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CALENDAR FIXTURES

1964

- Apl. 17-20—Hunstanton (American). (Non-official). *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. J. A. Clarke, 49 Northgate, Hunstanton.
- " 22-24—Under 26 Tournament (Southwick). *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- May 4-9—Budleigh Salterton. (Non-official). *Hon. Sec.*, Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Budleigh Salterton, Devon.
- " 11-16—Peels Memorials. Roehampton. *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- " 16-18—Cheltenham. (Non-official). *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- " 18-23—Southwick. *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Miss H. D. Parker, 4 Third Avenue, Hove 3.
- " 26-29—Inter-County Championships. Hurlingham. *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- June 1-6—Men's and Women's Championships Evening Handicap Singles. Roehampton. *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- " 1-6—Ryde. *Hon. Sec.*, Miss K. A. Wade, Portland Avenue, I.O.W.
- " 8-13—Nottingham. *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, G. Birch, 88 Cedar Road, Sherwood Rise, Nottingham.
- " 13-20—Championship of Ireland. *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. B. T. O'Reilly, Ballynamote, Carrickmines, Dublin.
- " 15-20—Compton. *Hon. Sec.*, H. C. S. Perry, Hockington House, Willingdon, Eastbourne.
- " 22-27—Parkstone. *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. M. McMordie, 4 Overbury Road, Parkstone.
- June 29- Budleigh Salterton. (Non-official). *Hon. Sec.*, Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Budleigh Salterton, Devon.
- July 3—Tennis and Croquet Club, Budleigh Salterton, Devon.
- " 6-11—Budleigh Salterton. *Hon. Sec.*, Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Budleigh Salterton, Devon.
- " 10-19—Challenge and Gilbey Cups, Ascot and Delves Boughton Cups. Roehampton. *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- " 20-25—Cheltenham. *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- July 27- Open Championships. Hurlingham. *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- Aug. 1—The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- Aug. 3-12—Hurlingham. *Games Secretary*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6. (NOT *Secretary C.A.*).
- " 13-16—Cheltenham. (Non-official). *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- " 15-22—Championship of County Dublin. (Non-official). *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. B. O'Reilly, Ballynamote, Carrickmines, Dublin.
- " 17-21—The Ladies' Field Cup. Roehampton. *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- " 17-22—Parkstone. *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. M. McMordie, 4 Overbury Road, Parkstone.
- " 24-29—Southwick. *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Miss H. D. Parker, 4 Third Avenue, Hove 3.
- Aug. 31- Hunstanton. *Hon. Sec.*, Mrs. J. A. Clarke, 49 Northgate, Hunstanton.
- Sept. 5—Southwick. (Non-official). *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Miss H. D. Parker, 4 Third Avenue, Hove 3.
- Sept. 7-11—President's Cup. (Hurlingham) Surrey Cup (Cheltenham) *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- " 17-19—All England Handicap. Area Finals. Roehampton. *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- " 19-20—Cheltenham. (Non-official). *Hon. Tourn. Sec.*, Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- " 21-26—Roehampton. *Games Secretary*, Roehampton Club, Roehampton Lane, S.W.15. (NOT *Sec. C.A.*).
- Sept. 28- Devonshire Park. Eastbourne. *Secretary C.A.*, The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- Oct. 10—Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.

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NEW ASSOCIATES

W. J. Sturdy
E. J. Jack

NEW HANDBOOK

A new handbook is in course of preparation for issue in 1964. Will Associates kindly send the Secretary particulars of any changes of address so that the book will be up to date. Any changes in the designation or address of Clubs should also be sent, and handicaps of Associates.

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

The new edition of the laws, 2s. 6d. (Non Associates 3s. 6d.) All Associates are strongly advised to purchase the new Laws which can also be obtained through Clubs.

12 Hints to Beginners, 1s. 0d. A very valuable booklet which contains much useful information.

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

NEW REFEREES

Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard

REFEREES

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V. C. GASSON,
Secretary.

1963

By Maurice B. Reckitt

IT has been the practice of the annual survey to follow the naming of the year by the word "season." But this example cannot be followed on the present occasion since the most significant event of the year took place long before our season here had begun. In the unprecedented chill of the coldest winter of the century, our hearts were warmed and our spirits revived by the magnificent series of victories being won by our team on a distant, though assuredly not an alien shore. "Can it be done," cried the spokesman of the toast to the Team at Hurlingham last year. "It can be and it will." It could be—and it was. But British Croquet has had a price to pay for its success. For it lost—though not, we all hope, for ever—two players to our hosts, while a third, returning via America, has been detained on the way by the charms of California. William, David, Bryan—we have missed you: don't leave us to mourn our loss too long.

Gaps must be filled, however; how fortunate then that our brilliant juniors are coming forward in such numbers to fill them. Arthur Reed made his debut in the President's Cup: two players in their twenties and one still very much in his teens fought out a triple tie in the Surrey Cup. Their praises have, rightly, been enthusiastically sung in these pages on a number of occasions, but what is perhaps equally significant is that there are fully half a dozen others treading on their heels. A strong Surrey Cup team could be mustered from junior players alone, and if their seniors don't look out it very soon will be—and ere long perhaps the President's Cup also. This would not be so novel a development as some may imagine. One of the Best Ten in 1913 told the writer that when he played in it he was 35 and for all that he was the oldest competitor. Even John Bolton's record is not altogether without parallel, for a boy called G. F. Stone won his Silver Medal at the age of 13. Ladies' ages are not normally considered a suitable subject for public discussion, but when in 1912 Dorothy Standing won the Ladies' Field Cup, she was still widely known as "The Flapper" and was not "of age." Lily Gower won the Ladies' Championship at 19. Nina Coote and Evelyn Bramwell were not very much more when they did the same in 1903 and 1907 respectively. We still look for their successors. Où sont les filles d'antan?

"Since it seems to have become an established habit of our weather," we wrote a year ago, "to provide us with really good summers only in years which finish with an odd number, we may hope for something better in 1963." Such hopes were sadly blasted, for the "habit" appears to have been broken. Sunshine beamed upon the closing days of the Counties and was maintained throughout Caskets Week—the temperature reaching 77 degrees on the last few days. Then normal "summer" weather set in until mid-July, when a lovely week for Cheltenham was followed by five days more for the Open Championships, and competitors had to contend with really fast courts, for the first time, it seemed,

for many years. Little more was seen—or felt—of the sun till Devonshire Park was nearly over. Then began a prolonged Indian summer such as so often makes October the loveliest month of the year. When will some enterprising club take advantage of this and arrange a tournament (as Ranelagh—and Felixstowe for many years—used to do) to follow the Eastbourne fortnight?

The big prizes "went round" among our top players, Patrick Cotter winning the Men's Championship; John Solomon the Open and—not quite so triumphantly as last year—the President's Cup; Humphrey Hicks the Hurlingham Cup. Dr Wiggins, with an unbeaten record in the Test Matches, did not play quite so well on his return. The Surrey Cup was won by a most attractive player from Ireland (though Caledonian by birth), seen here for the first time—Douglas Strachan, who will, we hope, often return. The Apps Memorial Bowl was awarded to one of his chief rivals, the runner-up at Hurlingham, Peter Fidler—and surely deservedly to a player who, appearing on relatively few occasions, was reduced from 4 to $\frac{1}{2}$ during the season. John Bolton, the other rival, won the All England Handicap for the second consecutive year. No limits can be set to the achievements of this remarkable young player, for he seems to have been born with—or to have acquired—all the gifts and qualities required for success at the game—a beautiful style, very good judgement, a great capacity to go on learning, an admirable temperament and a perhaps still more admirable modesty of bearing and disposition.

There are many more to name than we have room for here. We wrote last year that visitors to Budleigh know what a fine player John Cooper is; visitors to the President's Cup now know this too. To finish a close third on a first appearance in such good company, as he did, is a fine performance. Col. Prichard won at Cheltenham and at the Men's Opens at Devonshire Park. Roger Hicks made a notable advance in the first season that he has been able to spare for tournaments for many years. Geoffrey Beamish made a strong challenge to Cotter at Southwick, and defeated everyone else there, but at Parkstone had to bow to his brother Desmond. Dr. Penny has now fully returned to his best form of the immediate post-war years and is surely too good for his present handicap. Brian Gilbert was unlucky not to win at Roehampton and Gerald Williams played well there and at Devonshire Park. He has now seen the last of the B class; among those who have not quite done so yet, Dr Smartt and Michael Buller had a good year. Of the younger men not yet mentioned, we saw Rupert Thorp only in the Varsity match, but David Miller, Christopher Dashwood, James Laursen (descending from 9 to 3 this season), and Rodney Shewan are perhaps the most promising of many.

Amongst the ladies there is still room at the top. Hope Rotherham regained the Women's Championship after three years, won a fifth title in the Mixed, and later did well in the President's Cup after winning the

"Ladies' Field"—a notably good season. Joan Warwick narrowly defeated her in their home tournament, but did not otherwise have a good year by the standards which we judge—and shall continue to judge—her enterprising play. Mrs Longman's achievements at Eastbourne are mentioned elsewhere in this number; she has added to the tenacity and fine shooting which she has always displayed both an accuracy and an adventurousness which will make her more formidable than ever. Mrs Chittenden and Mrs Solomon both made an advance this season; Mrs Daniels at her best, as she often was, is always hard to beat. Amongst improving players are Mrs Smartt, Mrs Vincent, Mrs Showan, and (going higher up the scale) Mrs Skempton, Mrs Simpson, Mrs Synge, Mrs Temple and Mrs Povey. The Laws are at long last attaining such a degree of finality as is possible for a living and a developing game, and by next season we are promised the opportunity to obtain a complete set of revisions thereof to stick into our Law books. Thanks are due to Major Rivington for his patient leadership in this protracted matter, and to Ian Baillieu, who happily returned this season to aid in putting the coping stones on his "grand design." He was at times, too, playing better than we have seen him for a long while, and was a deserving winner of the Peel Memorial and (though not very successful therein) of a place in the Surrey Cup.

But there are other than the legal problems, now disposed of, left to demand the attention of our association, and not least the recruitment of its membership. We have our splendid veterans, but old players do fade away and eventually fade out. This is but one of the matters which induced the Council to revive this winter the conference of Representatives of Registered Clubs, which was once a frequent and useful feature of the off-season. Some report of this gathering (perhaps necessarily brief) is likely to appear elsewhere in this number. The attendance at this gathering was most encouraging, every age level, and clubs from centres as far apart as Edinburgh and Devon, being represented. A welcome visitor was Mr Jaques, who explained so grandly and clearly the difficulties now involved in the production of croquet requisites that it began to seem something of a miracle that we ever got any mallets or balls at all. At one point we were given an elaborately technical exposition of the process of making the latter, which somehow appeared to involve "masticating the core," as if not balls but apples were in question! There seemed to be clear majorities against "full bisques" in handicap events and against time limits as anything but an emergency measure, nor, the conference appeared to think, should shortened games be advertised as such in tournament programmes. There was certainly a general impression that the conference had achieved its main object in increasing that liaison between clubs and Council which is essential if the Association is to overcome the difficulties which lie before it.

It was obvious that there was a lot of interest in Indoor Croquet, about which many inquiries were made. We may conclude this survey by reporting that the game is catching on in New Zealand, and that a tournament was lately held at a large hall in Christchurch at which six courts were kept going most of a day, play ending only at 10 p.m. Are we to look forward to another International Trophy ere long?

INDOOR CROQUET

The following extract is taken from a New Zealand paper:—

Indoor Croquet played on a carpet, was demonstrated by two enthusiastic English croquet test players last night. They were Dr W. Ormerod, of the Waikato Hospital, and Mr D. W. Curtis, a schoolteacher at St. Paul's.

The demonstration was given to an interested group of spectators at the home of the president of the South Auckland Croquet Association, Mrs J. Church.

"Although indoor croquet is a popular game in England, it has not caught on here yet," said Dr. Ormerod.

He said the object of the demonstration was to encourage interest in the game.

"Besides being a good, skilful winter sport that can be played on a carpeted floor little bigger than 12ft by 9ft," he said, "it is also excellent training for outdoor croquet."

Indoor croquet was introduced in England for the first time in 1956, Dr Ormerod said. Since then interest in the sport has spread rapidly. Only recently, however, have the first two clubs in New Zealand been set up in Whangarei and Wellington.

"A firm in Christchurch has just started to manufacture indoor croquet sets," Dr Ormerod said.

"One of the only differences between outdoor association croquet sets and indoor croquet sets is that snooker balls are used instead of the standard croquet balls."

Dr Ormerod came out to New Zealand in January with the British croquet team with the intention of probably settling in the country. In April he assumed his present position at the Waikato Hospital.

HANDICAPS CONFIRMED OR ALTERED BY THE

HANDICAP CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

ROEHAMPTON

Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard $-1\frac{1}{2}$ to -2 .
S. S. Townsend 1 to 0.
D. C. Caporn 6 to 4.
D. R. Watson $5\frac{1}{2}$ to 5.
J. B. Gilbert $-\frac{1}{2}$ to -1 .
Major Gen. F. H. N. Davidson $7\frac{1}{2}$ to 7.
Mrs I. Purves 12 to 10.
Mrs T. Croal 10 to 9.
W. G. A. Burgess 11 (D.10) to 10.

NEW HANDICAP

M. Caldicot 12.

BEFORE PLAY

Mrs V. E. Wheeler 16 to 14.

DURING PLAY

A. Mozley 11^* to 9 (D.7)

DEVONSHIRE PARK

Mrs G. E. Cave 13 to 10.
Major Hill-Bernhard 4 to 3.
Mrs W. Longman -1 to $-1\frac{1}{2}$.
Mrs M. McMordie $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 4.
Mrs J. R. Oxley 9 to 7.
F. R. Meacham 8 to 7.
Mrs J. Povey 8 to 7.
Mrs R. B. N. Smartt 3 to 2.
Mrs W. A. T. Synge $6\frac{1}{2}$ to 6.
G. Williams $\frac{1}{2}$ to 0.

ROEHAMPTON CLUB

R. O. Hicks $-\frac{1}{2}$ to -1 .
M. B. Reckitt 0 to $-\frac{1}{2}$.
R. O. Havery 8 to 6.
Mrs D. M. Staub 9 to $7\frac{1}{2}$.
Mrs C. Hawes 11 to 9.

PAST AND FUTURE

It was in 1954 that, almost entirely on the initiative of Mr Brackenbury, the long-established "Croquet Association Gazette" was transformed into the elegant new periodical which then took its place. Credit for the typographical aspect of the emergent CROQUET was due to the late Roger de Wesselow, who devoted much time and expert knowledge to producing the "new look." In its early years it was energetically "promoted" by Mr Brackenbury, who saw it through the press, in addition to making a number of valuable literary contributions to its pages.

When he resigned this duty six years ago, the unglamorous task of getting the journal out was taken over by Mr S. S. Townsend, who since then has also written about half the "Rover" Notes. The Council desires to express its warmest thanks for all this selfless work to Mr Townsend, who has throughout kept himself so much in the background that a good many associates were quite unaware that it was he who was doing it.

Mr Townsend having now come to feel that duties of a more important kind will prevent him from continuing with this task, the Council has appointed one of the most notable members of the younger generation, Mr P. J. M. Fidler, to succeed him. For personal reasons his predecessor preferred not to accept the title of Editor, but this of course was what he was, and it is as such that Mr Fidler will assume this honorary post. He is the sixth to occupy this position in respect of the Association's periodicals since the inception of the Gazette in 1905.

Mr Fidler's address is: 38 Heath Hurst Road, London NW3. (Tel SWI 5377).

AUSTRALIAN CROQUET

The 14th Australian Croquet Council Carnival opened in Adelaide, South Australia, on 7th October, 1963, in brilliant sunshine.

Mrs N. C. McClelland, the Australian President, welcomed all visitors and presented Gold Medals and Bars to the State winners as follows:—Mrs T. D. Gibson, New South Wales; Mrs H. Day, South Australia; Mrs O. Martin, Tasmania; Mrs M. Harrison, Victoria, Mrs J. Muir, West Australia, Mr H. Gunton, Queensland. The Draw for the Teams Contest then took place, and the members of the Teams were introduced by their respective Captains. Four of the teams included players who were members of the Australian Team which competed in the MacRobertson Shield Contest in New Zealand early in the year.

Six days of exciting play by all six teams resulted in Queensland winning the Inter-state Cup from the holders, South Australia, results being:—

	Pts	Games	Matches
Queensland	726	22	5
South Australia	706	21	4
Victoria	679	20	3
West Australia	517	13	2
New South Wales	526	10	1
Tasmania	380	3	0

The final singles match in the Teams Contest between Mrs H. Day and Mr H. Gunton was very exciting. Mr Gunton, when pegging out Mrs Day's ball accidentally pegged out his own ball, with still four hoops to make for his other ball, Mrs Day's clip being on the rover hoop. Mrs Day eventually won with the narrow margin of two points. This match was televised by the A.B.C., and witnessed by over 400 players and friends.

The English Medal Event drew a large crowd of spectators, when Lady McEwin, wife of the Chief Secretary of South Australia presented the Medals to the winners at the end of the day's play.

Mrs J. Muir, West Australia, won the Silver Medal and Mrs T. D. Gibson, New South Wales, the Bronze Medal.

With an entry of 103 Singles and 53 Doubles in the

Australian Championship Events, Mr T. Howat, Victoria, won the Singles Championship, Mrs Lewis, South Australia, being runner-up. The Doubles Championship went to Mrs J. Limpus, Queensland, and Mr E. Hunt, Victoria; runners up, Mesdames Lewis and Donovan, South Australia. The A. B. Morrison trophy for the Junior A player winning the most games was won by Mr C. Bell, South Australia.

The Annual Dinner arranged by the Australian Croquet Council was held at the Earl of Zetland Hotel, Adelaide, and attended by over 180 players. At this function Medals were presented to the eight international players who competed in the MacRobertson Shield Contest in New Zealand.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN CROQUET CHAMPIONSHIPS

The South African Open Championships were held in Pietermaritzburg, on the Maritzburg Croquet Courts, from the 5th to 12th October, 1963.

These courts were in excellent condition, but rain on four days made them heavy, and players found difficulty in judging distance with take off, and split shots, not being used to playing in the rain. On the whole tournament the standard of play was quite good with a number of 8, 9, and 10 breaks.

The results were as follows:—

SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

THE BELCHER CUP

THE ENGLISH CROQUET ASSOCIATION SILVER AND

BRONZE MEDALS

(17 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs L. Armour w.o. Miss N. Knight opp. scr.

SECOND ROUND

Miss E. McDougall bt Mrs A. Watson by 17.

Mrs B. Hough bt Miss K. Hoare by 16.

Mr F. Hough bt Mrs G. Phillips by 24.

Miss G. Cotton bt Miss H. Robertson by 24.

Mrs L. Armour bt Miss O. McDougall by 6.

Mr G. Neaves bt Mrs H. Neaves by 19.

Mr A. Watson bt Miss C. Robertson by 8.

Miss M. I. Simkins bt Miss E. Risley by 7.

THIRD ROUND

Mrs B. Hough bt Miss E. McDougall by 18.

Mr F. Hough bt Miss G. Cotton by 23.

Mr G. Neaves bt Mrs L. Armour by 19.

Miss M. I. Simkins bt Mr A. Watson by 19.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs B. Hough bt Mr F. Hough by 11.

Miss M. I. Simkins bt Mr G. Neaves by 14.

FINAL

Miss M. I. Simkins bt Mrs B. Hough by $-14, +7, +18$.

DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP

LADY STEEL SILVER SALVER

(Entries: 10 pairs)

FIRST ROUND

Miss E. McDougall and Mrs H. Neaves bt Misses H. and C. Robertson by 19.

Mr and Mrs A. Watson bt Miss O. McDougall and Miss N. Leeney by 5.

SECOND ROUND

Mr and Mrs F. Hough bt Mrs F. Bull and Miss S. Barras by 8.

Mrs S. Low and Miss E. Risley bt Miss E. McDougall and Mrs H. Neaves by 11.

Miss G. Cotton and Mrs L. Armour bt Mr and Mrs A. Watson by 11.

Mr G. Neaves and Miss M. I. Simkins bt Miss K. Hoare and Mrs G. Phillips by 16.

SEMI-FINAL

Mr and Mrs F. Hough bt Mrs S. Low and Miss E. Risley by 15.

Mr G. Neaves and Miss M. I. Simkins bt Miss G. Cotton and Mrs L. Armour by 21.

FINAL

Mr G. Neaves and Miss M. I. Simkins bt Mr and Mrs F. Hough by 7.

Notes from the Clubs

Budleigh Salterton

The season started badly, as London failed to produce a team this year, so that the much looked-forward-to annual match did not take place.

Unfortunately, during the season, the club had a mid-night visitor, and the Bull Cup, with its long record of winners was amongst those stolen. It is hoped to replace it, though it is not sure if the office records of past winners is complete.

Miss E. J. Warwick and Mrs Vincent have retired from the committee, and have been replaced by Mrs G. F. H. Elvey, and Lt. Col. G. E. Cave. The latter also succeeds Mrs Vincent as Secretary of the Croquet Section of the Club.

Our "Championship" list is not quite so massive as last year; but Mrs Rotherham won back both the Ladies Championship and the Ladies Field Cup from Miss Warwick, and took part in finals of tournaments too innumerable to mention.

Four club members took part in The President's Cup, A. J. Cooper achieving third place at his first attempt in this competition. Col. D. W. Beamish won the Gold Cup at Parkstone, together with the Bournemouth Bowl and the Ashton Trophy.

Captain Buller reached the semi-final of the All-England Handicap, before being beaten by John Bolton.

Mrs Rotherham and Miss Warwick shared honours at Hunstanton; Dr Smartt won the Turner Cup at Hurlingham. Finally Mrs Cave won the Felix Cup at Eastbourne.

Brigadier Peters, the Chairman of the Club, presented cups and prizes for the local competitions at the annual tea and meeting of croquet members; 42 attended.

Club Championship. (2 life; 18 entries). Winner. J. G. Warwick. Runner-up Mrs E. Rotherham.

Gossage Cup. (Handicap Knock-out, 25 entries). Winner. A. J. Cooper. Runner-up Mrs Cruden.

Simpson Cup. (Handicap, American blocks 28 entries). Winner Dr Smartt. Runner-up Col. Laverty.

Bull Cup. (Ladies only, 16 entries). Winner Mrs Vincent. Runner-up Miss Fisher.

Smartt Cup. (Gentlemen only, 10 entries). Winner A. J. Cooper. Runner-up G. R. Mills.

Calthrop Salver. (Handicap Doubles, 13 pairs). Winners J. G. Warwick and Mrs Cruden. Runners-up A. J. Cooper and Mrs G. E. Cave.

Heathcote Golf Croquet Cup. (16 entries) Winner A. J. Cooper. Runner-up D. J. Bird.

Cheltenham

The Club Trophies Tournament was played from September 16th to 21st, and we enjoyed fine and warm weather throughout the week.

Our country members from Abergavenny arrived in force as did our "outliers" in Worcester and Leamington. We were pleased to see how much both Robert and Colin Prichard had improved in their play. The former won his event, and was a worthy partner playing in the doubles with his father. They were beaten in the final by G. E. P. Jackson and that amazing performer, Mrs Jackson, who was seen on the lawns for the first and only time this year.

Lt.-Col. Prichard won the Club Challenge Cup for Open Singles from Mr Jackson, who had held it for six years and had almost come to look upon it as a private possession.

The visit of Mrs Rotherham and Mr Solomon to the Club on October 18th, was much appreciated by the members. It was a lovely day, and the exhibition game they played was most interesting, a delayed triple peel by Solomon bringing the game to a first class finish.

The subsequent General Meeting, being held in the informal atmosphere of tea, enabled views of both Council Members and Club Members to be thoroughly aired. It would appear that the visit of Council Members to Clubs, on a semi-official basis, and with discussion of official business in view, is an excellent innovation.

Bowdon

The hoped-for improvements to the courts did not materialize as the intense frost prevented the application of fertilizers and other chemicals at the right time. Owing mainly to bad weather it was touch and go as to whether the main competitions would be finished before the end of the season.

R. Faulkner won the Open (both Draw and Process) and the Silver Box. He was second in the American.

R. Simpson won the American.

Mrs Fotiadi and Mrs Walker won the Doubles.

Mrs Walker won the Novices' Bowl.

NOTTINGHAM v BOWDON

Played at Bowdon on July 28th, 1963

Nottingham names first.

SINGLES

G. Birch (1) lost to R. Faulkner (2) by 4.

G. N. Bright (1½) lost to Mrs Fotiadi (2) by 8.

A. Bucknell (5½) beat Mrs Briggs (2½) by 21.

F. B. Stevens (7) lost to R. Simpson (8) by 23.

DOUBLES

(Game of 22 hoops and Peg).

G. Birch and G. Bright (2) drew with R. Faulkner and Mrs Fotiadi (3).

A. Bucknell and F. B. Stevens (10) lost to Mrs Briggs and R. Simpson (8½) by 4.

Bowdon beat Nottingham by 4 games to 1 with 1 game drawn.

At the end of the season a successful Coffee Morning, Bring and Buy Sale and Raffle was held at the club. By the generosity of one of the members, the nett profit was doubled.

All-England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club

The Club Championship was won this year by Professor Bernhard Neal, who defeated Capt. H. G. Stoker, the holder for the last three years since croquet was reinstated at Wimbledon, by +5-15+2. This was a splendid contest and all credit to the winner in conquering such a formidable opponent and also on his way to the final defeating J. B. Gilbert, thus disposing of the two back markers.

The handicap event was won by Capt. Stoker who in the final defeated the Chairman, Herman David.

Bristol

The following extract from the *Bristol Evening Post* recalls a light-hearted episode in West Country croquet:—

Round and round the lawn they went, bisquing, half bisquing, croqueting, roqueting and occasionally ticing.

Four members of St. Anne's Church, Greenbank, Bristol, were taking part last night in a 15-hour croquet marathon to advertise today's church fete.

But then, four hours after the start, came the tragic news for this longest croquet day—the game was not being played to rule.

And umpire Frank Mann never knew . . . he had broken his glasses just before the start and was "umpiring by ear."

The mistake was spotted by Dr. G. L. Ormerod, president of the Bristol Croquet Club, when he dropped in to watch the game being played in the church grounds.

A quick conference and change in rules and then on with the game again for another eleven rain-swept hours right through the night.

Finally, the tired players trooped off the field in triumph for a quick glass of sherry with the vicar, the Rev. Eric Huband, before setting out to help with the fete.

The result? Clive Barrington and Alan Freke had hooped their way to a crushing 26-7 win over Derek Farley and David Moon.

Roehampton

Although the courts were kept open until the second week-end in November, the season virtually ended with the usual Golf Croquet Day on October 19th, which was very well patronised. As it turned out, the weather was perfect and warmer than many days during the summer.

There is always an especially friendly atmosphere about this meeting. The prizes are all provided by various contestants and members and there is the sweepstake for the proverbial bottle of sherry provided by Mr Spencer-Ell.

The results of the Golf Croquet were:—

Singles: 1st J. B. Gilbert, 2nd Mrs S. M. Adler.

Doubles: 1st W. G. A. Burgess and Mrs S. M. Adler, 2nd Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs S. Phillips.

The Annual General Meeting of the Croquet members will not take place this year until November 30th, after this issue goes to press, so that all that it is possible to say now is that it will take place at 3 o'clock and that Mrs Spencer-Ell has very kindly accepted the invitation to present the Cup and Prizes for the Club Competitions held during the season.

The prize winners for these events are as follows:—

WINNERS

ROEHAMPTON CLUB EVENTS

Club Championship:

1st J. A. Hollweg
2nd Miss D. A. Lintern.

Women's Championship:

1st Miss D. A. Lintern
2nd Mrs M. H. Carrington.

Open "B" Event:

1st Mrs S. M. Adler
2nd D. C. Caporn

Open "C" Event:

1st R. O. Havery
2nd W. G. A. Burgess

American Handicap Event:

1st Mrs C. Hawes
2nd R. O. Hicks
3rd D. C. Caporn

Handicap Singles (open to all):

1st M. B. Reckitt
2nd Mrs G. W. Solomon
Equal 3rd Mrs D. M. Staub and A. J. Oldham.

Club All England Handicap:

1st J. B. Gilbert
2nd A. V. Camroux

Handicap Doubles:

1st Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs C. Hawes
2nd Dr T. E. Ryves and W. G. A. Burgess

Turketine Trays:

1st J. B. Gilbert
2nd D. C. Caporn

Most Croquet enthusiasts will have heard that Miss Daisy Lintern, the club's indefatigable Croquet Captain, has been seriously ill and has had to undergo a very bad operation. At the time of writing these notes, I understand that she is making very satisfactory progress and has now returned from the nursing home. I feel sure that all our readers will wish her a speedy and complete recovery.

OBITUARY

D. B. EVANS

This great exponent of the game died in early October at Pietermaritzburg, Natal. A life associate of the C.A., he had done much to vitalise croquet in Natal. He had at his own expense brought the lawns of his club to their present superb condition. He made great efforts to publicise the game and will be sorely missed.

The Conference of Club Delegates

The most fruitful parts of the discussion at the conference were those concerned with the present problem in Croquet: how are we to attract more people to the game? The Roehampton League has already been publicised in the journal: the importance and success of the venture were explained, and bigger clubs were urged to do all they could to reproduce the experiment with smaller clubs in their own area.

That venture is concerned mainly with those who already play. It remains equally necessary to persuade many more to start. Much of what is at present being done, though it looks promising, is proving ineffective: results of tournaments are printed but no enquiries received from prospective newcomers: even publicity through the local information bureau and official town guide has produced equally depressing results. When somebody proposed a National Croquet Week, with advance publicity and open days at the clubs, this idea was very enthusiastically received. There are of course problems here, not solely financial, but Council promised to investigate it thoroughly.

There is, however much that clubs can do individually. The local press is generally most co-operative, and one answer to bad publicity is to do what Cambridge University did—write an article yourself: if this were combined with a well-publicised open day and Exhibition game (there are plenty of good enough players willing to go) and for a well reported game with one of the two senior universities (the prestige of the game evidently improves if it is generally known that those revered scholars play it), who knows what might not result? Another ploy, in response to sneers, is the challenge from Reigate: "Well come along and watch a game, and see if you've got enough brains to play."

For some of our bad image, as we were reminded by a Hurlingham representative, we have only ourselves to blame. Why must we insist on dressing so shabbily, and if we do, what can we expect but contempt? Even without following the example of those who invariably wear whites to play, we could do much to dispel the bad impression we create, by taking just a little trouble to turn out neatly dressed.

Clubs near universities were urged to publicise themselves through University Union journals and guides. Budleigh (Exeter) and Nottingham already do this, and Liverpool are known to be keen, but what about all the others? And surely clubs could do more to encourage schoolboys (and girls): a full court may look a little massive at that age, but if you divide a court into two half-size courts, as at Budleigh, they can learn all the essentials of break-making.

The necessity of the apparently large amount of tribute non-associates who enter for tournaments must pay, was questioned. The Treasurer, in reply, outlined briefly the enormous complexity of the problem. Tribute and association fees were worked out very recently in close conjunction, after very full discussion in Council. It is anyway not true that a tournament entrant does not gain any advantage from the organisation of the C.A., and it is only fair that those who play should be required to pay for the benefits they receive.

Some clubs had received a delegation from Council before Conference, where grievances were discussed and Council's thinking was made known. It is particularly important for views and new ideas to be aired before any future conference (possibly to be an annual or biennial event?), and the new editorship would welcome the opportunity of providing a forum for views in the correspondence columns of the journal—such a departure would hardly be revolutionary for a journal of this nature, indeed, it would be a return to the journal's former practice. One speaker also thought it desirable that many clubs should propose candidates for council, as an active Council member from a provincial club is an excellent way of forming close ties between the club and Council. P.J.M.F.

Council Meeting Minutes

A Council Meeting was held at the Hurlingham Club on 12th September, 1963.

Present: J. W. Solomon (Chairman), J. M. Rivington, Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, D. C. Caporn, Col. J. G. Clarke, G. Victor Evans, Miss D. A. Lintern, Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts, L. E. G. Stokes-Roberts, M. B. Reckitt, Mrs E. Rotherham, Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, Mrs V. C. Gasson (Secretary).

On behalf of the Editorial Panel, Mr Reckitt told the Meeting that Mr Townsend wished to resign from his work on the magazine. He proposed that a Resolution of great gratitude to Mr Townsend for all his hard work should be published in the December issue of "Croquet". Everyone present agreed that this should be done.

P. J. M. Fidler is prepared to take on the Editorship under the guidance and assistance of the Editorial Panel and Mr Reckitt asked the members of the Council present to ratify this appointment. It was also suggested that Mr Fidler should be given the opportunity of attending Council Meetings when possible and should receive copies of the Minutes. Put to the vote and passed unanimously.

Representatives Conference

Mr Reckitt proposed a revival of a Representatives Conference in order that:—

- (a) Clubs may have an opportunity of airing their views.
- (b) Council may have an opportunity of explaining the reasons for its policy.

This subject was very fully discussed, all present being convinced that something must be done to get a closer liaison with Clubs.

Mr Stokes-Roberts said he thought it would be a good idea for two or three members of Council to visit those Clubs known to have problems—the said clubs being asked to call a full meeting of their members to discuss these problems with them.

It was decided that:—

- (i) Mr Stokes-Roberts's suggestion should be acted upon.
- (ii) That a Conference should be called of Representatives of all Registered Clubs and the Council to meet at Hurlingham on Saturday, November 9th at 11.30 a.m.
- (iii) That Clubs holding an Official Tournament should send two representatives—all other Clubs to send one.
- (iv) That Clubs should send the Secretary a summary of subjects they wished discussed, from which the Council would make an agenda.
- (v) That Clubs should be asked to call a full meeting to elect and instruct their Representative/s.
- (vi) That all Clubs should be sent a letter asking for their co-operation in every way for the good of croquet.

The Meeting then adjourned and a *Special Meeting of Council* was convened to ratify the changes made with New Zealand and Australia during the Tour in New Zealand—ratified by the A. G. M. on 27th May, 1963, and published in "Croquet," page 7, July issue.

Mr Rivington, Chairman, Laws Committee, asked Council to give these changes their ratification. This they did unanimously and the Meeting closed.

A Council Meeting was held at 4 Southampton Row on Thursday, 17th October, 1963, at 2 p.m.

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

Apologies: Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, E. P. Duffield, J. A. Hollweg, A. D. Karmel, J. M. Rivington, Cmdr G. W. Style and Mrs V. C. Gasson.

Minutes of the last two meetings having been circulated were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

The Chairman reported that the leaflet in connection with advantages of membership had with approval of the Publicity Sub-Committee been produced, printed, circulated and was available at Devonshire Park.

Mr Reckitt asked about item 8 in the Minutes of 27th May, 1963, and the Chairman in reply stated that the terms of reference of the Selection and Handicap Committees were to be available to members at the next meeting. The Chairman also reported that the Secretary had written a letter of thanks to Canon Creed-Meredith for his past services.

Correspondence

The Chairman read a letter from Mr Caporn thanking the Council for the generous gift of a cup for The Roehampton League. He also read a letter from Mrs Povey countersigned by several Associates protesting against the all bisques game for long bisquers, which letter stated that the signatories refused to play in any events of this nature. This was referred to the Tournament Committee.

The Chairman also read two letters from Lt. Cmdr. Style concerning the Representatives' Conference and protesting about the notice concerning the Special Meeting called for 12th September, 1963. Mr Solomon said the meeting had to be called at short notice for several reasons, most of the items were only of a formal nature and he apologised if anyone had misconstrued the second paragraph which was only intended to be helpful to members who had to travel long distances and who maybe wondered if it was essential to attend. Discussion followed but the majority of provincial members felt the paragraph had been a useful indication and had greatly appreciated it.

Questions

Mr Caporn asked if the Council could provide a surplus cup for the Annual Cambridge University Inter-College Knock Out Competition. It was agreed that the Council should present a cup but that if such competitions were to cease, the cup which was to remain the property of the C.A. was to be returned to them.

Dr Wiggins asked if the Editorial Panel would consider whether anonymous contributions of a contentious nature ought to be published without revealing the name of the contributor. Mr Reckitt replied that he felt that whether to publish anything or not should be left to the discretion of the panel.

Notice of Motion

Miss Lintern gave notice of the following Motion—That an Executive Committee be appointed to deal with any urgent matters that may arise when it is not considered convenient by the Chairman of the Council to call a Council Meeting; the Committee to consist of the current Chairman of Council and Vice-Chairman, and any past Chairmen who are still members of Council.

Report of the Laws Committee

This was presented by Mr Perry in the absence of Mr Rivington. It was agreed to defer any decision thereon until we had heard that the proposed alterations were acceptable to the Councils of the Associations in New Zealand and Australia. It was also agreed to reconsider at a later meeting the proposed amendment to Reg. 8 concerning time limits, and that the suggested Draw and Process Permutations should be circulated to Council Members for their consideration.

Report of the Re-Drafting Committee

This was presented by Mr Caporn who requested permission to make certain amendments thereto, which was agreed. The report as amended, was agreed unanimously. A copy thereof is attached to these Minutes.

Representatives Conference

Mr Reckitt spoke at some length on this. Discussion followed and it was agreed that following reports from Clubs, the Agenda should be prepared and circulated to all clubs and Council members as soon as possible, that so far as possible delegates should not be Council Members, and when the Agenda was sent out, mention should be made that accommodation could be supplied by London members for those who wanted it. It was reported that the date had to be changed

from the 9th to 16th November, and the venue to the Hurlingham Club, where lunch would be available. It was noted that the date of the Tournament Sub-Committee Meeting had been changed to Monday, 18th November, so as to follow this conference.

Mrs Williams appealed for Council Members to come and help coach members of small provincial clubs.

Motion by Mr Solomon

The amendment to the Resolution of Council dated 10th December, 1959, in the terms as printed on the Agenda was proposed by Mr Solomon, seconded by Mr Perry and carried unanimously.

Report of the Re-Drafting Committee

Motion to amend rules of the Croquet Association in accordance with authority given by the A.G.M. on the 27th May, 1963.

1 That the last sentence in Rule XXII(a) be deleted and in that Rule "Official Tournaments" shall be deleted and "Calendar Fixtures" substituted.

2 That there be added to Rule XXII(b) "and the privileges in Rule XXIV (ii)."

3 That the Rule XXIV be deleted and the following substituted to take effect from 1st January, 1964:—
"XXIV Subscriptions"

- (i)(a) The annual subscription payable by an Associate shall be £2. 10. 0., which may be compounded by one payment of £35 carrying Associateship for life (subject to Rule XX).
- (b) An Associate under the age of 27 years on 1st January in any year shall pay a subscription of £1 10. 0.
- (c) An Associate residing out of the United Kingdom from 1st January to 31st December in any year on giving previous notice to the Secretary may pay a subscription of £1. 1. 0. for that year.
- (d) An Associate who does not intend to play in any Calendar Fixture except Golf Croquet Tournaments, The All England Handicap, the Longman Cup, the Inter-Counties Championship and such other fixtures as the Council of the Croquet Association may decide from time to time to add to the above, shall pay £1. 10. 0.
- (e) An Associate who joins for the first time after the 31st August in any year shall pay half the appropriate subscription for that year and one who joins after the 31st October shall pay the appropriate full rate for the following year which shall be his subscription from the date of his election until the end of the following year.
- (ii) Associates shall receive "Croquet", have free admission to the ground at all Tournaments subsidised by the Association and to Devonshire Park at the time of the Tournament and admission to any Club when a Croquet Association Event is being played there subject to payment of such fee as the Club may impose.
- (iii) All the subscriptions shall become due and payable to the Secretary on election or 1st January in each year as applicable except for life and honorary Associates.
Receipts and membership cards will be issued by the Secretary.
- (iv) An Associate whose subscription is in arrears shall not be entitled to any of the privileges of an Associate. If he plays in a Calendar Fixture he shall be liable for Tribute, and if in arrears on 1st October in any year he shall *ipso facto* cease to be an Associate but shall remain liable for the subscription for that year.
That in accordance with the authority given by the A.G.M. on the 27th May, 1963, the regulations concerning Tribute set forth in Regulation 16 be amended as follows:—
1 In Regulation 16(b) "October" be substituted for "December" and add after "Associate," "except under Rule XXIV(i)(d)."

2 There be added the following:—

- 16(d) That no Tribute be payable by anyone competing for the first time in a Calendar Fixture.
- (e) That this regulation shall apply to all events published in "Croquet" under the heading "Calendar Fixtures," except for the All England Handicap, the Longman Cup, the Inter-Counties Championship and such other events as the Council of the Croquet Association shall from time to time decide.

In addition to the above draft, the Committee recommend the following:—

That the regulations concerning the amount of Tribute and Levy be published in "Croquet" at least once a year, preferably in April.

A Council Meeting was held at 4 Southampton Row, on Thursday, 7th November, 1963 at 2 p.m.

Present: J. W. Solomon (Chairman), Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury, D. C. Caporn, Major J. H. Dibley, G. V. Evans, H. C. S. Perry, M. B. Reckitt, Mrs E. Reeve, Major J. Rivington, E. A. Roper, Mrs E. Rotherham, Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart, Cmdr. G. W. Style, Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts, L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts, Dr Wiggins, Mrs Chittenden.

Apologies: G. Birch, Col. J. G. Clarke, E. P. Duffield, A. D. Karmel, Miss D. A. Lintern, W. Longman, Mrs R. R. Williams, and Mrs V. C. Gasson.

Minutes

The Minutes of the last meeting having been circulated were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising

The Chairman gave a report of the visits to Cheltenham and Southwick Clubs. Mrs Rotherham had accompanied him to Cheltenham, where they had been warmly received. A discussion of some of the problems facing the Club and of the way the Association might be of help had been of great value and Cheltenham hoped that such visits might become regular ones.

Mr Caporn had accompanied him to Southwick; they had again been most warmly received and a stimulating discussion had proved that such visits were well worth while.

Representatives Conference

The Chairman reported on the Agenda and general arrangements, and said that Mr Jaques would be present in the afternoon to deal with any questions, etc. on equipment.

Mr Reckitt suggested some alterations in the order of the items in the Agenda but it was decided not to do this. Major Dibley raised a query on items for the Agenda from Ryde which had been sent in late. The Chairman said he thought these fell under one or other of the Agenda items. L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts proposed and Dr. Wiggins seconded that the speakers be limited to five minutes on any one subject and this was carried *nem. con.*

It was decided that a bell or a buzzer would be useful equipment for the chairman.

Mr Reckitt reported on suggested arrangements for report of the conference in the December issue of "Croquet." The Chairman said he had provisionally arranged for a stenographer to be present to take shorthand notes and it was agreed that the C.A. could bear the expense.

Mr Evans offered to cover the expenses of the "Umpire badges" and this was accepted with thanks.

The Chairman said that if necessary before a vote was taken, the views of the Chairman of the relevant committee or himself would be expressed to the Conference. He also drew attention to the fares concession by B.R. that was available.

Report of the Laws Committee

Major Rivington again dealt with these. The Council accepted their recommendations covering the Amendments to Laws 8, 49(b), 44 and 45, subject to any comments to come from New Zealand and Australia who had been informed.

Amendments to Regulations 6(e) and 8 were also accepted. It was also agreed to publish the new method of compiling Process Cards when practicable. Major Rivington proposed and Mr Reckitt seconded that the report be adopted. This was carried *nem. con.*

Finance and G.P. Report

An additional item on the Agenda, was then given by Lt. Cmdr. Style. He said the accounts to the end of September had been examined by the Committee very carefully and estimates up to the end of the year considered. These were reasonably satisfactory. He proposed that the Handbook be printed every four years, the next one in 1964, and that a list of members be printed in 1966 and thereafter every four years. This was agreed unanimously.

Lt. Cmdr. Style then stated that the Bishop Legacy was untouched as the grant to the Burley Club was not made due to doubt as to their continued existence. The Committee had no recommendations to make at the present. He proposed and it was agreed to make the usual gratuities to the Hurlingham and Roehampton Ground Staff. In reply to a question about the charge for the Handbook, Cmdr. Style said nothing definite had been agreed. The price would be fixed at a reasonable selling figure.

Apps Memorial

Brig. Stokes-Roberts reported that the Committee had decided that it should be presented this year to Mr Fidler. He also suggested that the Council might like to consider at a later date making recommendations on which the Committee could act in the future as they virtually had no terms of reference.

Motion

In the absence of Miss Lintern, Mr Caporn moved her motion as per terms set out in the last Minutes. This was seconded by Brig. Stokes-Roberts. After discussion, the Motion was by leave withdrawn, as it was felt the terms thereof were too wide.

Any other Business

Mr Perry raised the question of the Devonshire Park Tournament dates. The Eastbourne Corporation had asked if these could be altered because at present the Tournament followed immediately after the South of England Tennis Tournament with the result that there was insufficient time to prepare the courts properly. They suggested the fortnight prior to 1st May. Council felt this was too early and Mr Perry agreed to make further enquiries re alternative dates.

1963 TEST SERIES

For the record, the results of the three matches between Australia and New Zealand are shown below. These details have not hitherto appeared in Croquet.

First Test: Invercargill, 3rd, 4th, 5th January, 1963.

Australia 6 New Zealand 2 (1 unfinished)

- L. Mason and Mrs P. Harrison bt A. G. F. Ross and Mrs B. Jarden +17 +13.
- Mrs E. Rudder and Mrs H. Day lost to H. C. Ford and A. T. Stephens +? -8 -7.
- Mrs W. P. Lewis and Col. A. E. Saalfeld bt L. Middlemiss and Mrs W. L. Martin -21 +5 +9.
- L. Mason bt Mrs B. Jarden +13 +24.
- Mrs H. Day bt A. G. F. Ross +4 +17.
- Mrs P. Harrison bt A. T. Stephens +14 +12.
- Mrs E. Rudder bt H. C. Ford +7 +18.
- Col. A. E. Saalfeld lost to L. Middlemiss +19 -2 -3.
- Mrs W. P. Lewis v. Mrs W. L. Martin (unfinished).

Second Test: Waimarie 24th, 25th, 26th January, 1963

Australia 5 New Zealand 4

- L. Mason and Mrs P. Harrison lost to A. G. F. Ross and Mrs B. Jarden -13 -9.
- Mrs E. Rudder and Mrs H. Day lost to H. C. Ford and A. T. Stephens -21 +7 -6.
- Mrs W. P. Lewis and Mrs Cathcart bt L. and Mrs L. Middlemiss +4 -15 +9.
- L. Mason lost to Mrs B. Jarden +12 -8 -7.
- Mrs H. Day bt A. G. F. Ross -11 +17 +14.
- Mrs P. Harrison bt A. T. Stephens +11 -4 +9.
- Mrs E. Rudder bt H. C. Ford +9 +20.
- Col. A. E. Saalfeld bt Mrs W. L. Martin +11 +9.
- Mrs Cathcart lost to Mrs L. Middlemiss -16 -20.

Third Test: New Plymouth, 14th, 15th, 16th February, 1963.

Australia 3 New Zealand 6

- L. Mason and Mrs P. Harrison bt Mrs B. Jarden and A. T. Stephens +26 +13.
- Mrs E. Rudder and Mrs Cathcart lost to H. C. Ford and J. Prince -7 -17.
- Mrs H. Day and Col. A. E. Saalfeld lost to L. Middlemiss and R. Browne -4 +9 -5.
- L. Mason bt A. G. F. Ross +24 +25.
- Mrs P. Harrison lost to Mrs B. Jarden -8 -19.
- Mrs H. Day lost to J. Prince -20 -14.
- Mrs E. Rudder bt H. C. Ford +17 +11.
- Mrs Cathcart lost to A. T. Stephens -20 -17.
- Mrs W. P. Lewis lost to R. Browne +16 -1 -2.

ROEHAMPTON

September 23rd to 28th, 1963

The falling off in entries, which seems to have been fairly general this year, must have been a disappointment to the Committee of the Roehampton Club. This tournament is usually well attended, but twelve less in the Handicap and seven less in the Open event is quite a lot. Perhaps though, our indefatigable Manager, Miss Lintern, was somewhat relieved, because the weather during mid-week was really dreadful. A biting wind and torrents of rain made the courts unplayable from 3.30 pm on the Tuesday, and although later in the week there was sporadic sunshine, no one could call this weather the kind you would expect in September. In spite of all this Miss Lintern is to be congratulated on having brought the tournament to a successful ending on Saturday. A large number of familiar faces was missing—in fact 21 players from last year did not come for one reason or another—but there were several new players, three of them promising young men, Mozley, Shewan and Coldicott, and one, W. B. Franklin, an older player from Suffolk, who played very well in his first London Tournament.

Among the established players, G. Williams was noteworthy as were Gilbert and Townsend—these two seeming to be on the courts for most of the day every day, and Maurice Reckitt by winning the Play-Off deserves to have his handicap looked at again! He had already beaten Williams in the final of the Process by twenty-five in a canter. The Play-Off—Reckitt versus Gilbert—was a protracted affair, but near the end it looked a cert for Gilbert as Maurice was a long way behind. Gilbert got both balls onto the peg and pegged one out, but his opponent crept up steadily and eventually beat him cleverly by one point. By overcoming Townsend in the final of the handicap by 3, Prichard won this event at last, having been in the final three times. Caporn won the B class event as well as the Y and played consistently well throughout the Tournament. There was a remarkable game between Williams and Watson in the Handicap. This event had a three-hour time limit and when there was a quarter of an hour left the situation was as follows:—Watson was for peg and rover and Williams had one ball on two back and one on the fourth hoop. With incredible speed and accuracy he got his ball from the 4th hoop to the peg; Watson missed, and then Williams fairly galloped round with his other ball and won by three just on time. He had scored 16 points in 15 minutes! Townsend did well to beat Mozley by ten having had to give him the same number of bisques. There were a couple of examples of how a game can be lost and nearly lost by failure to take bisques. Prichard beat Buller by two on time only because the latter wouldn't use them, and Mrs Croal (against Miller) nearly lost because, when she had made the rover (her other ball being on the peg) with a bisque in hand, instead of rolling up, taking the bisque, and going out, she attempted a long peg out which failed, and she very nearly threw the game away by this mistake. The Doubles began on Wednesday in a biting wind. Among the fourteen couples there were two pairs of "youngsters"—Miller and Mozley and Shewan and Coldicott—and one speculated as to how these less experienced players would fare against the old hands. In the event they met in the semi-final and Miller and Mozley went on to beat Townsend and General Davidson in the Final by two.

At one stage in this game, Townsend suffered from a mental aberration! He thought he had run 3-back when in fact he hadn't done so. This delusion may have caused him and his partner to lose the game.

The scores in the thirteen doubles games are interesting. Eleven were won by a margin below ten and the other two games by ten and eleven. The figures were: 1, 2 (twice), 4 (three times), 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. A remarkable sequence! At the end of the Tournament Mr Roper thanked Miss Lintern for her excellent management and Mrs Roper gave away the prizes. The thanks of all the players are due to the members of the Roehampton Club for all they did to help to make the Tournament the success it was and especially for taking round teas to players on the various lawns—which were in first class condition—when a gale of what seemed to be Force seven was blowing!

**OPEN SINGLES
THE RANELAGH GOLD CUP
("Two Life" System)**

DRAW
(15 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

- R. O. Hicks bt M. F. Buller +11.
- D. W. Miller bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard +4
- J. A. Hollweg bt Capt H. G. Stoker +20
- M. B. Reckitt bt M. Spencer Ell +12.
- J. B. Gilbert bt E. A. Roper +16.
- Major J. H. Dibley w.o. Mrs W. Longman opp scr
- S. S. Townsend bt Mrs G. W. Solomon +20.

SECOND ROUND

- R. O. Hicks bt D. W. Miller +22.
- J. A. Hollweg w.o. M. B. Reckitt opp scr
- J. B. Gilbert bt Major J. H. Dibley +10.
- G. Williams bt S. S. Townsend +12.

SEMI-FINAL

- R. O. Hicks bt J. A. Hollweg +8.
- J. B. Gilbert bt G. Williams +6.

FINAL

- J. B. Gilbert bt R. O. Hicks +8.

PROCESS
(15 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

- Mrs G. W. Solomon bt M. Spencer Ell opp. ret on peg.
- Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard w.o. Mrs W. Longman opp. scr.
- G. Williams bt Capt H. G. Stoker +5.
- J. B. Gilbert bt Capt. M. F. Buller +1.
- M. B. Reckitt bt Major J. H. Dibley +11.
- J. A. Hollweg bt S. S. Townsend +17.
- R. O. Hicks bt E. A. Roper +12.

SECOND ROUND

- Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt Mrs G. W. Solomon +12.
- G. Williams w.o. J. B. Gilbert opp. scr.
- M. B. Reckitt bt D. W. Miller +5.
- R. O. Hicks w.o. J. A. Hollweg opp. scr.

SEMI-FINAL

- G. Williams bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard +6.
- M. B. Reckitt bt R. O. Hicks +10.

FINAL

- M. B. Reckitt bt G. Williams +25.

PLAY-OFF

- M. B. Reckitt bt J. B. Gilbert +1.

**HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "B")
BROOK CHALLENGE CUP**

(3½ to 8 bisques)

(17 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

- R. G. S. Shewan (7) bt Mrs J. G. Stevenson (5½) +20.
- L. E. W. Stokes Roberts (6½) bt Mrs J. W. Speer (5) +12.
- Brig J. S. Omond (6½) w.o. G. H. Blackett (5) opp. scr.
- D. C. Caporn (6) bt W. B. Franklin (8) +4.
- D. R. Watson (5½) bt Mrs M. H. Carrington (6½) +12.
- Mrs F. H. N. Davidson (5) w.o. Mrs N. Rolfe (5) opp. scr.
- Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (7½) bt Dr T. E. Ryves (4) +25.
- Mrs L. A. Showan (3½) bt Miss R. Whitham (8) +4.

SECOND ROUND

- R. G. S. Shewan (7) bt L. E. W. Stokes Roberts (6½) +15.
- D. C. Caporn (6) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (6½) +17.
- D. R. Watson (5½) bt Mrs F. H. N. Davidson (5) +7.
- Mrs L. A. Showan (3½) bt Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (7½) +14.

SEMI-FINAL

- D. C. Caporn (6) bt R. G. S. Shewan (7) +3 on time.
- D. R. Watson (5½) bt Mrs L. A. Showan (3½) +14.

FINAL

- D. C. Caporn (6) bt D. R. Watson (5½) +5.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "C")

(9 bisques or more)

(8 Entries)

(Full bisques system)

FIRST ROUND

- W. G. A. Burgess (11) bt Miss G. W. Bartlett (10) +1.
- Mrs I. M. Purves (12) bt Mrs D. Caporn (11) +10.
- A. Mozley (9) bt Mrs V. E. Wheeler (14) +2 on time.
- Mrs T. Croal (10) bt Mrs J. S. Omond (9) +13.

SEMI-FINAL

- Mrs I. M. Purves (12) bt W. G. A. Burgess (11) +1.
- Mrs T. Croal (10) bt A. Mozley (9) +6.

FINAL

- Mrs I. M. Purves (12) bt Mrs T. Croal (10) +3.

**HANDICAP SINGLES
CREYKE CUP**

EVENT "X"

(37 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

- M. B. Reckitt (0) bt L. E. W. Stokes Roberts (6½) +20.
- Mrs T. Croal (10) bt D. W. Miller (2) +6.
- Capt. H. G. Stoker (-1) bt Mrs L. A. Showan (3½) +5.
- S. S. Townsend (1) bt Mrs J. W. Speer (5) +17.
- R. G. S. Shewan (7) bt Dr T. E. Ryves (4) +11.

SECOND ROUND

- W. B. Franklin (8) bt Brig A. E. Stokes Roberts (2) +23.
- Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-1½) bt W. G. A. Burgess (11) +15.
- Mrs M. H. Carrington (6½) bt G. H. Blackett (5) +8 on time.
- J. B. Gilbert (-½) bt Mrs F. H. N. Davidson (5) +14.
- Capt. M. F. Buller (1½) bt M. Spencer-Ell (0) +22.
- Mrs G. W. Solomon (2) bt Mrs V. E. Wheeler (14) +14.
- M. B. Reckitt (0) bt Mrs R. Whitham (8) +14.
- Capt. H. G. Stoker (-1) bt Mrs T. Croal (10) +4.
- S. S. Townsend (1) bt R. G. S. Shewan (7) +9.
- E. A. Roper (2) bt Miss G. W. Bartlett (10) +8.
- Mrs I. M. Purves (12) bt Mrs J. S. Omond (9) +4.
- Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (7½) w.o. Mrs N. Rolfe (5) opp. scr.
- Major J. H. Dibley (2½) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (6½) +3.
- A. Mozley (*11) bt D. C. Caporn (6) +7.
- Mrs J. G. Stevenson (5½) bt Mrs E. A. Roper (6½) +13.
- G. Williams (½) bt D. R. Watson (5½) +3.

THIRD ROUND

- Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-1½) bt W. B. Franklin (8) +2.
- J. B. Gilbert (-½) bt Mrs M. H. Carrington (6½) +10.
- Capt. M. F. Buller (1½) bt Mrs G. W. Solomon (2) +21.
- Capt. H. G. Stoker (-1) bt M. B. Reckitt (0) +7.
- S. S. Townsend (1) bt E. A. Roper (2) +15.
- Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (7½) bt Mrs I. M. Purves (12) +15.
- A. Mozley (*11) bt Maj. J. H. Dibley (2½) +7.
- Mrs J. G. Stevenson (5½) bt G. Williams (½) +2.

FOURTH ROUND

- Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-1½) bt J. B. Gilbert (-½) +7.
- Capt. M. F. Buller (1½) bt Capt H. G. Stoker (-1) +9.
- S. S. Townsend (1) bt Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (7½) +4.
- A. Mozley (9) bt Mrs J. S. Stevenson (5½) +7.

SEMI-FINAL

- Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-1½) bt Capt. M. F. Buller (1½) +2 on time.
- S. S. Townsend (1) bt A. Mozley (9) +10.

FINAL

- Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-1½) bt S. S. Townsend (1) +3.

EVENT "Y"

(1 and 3 back)

(17 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

D. W. Miller (2) bt Mrs L. A. Showan (3½) by 12.

SECOND ROUND

Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts (2) bt W. G. A. Burgess (11) +6.
 Mrs F. H. N. Davidson (5) w.o. M Spencer Ell (0) opp. scr.
 Mrs R. Whitham (8) bt Mrs V. E. Wheeler (14) +3.
 D. W. Miller (2) bt L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts (6½) +10.
 Mrs J. W. Speer (5) bt Dr T. E. Ryves (4) +7.
 Mrs J. S. Omond (9) bt Miss G. W. Bartlett (10) +3.
 D. C. Caporn (6) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (6½) +10.
 D. R. Wilson (5½) bt Mrs E. A. Roper (6½) +8.

THIRD ROUND

Mrs F. H. N. Davidson (5) bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts (2) +1.
 D. W. Miller (2) bt Mrs R. Whitham (8) +7.
 Mrs J. W. Speer (5) bt Mrs J. S. Omond (9) +5.
 D. C. Caporn (6) bt D. R. Watson (5½) +10.

SEMI-FINAL

D. W. Miller (2) bt Mrs F. H. N. Davidson (5) +17.
 D. C. Caporn (6) bt Mrs J. W. Speer (5) +13.

FINAL

D. C. Caporn (6) bt D. W. Miller (2) +10.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(Combined handicaps 5 or more)

(14 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

S. S. Townsend and Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (8½) bt M. B. Reckitt and D. R. Watson (5½) +11.
 Dr T. E. Ryves and W. G. A. Burgess (14) bt M. F. Buller and Mrs J. S. Omond (10½) +6.
 J. B. Gilbert and W. B. Franklin (6½) bt Major J. H. Dibley and Mrs J. G. Stevenson (8) +10.
 R. G. S. Shewan and M. Caldicott (19) bt Mrs L. A. Showan and Mrs J. W. Speer (8½) +1.
 E. A. Roper and Mrs R. Whitham (10) bt D. C. Caporn and Mrs D. Caporn (17) +2.
 D. W. Miller and A. Mozley (9) bt Mrs G. W. Solomon and Mrs E. A. Roper (8½) +4.

SECOND ROUND

S. S. Townsend and Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (8½) bt Capt. H. G. Stoker and Mrs M. H. Carrington (5½) +9.
 J. B. Gilbert and W. B. Franklin (6½) bt Dr T. E. Ryves and W. G. A. Burgess (14) +5.
 R. G. S. Shewan and M. Caldicott (19) bt E. A. Roper and Mrs R. Whitham (10) +4.
 D. W. Miller and A. Mozley (9) bt Mrs V. C. Gasson and Mrs F. H. N. Davidson (7½) +8.

SEMI-FINAL

S. S. Townsend and Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (8½) bt J. B. Gilbert and W. B. Franklin (6½) +4.
 D. W. Miller and A. Mozley (9) bt R. G. S. Shewan and M. Caldicott (19) +7.

FINAL

D. W. Miller and A. Mozley (9) bt S. S. Townsend and Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (8½) +2.

ENGLAND AND WALES

v

SCOTLAND AND IRELAND

12th October, 1963

RESULTS

England and Wales players names first.

SINGLES

J. W. Solomon bt E. P. C. Cotter by 17.
 Dr W. R. D. Wiggins bt Cmdr. G. V. G. Beamish by 9.
 Mrs Hope Rotherham lost to D. J. Hamilton-Miller by 3.
 Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard lost to Capt. H. G. Stoker by 17.
 A. A. Reed bt D. Strachan by 9.
 J. G. Warwick lost to L. Kirk-Greene by 1.

DOUBLES

Solomon and Reed bt Cotter and Beamish by 12.
 Wiggins and Mrs Rotherham lost to Stoker and Strachan by 22.

Warwick and Prichard v. Kirk-Greene and Hamilton-Miller unfinished.

The day of the match dawned bright and sunny, so I was told, but mist from the sea stopped us from enjoying the record October temperatures, which were being experienced inland.

The qualifications of some of the players to represent the countries they did, may have been a little tenuous, but a close and interesting match resulted. There was one change from the advertised sides, Colonel Prichard taking the place of Miss Warwick at the lady's desire.

Solomon and Reed v Cotter and Beamish

Play started punctually at 10.30 a.m., and at 10.45 a.m. John Solomon was round to 4-back and had peeled his partner's ball through the first hoop. This fine break was greeted with applause led by Miss Warwick, who assured those who felt embarrassed by this display of feeling that it was an Antipodean custom which had given great pleasure to our Test Team. Come the day when the West Indies play in these matches! After some in-and-out play, Cotter matched Solomon, peeling his partner's ball through the first hoop and going to 4-back. After the lift, Solomon hit in and laid a break for his partner. Reed played a splendid turn and put his clip on the stick at 11.45 a.m. Beamish then got in and went to the sixth hoop where he stuck, giving Reed the innings. Reed trying to go to his partner's ball accidentally pegged himself out. John Solomon missed one long shot, hit the next and went out. The match had lasted 90 minutes.

Wiggins and Mrs Rotherham v Stoker and Strachan

This match was over as quickly. Bobbie Wiggins had the first chance, but his approach to the third hoop over a patch of bare ground went too far. Strachan got in and went to 4-back (11.15 a.m.). Stoker, in great form, reached the stick at 11.35 a.m. and although his opponents got in again, they made little progress. Mrs Rotherham took croquet only once. A convincing win for Scotland and Ireland.

Warwick and Prichard v Kirk-Greene and Hamilton-Miller

This was a protracted affair. After one hour and forty minutes Kirk-Greene and Hamilton-Miller were for 4-back and 3-back, and Warwick and Prichard had not made a point. At this stage Prichard hit in and playing with great accuracy put his clip on 4-back. Warwick at 12.40 p.m. made the first hoop, but missed a return roquet after making the second. The game was pegged down at 1 p.m.

It had proved difficult to observe three matches at once. To keep track of six, especially when subjected to interruptions, was impossible. Here is what I can decipher of my notes.

Solomon v Cotter

John Solomon quickly reached 4-back having peeled his partner ball through the first. When trying to get his second ball round, he rushed it into the stick. Patrick Cotter then made quick progress, but John hit in again and went out.

Wiggins v Beamish

Bobbie Wiggins always had the better of the argument. In trying to finish the game without giving his opponent another turn, he attempted in a croquet shot to peg-out his black from a long distance and send his blue to his opponent's balls on the yard-line. The peg-out was successful but he left himself a long roquet and missed. He needed three more shots to finish. The first missed the stick, with the second he went to the middle of the west boundary and, from there, his third shot hit the stick.

Mrs Rotherham v Hamilton-Miller

This was a game full of interest to the spectators, with the innings constantly changing hands. A series of superb shots would be followed by a breakdown at a critical hoop. Finally Hope Rotherham failed at the rover and gave Dudley Hamilton-Miller a chance to win, which he took.

Prichard v Stoker

Dacre Stoker continued to show devastating form and nearly avenged by a 26-nil victory a defeat he had suffered earlier in the week at the mallet of David Prichard, but his ball just went off at the last moment and Prichard used this chance to go to 4-back. However, Stoker soon gained a point for Ireland.

Reed v Strachan

In the very early stages Strachan seemed to have some advantage, but Reed with a clip on the peg made the penultimate with Strachan only for 3 and 4. Here Reed found himself rather hampered; moreover, a lift was due and his opponent had one ball in A baulk. An old international at the side of the court murmured in distress "He mustn't try it. He'll leave his balls in the middle of the court and give his opponent the innings." Arthur Reed tried the difficult hammer shot with the predicted result and Douglas Strachan went round to 4-back. However, having made 3-back he had been hampered and had missed a roquet, allowing Reed to get in and win.

Warwick v Kirk-Greene

This match is left until the last because it finished last and so much depended on it. Leslie Kirk-Greene got to 1-back and 4-back before Guy Warwick had made a hoop. However, Guy caught up well and an intensely exciting finish followed. With Leslie having both clips on the rover and Guy being for the penultimate and rover, Guy went off near Leslie. Leslie got both his clips on the peg and then in turn went off near Guy. Guy made the rover and laid up. Leslie missed a long shot. Guy then made the penultimate and rover, but missed the peg-out of the croqueted ball. He pegged out his other ball, leaving Leslie a shot from the second corner to near the stick. Leslie hit this and won by one point.

This left the match all square with the result depending on the pegged-down doubles, in which the position was—

Warwick for 3 and Prichard for 4-back, while Kirk-Greene was for the rover and Hamilton-Miller for 4-back.

It was decided to play for half an hour and it was agreed that if neither side had won by then, the match should be considered a draw. This was a generous action on the part of Scotland and Ireland.

It seemed as if this arrangement had not been made clear to all the contestants, for both sides appeared satisfied with maintaining the status quo. Little progress was made and the last 30 minutes proved to be rather an anti-climax to an otherwise excellent match, which thus was drawn at 4 all.

The players may be pleased to know that more people paid for admission on the day of the match than on any other day of the fortnight.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Shortened Game

Dear Sir,

It would appear that there is, as yet, no general agreement on a satisfactory "shortened game." Equally apparent is the necessity to point out that in a "shortened game," some hoops must be left out.

May I suggest the following arrangement:—

The hoops are made in the following order: 1, 2, 5, 6, 3 back, 4 back, penultimate, rover, stick. Total points 18. The reasons for this are as follows:—

(1) The start. This game starts at the 1st hoop and the standard openings can be learned and used, abolishing 3rd and 5th hoop openings.

(2) The end of the game. From 3 back the game is "standard croquet."

(3) The middle of the game. (a) It will be noted that the order of the hoops is easy to remember, in that ALL hoops are made from south to north except the last two, in standard croquet sequence. (b) The 4 ball break is much simplified, the pilot balls at 1 and 2 being put to 5 and 6 respectively, (instead of 3 and 4) and after making those hoops, to 3 back and 4 back respectively (instead of 1 back and 2 back), the pivot ball remaining central, thus putting the pilot balls to the NEAREST hoop after running a hoop, eliminates the long stop and/or split shots that beginners find difficult to get accurate.

It is probable that this game is too easy for 8 bisquers, but it is suggested that a lift after 4 back for them would help, particularly to familiarise players with lift procedure at an earlier stage of their croquet career.

Finally, it is emphasised that this idea is purely theoretical at the moment, and any comments from practical experiment or trial would be welcome.

Yours faithfully,
 GERALD CAVE.
 Lt.-Col.

DEVONSHIRE PARK, EASTBOURNE

September 30th to October 12th

Those familiar with this historic tournament (the writer has known it since 1907), found themselves on this occasion in strange, even bizarre surroundings. The vast new "Congress Theatre" turned upon our proceedings its unattractive back of uncompromising brown brick, modified only by a few scabbles which should, one supposes, be described as "mural abstracts". Around the playing area stood a huge array of steel and concrete monoliths designed to present an exhibition of the best (more often the worst) that this century can do in the way of public illumination. There was included an elaborate apparatus for floodlighting, which led to some apprehension that the Manager, confronted with an increased entry and two fewer courts than usual, might be counting on us to prolong our games into the hours of darkness! And beside each court stood not the elegant tents of former years but one or two canvas bathing huts which served their purpose adequately so long as the rain was not driving directly into them. In fact the competitors, though finding them a bit draughty round the ankles, saw in these miniature shelters a welcome opportunity to keep such accommodation free from the invasion of those not competing, without any appearance of inhospitality. It is understood that the employment of this rather primitive form of refuge will result in a considerable economy to the C.A.

The elaborately designed programme seems to have succeeded in checking the fall in entries which had been an alarming feature of recent seasons here, there were 57 in the big Handicap and twenty in the Men's Opens. Entry in the higher classes, however, was disappointing; while there may be other reasons for this, one of them, sometimes overlooked, is that the number of associates with handicaps in double figures is declining, largely because such players are earning reductions more quickly than neophytes appear to replace them. It would be interesting if one of our mathematicians would find out for us what the average C.A. handicap now is, and how it varies from that of, say, ten years ago, taking into account the general rate of bisque increase imposed half a dozen years back. The new Handbook promised for next Spring would provide opportunity for such a calculation.

The tournament opened in weather which could be comprehensively described as "inclement." A mordant N.W. wind chilled us to (and in) the bone and on the Tuesday afternoon rain arrived to provide consolation for inactivity to those knocked out on the previous day. Thursday brought tempests and torrents and all was "rained off;" Friday was bright but chilly; on Saturday the torrents returned, and so once more did the drenched competitors from the unplayable courts. But why go on? This meteorological gallimaufry persisted into the second week, but on the Wednesday what the old hands called "real Eastbourne weather" suddenly arrived, and thereafter not another drop of rain fell.

There were two remarkable features of the fortnight's play, one little noticed, the other so strikingly in evidence that none could fail to remark it. The former, which will be confirmed by a study of the score sheets, was the large number of games won by single figure points in all the events, perhaps a testimony to the creditable labours of our Handicap Co-ordination Committee, as a result of which it would seem that competitors are levelling up. The other was the very striking supremacy of the female over the male in every class; in only four events did men manage to struggle into final victory in competitions open to both sexes, Mr Gerald Williams in the B Opens—an unexpectedly formidable competitor to find in such an event—Major Hill-Bernhard in the Limited Handicap, Mr F. R. Meacham in the Trevor Williams Cup, and Mr Hamilton-Miller (with the skilled co-operation of Mrs Rotherham) in the Open Doubles. In the Draw of the Ionides Cup all four semi-final places were occupied by lady players, and in the Process three might have been, had not Mrs Elvey clashed with Miss Warwick en route. What John Knox so impolitely described as the Monstrous Regiment of Women could hardly have been more completely established than it was here.

Of these brilliant ladies it was Mrs Longman who bore off the palm. We have never seen this courageous and tenacious player to greater advantage. She is a beautiful striker of

the ball; her rushes at all distances were consistently accurate; and if from ill luck or a rare mistake she happened to fall behind, she was all the more likely to play still better on that account. Her four games against Mrs Rotherham, in which there was plenty of good croquet too, by our Lady Champion, produced three victories for her and enabled her to carry away the Cups for both the Open events for which she was entered. This is a feat no lady has performed here since Miss D. D. Steel did so (on the last of several occasions) in 1947. Mrs Longman played most of her matches wearing the Best Eight scarf she earned her right to do in 1958. We feel this was significant, not only for the past but for the future.

A word must be said in praise of Mrs Elvey who was back to form she had not shown for some time. She had some good victories in the Ionides Cup, and stood up well to Mrs Longman in the semi-final of the Women's event. Here mention may be made of a newcomer to Devonshire Park, Mrs Smartt, who did well indeed to win two games in the Women's Opens and to go through to the final of the big Handicap, which she might well have won if she had not physically exhausted herself in getting there. She too is a "sticker" and takes immense trouble over every shot. Her problem now, perhaps, is to increase the speed of her play without losing her enviable power of concentration.

Other ladies who did notably well were Mrs Synge, who was Mrs Smartt's conqueror in the Handicap final and is coming on fast, as so keen a player deserves to do; Mrs McMordie, who so often does well here and won the Luard Cup this year; and Mrs Cave and Mrs Oxley, who contributed so much to carry their partners into the final of the Handicap Doubles. Mrs Cave indeed was in three finals, winning one of them, and only losing to Major Hill-Bernhard perhaps through a certain haziness about what constitutes a wired ball. Anyway she knows now! Every year Mrs Oxley arrives at Devonshire Park there are murmurs of surprise (to put it politely) at her handicap. We must hope that the authorities at headquarters will take action to prevent a recurrence of this particular form of puzzled admiration. Mrs Povey is another very promising player of whose further success we hope (and expect) to see more.

So far as men were given any opportunity to shine on this occasion three of them played notably the best croquet, Col. Prichard, Capt Stoker and Mr Kirk-Greene. The last named indeed was out of luck in this tournament; on three occasions a decisive "last shot" was hit against him. The end of his game against Col. Prichard was interesting for Mr Kirk-Greene, with his backward ball at 2-back, chose to peg out one of his opponent's rovers, which unusual tactic very nearly succeeded, for the Colonel was allowed only three shots, the third (which would very probably have been the last) being a lift, which shot was, rather narrowly, hit. Meanwhile, Capt. Stoker had put out a strong challenger in Roger Hicks, and then obliterated the holder, Maurice Reckitt, who had been sailing along on an even keel until he encountered this immovable object. In the final it looked as if the Senior Service would win until some unwonted bad seamanship gave the army its chance and the Colonel won. (But the Captain got his revenge the next day in the match).

The courts on which these contests were staged were not in such good condition as usual. This was, almost certainly, nobody's fault. The wretched summer culminated in some of its worst weather during the tennis tournament, leaving scars behind which were irreparable. Some of the hoop approaches, notably to the third hoop on the best court of all, No. 3, were so devastated that it was something of a gamble to get a ball to stop within running distance at all. On other lawns there were numerous small holes out of, or over, which a ball might jump capriciously, spoiling a rush or taking all the "way" out of a long shot. Added to which, the Devonshire Park boundaries, never very reliable, produced some very treacherous rolls. It says much both for the beautiful turf, which that at the Park fundamentally is, and the care and constant preparation devoted to the lawns by a skilful and assiduous staff, that so much accurate play was possible as was in fact abundantly displayed.

That a tournament so unkindly treated by the weather beforehand and during its course was carried through with complete success was chiefly accountable to two people—Jack Dibley and Mike Perry, the former at the Park, the latter up at the Compton courts, of which very flattering reports were brought back by most of those who played on them. Major

Dibley's gifts as a Manager, the fruit of an intense devotion to the job, are so well known that we can too easily come to take them for granted. With two fewer courts available at the Park and with torrential rain rendering play impossible on two afternoons, his task was not an enviable one, but he was always well on the top of it and earned the admiration as well as the gratitude of all his "subjects." The more it rained on them the more they rejoiced that it was this considerate monarch who reigned over them. The transport problem to Compton was arranged with the utmost smoothness, and Mr Perry contrived to make all concerned feel how lucky they were to be sent there—which has not always been the case in the past.

Others deserved our thanks: Mrs Reeve, the most omniscient and omnipresent of referees; the lady coffee bearers and tea purveyors; and the stewards who, we suspect, did the best job of propaganda work ever achieved at this tournament. The large company of persons who arrived to study the problems of public illumination themselves sought and received an amount of illumination on the game proceeding in their midst which could have been conveyed to them in no other way. And very many of them departed resolved to "have a bash" at it.

OPEN SINGLES

CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.

(15 Entries)

DRAW

FIRST ROUND

D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt J. G. Warwick by 9.
Mrs W. Longman bt Mrs E. Reeve by 25.
V. A. de la Nougerede bt Mrs H. F. Chittenden by 15.
Mrs E. Rotherham bt L. Kirk-Greene by 3.
Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart w.o. opp. withdrawn
Miss E. J. Warwick bt M. B. Reckitt by 6.
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard by 7.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs W. Longman bt D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller by 6.
Mrs E. Rotherham bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 10.
Miss E. J. Warwick bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 19.
Mrs G. F. H. Elvey bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave by 15.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs E. Rotherham bt Mrs W. Longman by 13.
Miss E. J. Warwick bt Mrs G. F. H. Elvey by 11.

FINAL

Mrs E. Rotherham bt Miss E. J. Warwick by 6.

OPEN SINGLES

CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND

(15 Entries)

PROCESS

FIRST ROUND

L. Kirk-Greene bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard by 5.
M. B. Reckitt bt Mrs E. Reeve by 13.
Mrs G. F. H. Elvey bt Mrs H. F. Chittenden by 2.
J. G. Warwick w.o. opp. withdrawn.
Mrs E. Rotherham bt Miss E. J. Warwick by 26.
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 12.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 5.

SECOND ROUND

L. Kirk-Greene bt M. B. Reckitt by 11.
Mrs G. F. H. Elvey bt J. G. Warwick by 9.
Mrs W. Longman bt Mrs E. Rotherham by 3.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave by 4.

SEMI-FINAL

L. Kirk-Greene bt Mrs G. F. H. Elvey by 10.
Mrs W. Longman bt D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller by 4.

FINAL

Mrs W. Longman bt L. Kirk-Greene by 5.

PLAY-OFF

Mrs W. Longman bt Mrs E. Rotherham by 8.

MEN'S OPEN SINGLES MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND

(20 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

M. F. Buller bt Dr H. J. Penny by 15.
N. F. Blackwood bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 6.
M. B. Reckitt w.o. opp. scr.
L. Kirk-Greene bt D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller by 10.
W. Longman w.o. opp. scr.

SECOND ROUND

Capt. H. G. Stoker bt Maj. J. R. Abbey by 8.
R. O. Hicks bt Dr R. N. B. Smartt by 19.
Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart w.o. opp. scr.
M. B. Reckitt bt N. F. Blackwood by 6.
L. Kirk-Greene w.o. opp. scr.
G. W. Williams bt R. J. Leonard by 24.
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt J. G. Warwick by 4.
Cmdr G. V. G. Beamish bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave by 10.

THIRD ROUND

Capt. H. G. Stoker bt R. O. Hicks by 26.
M. B. Reckitt bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 23.
L. Kirk-Greene bt G. W. Williams by 9.
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt Cmdr G. V. G. Beamish by 20.

SEMI-FINAL

Capt. H. G. Stoker bt M. B. Reckitt by 25.
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt L. Kirk-Greene by 3.

FINAL

Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt Capt. H. G. Stoker by 9.

WOMEN'S OPEN SINGLES WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND

(14 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs H. F. Chittenden bt Miss K. D. Hickson by 19.
Miss E. J. Warwick bt Lady Ursula Abbey by 12.
Mrs G. F. H. Elvey bt Miss E. F. Rose by 9.
Mrs N. A. Fotiadi bt Mrs V. C. Gasson by 10.
Mrs R. B. N. Smartt bt Mrs E. Reeve by 3.
Miss H. D. Parker bt Miss A. E. Mills by 12.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs W. Longman bt Mrs H. F. Chittenden by 10.
Mrs G. F. H. Elvey bt Miss E. J. Warwick by 13.
Mrs R. N. B. Smartt bt Mrs N. A. Fotiadi by 6.
Mrs E. Rotherham bt Miss H. D. Parker by 20.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs W. Longman bt Mrs G. F. H. Elvey by 13.
Mrs E. Rotherham bt Mrs R. B. N. Smartt by 17.

FINAL

Mrs W. Longman bt Mrs E. Rotherham by 14.

LEVEL SINGLES A CHALLENGE SILVER SALVER

($\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 bisques)

(16 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Maj J. R. Abbey bt Dr R. N. B. Smartt by 9.
Miss K. M. O. Sessions bt Miss E. F. Rose by 13.
Mrs D. E. Chorlton w.o. opp. scr.
G. W. Williams bt Mrs R. B. N. Smartt by 21.
M. F. Buller bt N. F. Blackwood by 16.
Lady Ursula Abbey bt Mrs N. A. Fotiadi by 4.
E. A. Roper bt Miss A. E. Mills by 5.
Dr H. J. Penny bt Miss H. D. Parker by 5.

SECOND ROUND

Miss K. M. O. Sessions bt Maj J. R. Abbey by 1.
G. W. Williams bt Mrs D. E. Chorlton by 22.
M. F. Buller bt Lady Ursula Abbey by 15.
Dr H. J. Penny bt E. A. Roper by 15.

SEMI-FINAL

G. W. Williams bt Miss K. M. O. Sessions by 2.
Dr H. J. Penny bt M. F. Buller by 7.

FINAL

G. W. Williams bt Dr H. J. Penny by 11.

LEVEL SINGLES

LUARD CUP

(4 to $7\frac{1}{2}$ bisques)

(12 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs J. H. Dibley bt Miss H. F. Woolley by 15.
Mrs D. M. Owen w.o. G. V. Evans opp. ret.
Mrs G. W. Style bt Mrs D. M. C. Prichard by 4.
Miss K. D. Hickson bt Mrs E. M. Temple by 18.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs M. McMordie w.o. opp. scr.
Mrs D. M. Owen bt Mrs J. H. Dibley by 5.
Miss K. D. Hickson bt Mrs G. W. Style by 2 on time.
Maj. F. Hill-Bernhard bt G. R. Mills by 10.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs M. McMordie bt Mrs D. M. Owen by 13.
Miss K. D. Hickson bt Maj. F. Hill-Bernhard by 10.

FINAL

Mrs M. McMordie bt Miss K. D. Hickson by 3.

LEVEL SINGLES

TREVOR WILLIAMS CUP

(8 to 11 bisques)

(13 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

F. R. Meacham bt Mrs R. J. Pickett by 6.
Mrs J. R. Oxley bt Miss G. Allen by 18.

SECOND ROUND

F. R. Meacham bt Miss M. E. Day by 12.
Mrs J. R. Oxley w.o. opp. withdrawn.
Mrs R. Hill bt Miss M. Bryan by 11.
Mrs H. D. Wooster bt Mrs J. Povey by 9.

SEMI-FINAL

F. R. Meacham bt Mrs J. R. Oxley by 2.
Mrs R. Hill bt Mrs H. D. Wooster by 9.

FINAL

F. R. Meacham bt Mrs R. Hill by 12.

LEVEL SINGLES

FELIX CUP

(11 bisques and over)

(3 Entries)

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs K. M. Lowein bt R. Hill by 9.

FINAL

Mrs A. E. Cave bt Mrs K. M. Lowein by 9.

OPEN DOUBLES

(9 pairs)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs R. N. B. Smartt bt Mrs Fotiade and M. F. Buller by 2 on time.

SECOND ROUND

D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs E. Rotherham bt Dr Penny and Dr Smartt by 2.
Mrs Elvey and Mrs Smartt bt V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs A. E. Mills by 10.
J. G. Warwick and Col. Cave bt Lt.-Col. Prichard and Mrs W. Longman by 4 on time.
M. B. Reckitt and Miss E. J. Warwick bt Mrs Chittenden and Miss Parker by 7.

SEMI-FINAL

D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs E. Rotherham bt Mrs Elvey and Mrs Smartt by 16.
J. G. Warwick and Lt.-Col. Cave bt M. B. Reckitt and Miss E. J. Warwick by 4.

FINAL

D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs E. Rotherham bt J. G. Warwick and Lt.-Col. Cave by 9.

RESTRICTED DOUBLES HANDICAP
(24 pairs)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs W. Longman and Mrs E. M. Temple (4) bt M. B. Reckitt and Miss K. M. D. Sessions (3) by 14.
Lt.-Col. and Mrs D. M. C. Prichard (5) bt Mrs H. F. Chittenden and Miss H. D. Parker (2½) by 7.
Mrs G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs R. N. B. Smartt (3) bt D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs J. M. Donate (12) by 10.
R. J. Leonard and Mrs V. C. Gasson (4½) bt G. A. H. Alexander and Mrs H. R. Burrell (17) by 16.
Dr H. J. Penny and Miss H. D. Hickson (5½) bt Maj. Hill-Bernhard and Miss E. J. Warwick (2) by 8.
Mr and Mrs R. J. Pickett (14½) bt Miss G. Allen and Miss M. E. Day (20) by 5.
Mrs N. A. Fotiadi and Mrs J. R. Oxley (11) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart and Miss M. M. Taylor (8) by 16.
M. F. Buller and Dr R. N. B. Smartt (3) bt N. F. Blackwood and Miss M. Bryan (11½) by 10.

SECOND ROUND

Capt and Mrs W. A. T. Syngé (13½) bt V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs M. McMordie (3½) by 12.
Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs E. M. Cave (12½) bt Capt. V. H. G. Stoker and Mrs H. D. Wooster (7) by 9 on time.
Lt.-Col. and Mrs D. M. C. Prichard (5) bt Mrs W. Longman and Mrs E. M. Temple (4) by 5 on time.
R. J. Leonard and Mrs V. C. Gasson (4½) bt Mrs G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs R. N. B. Smartt (3) by 8.
Dr. R. J. Penny and Miss K. D. Hickson (5½) bt Mr and Mrs R. J. Pickett (14½) by 8.
Mrs N. A. Fotiadi and Mrs J. R. Oxley (11) bt M. F. Buller and Dr. R. N. B. Smartt (3) by 4 on time.
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and G. R. Mills (4) bt Mrs E. Rotherham and Mrs S. Povey (5) by 14.
J. G. Warwick and Miss Woolley (5) bt G. W. Williams and Mrs N. A. Naylor (8½) by 12.

THIRD ROUND

Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs E. M. Cave (11) bt Capt and Mrs W. A. T. Syngé (13½) by 4.
Lt.-Col. and Mrs D. M. C. Prichard (5) bt R. J. Leonard and Mrs V. C. Gasson (4½) by 21.
Mrs N. A. Fotiadi and Mrs J. R. Oxley (11) bt Dr H. J. Penny and Miss K. D. Hickson (5½) by 1 on time.
J. G. Warwick and Miss H. F. Woolley (5) bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and G. R. Mills (4) by 10.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs E. M. Cave (12½) bt Lt.-Col. and Mrs D. M. C. Prichard (5) by 5 on time.
Mrs N. A. Fotiadi and Mrs J. R. Oxley (11) bt J. G. Warwick and Miss H. F. Woolley (5) by 9.

FINAL

Mrs N. A. Fotiadi and Mrs J. R. Oxley (11) bt Miss A. E. Mills and Mrs E. M. Cave (12½) by 8.

HANDICAP SINGLES

THE "SUSSEX" PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP
(56 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs E. Rotherham (-3) bt Miss E. F. Rose (3½) by 18.
Capt W. A. T. Syngé (7) bt Mrs V. C. Gasson (2½) by 19.
Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (2) by 2.
N. F. Blackwood (1½) bt Mrs M. McMordie (4½) by 6.
Mrs W. A. T. Syngé (6½) bt G. R. Mills (5) by 6.
Mrs D. E. Chorlton (3½) bt Mrs W. Longman (-1) by 13.
E. A. Roper (2) bt Mrs H. C. S. Perry (6) by 4.
Mrs D. M. C. Prichard (7) bt Mrs E. M. Temple (5) by 18.
Mrs R. Hill (8) bt Mrs R. D. Wooster (8) by 6.
G. Williams (½) bt Miss E. J. Warwick (-2) by 11.
Miss M. E. Day (11) bt R. J. Leonard (2) by 5.
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-2) bt Miss K. D. Hickson (4) by 8.
Miss H. D. Parker (3) w.o. opp. scr.
Mrs J. Povey (8) bt Maj. J. R. Abbey (14) by 2.
Dr R. B. N. Smartt (1½) bt Miss H. F. Woolley (6½) by 3.
J. G. Warwick (-1½) bt Mrs H. F. Chittenden (-½) by 7.
Mrs D. M. Owen (7) w.o. opp. ret.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller (-2) bt G. A. H. Alexander (7) by 15.
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (-1½) bt Miss M. Bryan (10) by 15.
V. A. de la Nougerede (-1) bt Mrs N. A. Fotiadi (2) by 3.

Dr H. J. Penny (1½) bt Mrs G. F. H. Elvey (0) by 23.
M. B. Reckitt (0) bt Mrs R. H. Burrell (10) by 12.
Mrs R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt Miss G. Allen (9) by 6.
Miss K. M. O. Sessions (3) bt Mrs E. Reeve (0) by 17.

SECOND ROUND

Maj. F. Hill-Bernhard (4) bt R. J. Pickett (6) by 15.
Mrs J. H. Dibley (3) bt Mrs W. A. Naylor (8) by 3.
Capt W. A. T. Syngé (7) w.o. Mrs E. Rotherham (-3) opp. ret.
Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt N. F. Blackwood (1½) by 22.
Mrs W. A. T. Syngé (6½) bt Mrs D. E. Chorlton (3½) by 3.
E. A. Roper (2) bt Mrs D. M. C. Prichard (7) by 6.
Mrs R. Hill (8) bt G. Williams (½) by 7.
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-2) bt Miss M. E. Day (11) by 13.
Mrs J. Povey (8) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3) by 14.
Dr R. B. N. Smartt (1½) bt J. G. Warwick (-1½) by 7.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller (-2) bt Mrs D. M. Owen (7) by 26.
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (-1½) bt V. A. de la Nougerede (-1) by 12.

Dr H. J. Penny (1½) bt M. B. Reckitt (0) by 14.
Mrs R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt Miss K. M. D. Sessions (3) by 10.
M. F. Buller (1½) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (7) by 2.
Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1) bt Mrs J. R. Pickett (8½) by 11.

THIRD ROUND

Maj F. Hill-Bernhard (4) bt Mrs J. H. Dibley (5) by 17.
Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Capt W. A. T. Syngé (7) by 7.
Mrs W. A. T. Syngé (6½) w.o. opp. scr.
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (-2) bt Mrs R Hill (8) by 5.
Mrs J. Povey (8) bt Dr R. N. B. Smartt (1½) by 2.
Lt. Col. G. E. Cave (-1½) bt D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller (-2) by 6.
Mrs R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt Dr H. J. Penny (1½) by 13.
Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1) w.o. M. F. Buller opp. ret.

FOURTH ROUND

Maj F. Hill-Bernard (4) bt Miss A. E. Mills (1½) by 16.
Mrs W. A. T. Syngé (6½) w.o. Lt.-Col. Prichard opp. ret.
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (-1½) bt Mrs J. Povey (8) by 2.
Mrs R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1) by 16.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs W. A. T. Syngé (6½) bt Maj. Hill-Bernhard (4) by 8.
Mrs R. B. N. Smartt (3) bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (-1½) by 18.

FINAL

Mrs W. A. T. Syngé (6½) bt Mrs R B. N. Smartt (3) by 3 on time.

LIMITED HANDICAP SINGLES (Class "X")

(4 bisques and over)
(25 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs W. A. Naylor (8) w.o. opp. withdrawn.
Mrs E. A. Roper (6½) bt G. R. Mills (5) by 2.
Mrs J. R. Oxley (9) F. R. Meacham (8) by 1.
Mrs G. W. Style (4) bt Mrs J. Povey (8) by 3 on time.
Mrs D. M. C. Prichard (7) bt Mrs R. Hill (8) by 6.
Mrs D. M. Owen (7) bt Mrs H. D. Wooster (8) by 5.
Mrs M. McMordie (4½) bt Miss M. Bryan (10) by 3.
Mrs J. H. Dibley (5) bt Miss G. Allen (9) by 8.
Mrs E. M. Cave (13) bt Mrs F. E. Stobart (16) by 19.

SECOND ROUND

Maj. F. Hill-Bernhard (4) bt G. V. Evans (4½) by 14.
Mrs K. M. Lowein (13) bt Mrs W. A. Naylor (8) by 12.
Mrs J. R. Oxley (9) bt Mrs E. A. Roper (6½) by 2.
Mrs D. M. C. Prichard (7) bt Mrs G. W. Style (4) by 16.
Mrs M. McMordie (4½) bt Mrs D. M. Owen (7) by 6.
Mrs E. M. Cave (13) bt Mrs J. H. Dibley (5) by 11.
R. J. Pickett (6) bt Miss E. M. Day (11) by 12.
Miss H. F. Woolley (6½) bt Mrs E. M. Temple (5) by 6.

THIRD ROUND

Maj. F. Hill-Bernhard (4) bt Mrs K. M. Lowein (13) by 17.
Mrs J. R. Oxley (9) bt Mrs D. M. C. Prichard (8) by 16.
Mrs E. M. Cave (13) bt Mrs M. McMordie (4½) by 13.
R. J. Pickett (6) w.o. opp. ret.

SEMI-FINAL

Maj. F. Hill-Bernhard (4) bt Mrs J. R. Oxley (9) by 17.
Mrs E. M. Cave (13) bt R. J. Pickett (6) by 11.

FINAL

Maj. F. Hill-Bernhard (4) bt Mrs E. M. Cave (13) by 4.

HANDICAP SINGLES (Class "Y")

(4 bisques and over)

FIRST ROUND

G. R. Mills (5) bt F. R. Meacham (8) by 4.
Mrs J. Povey (8) w.o. Mrs R. Hill opp. ret.
Miss M. Bryan (10) bt Mrs H. D. Wooster (8) by 15.
Miss G. Allen (9) bt Mrs F. E. Stobart (16) by 13.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs W. A. Naylor (8) w.o. opp. rtd.
Mrs J. Povey (8) bt G. R. Mills (5) by 14.
Miss M. Bryan (10) bt Miss G. Allen (9) 13.
Mrs E. M. Temple (5) bt Miss M. E. Day (11) by 10.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs J. Povey (8) bt Mrs W. A. Naylor (8) by 18.
Miss M. Bryan (10) bt Mrs E. M. Temple (5) by 24.

FINAL

Mrs J. Povey (8) bt Miss M. Bryan (10) by 8.

HANDICAP SINGLES PLATE

(8 Entries)

Miss E. F. Rose (3½) bt Mrs R. H. Burrell (10) by 12.
Mrs H. C. S. Perry (7) bt W. Longman (2) by 18.
Miss M. M. Taylor (7) bt G. A. H. Alexander (7) by 3.
Miss M. Bryan (10) w.o. opp. ret.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss E. F. Rose (3½) bt Mrs H. C. S. Perry (7) by 1.
Miss M. Bryan (10) w.o. Miss M. M. Taylor opp. ret.

FINAL

Miss E. F. Rose (3½) bt Miss M. Bryan (10) by 15.

The Plate was won by Miss E. F. Rose: The Extra by Dr. H. J. Penny.

PRIZE WINNERS 1963

The list includes all events (of which the full scores have been received for publication in the Gazette) at (1) Open Tournaments, (2) Tournaments open to all Associates, together with the All-England Handicap and the Champion Cups. Where the entries in an event were less than 16, semi-finalists are not included unless they actually won two matches. The same applies to the second prize-winner where the entries were less than 8.

Figures in square brackets indicate the handicap of players at the beginning and end of season.

OS—Open Singles or Open Singles (Class "A"); **MOS**—Men's Open Singles; **WOS**—Women's Open Singles; **LS**—Classes ("B", "C", "D"); **LHS**—Limited Handicap Singles; **HSX**—(Y,Z)—Handicap Singles (Event "X") ("Y", "Z"); **HSEX**—Extra Handicap Singles; **MHS**—Men's Handicap Singles; **WHS**—Women's Handicap Singles; **OD**—Open Doubles; **MOD**—Mixed Open Doubles; **HD**—Handicap Doubles; **MHD**—Men's Handicap Doubles; **WHD**—Women's Handicap Doubles.

ADLER, Mrs S. M. [2] Ascot Challenge Cup (Golf Croquet) 3.
ALLEN, Miss G. [9] Brighton (May), HSY, 3.
AULT, Miss K. [4] Nottingham, HSX, 3; HD, 1; Budleigh Salterton (July) LSB, 2; Parkstone (September) LSB, 2 [3½].
AUSTIN W. H. [3] Brighton, (May) HSX, 3.

BAILLIEU, I. C. [3] Peels MHS, 1, HD, 1; Budleigh Salterton (July) (non-official) HS, 3; Budleigh Salterton (July), OS Process, 2, HS, 3; Surrey Cup, 8; Roehampton Challenge Cup, 3; Brighton (August), HD, 3 [11].
BANTOCK, E. G. [2½] Brighton (August), LSB, 2.
BEAMISH, Comdr G. V. G. [-½] Brighton (August), OS, 2; Parkstone (September), OS, 2 [-1½].
BEAMISH, Col. D. W. [-1] Parkstone (September), OS, 1, HS, 1 [-1½].
BECK, Mrs. Ascot Challenge Cup (Golf Croquet), 2; Delves Broughton Challenge Cup Doubles (Golf Croquet), 2.
BIRCH, G. [1] Nottingham OS, 2, HS, 2.
BIRD, D. J. [14] Budleigh Salterton (July), HSC, 1 [12D10].
BOLTON, J. [2] Ryde OS, 2, HSX, 3; Hurlingham OD, 1; Surrey Cup, equal 2; Brighton (August), HS, 1; All England Handicap, 1 [-½].

BORRETT, Comdr. G. [9] Cheltenham HSC, 1 [6].
BOUCHER, Dr C. A. [3] Ryde LSB, 1, HSX, 1, HD, 1 [2].
BRUMPTON, Miss E. C. [5½] Nottingham HS, 1; Hunstanton HSEX, 1 [5].
BRUMPTON, Miss E. M. [8] Nottingham HS, 2.
BRYAN, Miss M. [10] Budleigh Salterton (May), (non-official) HSEX, 3; Compton HSC, 2, HD, 2; Eastbourne LHSY, 2, (Plate) 2.
BUCKNELL, A. J. [5½] Nottingham HD, 1.
BULLER, Capt. M. F. [2½] Hurlingham LSB, 2; Challenge and Gilbey Doubles, 1; All England Handicap, 3; Roehampton HSX, 3; Eastbourne LSB, 3 [1½].
BURRELL, Mrs R. H. [11] Ryde HSC, 1 [10].

CAMPBELL, D. [5] Carrickmines (June), HD, 2.
CAMROUX, A. V. [1] Men's Championship, 3; Surrey Cup, 7. [0].
CARRINGTON, Mrs M. H. [6½] Challenge and Gilbey Doubles, 2; Delves Broughton Challenge Cup (Golf Croquet), 1.
CAPORN, D. C. [6] Evening HSX, 1; Compton HSY, 1; Roehampton HSB, 1, HSY, 1, [4½].
CAVE, Lt.-Col. G. E. [-1] Du Pre Cup, 3; Eastbourne HS, 3, OD, 2.
CAVE, Mrs G. E. [13] Eastbourne LSE, 1, LHSX, 2, HD, 2 [10].
CHITTENDEN, Mrs H. F. [1] Brighton (May), OS, 2, HD, 1; Nottingham HSY, 2, Ladies' Field Cup, equal 3; Brighton (August) HS, 2, Brighton (August (non-official) HS, 2, HD, 1 [-½].
COLLINSON, Mrs A. [7½] Nottingham HSX, 3.
COLLS, T. S. [1½] Nottingham OS, 1; Cheltenham HS, 1; Brighton (August) (non-official) OS, equal 1 [0].
COOPER, A. J. [-1½] Budleigh Salterton (May), (non-official), HSEX, 1; Budleigh Salterton (July), (non-official) HS, 1, Budleigh Salterton (July) HD, 3, President's Cup, 3 [-2].
COOPER, Miss J. [5] Budleigh Salterton (July) HD, 3.
COTTER, E. P. C. [-3] Men's Championship, 1, Open Championship, 2, Doubles Championship, 1; Hurlingham OS, 3, MHD, 2; President's Cup, 2; Brighton (August) OS, 1, HD, 2.
CROAL, Mrs T. [10] Roehampton HSC, 2 [9].

DANIELS, Mrs A. M. [1½] Cheltenham HS, 3, HD, 2; Brighton (August) HD, 3 [1].
DASHWOOD, C. [2] Hunstanton HSX, 2 [1½].
DAVIDSON, Major-Gen. F. H. N. [7½] Roehampton HD, 2 [7].
DAVIDSON, Mrs F. H. N. [5½] Gilbey Cup, 3; Roehampton HSY, 3 [5].
DAVY, Mrs F. A. [7] Evening HSY, 1; Challenge and Gilbey Doubles, 1 [6½].
DENBOW Rev. F. J. [6] Nottingham HSX, 1, HD, 2; Parkstone (September), HS, 2 [5].
DEVITT, Mrs C. [11] Ryde HSC, 2, HD, 2; Parkstone (September), HSC, 1 [9].
DIBLEY, Major J. H. [2½] Ryde HSY, 1.
DIBLEY, Mrs J. H. [5] Ryde HSEX, 2.
DUFF, Dr S. R. [2] Championship of Ireland OS, 2, HD, 1; Championship of Co. Dublin, 3 [1½].
DUTHIE, Miss B. [7½] Ladies' Field Candlesticks, 1; Reckitt Challenge Cup, 1, Gilbey Cup, 3 [6].

ELVEY, Mrs G. F. H. [0] Women's Championship, 2.
FARRINGTON R. W. [8] Hurlingham LSD, 2.
FIDLER, P. J. M. [4] Cheltenham HD, 2; Hurlingham OS, 2, HS, 2; Surrey Cup, equal 2 [-½].
FIGGIS, D. [2] Carrickmines (June), HS, 3; Budleigh Salterton (July), HS, 2, Championship of Co. Dublin, 2 [1½].
FITZGERALD, Lady [2] Carrickmines (August), HS, 3.
FOTIADI, Mrs N. A. [2] Eastbourne HD, 1.

FRANKLIN, W. B. [8] Hunstanton HSC, 2, HS, 3, [8D7].
FRENKIN, Mrs L. E. Ascot Challenge Cup (Golf Croquet), 3.

GARRATT, Miss E. M. [8] Hunstanton, HSEx, 2.
GASSON, Mrs V. C. [2½] Ladies' Field Candlesticks, 1.
GIBSON, Mrs M. C. [9] Brighton (May), HS, 3.
GILBERT, J. B. [—½] All England Handicap, 3; Roehampton OS, 2 [—1].
GODBY, R. A. [3] Budleigh Salterton (May) (non-official) HS, 1, HD, 3; Budleigh Salterton (July) (non-official) HS, 2 [1½].
GREENE, H. A. [2½] Brighton (May), HSX, 3; Brighton (August), LSB, 1 [2].
GREEN, W. [11] Cheltenham HSC, 2 [9].

HALL, H. A. [9] Compton HSC, 1, HD, 1.
HALLETT, P. D. [9] Stevenson Challenge Cup, 1, Gilbey Cup, 1, Delves Broughton Challenge Cup Doubles (Golf Croquet), 1 [6].
HAMILTON-MILLER, D. J. V. [—1½] Mixed Doubles Championship, 1; Championship of Ireland OS, 3; Association Plate, 2; Roehampton Challenge Cup, 2, Gilbey Cup, 2; Eastbourne OD, 1 [—2].
HAMPSON, Miss S. G. [7] Brighton (August) HSC, 3.
HICKS, H. O. [—3] Ryde OS, 1, Open Championship, 3; Hurlingham OS, 1, OD, 2.
HICKS, R. O. [0] Budleigh Salterton (May), (non-official) HSEx, 2; Open Championship, 3, Doubles Championship, 2; Surrey Cup, equal 5; Ascot Challenge Cup (Golf Croquet), 1, [—1].
HICKSON, Miss K. D. [4] Parkstone (June), LSB, 2; Cheltenham LSB, 2; Brighton (August) HS, 3; Parkstone September LSB, 1; Eastbourne LSC, 2.
HILL, Mrs R. [8] Eastbourne LSD, 2.

HILL-BERNHARD, Major F. [5] Parkstone (June) HSX, 1, HD, 1; Hurlingham LSB, 3; Parkstone (September) HS, 3; Eastbourne HS, 3, LHSX, 1 [3].
HODGES, C. W. R. [—½] Cheltenham OS, 2.
HORNE, D. M. [8] Brighton (August), HSC, 3, HS, 3, [6½].
HORRIDGE, Major G. B. [6] Budleigh Salterton (July) HS, 3.
HUSKINSON, G. N. B. [2] Nottingham HS, 1 [1½].

JESSEL, T. E. H. [5½] Hurlingham LSC, 1 [4½].
JESSON-DIBLEY, D. [3] Brighton (August), HD, 3.
KARMEL, A. D. [—½] Surrey Cup, equal 5; Hunstanton HSX, 1, HD, 2 [—1].
KARMEL, Mrs A. D. [7½] Hunstanton HD, 2.
KAY, Mrs E. M. [6] Brighton (May), HSX, 1; Brighton (non-official) HSB, 3, HS, 3 [5].
KERENSKY, O. A. [11] Hurlingham LSD, 1 [10].
KIRK-GREENE, L. [—1½] Brighton (May), OS, 1; Eastbourne OS Process, 2, MOS, 3.

LATHAM, Miss D. L. [7½] Budleigh Salterton (July) HSC, 2.
LAURENSEN, J. [8] Hunstanton (April), (non-official) HS, 1; Parkstone (June), OS, 1, HD, 1 [3].
LAVERTY, Lt.-Col. T. F. [5] Budleigh Salterton (May), (non-official) HS, 2, HD, 3 [4].
LAVERTY, Mrs T. F. [6] Budleigh Salterton (May), (non-official) HD, 2.
LEONARD, R. G. [2] Championship of Co. Dublin, 3.
LIGHTFOOT, Mrs G. M. [6] Carrickmines (June), LS, 1, HS, 1; Carrickmines (August), HS, 1, HD, 2 [3½].
LINTERN, Miss D. A. [—1] Peels, WHS, 2.
LONGMAN, Mrs W. [—1] Hurlingham OD, 2; Brighton (August), (non-official) OS, equal 1, HD, 2; Eastbourne OS, 1, WOS, 1 [—1½].
LOWEIN, Mrs K. M. [13] Ryde HD, 1; Cheltenham HD, 3 [13D12].

MEACHAM, F. R. [8] Eastbourne LSD, 1 [7].
MEARES, Mrs E. C. A. [13] Ryde HSY, 2 [12].
MEREDITH, F. W. [5] Cheltenham HS, 3 [3½].
MEREDITH, Rev. Canon R. Creed [0] Parkstone (June), HD, 2; Parkstone (September) HD, 2.
MEREDITH, Mrs R. Creed [14] Parkstone (June), HD, 2; Parkstone (September), HD, 2.
MILLER, D. W. [5] Roehampton HSY, 2, HD, 1 [2].
MILLS, Miss A. E. [1½] Ladies Field Cup, equal 3; Eastbourne HD, 2.
MILLS, G. R. [5] Budleigh Salterton (May) (non-official) HD, 1.
MILLS, Miss V. E. [1½] Budleigh Salterton (May) (non-official) HS, 3, HD, 1 [1].
MOZLEY, A. [11] Roehampton HSX, 3, HD, 1 [9D7].
MURRAY, M. [9] Hunstanton (April) (non-official) HS, 2 [5].
McMILLAN, Mrs E. M. [6] Parkstone (June), LSB, 1, HSX, 3 [5].
McMILLAN, N. A. C. [8] Parkstone (June), HSC, 1; Parkstone (September) HSC, 2 [7½].
McMORDIE, Mrs M. [4½] Parkstone (June), HSY, 1; Ryde HD, 2; Eastbourne LSC, 1 [4].

NAYLOR, Mrs W. A. [9] Compton HSX, 3, HD, 2 [8].
OLDHAM, A. J. [6] Evening, HSX, 2.
ORMEROD, Dr G. L. [2] Parkstone (September) HD, 1.
ORMEROD, Mrs G. L. [12] Parkstone (September) HS, 3, HD, 1 [11].
OWEN, Mrs D. M. [7] Budleigh Salterton (May), (non-official) HSEx, 3.
OXLEY, Mrs J. B. [9] Eastbourne LHSX, 3, HD, 1 [7].

PAGE, Miss M. V. [10] Budleigh Salterton (May), (non-official) HD, 3.
PARKER, Miss H. [3] Brighton (May) HD, 1; Brighton (non-official) HD, 3.
PENNY, Dr H. J. [2] Brighton (May) HSY, 3; Nottingham HSX, 2; Parkstone (June), HSY, 2; Hurlingham LSB, 3; Eastbourne LSB, 2 [1½].
PERRY, Mrs H. C. [7] Compton HSX, 2 [6].
PETHEBRIDGE, Mrs G. Delves Broughton Challenge Cup Doubles (Golf Croquet), 2.
PICKETT R. J. [6½] Eastbourne LHSX, 3 [6].
POVEY, Mrs J. [11] Hunstanton HSC, 1, HD, 1; Eastbourne LHSY, 1 [7].
PRICHARD, Lt.-Col. D. M. C. [—1] Men's Championship, 3; Budleigh Salterton HD, 1; Cheltenham OS, 1; Surrey Cup, 4; Roehampton HSX, 1; Eastbourne MOS, 1, HD, 3 [—2].
PRICHARD, Mrs D. M. C. [7½] Budleigh Salterton HD, 1; Eastbourne HD, 3 [7].
PUGH, F. H. [9] Cheltenham, HD, 1.
PUREFOY, Mrs [6] Carrickmines (June), LS, 2; Carrickmines (August), LSB, 2 [5].
PURVES, Mrs I. M. [12] Parkstone (June) HSC, 2; Roehampton HSC, 1 [10].

READ, H. M. [6] Carrickmines (August) LSB, 1, HD, 1; Hunstanton LSB, 2 [4].
READ, Mrs H. M. [5] Carrickmines (June) HS, 2; Carrickmines (August), HD, 1; Hunstanton HSY, 2 [4].
READ, T. [5] Championship of Ireland OS, 3, HD, 2; Carrickmines (August), HD, 2 [3½].
RECKITT M. B. [0] Roehampton OS, 1; Eastbourne MOS, 3 [—½].
REED, A. A. [0] Open Championship, 2; Association Plate, 1; President's Cup, 6; All England Handicap, 2 [—1½].
ROBINSON, T. D. [3] Carrickmines (August) HS, 2.
ROE, Miss I. M. [1½] Ladies' Field Cup, 6.
ROLFE, Mrs A. Neville [7] Peels, WHS, 1; Hunstanton LSB, 1 [5].
ROPER, E. A. [2] Brighton (May), HD, 2; Compton HSX, 3; Budleigh Salterton HD, 3; Hurlingham MHD, 2; Brighton (non-official) HD, 3.
ROPER, Mrs E. A. [7] Ladies' Field Candlesticks, 2; Brighton (August), HD, 2; Brighton (non-official) HD, 3 [6½].
ROSE, Miss E. F. [4½] Eastbourne (Plate), 1 [3½].
ROTHERHAM, Mrs E. [—2] Women's Championship, 1; Mixed Doubles Championship, 1; Compton OS, 2; Budleigh Salterton OS, 2; Ladies' Field Cup, 1; Hurlingham OD, 1; President's Cup, 5; Hunstanton (September), OS, equal 1, HS, 3, HD, 1; Eastbourne OS, 2, WOS, 2; OD, 1.
ROTHWELL, R. F. [0] Budleigh Salterton (July), (non-official) HS, 3 [—½].

SANDERSON, H. F. [7] Brighton (May), HS, 2, HSY, divided [6].
SESSIONS, Miss K. M. O. [4] Cheltenham HS, 2, HD, 3; Eastbourne LSB, 3 [3].
SHEPPARD, H. A. [6] Cheltenham HD, 3.
SHEWAN, R. G. S. [13] Brighton (non-official) HSC, 3, HS, 1, HD, 1; Roehampton HSB, 3 [7].
SHOWAN, Mrs L. A. [4] Peels, HD, 2; Hurlingham HS, 3; Roehampton HSB, 3 [3½].
SIDWELL, E. [4] Cheltenham LSB, 1, HD, 1 [3].
SIMPSON, R. A. [8] Brighton (August), HSC, 1, HD, 1; Brighton (non-official) HSB, 1 [5½].

SIMPSON, Mrs R. A. [8] Budleigh Salterton (May), (non-official) HS, 3, HD, 1; Brighton (non-official) HSB, 2 [5½].
SKEMPTON, Mrs A. W. [7] Hurlingham LSC, 2, HS, 1 [4½].
SMARTT, Dr R. B. N. [3] Compton LSB, divided; Hurlingham LSB, 1, MHD, 1 [1½].
SMARTT, Mrs R. B. N. [4] Compton LSB, divided, HSX, 1; Parkstone (June), HSX, 2; Budleigh Salterton (July), LSB, 1; Eastbourne HS, 2 [2].
SOLOMON, Mrs G. W. [2] Peels HD, 1; Brighton HSY, divided, HD, 2; Budleigh Salterton HD, 3; Ladies' Field Cup, equal 3; Ladies' Field Candlesticks, 2.
SOLOMON, J. W. [—3] Men's Championship, 2; Open Championship, 1; Doubles Championship, 1; President's Cup, 1.
SPEER, Mrs J. W. [5½] Peels HD, 2; Council Cup, 1; Roehampton HSY, 3 [5].
STOKER, Capt F. G. [—½] Peels MHS, 2; Du Pre Cup, 2; Eastbourne MOS, 2 [—1].
STOBART, Col. F. E. [1½] Brighton (May), HS, 3, HSX, 2; Compton HSY, 2; Budleigh Salterton HD, 2; Brighton (non-official) HS, 3 [1].
STOKES-ROBERTS, Brig. A. E. [2] Challenge and Gilbey Doubles, 2.
STEPHENS, F. B. [7] Nottingham HD, 3; Hunstanton HSY, 1.
STRACHAN, D. F. [2] Championship of Ireland, OS, 1, HS, 3, HD, 1; Budleigh Salterton OS Draw, 2, HS, 1; Surrey Cup, 1; Championship of Co. Dublin, 1 [—1].
SYNGE, Capt W. A. T. [8] Brighton (August), HSC, 2 [7].
SYNGE, Mrs W. A. T. [7] Brighton (August) HD, 3; Eastbourne HS, 1 [6].

TAYLOR, Miss M. M. [7] Ryde HSEx, 1; Brighton (non-official) HD, 2.
TEMPLE, Mrs E. M. [5½] Brighton (May) HS, 1; Nottingham HSY, 1; Parkstone (June) HSX, 3; Ryde HSX, 2; Brighton (non-official) HSB, 3, HD, 3 [5].
THOMPSON, Mrs E. [10] Brighton (non-official) HSC, 2 [9].
THORP, W. H. [1½] Cheltenham OS, 3, HD, 3 [0].
TINGEY, Major R. [—1] Mixed Doubles Championship, 2; Du Pre Cup, 3; Hurlingham MHD, 1; Roehampton Challenge Cup, 1.
TINGEY, Mrs R. [2] Mixed Doubles Championship, 2; Budleigh Salterton HD, 2.
TOTTENHAM, Mrs [4] Carrickmines (August), HS, 3.
TOWERS, Miss M. K. A. [8] Brighton (non-official) HSC, 1 [7].
TOWNSEND, S. S. [1] Roehampton HSX, 2, HD, 2 [0].
TRULL, Mrs G. [7] Evening HSY, 2.

VINCENT, Mrs M. H. [2] Ladies Field Cup, 7.
WADE, Miss K. A. [12] Ryde HSX, 3; Brighton (non-official) HSC, 3 [11].
WALKER, Miss E. [5½] Ryde LSB, 2.
WARWICK, J. G. [—1½] Budleigh Salterton (May), (non-official) HD, 2; Du Pre Cup, 1; President's Cup, 7; Eastbourne OD, 2, HD 3.
WARWICK, Miss E. J. [—2] Budleigh Salterton OS, 1; Ladies' Field Cup, 2; Hurlingham HS, 3; President's Cup, 8; Hunstanton OS, equal 1; Eastbourne OS, Draw 2.
WATSON, D. R. [5½] Roehampton HSB, 2 [5].
WIGGINS, Dr W. R. D. [—3] Compton OS, 1, HD, 1; President's Cup, 4.
WILLIAMS, G. [½] Eastbourne LSB, 1 [0].
WOOLLEY, Miss H. F. [7] Eastbourne HD, 3.

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