the missed hoop. How many of us can truthfully say that this has never happened in our case, that we have never gone through a whole game uninfluenced by a previous mistake? Certainly one of the surest ways of losing a game is to "beat yourself" in this way.

Croquet's High Season

"Years die in July," wrote a schoolmaster poet, "and are born in September." The croquet player's "year" is, of course, born at the end of April, but it is a somewhat weakly infant until July when, with the immensely popular tournament at Budleigh, it ripens into a sudden maturity. Henceforward at Cheltenham, Hurlingham, Southwick, and Roehampton in September, in particular, entries are liable to become almost embarrassingly large, as they are likely to do so again at Devonshire Park when the implications of the very attractive new programme, which appears in this number, become evident to careful readers. This seasonal dichotomy is in many ways to be deplored as bearing unfairly on those tournaments which, whether by tradition or necessity, have to be—or at any rate are—held in the first two months of the summer. But it would seem that, as the "Physicians of the Utmost Fame" declared in the case of Henry King (whose "chief defect", it will no doubt be remembered, was "chewing little bits of string" and who died in consequence) "there is no cure for such as these". Croquet players are slow starters at tournaments; they prefer to "warm up" in their local competitions and play off their ties in the Longman Cup and All England Handicap, or if professional men, have to accept the limitations which their vocations impose on them. Yet there is much to be said for choosing an early tournament; expenses are likely to be less, and with smaller entries one may get more play. And there is no danger of having your entry returned, as has already happened to some unfortunates this season.

An Amateur makes a Lawn

by B. V. F. Brackenbury

(This article appeared in 'Croquet' nearly nine years ago and contains a wealth of useful information)

I am not sure that this is the correct title for this article as it is really concerned as much with the maintenance of the lawn as with its original construction. However, I did once make a croquet lawn. This, of course, is not strictly accurate because I hired a number of men to do it for me. Still in justice to myself I must say that I did construct about one-sixth of that lawn for I added one hundred and sixty square yards to the original area and, in the process, I moved what seemed to be tons of soil. I worked five or six hours a day for several weeks. I am glad I did it, though today the thought of it appals me! I did not set out to write this article to boast of this but to tell you where I succeeded and where I frequently failed, so that should you ever be moved to create a croquet lawn in your garden or at your club you may profit by my experience.

In the first place I thought of employing a contractor, but this was one of the mistakes I did *not* make. To employ direct labour instead is a good deal cheaper, although you are left, as I was, with the responsibility of directing the work if you decide on this course. In levelling I was fortunate in not having to contend with a very great slope. A friendly surveyor gave me my levels, driving in numerous pegs all over the lawn, and so we set to work to build up to these pegs. Here let me strike a warning note. We found to our cost that it is easy for these pegs to be left in the ground just hidden by the soil instead of being removed when the levelling is finished. They then have an unpleasant habit of slowly working up through the turf and if you are as unfortunate as I was it will be your mowing machine which will first run across them with dire results. As you do your levelling you must of course ram the new soil home so that it is firm and will not subside later on. Now this is not nearly as easy as it sounds. We did what we could and finally raked over the new surface and it certainly *looked* very good indeed. Our next step was to put a light roller over it and then, alas, the surface appeared to be very far from level. There were slight indentations and as many humps as well! It was all a matter of only a few inches but it was by no means level. One of my men advised me to ignore this, assuring me that when the turf was laid and rolled these slight valleys and hillocks would disappear. He was wrong. As I look back now I see how much easier our work would have been later on had we spent a week making the surface absolutely level before we put down the turf.

Turf varies greatly in quality and price. As far as I was concerned it was a question of what would prove the most economical to use. How poor a turf could I make do with? A fine turf without weed can be very expensive so I decided to buy a much cheaper variety and to improve it. I am sure this has paid me though it has taken some time to clean and refine it. This brings me to the question of lawn maintenance. My turf had to be thoroughly raked, though only of course after it has had

time properly to take root. Ideally one would prefer to have the turf laid in the late autumn and would not attempt any severe raking for ten months—say the September of the following year. Turf often feels soft to walk on even when it has been rolled; this is due to the immense amount of rubbish beneath the green grass which must be removed. We took seven or eight large barrow loads of rakings from our lawn and left it looking very bare and brown. Within six weeks it was green again. To bring this about we had sown 56 lb. of good grass seed and given the whole lawn a top dressing of soil specially prepared at a nursery. Now with regular treatment the grass continues to improve. Close cutting is helping to get rid of the coarser grasses and application of fertilizer each year is strengthening the finer grass. Weeds, of course, are no trouble, for any selective weed killer will very soon clean the turf and further applications as required will keep the lawn free. Clover proved more difficult to eradicate at first, until I was told that regular monthly applications of selective weed killer would remove it. Give four applications at monthly intervals as soon as the leaf is open and your lawn should soon be free of clover which by its darker colour makes a lawn look so unsightly. These patches of clover, too, can make the pace of the lawn vary considerably. In a wet season I have been troubled with moss which spreads rapidly and stifles the grass. One can get rid of it with special treatment, but the best way to avoid it is by strengthening the grass. Moss flourishes where the grass is poor.

Winter play makes de-worming of the lawn an absolute necessity. It is easy to get rid of the worms, but one must remember to do the worms' work for them and regularly aerate the lawn by spiking it. You make the holes instead of the worms doing so and so let in the air to the roots of the grass. The extraordinary root growth of spiked turf has to be seen to be believed. The spiking is also important in connection with rolling. There is a school of thought which says spare the roller. To have a fast and true lawn I think you must roll it, but then you must spike it as well to avoid *sealing* the surface. Finally there is the question of mowing. Just as you must use the roller to have a fast and true lawn so you must also keep the grass really short, but the ordinary mowing machine is not good enough for this. To have a really close cut, the lawn requires to be cut with a ten knife machine instead of the usual machine which has only six knives. With the former you can cut so close that the grass box will contain cuttings more like a green powder than anything else. In the summer we mow the lawn almost every other day, in the spring and autumn once a week and in the winter once in three weeks. We never leave the grass uncut to avoid it getting coarse. Then, too, we mow in the winter because I play winter croquet. I always try to have a game on the afternoon of Christmas Day!

The Full Bisque Game

For want of an official title, the above heading might aptly describe the experiment being tried out this season in a few events whereby both players in a match are in receipt of their full number of bisques.

As is well known this is an experiment and it would be a pity, therefore, if any of those concerned with it were to approach these games with any preconceived ideas as to the merits or failings of this variation. But it is important to understand what is trying to be achieved and it is for this purpose that this article is written.

It will be noticed that the only events to be played under full bisques are those open only to longer bisquers and the object of this is two-fold.

First, to give long-bisquers the opportunity of learning how to use bisques properly. Those with foresight will already have realised the possibilities now opened up to them of having 10 or 12 bisques behind them when playing Mrs. X, whom they normally have great difficulty in beating with only 1 or 2 bisques to get them out of trouble. Breaks can now be laid and several hoops made, perhaps even an all-rounder with the aid of 5 or 6 bisques, and the psychological effect of getting in quickly with this sort of attacking play whilst one's opponent is still hoarding his bisques is very great. Never let it be forgotten that whilst one bisque should usually be kept in reserve in case of emergency, more than one bisque must always be regarded as weapons of attack. Long-bisquers rarely beat minus players in handicaps mainly because they use their bisques defensively and the experience gained in the full-bisque game will greatly improve their chances of beating one of the champions.

Secondly, it means that there is every prospect of games finishing much more quickly, and to those who are not feeling so young as they used to this is surely an attraction.

Upon reflection it will be seen that the application of the full-bisque game to level events, in which all competitors in a class are in receipt of the same number of bisques is perhaps even more of a logical step. Croquet is, perhaps, unique in demanding that in level events between long-bisquers the players should compete on exactly the same terms as exist in the Open Championship, apart from the lifts. That both players should be in receipt of bisques with which to attack their opponent is putting them on an equal footing with "A" Class players. They are, in fact, being given the chance to play like scratch players.

And with such a chance come added responsibilities and greater opportunities. Not only can they learn to use bisques for attack rather than defence. They can learn also the art of giving bisques so that they do not leave their opponent the possibility of a break, for the opponent will surely take advantage of his bisques to go round when opportunities are presented.

In fact, a new world of croquet is opened up to the budding long-bisquer. Tactics become all-important. Aunt Emma is banished for ever. Bisques give him or her the skill to play like the champions—which is what they are intended for. The old fuddy-duddies who are not prepared to take advantage of these new possibilities will not like the new approach to croquet, but the adventurous ones will lick the pants off them.

HURLINGHAM v. PARSONS GREEN

Results

(Hurlingham players first)

SINGLES

Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt Mrs. Showan by 5.
Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson bt Mrs. Perry by 9.
Mrs. A. W. Skempton bt Mrs. Parr by 10.
General F. H. N. Davidson bt Mrs. Turner by 6.

DOUBLES

Mrs. Gasson and Mrs. Davidson lost to Mrs. Showan and Mrs. Perry by 2.
Mrs. Skempton and General Davidson bt Mrs. Parr and Mrs. Turner by 13.

RESULTS—Hurlingham won by five games to one.

Matches were played on handicap: but the sporting Parsons Green Ladies were initially affected by playing on the full-size Hurlingham lawns, losing all four singles. After tea doubles were played, in which the high-light was a most exciting game between the leading pairs which Parsons Green finally won. Mrs. Davidson, recapturing her best form, soon made a fine run to penultimate. Then followed a long drawn out struggle in which the Parsons Green ladies steadily advanced till Mrs. Showan skilfully pegged out Mrs. Davidson. At the critical last lap Mrs. Gasson, by a fine hit in, looked like producing a Hurlingham win, but her opponents, making cunning use of their remaining half-bisque, pulled off an exciting win of +2. Thus ended a very pleasant and happy match in which the Hurlingham Club are to be thanked for their hospitality.

LEAMINGTON v. CHELTENHAM

at Leamington, 26th June, 1963

SINGLES

E. Sidwell bt. Miss K. Sessions by 20.
Mrs. M. Lewty bt. F. W. Meredith by 15.
L. D. Overell bt. Cmd. G. Borrett by 11.
Mrs. Slade bt Miss McKean by 11.

DOUBLES

L. D. Overell and Mrs. K. Slade bt Cmdr. G. Borrett and Miss McKean by 10.
E. Sidwell and Mrs. R. A. Lewty lost to Miss K. Sessions and F. W. Meredith by 3.

The weather was dry but a somewhat cold, gusty wind did not make playing conditions very easy. Our visitors arrived at 10 a.m. and we played two singles and one double in the forenoon and changed round in the afternoon.

Local knowledge was partly responsible for a home side win of five matches to one.

The doubles in the afternoon ended by all four clips on the rover—and Cheltenham won by three.

A most enjoyable day was spent and a most excellent lunch provided by Mrs. Sidwell.

LONGMAN CUP

1st Round—Southwick v. Hurlingham at Southwick

SINGLES

Miss H. D. Parker (3) bt I. C. Baillieu (2) by 2.
Miss E. F. Rose (3½) bt Gen. Wilson Haffenden (4) by 5.
Maj. R. Driscoll (6) bt N. M. Baldwin (6½) by 17.

DOUBLES

Miss H. D. Parker and Maj. R. Driscoll (9) lost to I. C. Baillieu and Mrs. A. D. Karmel (9½) by 13.
Mrs. E. M. Kay and Miss E. F. Rose (8½) bt Gen. Wilson-Haffenden and N. M. Baldwin (10½) by 2.
Southwick won by 4 games to 1.

Cambridge University Croquet Club v. Edgbaston

played at Edgbaston, 29th June, 1963

SINGLES

R. F. Thorp (2) bt Dr. B. R. Sandiford (3½) by 12.
D. W. Miller (2) lost to R. H. Newton (4) by 10.
P. D. Hallett (12) lost to F. R. Meacham (8) by 2.

DOUBLES

R. F. Thorp and B. J. Russ (13) bt Dr. B. R. Sandiford and Miss C. Templeton (13) by 2.
D. W. Miller and P. D. Hallett (14) bt R. H. Newton and F. R. Meacham (12) by 11.

Cambridge won by 3 games to 2.

THE VARSITY MATCH

The scores below reveal that Cambridge inflicted an overwhelming defeat on Oxford, but there are points of interest which are not disclosed by a mere perusal of the score card. The standard of play has been rising appreciably year by year. The moment of glory for Oxford was the leading singles match played between Peter Fidler, the Oxford captain, and Christopher Dashwood. When I arrived both players were on the first and third hoops respectively. Chris shot unavailingly at Peter's balls which were dangerously near the south boundary. The result was that Peter went round to 4-back. Chris missed the lift shot and Peter went to the sixth hoop and laid up. This was the outcome of a devil's agreement. Chris spoke out of turn in warning Peter that he was about to play with the wrong ball. Peter decided to make no more points in that turn. Chris could not hit in and Peter went to the peg with both balls. He then made his first failure. He missed the peg out with the front ball and pegged the other. Christopher made the first hoop before Peter hit the stick at his second attempt. He crowned this effort by qualifying as a referee before this week was over. This should inspire others.

One had to wait for the afternoon to get a glimpse of the true Christopher Dashwood. He hit the tice and went straight round to 4-back. In this match Oxford had two or three chances but they were never really in the hunt. James Laurensen caught the mood of his partner, found a delightful touch and in next to no time the game was over. There was no doubt as to which was the stronger side but all the players are to be congratulated on the zest with which they played the game. David Miller, the Cambridge captain had established himself as a croquet player before the season began. He must be congratulated, however, for his personal victories and for welding together this formidable team. Now for a last word of warning to all croquet players—beware of Rupert Thorp. I.C.B.

Results

Cambridge bt Oxford by 7 games to 2. Cambridge names first. Chris Dashwood lost to Peter Fidler by 23. David Miller bt Richard Nelson by 15. Rupert Thorp bt Chris Miller by 20. James Laurensen bt Nigel Campbell by 12. Martin Murray bt Charles Townshend by 23. Peter Hallett lost to Bill Robinson by 4. Dashwood and Laurensen bt Fidler and Nelson by 23. Thorp and Murry bt Miller and Townshend by 15. Miller and Hallett bt Campbell and Martin Smith by 16.

Questions and Answers

Question: May a player wipe any ball at any time in a game?

Answer: No, according to the amended law in *Croquet* for July. Law 23 (d) allows the *striker only* to wipe a ball and Law 45 (d) also adds, the adversary should be consulted.

Question: May the adversary interrupt the striker during his turn without a penalty?

Answer: No. Law 46 clearly states this, except to discharge his duty as a referee when playing in the absence of an appointed referee. See also Law 45 (a). The penalty for this in games other than "friendly" matches is disqualification. See Reg. 4 (k).

Notes from the Clubs

Nottingham

It is very gratifying to sense the feeling of enthusiasm which is pervading the club nowadays. Younger element is very prevalent, having acquired membership of four students from the University, and two boys from Nottingham High School. Their prowess shows great promise for the future.

Another example of enthusiasm takes the form of a visit from D. P. Horsley, his wife and friends who travelled approximately 90 miles from near Hull on the last day of the tournament to witness the finals.

On July 7th the same people visited the club again, eager for the opportunity to learn more about the game. The tournament secretary with the assistance of one or two club members was only too willing to help.

An inter-club match was arranged between Nottingham and Bowden to take place on July 19th.

NOTTINGHAM (HIGHFIELDS)

June 10th—15th

Nottingham croquet week took place in glorious weather with the exception of one day when there was a heavy thunderstorm. This delayed the programme a little, but it needs more than a thunderstorm to upset our really wonderful Tournament Manager, Miss D. D. Steel.

To those who do not know Nottingham Croquet Club, it may be interesting to write that this beautiful setting just below the Nottingham University, and by the side of the lake, is full of colour and gaiety. The rhododendrons, azaleas and peonies, made a great show. Not enough perhaps to take the competitors' eyes off the dizzy blue, red, black and yellow balls making their way through the hoops at various speeds and paces on the eight croquet courts which are in use during the week.

A few of our members who usually play in the tournament, were unable to do so, and so it was with double pleasure that we welcomed our many guests from all over the country.

The lunches and teas organised by Dr. Browning and her gallant team of workers, were a delight to everybody; and at all of them, whatever the position of the games on the courts, there was a most happy atmosphere of goodwill and conviviality. It was largely due to the delightful way in which the President performed his many duties and welcomed all competitors, and competed so well himself.

In the much-coveted Robin Hood Cup, G. T. S. Colls beat Mrs. Chittenden by two in the first round in one of the most exciting games of the week, and Major Hill Bernhard, playing up to his reputation, beat Dr. H. J. Penny by five.

There were many other exciting games which space prevents mentioning, but in the final, Mr. G. N. B. Huskinson beat Mr. G. Birch who, with his mind on other matters concerned with the tournament, missed a short roquet in the final stage of the game.

The "X" competition produced many exciting games, and the consistently good play of Dr. H. J. Penny and the Rev. F. J. Denbow, brought them both into the final. A game between these experienced and valiant players would have drawn the crowds, but alas, Dr. Penny had to scratch from all events he was in on Saturday morning and leave for home. We offer our sympathy in the sad death of his sister. The Doctor has been for many years a regular visitor to Nottingham, and his play in the first five days of this tournament was always worth watching. It was a sad departure.

In the "Y" event, the final was a marathon game on a very hot June afternoon, Mrs. E. M. Temple winning by four from Mrs. Chittenden, who seemed to tire a little in the last stages of the game.

Open: Mr. G. Birch won the final of the draw in dashing style and Mr. G. T. S. Colls the final of the process. In a most interesting game, the play-off, Colls beat Birch by four. It was an open, quick and delightful game to watch—croquet as it should be played by two low handicap players.

The doubles final which was going on at the same time, was won by Miss K. Ault and Mr. A. J. Bucknell. They beat the Rev. F. J. Denbow and F. B. Stephens in the final, which had its moments for both sides, as doubles so invariably do. In spite of the cries of "Go on, Tim!" from the touch-line and the reassurance of his Reverence, the tactics of Miss Ault and the skill of A. J. Bucknell won the day.

The heavy responsibility which the Secretary bears in running this tournament, obviously affected his play, for croquet is a most exacting game, and so our thanks are due to Mr. Gerald Birch for the unselfish work he did throughout the week, and our congratulations to him for being in two finals.

Miss Steel, who had not quite recovered from her nasty fall, managed the tournament in her usual way, combining discipline with charm.

We had many visitors on all days—Mr. C. Hall, an old player, who has had great success in his day and many younger men and women from the Nottingham University, who are starting to play the proper game in a friendly way and who, we hope, in future will be entering competitive croquet. If anyone is anxious to learn how to play croquet and enjoy it, he or she should visit Nottingham next year and enter for our 1964 tournament.

OPEN SINGLES

DRAW

(12 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

G. T. S. Colls bt Miss K. Ault by 12.
Mrs. Chittenden bt A. J. Bucknell by 12.
Dr. H. J. Penny bt G. N. B. Huskinson by 4.
G. Birch bt Major F. Hill-Bernhard by 19.
Miss H. D. Parker bt H. O. Hodgson by 8.

SECOND ROUND

G. T. S. Colls bt Miss K. Hickson by 10.
Dr. H. J. Penny bt Mrs. Chittenden by 1.
G. Birch bt Miss H. D. Parker by 17.
R. H. Newton bt G. N. Bright by 12.

SEMI-FINAL

G. T. S. Colls bt Dr. H. J. Penny by 23.
G. Birch bt R. H. Newton by 26.

FINAL

G. Birch bt G. T. S. Colls by 11.

PROCESS

(12 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

G. N. B. Huskinson bt R. H. Newton by 20.
G. T. S. Colls w.o. H. O. Hodgson.
G. Birch bt Miss K. Hickson by 16.
Major F. Hill-Bernhard w.o. G. N. Bright.
Miss K. Ault bt Miss H. D. Parker by 14.

SECOND ROUND

G. T. S. Colls bt G. N. B. Huskinson by 2.
G. Birch bt Mrs. Chittenden by 2.
A. J. Bucknell w.o. Major F. Hill-Bernhard opponent retired.
Dr. H. J. Penny w.o. Miss K. Ault.

SEMI-FINAL

G. T. S. Colls bt G. Birch by 15.
Dr. H. J. Penny bt A. J. Bucknell by 8.

FINAL

G. T. S. Colls w.o. Dr. H. J. Penny.

PLAY-OFF

G. T. S. Colls bt G. Birch by 4.

ROBIN HOOD CUP

HANDICAP SINGLES

(13 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

G. N. B. Huskinson (2) bt Miss K. Hickson (4) by 8.
Miss E. C. Brumpton (5½) bt Mrs. A. W. Naylor (9) by 3.
G. T. S. Colls (1½) bt Mrs. Chittenden (1) by 2.
G. Birch (1) bt Miss K. Ault (4) by 19.
Major F. Hill-Bernhard (5) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (2) by 5.
Miss H. D. Parker (3) bt R. H. Newton (4) by 18.

SECOND ROUND

G. N. Huskinson (2) bt Rev. F. J. Denbow (6) by 8.
Miss E. C. Brumpton (5½) bt G. T. S. Colls (1½) by 2.
G. Birch (1) bt Major F. Hill-Bernhard (5) by 5.
H. O. Hodgson (2) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3) by 13.

SEMI-FINAL

G. N. B. Huskinson (2) bt Miss E. C. Brumpton (5½) by 19.
G. Birch (1) bt H. O. Hodgson (2) by 15.

FINAL

G. N. B. Huskinson (2) bt G. Birch (1) by 14.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "X")

(20 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

R. H. Newton (4) bt Sir Henry Prior (7½) by 6.
Dr. H. J. Penny (2) bt A. J. Bucknell (5½) by 7.
Miss E. C. Brumpton (5½) bt Mrs. Chittenden (1) by 2.
Rev. F. J. Denbow (6) bt G. Birch (1) by 26.

SECOND ROUND

Miss K. Ault (4) bt Miss K. Hickson (4) by 7.
Major F. Hill-Bernhard (5) bt H. O. Hodgson (2) by 2.
Miss E. M. Brumpton (8) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) by 5.
Dr. H. J. Penny (2) bt R. H. Newton (4) by 13.
Rev. F. J. Denbow (6) bt Miss E. C. Brumpton (5½) by 11.
G. T. S. Colls (1½) bt F. B. Stephens (7) by 9.
Mrs. A. Collinson (7½) bt Mrs. A. W. Naylor (9) by 4.
Miss H. D. Parker (3) bt Dr. M. Browning (12) by 12.

THIRD ROUND

Miss K. Ault (4) bt Major F. Hill-Bernhard (5) by 5.
Dr. H. J. Penny (2) bt Miss E. M. Brumpton (8) by 11.
Rev. F. J. Denbow (6) bt G. T. S. Colls (1½) by 9.
Mrs. A. Collinson (7½) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3) by 12.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. H. J. Penny (2) bt Miss K. Ault (4) by 21.
Rev. F. J. Denbow (6) bt Mrs. A. Collinson (7½) by 12.

FINAL

Rev. F. J. Denbow (6) w.o. Dr. H. J. Penny (2).

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "Y")

(10 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Sir Henry Prior (7½) w.o. A. J. Bucknell (5½) opponent retired.
Mrs. Chittenden (1) w.o. G. Birch (1).

SECOND ROUND

Miss K. Hickson (4) bt H. O. Hodgson (2) by 1.
Mrs. Chittenden (1) bt Sir Henry Prior (7½) by 4.
F. B. Stephens (7) bt Mrs. A. W. Naylor (9) by 10.
Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) bt Dr. M. Browning (12) by 11.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. Chittenden (1) w.o. Miss K. Hickson (4).
Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) bt F. B. Stephens (7) by 16.

FINAL

Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) bt Mrs. Chittenden (1) by 4.

HANDICAP SINGLES

(5 bisques and over)

(12 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

G. Strutt (*16) bt Sir Henry Prior (7½) by 13.
A. J. Bucknell (5½) bt Major F. Hill-Bernhard (5) by 11.
Rev. F. J. Denbow (6) bt Mrs. A. Collinson (7½) by 6.
Miss E. C. Brumpton (5½) bt Mrs. A. W. Naylor (9) by 10.

SECOND ROUND

Miss E. M. Brumpton (8) w.o. Sir Miles Graham (6).
G. Strutt (*16) bt A. J. Bucknell (5½) by 1.
Miss E. C. Brumpton (5½) bt Rev. F. J. Denbow (6) by 5.
F. B. Stephens (7) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) by 10.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss E. M. Brumpton (8) w.o. G. Strutt (*16).
Miss E. C. Brumpton (5½) bt F. B. Stephens (7) by 6.

FINAL

Miss E. C. Brumpton (5½) bt Miss E. M. Brumpton (8) by 6.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(10 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

A. J. Bucknell and Miss K. Ault (9½) bt R. H. Newton and Dr. M. Browning (16) by 2.
H. O. Hodgson and G. Strutt (12) bt Mrs. Chittenden and G. N. B. Huskinson (3) by 7.

SECOND ROUND

Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. Hickson (6) bt G. T. S. Colls and Miss E. C. Brumpton (7) by 17.
A. J. Bucknell and Miss K. Ault (9½) bt Sir Miles Graham and Miss Parker (9) by 21.
F. B. Stephens and Rev. F. J. Denbow (13) bt H. O. Hodgson and G. Strutt (12) by 5.
Major F. Hill-Bernhard and Mrs. A. W. Naylor (14) bt G. Birch and Mrs. E. M. Temple (6) by 7.

SEMI-FINAL

A. J. Bucknell and Miss K. Ault (9½) bt Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. Hickson (6) by 5.
F. B. Stephens and Rev. F. J. Denbow (13) bt Major F. Hill-Bernhard and Mrs. A. W. Naylor (14) by 11.

FINAL

A. J. Bucknell and Miss K. Ault (9½) bt F. B. Stephens and Rev. F. J. Denbow (13) by 6.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF IRELAND

Carrickmines, June 15th-22nd, 1963

D. F. Strachan beat S. R. Duff in the final of the Championship of Ireland and so, less than two years after taking up the game, the first step in fulfilling the promise noted in these two remarkable "beginners" was achieved. The first step, because surely even greater croquet honours lie ahead for them. So far they have only played at Carrickmines, where courts are slow and hoops generous. On fast courts with tight hoops they will meet new problems, but their study of theory and assiduous practice will solve them, though it may take time.

In the semi-final Hamilton Miller won the opening stages against Strachan, but got hoop-bound at the sixth. In and out play allowed Strachan to gain confidence, while Hamilton Miller was not at his best. In the second game Hamilton Miller again won the opening and went to the penultimate. Only one point was made from the contact, but Hamilton Miller again stuck. In subsequent play ambitious split shots by his opponent going

wrong let Hamilton Miller in three or four times but, now definitely out of touch, he failed at hoops. On the day Strachan was clearly a deserved winner.

T. Read, the Trinity undergraduate, is also a startlingly improved player. In his semi-final he had both balls for penultimate with Duff both on rover, but in a crucial shot Read went off. In the second game Duff pegged out Read, and the position arose: Read's yellow, for rover, midway along east boundary; Duff in fourth corner and midway along west boundary, both for peg. Read played a beautifully judged stroke dead in position for rover, but Duff hit it with as cruel a shot as ever was seen.

Perhaps the final was robbed of drama because the opponents had been almost daily companions in practice, but play was well worthy of the occasion. Duff laid a long tice abreast the peg, hit it, but just went off going to fourth corner. So Strachan, instead of Duff, went to 4-back. Had it been the other way the final might have been closer. In second game Strachan hit the tice and, playing with supreme confidence, was on 4-back and rover before Duff hit in. But in going round Duff played his partner wrong ball disastrously.

The feature of 29-year-old Strachan's play is comfortable, easy, upright style, own ball always correctly and firmly struck, and spectacular accuracy in hitting roquets and long shots—in which Duff also excels. Anything up to ten or twelve yards seems a certain hit for them. The only weakness at present is in tactics but, considering their inexperience of tournament play, the surprising point is not the large but the small number of mistakes they make. It is interesting that the only other games that Strachan seems keen on are billiards and chess. He won every croquet game he played in the week, and only D. Figgis came near to taking one from him in the Championship.

It may be because the club premises so closely overlook the courts that Carrickmines seems to provide such an unusual number of exciting finishes. In the final of the handicap singles Mrs. Lightfoot and Mrs. Read kept onlookers in lounge and bar enthralled until the former got gallantly home by a single point. Another distinguished gentleman entertained the company by trying to interview and engage a new gardener while playing the final minutes of a close timed double—an achievement which is, perhaps, only likely to be attempted in an Irish tournament.

After the prize-giving Mrs. Gasson, on behalf of the visitors from England, gracefully expressed their gratitude for the warm welcome and generous hospitality they had received, particularly thanking Mrs. Mary O'Reilly, manager of the tournament, and Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan, manager of the club, whose many kindnesses and attentions could not be enumerated. Mrs. Morgan is daughter-in-law of the late Captain Bruce Morgan, who was so admired and popular amongst all croquet players who knew him.

Despite their failure to distinguish themselves on the courts the visitors had a wholly enjoyable week, in a lovely setting, among friendly folk; and all were greatly impressed by the new "Irish Terrors". However, they did not fail to notice that their leader was, in fact, a Scot!

CHAMPIONSHIP OF IRELAND (17 Entries)

FIRST ROUND
D. F. Strachan bt Lady Fitzgerald +19 +23.

SECOND ROUND
S. R. Duff bt R. E. Steen +20 +15.
A. Robinson bt G. M. FitzPatrick +24 +16.
J. D. Robinson bt Mrs. Tottenham +23 +9.
T. Read bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson -17 +17 +13.
D. F. Strachan bt D. Figgis +16 +5.
R. J. Leonard bt Mrs. F. Joly +3 +11.
D. J. Hamilton Miller bt Mrs. H. M. Read +18 +17.
Capt. D. Stoker bt D. Campbell +5 +16.

THIRD ROUND
S. R. Duff bt A. Robinson -1 +15 +21.
T. Read bt J. D. Robinson +9 -6 +1.
D. F. Strachan bt R. J. Leonard +16 +15.
D. J. Hamilton Miller bt Capt. D. Stoker +2 +16.

SEMI-FINAL
S. R. Duff bt T. Read +6 +2.
D. F. Strachan bt D. J. Hamilton Miller +2 +16.

FINAL
D. F. Strachan bt S. R. Duff +20 +15.

LEVEL SINGLES

GREEN CUP

(5½ bisques and over. Single games)
(10 Entries)

FIRST ROUND
H. M. Read bt Mrs. Davidson by 18.
Mrs. Lightfoot bt Miss I. Haire by 21.

SECOND ROUND

General Davidson bt Mrs. L. O'Reilly by 11.
Mrs. Purefoy bt H. M. Read by 17.
Mrs. Lightfoot bt Miss I. Haire by 21.
J. H. Wilson bt A. D. Craig by 15.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. Purefoy bt General Davidson by 19.
Mrs. Lightfoot bt J. H. Wilson by 16.

FINAL

Mrs. Lightfoot bt Mrs. Purefoy by 3.

HANDICAP SINGLES

FOUNDERS CUP

(25 Entries)

CLASS "A"

FIRST ROUND

R. E. Steen (3) bt Miss I. Haire (8) by 10.
Mrs. H. M. Read (5) bt J. H. Wilson (9) by 18.
General Davidson (7½) bt T. Read (5) by 3.
Mrs. Tottenham (4) bt J. Stokes (4) by 16.
D. F. Strachan (2) bt Mrs. Davidson (5½) by 21.

SECOND ROUND

R. J. Leonard (1) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson (2½) by 16.
Mrs. H. M. Read (5) bt R. E. Steen (3) by 3.
Mrs. Tottenham (4) bt General Davidson (7½) by 7.
D. F. Strachan (2) bt J. D. Robinson (3) by 23.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. H. M. Read (5) bt R. J. Leonard (1) by 2.
D. F. Strachan (2) bt Mrs. Tottenham (4) by 15.

FINAL

Mrs. H. M. Read (5) w.o. D. F. Strachan (2).

CLASS "B"

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. L. O'Reilly (6) bt Miss F. Joly (4) by 3.
Mrs. Lightfoot (6) bt Capt. D. Stoker (-1) by 17.
D. Figgis (2) bt D. J. Hamilton Miller (-1½) by 24.
Mrs. Purefoy (6) bt Miss I. Haire (8) by 6.

SECOND ROUND

S. R. Duff (2) bt H. M. Read (6) by 13.
Mrs. Lightfoot (6) bt Mrs. L. O'Reilly (6) by 11.
D. Figgis (2) bt Mrs. Purefoy (6) by 12.
D. Campbell (5) bt Lady Fitzgerald (2) by 4.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. Lightfoot (6) bt S. R. Duff (2) by 7.
D. Figgis (2) bt D. Campbell (5) by 10.

FINAL

Mrs. Lightfoot (6) bt D. Figgis (2) by 3.

PLAY-OFF

Mrs. Lightfoot (6) bt Mrs. H. M. Read (5) by 1.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

STONEBROOK CUPS

(Time limit: 3 hours)

(11 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

D. Campbell and T. Read (10) bt Miss I. Haire and Mrs. Lightfoot (14) by 13.
D. F. Strachan and S. R. Duff (4) bt J. D. Robinson and R. J. Leonard (4) by 26.
General Davidson and D. Figgis (9½) bt Mrs. Tottenham and Miss F. Joly (8) by 8 on time.

SECOND ROUND

Capt. D. Stoker and T. V. Murphy (2) bt H. M. Read and Mrs. Read (11) by 4 on time.
D. Campbell and T. Read (10) bt J. Stokes and Mrs. Figgis (12) by 16.
D. F. Strachan and S. R. Duff (4) bt General Davidson and D. Figgis (9½) by 8 on time.
A. Robinson and J. H. Wilson (10) bt R. E. Steen and G. Gilpin (12) by 7.

SEMI-FINAL

D. Campbell and T. Read (10) bt Capt. D. Stoker and T. V. Murphy (2) by 4 on time.
D. F. Strachan and S. R. Duff (4) bt A. Robinson and J. H. Wilson (10) by 10.

FINAL

D. F. Strachan and S. R. Duff (4) bt D. Campbell and T. Read (10) by 4.

COMPTON

June 17th-22nd, 1963

This friendly tournament was unfortunately marred by dreadful weather with rain and wind most days until the Saturday when the Eastbourne sun made a belated but welcome appearance. The catering was organised by Mrs. Chittenden and was excellent. Mr. Perry was a referee and the bar tender, diverse jobs which he performed with the uttermost zeal. He was nobly assisted by Mrs. Owen, whilst Miss Steel managed the tournament at very short notice in her usual kindly way.

The results below speak for themselves, so I will content myself with the following few comments.

The Opens followed their anticipated course with Mrs. Rotherham meeting Dr. Wiggins in the play-off. Mrs. Rotherham was heard to say that in the final of the Draw the only decent shot she played was when she aimed at what she thought was a double left by Dr. Wiggins and went clean through the middle without touching anything!

The first rounds of the doubles were played without a time limit but such was imposed in the semi-finals after two hours play and this produced exciting results. In the upper half the ladies' pair prevailed over the Smartts who dominated the whole tournament, one or the other or usually both were always on the courts! The Smartts were set to go out when one who shall be nameless missed a tiddy rush for the peg! In the lower half, Mrs. Temple who most of the week played splendidly, was in play when time was called and to win she had to reach the stick with a long break. Unfortunately after organising and playing beautifully a 4-ball break she missed a short roquet due to the tension. In the final the ladies did not live up to earlier expectations and were badly beaten.

The game of the tournament was undoubtedly the semi-final of the "X". Mrs. Naylor, who played very well, seemed to talk her ball through fantastic hoops and into long roquets. As the game moved to its climax, both Mrs. Naylor and Mrs. Smartt kept letting each other in, the latter by jumping her partner ball when trying a rush to the rover, and the former instead of laying a rush when near the rover hit her ball away! So exciting was it that a four playing a friendly on an adjoining court gave up their game and retired to the bar to watch this absorbing match!

The shot of the whole week was undoubtedly made by Colonel Stobart who, in trying to roquet a ball near the first corner during the final of the "Y", ran his second hoop! Alas he did not live up to the expectations this shot produced!

Unfortunately, the entry was smaller than usual, which was a great pity. I feel that many are kept away by the high hotel charges. Would it not be possible for members of home clubs to offer accommodation in their homes to visitors on a paying guest or "exchange basis," they going to stay with and play at the visitors' home tournament? Another suggestion is for the organiser to try and find some small guest house which could offer D., B. and B., at a reasonable price.

I feel sure that a solution to the expense problem would bring a greater number of entries to the great benefit of the game in general and the clubs in particular. This is a tournament I can strongly recommend, so what about going next year? D.C.C.

OPEN SINGLES

DRAW

(6 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt N. F. Blackwood by 26.
Col. F. E. Stobart bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 2.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt E. A. Roper by 15.
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Col. F. E. Stobart by 10.

FINAL

Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins by 10.

PROCESS

(6 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt E. A. Roper by 14.
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Col. F. E. Stobart by 8.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt N. F. Blackwood by 19.
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 18.

FINAL

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 17.

PLAY-OFF

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 23.

LEVEL SINGLES

(3 to 7½ bisques)

(13 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

D. C. Caporn bt Miss H. D. Parker by 7.
Miss Forbes Cowan bt Mrs. Owen by 2.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt bt Miss Rose by 18.
Mrs. Smartt bt W. H. Austin by 13.
Mrs. G. W. Style bt Mrs. Roper by 13.

SECOND ROUND

D. C. Caporn w.o. R. J. Pickett (scratched).
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt bt Miss Forbes Cowan by 18.
Mrs. Smartt bt Mrs. Style by 20.
Mrs. Temple bt J. R. Bickersteth by 23.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt bt D. C. Caporn by 11.
Mrs. Smartt bt Mrs. Temple by 23.

FINAL

Dr. and Mrs. Smartt divided.

HANDICAP SINGLES

(8 to 16 bisques)

(4 Entries)

SEMI-FINAL

Miss Bryan (10) bt Mrs. Naylor (9) by 16.
H. A. Hall (9) bt Dr. McAleenan (10) by 7.

FINAL

H. A. Hall (9) bt Miss M. Bryan (9) by 10.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "X")

(24 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Miss Forbes Cowan (4) bt Miss M. Bryan (10) by 11.
E. A. Roper (2) bt J. R. Bickersteth (6½) by 7.
Mrs. E. Rotherham (-3) bt Mrs. D. M. Owen (7) by 4.
R. V. N. Wiggins (2) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (3) by 5.
W. H. Austin (3) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (7) by 13.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (4) bt Miss E. F. Rose (3½) by 12.
Mrs. G. W. Style (4) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3) by 2.
Mrs. E. M. Temple (7) bt D. C. Caporn (6) by 16.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. H. C. S. Perry (7) bt Col. F. E. Stobart (1) by 8.
Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (½) bt Dr. H. R. McAleenan (10) by 7.
E. A. Roper (2) bt Miss Forbes Cowan (4) by 10.
R. V. N. Wiggins (2) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham (-3) by 21.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (4) bt W. H. Austin (3) by 13.
Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) bt Mrs. G. W. Style (4) by 13.
Mrs. Naylor (9) w.o. R. J. Pickett (7) scratched.
H. A. Hall (9) bt W. F. Blackwood (1½) by 13.

THIRD ROUND

Mrs. H. C. S. Perry (7) bt Mrs. Chittenden (½) by 24.
E. A. Roper (2) bt R. V. N. Wiggins (2) by 14.
Mrs. Smartt (4) bt Mrs. Temple (5) by 16.
Mrs. Naylor (9) w.o. H. A. Hall (10) retired.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. H. C. S. Perry (7) bt E. A. Roper (2) by 24.
Mrs. Smartt (4) bt Mrs. Naylor (9) by 3.

FINAL

Mrs. Smartt (4) bt Mrs. Perry (7) by 2.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "Y")

(11 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Miss Bryan (10) w.o. J. R. Bickersteth (6½) scratched.
Dr. Smartt (3) bt Mrs. Owen (7) by 14.
Miss E. F. Rose (3½) w.o. Mrs. E. A. Roper (7) retired.

SECOND ROUND

Col. Stobart (1) bt Dr. H. R. McAleenan (10) by 13.
Dr. Smartt (3) bt Miss Bryan (10) by 10.
Miss Rose (3½) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3) by 24.
D. C. Caporn (6) bt N. F. Blackwood (1½) by 20.

SEMI-FINAL

Col. F. E. Stobart (1) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (3) by 7.
D. C. Caporn (6) bt Miss E. F. Rose (3½) by 18.

FINAL

D. C. Caporn (6) bt Col. F. E. Stobart (1) by 15.

HANDICAP DOUBLES
(4 to 28 bisques inclusive)
(9 pairs)

FIRST ROUND
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. Smartt (7) bt E. A. Roper and Mrs. Roper (9) by 10.

SECOND ROUND
Miss Naylor and Miss Bryan (19) bt Miss Parker and Miss Forbes Cowan (7) by 14.

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. Smartt (7) bt D. C. Caporn and Dr. McAleenan (16) by 10.

W. H. Austin and Mrs. Temple (8) bt Mrs. Rotherham and Mrs. Owen (4) by 12.

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins and H. A. Hall (6) bt Mrs. Chittenden and Mrs. Style (4½) by 8.

SEMI-FINAL
Mrs. Naylor and Miss Bryan (19) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. Smartt (7) by 1. on time.

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins and H. A. Hall (6) bt W. H. Austin and Mrs. Temple (8) by 2 on time.

FINAL
Dr. Wiggins and H. A. Hall (6) bt Mrs. Naylor and Miss Bryan (19) by 19.

PARKSTONE (EAST DORSET)

June 24th—29th

Rain, rain and more rain was the story of the week, and some of the courts were out of use due to the flooding for long periods. However, there were some good days and with the competitors sportingly playing through very trying conditions the tournament was brought to a successful conclusion.

The courts were in very good condition and stood up well to the weather. Great credit is due to the groundsman, Mr. A. Barrow.

The catering arrangements were appreciated by all, and Mrs. Allen well earned the thanks of members and visitors.

In spite of the conditions there was a lot of good croquet played—some very fine breaks made, and many of the finishes were close and exciting.

The play of J. T. Laurenson, who won the Open Singles, of Comdr. Beamish and Dr. Penny was very prominent during the week. The winners of events are to be congratulated.

HANDICAP SINGLES ("X")

(Unrestricted)

(21 Entries)

FIRST ROUND
Mrs. G. T. Trull (7) bt Mrs. G. Hill (8) by 8.
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (—½) bt J. T. Laurenson (4) by 16.
Miss K. D. Hickson (4) bt Mrs. L. Farlie (9) by 9.
M. B. Vlasto (11) bt Miss H. F. Woolley (6½) by 20.
W. H. Austen (3) bt M. A. C. McMillan (8) by 7.

SECOND ROUND
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (2) by 7.
Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) bt Mrs. I. M. Purves (12) by 2.
Mrs. E. M. McMillan (6) bt Mrs. G. Trull (7) by 9.
Miss K. D. Hickson (4) bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (—½) by 9.
W. H. Austin (3) bt M. B. Vlasto (11) by 3.

Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) bt Mrs. M. McMordie (4½) by 4.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt Mrs. C. Devitt (11) by 12.
Major F. Hill Bernhard (5) bt Miss M. M. Fickling (15) by 18.

THIRD ROUND
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) by 22.
Mrs. E. M. McMillan (6) bt Miss K. D. Hickson (4) by 16.
Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) bt W. H. Austin (3) by 3.
Major F. Hill-Bernhard (5) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (3) by 17.

SEMI-FINAL
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt Mrs. E. M. McMillan (6) by 22.
Major F. Hill-Bernhard (5) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) by 10.

FINAL
Major F. Hill-Bernhard (5) bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (3) by 11.

HANDICAP SINGLES ("Y")

(Unrestricted)

(10 Entries)

FIRST ROUND
J. T. Laurenson (4) bt Mrs. G. Farlie (9) by 10.
Miss H. F. Woolley (6½) w.o. M. A. C. McMillan (8) opponent scratched.

SECOND ROUND

Dr. H. J. Penny (2) bt Mrs. I. M. Purves (12) by 4.
J. T. Laurenson (4) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) by 13.
Mrs. M. McMordie (4½) bt Miss H. F. Woolley (6½) by 14.
Miss M. M. Fickling (15) w.o. Mrs. C. Devitt (11) opponent scratched.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. H. J. Penny (2) bt J. T. Laurenson (4) by 9.
Mrs. M. McMordie (4½) w.o. Mrs. M. M. Fickling (15) opponent scratched.

FINAL

Mrs. M. McMordie (4½) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (2) by 6.

LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "A")

AMERICAN

(5 Entries)

J. T. Laurenson 3 games—winner.
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish 3 games.
Dr. H. J. Penny 2 games.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt 1 game.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt 1 game.

LEVEL SINGLES CLASS "B")

(2½ to 6 bisques)

(9 Entries)

FIRST ROUND
Miss K. D. Hickson w.o. Dr. R. B. N. Smartt opponent scratched.

SECOND ROUND

Major F. Hill-Bernhard bt Mrs. E. M. Temple by 7.
Miss K. D. Hickson bt Mrs. R. A. Hill by 19.
Mrs. E. M. McMillan bt W. H. Austin by 14.
Mrs. M. McMordie w.o. Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt opponent scratched.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss K. D. Hickson w.o. Major F. Hill-Bernhard opponent retired.
Mrs. E. M. McMillan bt Mrs. M. McMordie by 10.

FINAL

Mrs. E. M. McMillan bt Miss K. D. Hickson by 4.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "C")

(6½ bisques and over)

(10 Entries)

FIRST ROUND
M. A. C. McMillan (8) bt Mrs. G. Trull (7) by 7.
Mrs. L. Farlie (9) bt Miss M. M. Fickling (15) by 11.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. C. Devitt (11) bt Michael Vlasto (11) by 11.
M. A. C. McMillan (8) w.o. Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (16) opponent retired.
Mrs. L. Farlie (9) bt Miss H. F. Woolley (6½) by 20.
Mrs. I. M. Purves (1½) bt Mrs. G. Hill (8) by 1.

SEMI-FINAL

M. A. C. McMillan (8) w.o. Mrs. C. Devitt (11) opponent scratched.
Mrs. I. M. Purves (12) bt Mrs. L. Farlie (9) by 20.

FINAL

M. A. C. McMillan (8) bt Mrs. I. M. Purves (12) by 11.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(Combined handicaps not less than 2 bisques)

(10 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND
J. T. Laurenson and Major F. Hill-Bernhard (9) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. M. McMordie (7½) by 6.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. G. T. Trull (10) bt Mrs. Hill and M. B. Vlasto (19) by 15.

SECOND ROUND

M. A. C. McMillan and Mrs. C. Devitt (19) bt V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. G. Farlie (8) by 13.
J. T. Laurenson and Major F. Hill-Bernhard (9) bt W. H. Austin and Mrs. E. M. Temple (8) by 13.

Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. G. T. Trull (10) bt Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. D. Hickson (6) by 7.
Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith and Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (14) bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish and Mrs. G. M. McMillan (5½) by 11.

SEMI-FINAL

J. T. Laurenson and Major F. Hill-Bernhard (9) bt M. A. C. McMillan and Mrs. C. Devitt (19) by 3 on time.
Rev. Canon Creed Meredith and Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (14) bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. G. Trull (10) by 1 on time.

FINAL

J. T. Laurenson and Major F. Hill-Bernhard (9) bt Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith and Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (14) by 7.

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

(UN-OFFICIAL)

1st-5th July

Although the writer has been drawn to Budleigh for official tournaments more often than to any other club, this was his first visit to an unofficial one. He sincerely hopes that it will not be his last and he can safely say this for all the other visitors. Some took the opportunity of getting plenty of competitive play in a tournament of only five days, others to get some useful practice for the following week's main fixture.

One got the typical "Budleigh Welcome" from so many old friends, strict but tactful management from Joan Warwick who gave up a week's croquet to be at our service, excellent lawns ably prepared by West plus Bill, and morning coffee and teas to perfection. Even the weather could not spoil it. The sun did shine for odd moments, the southwest wind did occasionally drop, and apart from Friday most of the rain fell out of playing hours. The entry was not quite up to last year's record but sixteen men and seventeen women took the field in five blocks in handicap singles played on the American system.

Block "A" was a small one to start with and due to unfortunate retirements, including Capt. Buller who won the most games but was unable to represent his Block in the play-off this honour went to Ian Baillieu who had beaten the remaining players in the block who had not retired. In Block "B" Robin Godby came through losing only one game and that by only two points.

Block "D" was won by Ottaway a young player from Exeter University with an obvious future who won all his six games by considerable margins, aided by a formidable army of bisques and an apparent lack of nerves. In this block too Professor Ross played well as he did in the extra and like the winner should soon lose some of his "army". In Block "E" the writer had the good fortune to regain some of his old form after very little tournament play for several years to win five of his six games.

Thus it will be seen that the block play-off was confined to five men. John Cooper played superbly to beat Ottaway after the latter had rather frittered away many of his bisques and yet had pegged out Cooper's rover and the winner then disposed of Ian Baillieu with more good play. Meanwhile Godby played steadily to beat the writer who had to resort to attempting a quadruple peel to pull the game out of the fire which ended disastrously with a short missed roquet after the first peel had been successfully completed. Cooper was again in irresistible form in the final the result of which was seldom in doubt.

Even the extra (both balls starting from fifth hoop) resulted in a triumph for the men. In one semi-final Professor Ross beat Mrs. Solomon, and the other between Guy Warwick and Major Horridge, as also the final had to be abandoned due to Friday afternoon's torrential rain which finally took command. So ended a very pleasant tournament after which it is hoped the ladies will not be too downhearted.

BLOCK PLAY-OFF

FIRST ROUND

A. J. Cooper (—1½) bt J. M. Ottaway (*11) by 6.

SECOND ROUND

A. J. Cooper (—1½) bt I. C. Baillieu (2) by 2.
R. A. Godby (2) bt R. F. Rothwell (0) by 13.

FINAL

A. J. Cooper (—1½) bt R. A. Godby (2) by 22.

BLOCK "A"

| NAMES | Handicaps | I. C. Baillieu | Mrs. F. R. Briggs | Capt. M. F. Buller | Col. W. R. Healing | Dr. R. B. N. Smartt | Mrs. M. H. Vincent |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| I. C. Baillieu | 2 | — | 9 | 26 | 26 | | |
| Mrs. F. R. Briggs | 2½ | | scra tche d | | | | |
| Capt. M. F. Buller | 2½ | 26 | | — | 25 | 26 | |
| Col. W. R. Healing | 12 | 21 | | 26 | — | 26 | |
| Dr. R. B. N. Smartt | 3 | 9 | | 24 | 9 | — | |
| Mrs. M. H. Vincent | 2 | | | | | scra tche d | |

Block Winner: I. C. Baillieu. Winner by default.

BLOCK "B"

| NAMES | Handicaps | Mrs. G. E. Cave | Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey | R. A. Godby | Lt.-Col. T. F. Lavery | Mrs. R. G. Michelmore | Miss V. E. Mills | Mrs. E. S. Ross |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Mrs. G. E. Cave | 13 | — | 12 | 14 | | 26 | 16 | 20 |
| Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey | 0 | 26 | — | 7 | | 26 | 26 | 26 |
| R. A. Godby | 2 | 26 | 26 | — | | 26 | 26 | 24 |
| Lt.-Col. T. F. Lavery | 4 | | scra tche d | | | | | |
| Mrs. R. G. Michelmore | 4 | 24 | 20 | 23 | | — | 26 | 26 |
| Miss V. E. Mills | 1 | 26 | 11 | 5 | | 15 | — | 26 |
| Mrs. E. S. Ross | 12 | 26 | 18 | 26 | | 19 | 22 | — |

Block Winner: R. A. Godby.

BLOCK "C"

| NAMES | Handicaps | Miss K. Ault | A. J. Cooper | Major G. B. Horridge | G. R. Mills | Dr. F. R. Oliver | Mrs. I. M. Purves | Mrs. E. Rotherham |
|----------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Miss K. Ault | 4 | — | 26 | 26 | 18 | 20 | 26 | 22 |
| A. J. Cooper | —1½ | 16 | — | 26 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 26 |
| Major G. B. Horridge | 6 | 17 | 22 | — | 16 | 15 | 26 | 18 |
| G. R. Mills | 5 | 26 | 13 | 26 | — | 21 | 26 | 26 |
| Dr. F. R. Oliver | *14 | 26 | 12 | 26 | 26 | — | 26 | 22 |
| Mrs. I. M. Purves | 12 | 15 | 9 | 16 | 14 | 12 | — | 13 |
| Mrs. E. Rotherham | —3 | 26 | 14 | 26 | 25 | 26 | 26 | — |

Block Winner: A. J. Cooper

BLOCK "D"

| NAMES | Handicaps | Mrs. N. Kitchin | Miss D. W. Latham | A. V. M. F. H. M. Maynard | Miss A. E. Mills | J. M. Ottaway | Mrs. J. Povey | Prof. A. S. C. Ross |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Mrs. N. Kitchin | 14 | — | 23 | 15 | 16 | 9 | 3 | 21 |
| Miss D. W. Latham | 7½ | 26 | — | 22 | 17 | 11 | 17 | 7 |
| A. V. M. F. H. M. Maynard | 8 | 26 | 26 | — | — | 4 | 17 | 15 |
| Miss A. E. Mills | 1½ | 26 | 26 | — | — | 6 | 26 | 26 |
| J. M. Ottaway | *10 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 26 | — | 26 | 26 |
| Mrs. J. Povey | 11 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 13 | 23 | — | 19 |
| Prof. A. S. C. Ross | 9 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 24 | 19 | 26 | — |

Block Winner: J. M. Ottaway

BLOCK "E"

| NAMES | Handicaps | D. J. Bird | Miss Joan Cooper | Mrs. S. Cruden | F. R. Meachem | R. F. Rothwell | Mrs. G. W. Solomon | J. G. Warwick |
|--------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------|
| D. J. Bird | 14 | — | 26 | 22 | 26 | 14 | 17 | 26 |
| Miss Joan Cooper | 5 | 23 | — | 26 | 26 | 6 | 26 | 25 |
| Mrs. S. Cruden | 12 | 26 | 18 | — | 20 | 26 | 26 | 16 |
| F. R. Meachem | 8 | 13 | 21 | 26 | — | 11 | 20 | 17 |
| R. F. Rothwell | 0 | 26 | 26 | 5 | 26 | — | 26 | 26 |
| Mrs. G. W. Solomon | 2 | 26 | 23 | 13 | 26 | 22 | — | 9 |
| J. G. Warwick | —1½ | 8 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 4 | 26 | — |

Block Winner: R. F. Rothwell

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

July 8th—13th

Situated in a delightful setting on the hills overlooking the town and beyond it the sea, with its ever changing colour from deep to light blue the Budleigh Croquet Club has just concluded a most successful open tournament.

The entries were larger than ever and with the co-operation of all the competitors, Major Dibley ran the week in his usual quiet but efficient manner and with the minimum of fuss.

The final of the Coleman Cup Open was fought out between Mrs. Rotherham and Miss Joan Warwick with the fortunes of the players swaying first this way and then that. Well worthy of mention was a shot by Miss Warwick when, with one ball in the hoop at 4-back and her other ball just in front of hoop one and with Mrs. Rotherham well placed around 4-back, Miss Warwick shot at her own ball and hit in and then proceeded to make a good break going on eventually to win though Mrs. Rotherham, at times, had her chances.

In the doubles, Col. and Mrs. Prichard came through successfully after some tough opposition, Mrs. Prichard playing exceptionally well for her handicap, they beat Col. Stobart and Mrs. Tingey in the final, the latter having also played well in the various events.

Mrs. Povey, a beginner with not much experience as yet of tournaments, was improving all the week and has possibilities ahead. Mrs. Smartt was again successful and won the Longman Cup beating Miss Ault by 3.

An Irish contingent of six, including the Irish open champion D. Strachan came over, he lost to Mrs. Rotherham in both the Draw and Process after close games, but impressed those who saw him playing by his natural easy style and accurate hitting in. With more experience in English tournaments he should develop into a first-class player. In the Oliver Bowl D. Figgis came through to the final but lost to Strachan.

The kindness, friendliness and hospitality extended by club members and their friends to their Irish visitors was much appreciated.

OPEN SINGLES

DRAW

(30 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

R. F. Rothwell bt Miss A. E. Mills by 13.
 Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt Mrs. W. Longman by 23.
 D. F. Strachan bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 19.
 R. A. Godby bt Dr. S. R. Duff by 8 on time.
 J. G. Warwick bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish by 3.
 Mrs. R. Tingey bt N. F. Blackwood by 6.
 D. T. Figgis bt W. Longman by 25.
 Miss E. J. Warwick bt I. C. Baillieu by 13.
 Miss V. E. Mills bt Mrs. P. Solomon by 3.
 E. A. Roper bt Major J. R. Abbey by 11.
 Mrs. E. Rotherham bt E. P. Duffield by 25.
 Mrs. M. H. Vincent bt Major E. C. Heathcote by 8.
 Major R. Tingey bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 20.
 Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt Miss E. H. Fisher by 25.

SECOND ROUND

R. F. Rothwell bt Lady Ursula Abbey by 20.
 D. F. Strachan bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard by 10.
 R. A. Godby bt J. G. Warwick by 4.
 Mrs. R. Tingey bt D. T. Figgis by 4.
 Miss E. J. Warwick bt Miss V. E. Mills by 4.
 Mrs. E. Rotherham bt E. A. Roper by 26.
 Major R. Tingey bt Mrs. M. H. Vincent by 8.
 A. J. Cooper bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave by 9.

THIRD ROUND

D. F. Strachan bt R. F. Rothwell by 19.
 Mrs. R. Tingey bt R. A. Godby by 13.
 Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Miss E. J. Warwick by 11.
 A. J. Cooper bt Major R. Tingey by 7.

SEMI-FINAL

D. F. Strachan bt Mrs. R. Tingey by 22.
 Mrs. E. Rotherham bt A. J. Cooper by 16.

FINAL

Mrs. E. Rotherham bt D. F. Strachan by 4.

PROCESS

(30 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

D. T. Figgis bt Mrs. M. H. Vincent by 7.
 E. P. Duffield bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 20.
 J. G. Warwick bt Mrs. E. H. Fisher by 4.
 R. F. Rothwell bt Mrs. P. Solomon by 19.
 Mrs. R. Tingey bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 8.
 Major J. R. Abbey bt Mrs. W. Longman by 3.
 Miss E. J. Warwick bt Lady Ursula Abbey by 23.
 I. C. Baillieu bt Major E. C. Heathcote by 16.
 Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt N. F. Blackwood by 12.
 Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt E. A. Roper by 21.
 Major R. Tingey bt W. Longman by 20.
 Mrs. E. Rotherham bt D. F. Strachan by 6.
 Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt A. J. Cooper by 5.
 Miss A. E. Mills bt Miss V. E. Mills by 15.

SECOND ROUND

E. P. Duffield bt D. T. Figgis by 6.
 J. G. Warwick bt R. F. Rothwell by 16.
 Mrs. R. Tingey bt Major J. R. Abbey by 2.
 Miss E. J. Warwick bt R. A. Godby by 14.
 I. C. Baillieu bt Dr. S. R. Duff by 10.
 Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard by 19.
 Major R. Tingey bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 2.
 Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt Miss A. E. Mills by 2.

THIRD ROUND

E. P. Duffield bt J. G. Warwick by 17.
 Miss E. J. Warwick bt Mrs. R. Tingey by 14.
 I. C. Baillieu bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave by 2.
 Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt Major R. Tingey by 9.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss E. J. Warwick bt E. P. Duffield by 21.
 I. C. Baillieu bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish by 7.

FINAL

Miss E. J. Warwick bt I. C. Baillieu by 11.

PLAY-OFF

Miss E. J. Warwick bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 2.

LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "B")

(2½ to 6 bisques)

(14 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt bt Miss F. I. Joly by 7.
 Miss K. Ault bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley by 17.
 Miss J. Cooper bt Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty by 14.
 Mrs. N. M. Tottenham bt Major G. B. Horridge by 21.
 M. F. Buller bt G. R. Mills by 17.
 Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt bt Miss G. Forbes Cowan by 7.

SECOND ROUND

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt bt Mrs. R. G. Michelmore by 1.
 Miss K. Ault bt Miss J. Cooper by 11.
 M. F. Buller bt Mrs. N. M. Tottenham by 22.
 Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt bt Mrs. F. R. Briggs by 2.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss K. Ault bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt by 5.
 Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt w.o. Capt. M. F. Buller scratched.

FINAL

Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt bt Miss K. Ault by 3.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "C")

(6½ bisques and over)

(Starting at 3rd hoop)

(13 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Miss D. L. Latham (7½) bt Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (7) by 7.
 Mrs. J. S. Omond (9) w.o. Mrs. Figgis (9) scratched.
 Mrs. T. F. Laverty (9) bt Mrs. S. Ander (12) by 5.
 Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) bt Miss W. Goddard (15) by 3.
 D. J. Bird (14) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (6½) by 7.

SECOND ROUND

Miss D. L. Latham (7½) bt Mrs. F. E. Stobart by 11.
 Mrs. T. F. Laverty (9) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond (9) by 5.
 D. J. Bird (14) bt Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) by 2.
 Mrs. J. Povey (11) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (6½) by 4.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss D. L. Latham (7½) bt Mrs. T. F. Laverty (9) by 4.
 D. J. Bird (14) bt Mrs. J. Povey (11) by 2.

FINAL

D. J. Bird (14) bt Miss D. L. Latham (7½) by 8.

HANDICAP SINGLES

(56 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Miss K. Ault (4) bt W. Longman (2) by 22.
 Mrs. N. M. Tottenham (4) bt E. P. Duffield (1) by 24.
 Lady Ursula Abbey (2) bt R. F. Rothwell (—½) by 5.
 I. C. Baillieu (2) bt Mrs. S. Cruden (12) by 10.
 D. F. Strachan (½) bt Miss E. H. Fisher (2) by 20.
 G. R. Mills (5) bt Mrs. F. R. Briggs (2½) by 20.
 R. A. Godby (1½) bt Miss J. Cooper (5) by 22.
 Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt Mrs. W. Longman (—1) by 22.
 Dr. S. R. Duff (1½) bt E. A. Roper (2) by 17.
 Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (7) bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (—1) by 19.
 Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (—1) bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (—½) by 5.
 Miss F. I. Joly (4) bt Major E. C. Heathcote (1½) by 4.
 Lt.-Col. F. T. Laverty (4) w.o. Major R. Tingey (—1½) scratched.
 Major J. R. Abbey (1½) bt Mrs. J. Povey (11) by 16.
 D. J. Bird (13) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond (9) by 3.
 Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) w.o. Mrs. M. H. Vincent (2) scratched.
 Miss E. J. Warwick (—2) bt Miss A. E. Mills (1½) by 5.
 Miss D. L. Latham (7½) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (7) by 2.
 Major G. B. Horridge (6) w.o. Mrs. R. Tingey (2) scratched.
 Mrs. T. F. Laverty (9) bt Mrs. D. T. Figgis (9) by 5 on time.
 Miss G. Forbes-Cowan (4) bt Mrs. R. G. Michelmore (4) by 14.
 Brig. J. S. Omond (6½) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) by 18.
 J. G. Warwick (—1½) bt M. F. Buller (2½) by 6.
 Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1) bt Miss V. E. Mills (1) by 4.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) bt A. J. Cooper (—2) by 9.
 Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt N. F. Blackwood (1½) by 2.
 Miss K. Ault (4) bt Mrs. N. M. Tottenham (4) by 15.
 I. C. Baillieu (2) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (2) by 12.
 D. F. Strachan (½) bt G. R. Mills (5) by 15.
 Dr. S. R. Duff (1½) bt Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (7) by 17.
 Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (—1) bt Miss F. I. Joly (4) by 7.
 Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (4) bt Major J. R. Abbey (1½) by 17.
 Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt D. J. Bird (13) by 15.
 Miss E. J. Warwick (—2) bt Miss D. L. Latham (7½) by 15.
 Major G. B. Horridge (6) bt Mrs. T. F. Laverty (9) by 18.
 Brig. J. S. Omond (6½) bt Miss G. Forbes-Cowan (4) by 14.
 Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1) bt J. G. Warwick (—1½) by 15.
 D. T. Figgis (2) bt Col. D. W. Beamish (—1) by 22.
 Mrs. P. Solomon (2) bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (0) by 21.

THIRD ROUND

Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (3) by 10.
 I. C. Baillieu (2) bt Miss K. Ault (4) by 3.
 D. F. Strachan (½) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (3) by 8.
 Dr. S. R. Duff (1½) bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (—1) by 7.
 Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (4) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) by 8.
 Major G. B. Horridge (6) bt Miss E. J. Warwick (—2) by 26.
 Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (6½) by 10.
 D. T. Figgis (2) bt Mrs. P. Solomon (2) by 13.

FOURTH ROUND

I. C. Baillieu (2) bt Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) by 12.
 D. F. Strachan (½) bt Dr. S. R. Duff (1½) by 1.
 Major G. B. Horridge (6) bt Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (4) by 6.
 D. T. Figgis (2) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1) by 9.

SEMI-FINAL

D. F. Strachan (½) bt I. C. Baillieu (2) by 9.
 D. T. Figgis (2) bt Major G. B. Horridge (6) by 1.

FINAL

D. F. Strachan (½) bt D. T. Figgis (2) by 21.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(Combined handicap not to be less than 3)

(25 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard and Mrs. Prichard (6½) bt Mrs. W. Longman and Miss K. Ault (3) by 7.
 Major E. C. Heathcote and Mrs. M. H. Vincent (3½) bt Major J. R. Abbey and Mrs. F. R. Briggs (4) by 13.
 A. J. Cooper and Miss J. Cooper (3) bt Dr. S. R. Duff and Miss J. I. Joly (5½) by 9.
 I. C. Baillieu and Major G. B. Horridge (8) bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and Mrs. E. A. Roper (6) by 1 on time.
 Miss E. J. Warwick and Col. W. R. Healing (6) bt Miss V. E. Mills and Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (4) by 14.
 Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish and Mrs. J. S. Omond (8½) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham and D. J. Bird (8) by 11.
 Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (7) bt Major R. Tingey and G. R. Mills (3½) by 16.
 M. F. Buller and Lady Ursula Abbey (4½) bt Miss A. E. Mills and R. A. Godby (3) by 8.
 Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. R. Tingey (3) bt E. P. Duffield and Miss Forbes-Cowan (5) by 8.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. H. Walters and G. A. Black (13) bt D. T. Figgis and Mrs. D. T. Figgis (10½) by 6.
 Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard and Mrs. Prichard (6½) bt D. F. Strachan and Mrs. N. M. Tottenham (4½) by 10.
 R. J. Cooper and Miss J. Cooper (3) bt Major E. C. Heathcote and Mrs. M. H. Vincent (3½) by 5.
 Miss E. J. Warwick and Col. W. R. Healing (6) bt I. C. Baillieu and Major G. B. Horridge (8) by 11.
 Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (7) bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish and Mrs. J. S. Omond (8½) by 7.
 Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. R. Tingey (3) bt Lady Ursula Abbey and M. F. Buller (4½) by 8.
 J. G. Warwick and Miss D. L. Latham (6) bt Col. D. W. Beamish and Mrs. S. Cruden (11) by 13.
 E. A. Roper and Mrs. P. Solomon (4) bt R. F. Rothwell and Mrs. J. Povey (10½) by 4.

THIRD ROUND

Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard and Mrs. Prichard (6½) bt Mrs. H. Walters and G. R. Black (13) by 14.
 A. J. Cooper and Miss J. Cooper (3) bt Miss E. J. Warwick and Col. W. R. Healing (6) by 12.
 Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. R. Tingey (3) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (7) by 8.
 E. A. Roper and Mrs. P. Solomon (4) bt J. G. Warwick and Miss D. L. Latham (6) by 1 on time.

SEMI-FINAL

Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard and Mrs. Prichard (6½) bt A. J. Cooper and Miss J. Cooper (3) by 5.
 Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. Tingey (3) bt E. H. Roper and Mrs. Solomon (4) by 8.

FINAL

Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard and Mrs. Prichard (6½) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Mrs. Tingey (3) by 12.

RYDE

July 15th—20th, 1963

The Ryde Tournament was a real success. The courts have much improved and were definitely good. The catering with Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Bolton and their helpers in charge was first-class. The club members most friendly and Major and Mrs. Dibley in their usual happy vein. It was an informal, pleasant tournament and Grace Dibley gave away the prizes in a manner befitting her name.

Humphrey Hicks naturally won the open event, but John Bolton took one game off him and Humphrey had to play well to win the play-off. Dr. Boucher, far too good for three in shooting and break-making, won the Handicap X, the B Levels, never again to be a busy B, and with Mrs. Lowein the Doubles. Mrs. Lowein played her part well.

Mrs. Temple was runner-up in X but had to leave owing to family illness. Miss Walker, runner-up in the B Levels, was a stalwart opponent all the week, never giving up.

In the Doubles, Mrs. McMordie, very shrewd in tactics, and Mrs. Devitt, a good shot and hoop runner, had to be content with second prize. Mrs. Devitt was also runner-up in the D Class. Mrs. Burrell won this. Her play was excellent.

Most of the D Class players thought they disliked the "use all your bisques experiment", but some changed their minds during the week as it did shorten games. Two competitors who met in this and in Y took two hours less in this event. The Y event was won by Major Dibley from Mrs. Meares. Miss Taylor vanquished Mrs. Dibley in the extra.

Amongst those who were not actual winners, Miss Wade stood out for steady competent play and was unlucky not to reach a final. An honour her play deserved. As tournament secretary she belongs to "the best eight".

A very happy tournament.

ISLE OF WIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

OPEN SINGLES

(Class "A")

DRAW

(5 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

H. O. Hicks w.o. Canon R. Creed Meredith opponent scratched.

SEMI-FINAL

H. O. Hicks w.o. Mrs. F. N. Latham opponent scratched.
J. Bolton bt Major J. H. Dibley by 26.

FINAL

H. O. Hicks bt J. Bolton by 23.

PLAY-OFF

H. O. Hicks bt J. Bolton by 17.

PROCESS

(5 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Major J. H. Dibley w.o. Mrs. F. N. Latham opponent scratched.

SEMI-FINAL

Major J. H. Dibley bt Canon R. Creed Meredith by 4.
J. Bolton bt H. O. Hicks by 12.

FINAL

J. Bolton bt Major J. H. Dibley by 17.

LEVEL SINGLES

CLASS "B"

(3 to 8 bisques)

(8 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. J. H. Dibley bt G. A. H. Alexander by 13.
Miss E. Walker bt Mrs. M. McMordie by 4.
Mrs. E. M. Temple bt Miss M. M. Taylor by 5.
Dr. C. A. Boucher bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster by 22.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss E. Walker bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley by 6.
Dr. C. A. Boucher bt Mrs. E. M. Temple by 22.

FINAL

Dr. C. A. Boucher bt Miss Walker by 12.

HANDICAP SINGLES

CLASS "C"

(8½ bisques and over)

(9 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. E. C. A. Meares (13) bt Mrs. A. Wood (16) by 2.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. C. Devitt (11) bt Mrs. K. M. Lowein (13) by 12.
Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (16) bt Mrs. E. C. A. Meares (13) by 11.
Mrs. K. A. Wade (12) bt Mrs. R. W. Hutton (12) by 10.
Mrs. R. H. Burrell (11) bt Mrs. A. B. Ward (12) by 2.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. C. Devitt (11) bt Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (16) by 11.
Mrs. R. H. Burrell (11) bt Miss K. A. Wade (12) by 10.

FINAL

Mrs. R. H. Burrell (11) bt Mrs. C. Devitt (11) by 12.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "X")

DIBLEY CUP

(20 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Dr. C. A. Boucher (3) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (7) by 20.
Mrs. M. McMordie (4) bt Major J. H. Dibley (2) by 17.
Miss E. Walker (5) bt Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) by 4.
Miss K. A. Wade (12) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) by 13.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. A. B. Ward (12) w.o. Mrs. F. N. Latham (2) opponent scratched.

G. A. H. Alexander (7) bt Mrs. K. M. Lowein (13) by 2.
Dr. C. A. Boucher (3) bt Mrs. M. McMordie (4) by 24.
Miss K. A. Wade (12) bt Miss E. Walker (5) by 9.
Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) bt Mrs. R. W. Hutton (12) by 7.
Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) bt Mrs. E. C. Meares (13) by 20.
Mrs. R. H. Burrell (11) bt Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (16) by 22.

THIRD ROUND

J. Bolton (2) bt Mrs. A. B. Ward (12) by 20.
Dr. C. A. Boucher (3) bt G. A. H. Alexander (7) by 17.
Miss K. A. Wade (12) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) by 11.
Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) bt Mrs. R. H. Burrell (11) by 16.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. C. A. Boucher (3) bt J. Bolton (2) by 15.
Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) bt Miss K. A. Wade (12) by 2.

FINAL

Dr. C. A. Boucher (3) w.o. Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) opponent scratched.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "7")

(10 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) bt Mrs. H. D. Wooster (8) by 12.
Mrs. C. Devitt (11) w.o. Mrs. F. N. Latham (5) opponent scratched.
Mrs. A. B. Ward (12) bt Mrs. K. M. Lowein (13) by 18.

SECOND ROUND

Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (7) by 4.
Mrs. C. Devitt (11) bt Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) by 19.
Mrs. R. W. Hutton (12) bt Mrs. A. B. Ward (12) by 13.
Mrs. E. C. A. Meares (13) bt Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (16) by 9.

SEMI-FINAL

Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt Mrs. C. Devitt (11) by 5.
Mrs. E. C. A. Meares (13) bt Mrs. R. W. Hutton (12) by 19.

FINAL

Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt Mrs. E. C. A. Meares (13) by 20.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(Restricted to combined handicap of 2 and over)

(8 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

G. A. H. Alexander and Mrs. R. W. Burrell (18) bt J. Bolton and Miss M. M. Taylor (9) by 6.
Dr. C. A. Boucher and Mrs. K. M. Lowein (16) bt Mrs. R. W. Hutton and Mrs. E. C. A. Meares (26) by 12.
Mrs. R. D. Wooster and Miss K. A. Wade (20) bt Major J. H. Dibley and Mrs. Dibley (7) by 8.
Mrs. M. McMordie and Mrs. C. Devitt (15) bt Canon R. Creed Meredith and Mrs. Meredith (14) by 11.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. C. A. Boucher and Mrs. K. M. Lowein (16) bt G. A. H. Alexander and Mrs. R. W. Hutton (18) by 14.
Mrs. M. McMordie and Mrs. C. Devitt (15) bt Mrs. R. D. Wooster and Miss K. A. Wade (20) by 17.

FINAL

Dr. C. A. Boucher and Mrs. K. M. Lowein (16) bt Mrs. M. McMordie and Mrs. C. Devitt (15) by 13.

EXTRA EVENT

(8 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

G. A. H. Alexander (7) bt Mrs. Creed Meredith (16) by 11.
Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) bt Miss K. A. Wade (12) by 9.
Mrs. M. McMordie (4) bt Mrs. K. M. Lowein (13) by 7.
Miss M. M. Taylor (7) bt Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) by 13.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) bt G. A. H. Alexander (7) by 5.
Miss M. M. Taylor (7) bt Mrs. McMordie (4) by 5.

FINAL

Miss M. M. Taylor (7) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) by 4.

LADIES' FIELD CUP

July 15th—19th

"Is your journey really necessary?" was a common slogan during the last war, and we are wondering if it does not apply to the five players in the Ladies' Field Cup who willy nilly must realise that the result of this competition, as now played, lies between two players—Mrs. Rotherham and Miss Warwick. It is a pity that other minus players do not take part. Is the venue a drawback? We should have thought that a few days in the lovely air of the South Coast would have been an attraction, and is not Southwick famed for its catering? Whatever the reason, this event does not seem to have the attraction of other days, and we hope the authorities responsible for it will put their heads together before next year in order to induce more top players among the ladies to enter for it again. Could not the winners of the last ten years play a match of "best of three" and then a team made up of the "also rans" compete in the competition in the usual way?

The event started on the Monday in a Scotch mist and drizzle and the lawns soon became sodden. Mrs. Rotherham did well to beat Mrs. Chittenden in a couple of hours and Miss Warwick took nearly three hours to beat Mrs. Vincent by 15. The game between Miss Mills and Mrs. Solomon, which the latter won by 3, did not finish till nearly 8.30 p.m. On the next two days the wind was disconcerting, but this did not stop the progress of the tournament. Miss Warwick was rather lucky to beat Miss Roe. This was a pegged-out game and Miss Roe ought to have won, but she was unfortunate at 4-back. Eventually, Miss Warwick rolled up for her peg-out putting one ball out and luckily wiring the other ball from her opponent. Miss Vincent should also have beaten Miss Mills. She was on peg and rover for a long, long time but just could not make the rover hoop! She only lost the game by 3. The first game between Mrs. Rotherham and Miss Warwick was very tense. Near the end Mrs. Rotherham pegged out Miss Warwick after a long hit-in with her ball which was for 1-back. Miss Warwick eventually got in with her other ball (on 3-back), made the penultimate and then missed a short roquet! By clever wiring Mrs. Rotherham won the game by 2 points. Curiously in this game Mrs. Rotherham stuck in the penultimate hoop on the same lawn against the same player for the third year running! She then went on to beat Miss Roe by 26 in just over 50 minutes—a pleasing exhibition of controlled strokes. At the end of the first series Mrs. Rotherham led by six games having won four by 26, 23, 23 and 20; Miss Warwick lay second with five games and Miss Roe third with 4. Mrs. Solomon had won three games and the others one each.

In the second series, Mrs. Rotherham had a series of easy victories—apart from some difficulty with Miss Mills—and went on to win the cup without losing a match, having beaten Miss Warwick by 20 on the way. Her last victory had been in 1957. Miss Warwick also lost to Mrs. Chittenden and only beat Mrs. Solomon by 3 and Miss Roe by 2, the latter not winning a match in this series. There was only one victory by 26, but thirteen were of single figures, including two "2's" and five "3's". Mrs. Rotherham won eight of her games by over 20, whereas Miss Warwick had only one similar victory—by 22 points. The competition finished soon after tea on Friday and the final results were: Mrs. Rotherham 12 games, Miss Warwick 9, Miss Mills, Mrs. Chittenden and Mrs. Solomon 5 each, Miss Roe 4, and Mrs. Vincent 2. The weather brightened up for the last two days. The lunches and teas, which were very much appreciated, were in the capable hands of Mrs. Roper, and Mr. Corke, President of the Southwick Club, duly handed the very handsome cup to Mrs. Rotherham. Mr. Roper managed the tournament in his customary equable manner and was the official referee. Thanks are due to the committee of the Southwick Club for permission to play this event on their fine lawns, very well prepared by their groundsman Adams, and for making the players so welcome.

Analysis of Play

Mrs. E. Rotherham won 12 games; namely against Miss Warwick +2 +20; Miss Roe +26 +17; Mrs. Vincent +12 +24; Miss Mills +23 +10; Mrs. Chittenden +20 +20; Mrs. Solomon +23 +22.

Miss E. J. Warwick won 9 games; namely against Miss Roe +3 +2; Mrs. Vincent +15 +5; Miss Mills +17 +18; Mrs. Solomon +9 +3; Mrs. Chittenden +22; and lost 3 games to Mrs. Rotherham -2 -20 and Mrs. Chittenden -6.

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden won 5 games; namely against Miss Roe +13; Mrs. Vincent +13; Miss Mills +12; Miss Warwick +6; Mrs. Solomon +16; and lost 7 games to Mrs. Rotherham -20 -20; Miss Roe -7; Mrs. Vincent -3; Miss Mills -13; Miss Warwick -22 and Mrs. Solomon -5.

Miss A. E. Mills won 5 games; namely against Miss Roe +14; Mrs. Vincent +3 +16; Mrs. Chittenden +13; Mrs. Solomon +15; and lost 7 games to Mrs. Rotherham -23 -10; Miss Roe -5; Mrs. Chittenden -12; Miss Warwick -17 -18 and Mrs. Solomon -3.

Mrs. G. W. Solomon won 5 games; namely against Miss Roe +4; Mrs. Vincent +17 +24; Miss Mills +3; Mrs. Chittenden +5; and lost 7 games to Mrs. Rotherham -23 -22; Miss Roe -18; Miss Mills -15; Mrs. Chittenden -16 and Miss Warwick -9 -3.

Miss I. M. Roe won 4 games; namely against Mrs. Vincent +20; Miss Mills +5; Mrs. Chittenden +7; Mrs. Solomon +18; and lost 8 games to Mrs. Rotherham -26 -17; Mrs. Vincent -5; Miss Mills -14; Mrs. Chittenden -13; Mrs. Solomon -4; and Miss Warwick -3 -2.

Mrs. M. H. Vincent won 2 games; namely against Miss Roe +5; Mrs. Chittenden +3; and lost 10 games to Mrs. Rotherham -12 -24; Miss Roe -20; Miss Mills -3 -16; Mrs. Chittenden -13; Miss Warwick -15 -5 and Mrs. Solomon -17 -24.

HANDICAPS CONFIRMED OR ALTERED BY THE HANDICAP CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

NOTTINGHAM

NEW HANDICAP

✓ G. Strutt *16.

BEFORE PLAY

✓ G. Strutt *16 to 10.

AFTER PLAY

✓ Miss E. C. Brumpton 6 to 5½.

✓ Rev. F. J. Denbow 6 to 5½.

✓ G. N. B. Huskinson 2 to 1½.

COMPTON

AFTER PLAY

✓ Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt 4 to 3.

✓ Mrs. H. C. S. Perry 7 to 6.

PARKSTONE

BEFORE PLAY

✓ Mrs. E. M. McMillan 7 to 6.

AFTER PLAY

✓ Mrs. E. M. McMillan 6 to 5.

✓ Major F. Hill-Bernhard 5 to 4.

✓ J. T. Laurenson 4 to 3.

✓ N. A. C. McMillan 8 to 7½.

CARRICKMINES

✓ D. F. Strachan 2 to 1.

✓ Dr. S. R. Duff 2 to 1½.

✓ R. J. Leonard 1 to 2.

✓ Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot 6 to 4½.

✓ Mrs. Purefoy 6 to 5.

✓ T. Read 5 to 3½.

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON (Unofficial)

✓ A. J. Cooper -1½ to -2.

✓ R. A. Godby 2 to 1½.

✓ R. F. Rothwell 0 to -1.

✓ Prof. A. S. C. Ross 9 to 7½.

✓ D. J. Bird 14 to 13 (D 10).

(Official)

✓ I. C. Baillieu 2 to 1.

✓ D. F. Strachan 1 to -1.

✓ D. T. Figgis 2 to 1½.

✓ Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard 7½ to 7.

✓ D. J. Bird 14 to 12 (D 10).

✓ Miss K. Ault 4 to 3½.

RYDE

✓ Dr. C. A. Boucher 3 to 2.

✓ Mrs. R. H. Burrell 11 to 10.

✓ Mrs. C. E. Devitt 11 to 10.

✓ Miss K. A. Wade 12 to 11.

✓ Mrs. E. C. A. Meares 13 to 12.

✓ Mrs. K. M. Lowein 13 to 13 (D 12).

Club Recommendations

HURLINGHAM

✓ Dr. F. J. Bentley 9 to 7.

✓ Prof. A. W. Skempton 5½ to 3½.

✓ Mrs. A. W. Skempton 8 to 7.

✓ Mrs. B. L. Sundius-Smith 14 to 12.

✓ Lord Mabane 10 to 9.

NON-ASSOCIATE

✓ F. Learoyd-Hine 12.

SOUTHWICK CLUB

✓ Miss M. Towers 9 to 8.

✓ Mrs. W. A. Naylor 9 to 8.

NON-ASSOCIATE

✓ Miss Pratt 13* to 12.

✓ Mrs. Grainger 13* to 12*.

✓ Mrs. Thompson 10*.

NORWICH CLUB

✓ H. J. Tovey 3½ to 2.

NON-ASSOCIATE

✓ Mrs. L. Brown 16 (D 14) to 10.

GOLF CROQUET

Roehampton v. Heathfield. Played at Roehampton on July 2nd, 1963.

Roehampton players named first

AMERICAN DOUBLES

Mrs. S. M. Adler and Mrs. D. F. Caporn
bt Mrs. Wilson and Miss Bartlett by 8-5.
bt Mrs. Francis and Mrs. Hoare by 7-6.
bt Mr. Brownjohn and Miss Francis by 7-6.

Mrs. S. Phillips and Mrs. D. M. Staub
bt Mrs. Wilson and Miss Bartlett by 7-6.
bt Mrs. Francis and Mrs. Hoare by 8-5.
bt Mr. Brownjohn and Miss Francis by 7-6.

Mrs. S. Pavia and Mrs. E. Hawes
lost to Mrs. Wilson and Miss Bartlett by 5-8.
lost to Mrs. Francis and Mrs. Hoare by 6-7.
bt Mr. Brownjohn and Miss Francis by 8-5.

RESULT.—Roehampton bt Heathfield by 7 games to 2.

INTER-CLUB MATCH

Roehampton v. Southwick. Played at Roehampton on June 25th, 1963.

Roehampton players named first

SINGLES

J. B. Gilbert bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 17.
R. O. Hicks bt Miss H. Parker by 21.
Miss D. A. Lintern w.o. E. A. Roper.
Mrs. G. W. Solomon v. Miss Forbes Cowan game unfinished.

DOUBLES

J. B. Gilbert and R. O. Hicks bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Miss H. Parker by 20.
Mrs. G. W. Solomon and Miss D. A. Lintern bt E. A. Roper and Miss Forbes Cowan by 10.

RESULT.—Roehampton bt Southwick by 5 games to 0. One game unfinished.

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PARKSTONE (EAST DORSET)

CROQUET TOURNAMENT

Monday, September 9th-14th, 1963

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

Committee.—The Croquet Committee of the Parkstone Club.
Manager and Handicapper.—V. A. de la Nougerede.
Referee.—The Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith.
Hon. Secretary.—Mrs. McMordie, 4 Overbury Road, Parkstone, Poole.

EVENTS

- 1.—OPEN SINGLES (Draw and Process). Bournemouth Bowl and Ashton Cup. Entrance fee 12s. 6d.
- 2.—LEVEL SINGLES. Law 36 operates. For players 2½-6 bisques inclusive. Deshon Cup. Entrance fee 10s. 6d.
- 3.—HANDICAP SINGLES. For players of 6½ bisques and over. Halse Salver. Entrance fee 10s. 6d.
- 4.—HANDICAP SINGLES. Unrestricted. Gold Cup. Entrance fee 10s. 6d.
- 5.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. Combined handicaps not to be less than 2 bisques. Starting at third hoop. Time limit 3½ hours. Entrance fee 10s. 6d. each player.

CONDITIONS

Entries for Events 1, 2, 3 and 4 must reach the Hon. Secretary by midday **Thursday, September 5th.**

Entries for Event 5 will close on Monday, September 9th. This Event will start on Tuesday morning, September 10th.

The Draw will take place at the Club on Thursday, September 5th, at 3 p.m.

No player may enter for more than one Event of Nos. 1, 2 and 3. Five or six courts will be provided and Jaques' "Eclipse" balls will be used. Standard 3½in. hoops.

Play will commence at 10 a.m. or earlier if necessary, and players must be prepared to play up to 7 p.m.

Lunch and tea is provided by the Club at moderate prices.

Flat-soled shoes must be worn.

HUNSTANTON

THE SIXTY-FIFTH HUNSTANTON

OPEN CROQUET TOURNAMENT

will be held in the Club Grounds on

Monday, September 2nd to 7th, 1963

(Under C.A. Laws and Regulations)

Committee.—The Tournament Committee of the Club.

Manager.—Miss E. J. Warwick.

Referee.—J. G. Warwick.

Hon. Secretary.—Mrs. J. A. Clarke, 49 Northgate, Hunstanton.

EVENTS

- 1.—OPEN SINGLES (Draw and Process). The Norfolk Challenge Cup. Holder J. G. Warwick. Entrance fee 12s. 6d.
- 2.—LEVEL SINGLES. Law 36 suspended. Hunstanton Challenge Bowl. 2½ to 6 bisques inclusive. Entrance fee 10s. 6d. Holder Mrs. M. L. Thom.
- 3.—HANDICAP SINGLES. 6½ bisques and over. Silver Rose Bowl. Holder C. G. Miller. Entrance fee 10s. 6d.
- 4.—HANDICAP SINGLES "X.Y." Unrestricted. Ingleby Challenge Cup. Holder D. W. Miller. Entrance fee 12s. 6d.
- 5.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. Combined handicap to be not less than 5. Holders Miss E. J. Warwick and D. W. Miller. Entrance fee 10s. each.

CONDITIONS

Entries for events 1, 2, 3 and 4 must reach the Hon. Secretary not later than the last post on Thursday, August 29th, and for event 5 on Tuesday, September 3rd. Leave will not normally be granted after noon on Monday.

No player may enter for more than one of events 1, 2 and 3. Flat-soled shoes must be worn.

THE PRESIDENT'S CUP

Presented to the C.A. in 1934 by the late Trevor Williams, Esq.

Holder—J. W. Solomon

For the eight best available players of the preceding twelve months in the C.A. invited by the Council of the C.A.

No Entrance Fee

Will be played for at the **HURLINGHAM CLUB** on Monday,
September 9th and following days

Committee.—The Tournament Committee of the Croquet Association.

Manager.—L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts.

Referee.—M. B. Reckitt.

Secretary.—The Secretary, C.A., Hurlingham Club, London, S.W.6.

CONDITIONS

Hoops 3 11/16in. wide and Jaques' "Eclipse" balls will be used.

The Council of the C.A. reserve the right to substitute hoops 3½in. wide at their discretion.

Each competitor meets each of the other competitors twice in each competition.

If a competitor fails from any cause to play through the whole of the games in the series, his or her score in that series will be entirely eliminated from the competition. No substitute will be permitted in either series in any circumstances after the competition has once begun. Single games throughout provided that in the event of a tie in the score the possession of the Cup for the year will be decided by a match of three games.

In the event of a tie between three competitors, each of these three will play a single game against each of the other two. If the issue is still undecided the three names will be drawn on the Bagnall-Wild system and single games will be played in each round.

In the event of tie between more than three competitors, the names of the winners will be drawn on the Bagnall-Wild System and single games will be played in each round.

All competitors must furnish the Secretary with the address at which messages will reach them during the Tournament.

Competitors must make themselves available for all hours of play.

PRIZES

The Winner holds the Trophy for one year or until the next competition whichever is the shorter period and will receive a medal.

PLAY

Play will begin at 10 a.m. daily, unless competitors are notified to the contrary. Competitors must report themselves to the Manager on arrival and no leave can be given in any circumstances.

THE SURREY CUP

Presented to the C.A. in 1955 by the Officers of the former Surrey County Union

Holder—A. A. Reed

Will be played for at the **CHELTENHAM CLUB** on Monday,
September 9th and following days

by the eight players who have accepted the Council's invitation to compete.

Manager.—Mrs. A. M. Daniels.

Referee.—Miss W. Adye.

Committee.—The Tournament Committee of the C.A. and Cheltenham Club.

Conditions as for the President's Cup except that 3½in. hoops will be used.

ROEHAMPTON

A CROQUET TOURNAMENT

will be held on

MONDAY, 23rd SEPTEMBER, 1963

and five following days

(Under the Laws and Regulations of the Croquet Association)

Committee.—Mr. J. B. Gilbert (Chairman), Miss D. A. Lintern (Captain), Mrs. Haigh Smith, Mr. J. A. Hollweg, Mr. D. C. Caporn.

Manager.—Miss D. A. Lintern, assisted by the Committee.

Referee.—M. B. Reckitt.

Handicapper.—The Croquet Handicapping Committee of the Roehampton Club.

Secretary.—Miss M. C. Adams (Games Secretary), Roehampton Club, Roehampton Lane, S.W.15.

EVENTS

1.—OPEN SINGLES. Draw and Process. The winner to hold the Ranelagh Gold Cup for one year. Entrance fee, 11s. 6d. Holder: Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard.

2.—HANDICAP SINGLES. Single games. Open to Competitors with a handicap of 3½ to 8. Entrance fee, 10s. Winner to hold the Brooke Challenge Cup for one year. Holder: R. F. Thorp.

3.—HANDICAP SINGLES. Open to Competitors with a handicap of 9 bisques or more. The Full Bisque system will be in operation. Entrance fee, 10s.

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

4.—X AND Y HANDICAP SINGLES. In this event there will be a time limit of 3 hours in accordance with Reg. 8. Entrance fee, 10s. The winners of X and Y hold the Croyke Cups for a year. Holders: X, R. F. Thorp; Y, D. C. Caporn.

5.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. Combined handicap not less than scratch. Entrance fee, 6s. 6d. each. Games start at the 5th Hoop.

N.B.—The above Entrance Fees include the C.A.'s levy.

Non-associates pay a tribute of 25s. to the C.A. when playing in an official tournament, or 12s. 6d. if they compete in one event only, but on becoming an Associate any tribute paid during the current year is refunded, or credited against subscription.

CONDITIONS

Entries for Events 1, 2, 3 and 4 must reach the Games Secretary, accompanied by the Entrance Fee, by the first post, Wednesday, September 18th, 1963. Entries for Event 5 close at midday on Tuesday, September 24th, 1963. The draw for Events 1 to 4 will take place at the Club at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, September 18th, 1963.

Play will begin each day at 10 a.m. or earlier if necessary.

Seven courts will be provided and Eclipse balls used. Standard 3½in. Hoops.

If necessary some games will be played at Hurlingham.

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

All Competitors must wear such flat-heeled boots or shoes as cannot damage the ground.

DEVONSHIRE PARK EASTBOURNE

SOUTH OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Fifty-Sixth Annual Open Tournament will start on **Monday, September 30th**, and continue during the following two weeks.

(Held under the Laws and Regulations of the C.A.)

Committee.—The Entertainment Committee of the County Borough of Eastbourne, and the Tournament Committee of the Council of the C.A.

Manager and Handicapper.—Major J. H. Dibley.

Referee.—Mrs. E. Reeve.

Assistant Referees will be appointed under Reg. 3 (a).

Secretary.—The Secretary, Croquet Association, Hurlingham Club, London, S.W.6.

EVENTS

- 1.—**OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.** Holder of the Ionides Challenge Trophy: J. G. Warwick. Entrance fee, 15s. 0d.
- 2.—**MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.** Holder of the O'Callaghan Gold Challenge Cup: M. B. Reckitt. Entrance fee, 11s. 6d.
- 3.—**WOMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.** Holder of the Franc Challenge Trophy: Mrs. E. Rotherham. Entrance fee, 11s. 6d.
- 4.—**DEVONSHIRE PARK SALVER. LEVEL SINGLES.** Open to competitors handicapped at $\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ inclusive. Holder: M. F. Buller. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 5.—**LUARD CUP. LEVEL SINGLES.** Open to competitors handicapped at 4 to $7\frac{1}{2}$ inclusive. Holder: Mrs. M. McMordie. Entrance fee, 11s. 6d.
- 6.—**TREVOR WILLIAMS CUP. LEVEL SINGLES.** Open to competitors handicapped at 8 to 11 inclusive. Holder: Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard. Entrance fee, 11s. 6d.
- 7.—**FELIX CUP. LEVEL SINGLES.** Open to competitors handicapped at 12 to 16 inclusive. Holder: Mrs. J. Povey. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 8.—**OPEN DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.** Winners 1962: Col. D. M. C. Prichard and Mrs. W. Longman. Entrance fee, 11s. 6d. each competitor.
- 9.—**RESTRICTED HANDICAP DOUBLES.** Winners 1962: D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller and F. H. Curtis. Open to pairs with a combined handicap of not less than 2 bisques. All games start at the third hoop. Time limit $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Entrance fee, 11s. 6d. each competitor.
- 10.—**HANDICAP SINGLES.** The **SUSSEX CHALLENGE CUP.** Holder: Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave. To be drawn in one block. Entrance fee, 12s. 6d.
- 11.—**LIMITED HANDICAP SINGLES "X.Y."** THE **SUSSEX UNION CHALLENGE CUP.** Restricted to competitors handicapped at 4 bisques or over. Competitors in events 1, 2, 3 or 8, may not enter for this event. Entrance fee, 15s.
- 12.—**HANDICAP SINGLES PLATE.** Not open to competitors in Event 1. The main object of this event is to make sure that all competitors can have a minimum of six games in the fortnight or, if they are unable to play before Saturday, October 5th, at least 3 games. Competitors will be entered automatically for this event as they become eligible. No entrance fee.

CONDITIONS

- 1.—Competitors may enter for only one of Events 1, 4, 5, 6 and 7.
- 2.—All matches will be of singles games. Event 1 will be decided on the Two Lives System.
- 3.—Events 1, 2, 3 and 8, will be played under the Laws of Advanced Play and Event 4 under the Laws of Semi-advanced Play.
- 4.—Events 6 and 7 will be played under the Laws of Handicap Singles Play omitting Law 38b and 39. In Event 6 each player will receive 8 bisques and in Event 7 will receive 12 bisques.
- 5.—Competitors in Events 1, 4 and 11, will have a game on the first or second day of the tournament.
- 6.—It is intended to complete Events 1 and 8 during the first week.
- 7.—Events 2, 3 and 9 will not start before the second week.
- 8.—Those who cannot start play until Saturday, October 5th, may still compete in Event 10, but must be prepared to play at 10 a.m. on that day.
- 9.—All (except competitors in Event 1), who lose their first match in Event 10 and in the other events for which they have entered will be put down to compete in Event 12.

INFORMATION

ENTRIES.—Entries accompanied by Entrance Fees for all Events except 8 and 9 must reach the Secretary, The Croquet Association, Hurlingham Club, London, S.W.6, by **THURSDAY, 19th SEPTEMBER.** (Do not send Entries to Devonshire Park.) Cheques and Postal Orders should be made payable to the Croquet Association.

Competitors may enter for Events 8 and 9 in the above way, but, if there is still room, entries will be accepted at Devonshire Park by the Secretary up to half-an-hour of the time of the Draw.

Non-Associates must also pay a Tribute of 25s. or 12s. 6d. for one event only; but on their becoming Associates any Tribute paid by them during the current year will be refunded or credited against their subscription.

ADDRESSES.—Competitors are particularly requested to send with their entries the addresses and telephone numbers which will find them during the tournaments.

DRAW.—The Draw for all Events except 8 and 9 will take place in the C.A. Offices, Hurlingham Club, London, S.W.6, at 11.45 a.m. on Friday, September 20th. The Draw for Event 8 will take place at Devonshire Park at noon on Tuesday, October 1st, and for Event 9 at Devonshire Park at noon on Saturday, October 5th.

COURTS AND EQUIPMENT, ETC.—Jaques' "Eclipse" balls and hoops $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide will be used. There will be a number of shelter tents for players and officials.

In addition to the courts at Devonshire Park some use may be made of the Compton Courts.

Entries may be limited if found necessary.

All competitors will be notified by post card the day and time on which they will be required to play.

PLAY.—Play will normally begin at 10 a.m. daily and continue until daylight fails, but the Manager may vary this, if it seems desirable.

All competitors must report to the Manager on arrival.

It is particularly asked that, in the interests of the tournament, competitors who are timed for the first game each morning will be punctual and that they will be on the court and begin to play at the time stated.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—Granting of any leave must depend on the needs of the Tournament.

ADMISSION.—Associates will be admitted free on production of their membership cards. Otherwise admission is 1s.

N.B.—The Match this year will be played on the second Saturday, October 12th. For further details see September magazine.

PRACTICE AND FRIENDLY GAMES

Throughout the Tournament courts will be available for practice and friendly games at the Compton Club unless they are required for Tournament matches. Special green fee 2s. 6d. for a morning or an afternoon.

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