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Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- „ 17-21—The Ladies' Field Cup. Roehampton. Secretary C.A.,
The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- „ 17-22—Parkstone. Hon. Sec., Mrs. M. McMordie, Yapton,
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- „ 24-29—Southwick. Hon. Tourn. Sec., W. H. Austin, Flat A,
3 Victoria Road, Southwick, Sussex.
- Aug. 31—Hunstanton Hon. Sec., Mrs. A. N. Rolfe, The Cot-
Sept 5 tage, Heacham, Norfolk.
- Aug. 31—Southwick. (Non-official). Hon. Tourn. Sec., W. H.
Sept 5 Austin, Flat A, 3 Victoria Road, Southwick, Sussex.
- Sept. 7-11—Surrey Cup. (Cheltenham). Secretary C.A., The
Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- Sept. 8-12—President's Cup. (Hurlingham). Secretary C.A., The
Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- „ 12-13—Cheltenham (American). (Non-official). Hon. Tourn.
Sec., Croquet Club, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham.
- „ 17-19—All England Handicap. Area Finals. Roehampton.
Secretary C.A., The Hurlingham Club, S.W.6.
- „ 21-26—Roehampton. Games Secretary, Roehampton Club,
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Please note in Calendar Fixtures that the President's
Cup will start on Tuesday, September 8th and continue
till Saturday, 12th. This is because on Monday, September
7th the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club are
allowing us to give exhibition games at their Club.

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This exhibition day at Wimbledon, coinciding with the be-
ginning of the Junior Championships, is the best opportunity
the C.A. could have for publicising the game. All Associ-
ates within reach are asked to assist—by mingling with
the spectators, handing out leaflets and giving all the
information possible. Please reserve this day—Monday,
September 7th. If you notify me some days in advance I
will send you a free pass in to Wimbledon.

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and procedure for the Croquet Association is on sale—
price 7/6—at C.A. Office, Hurlingham. Also Laws, Hints
to Beginners, Croquet: Know the Game, pegging down
books, entry pads and ladies badge brooches.

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DEVONSHIRE PARK

Attention is drawn to the form of this year's tournament.
In particular, entries for all events except the Doubles must
reach the C.A. Office by Thursday, September 17th.

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their names to the Chairman of the Laws Committee (c/o
the Secretary C.A.), who will arrange for the examination.

V. C. GASSON, Secretary.

NOTES by ROVER

Light Blue Alumni

Cambridge's overwhelming victory in the University
match at Hurlingham recently cannot have come as a
surprise to many people. It was realised, even at the
other place, not only that the team was potentially very
strong, but also that a week's intensive tour immediately
prior to the match was going to make it a lot stronger.
This tour, the combined brainchild of James Laursen
and David Miller, was an outstanding success. We may
hope that it will be repeated, as there is no doubt that it
can act as a powerful incentive to new players. This can
hardly be better illustrated than by the case of Ian Banks.
For someone who has never appeared in a tournament
he must be one of the most painstaking and accurate
players to come forward for some years. If he continues
his remarkable progress throughout the summer, he
must surely be a strong contender for the Apps Trophy.

Cambridge will now be losing their three strongest
players. Those—if any—who hoped rather fondly that
they would join different clubs, and not play together in
the same team again, are due to be disappointed. This
Rover gathers that a new club is to be founded, consisting
of some of the strongest players who have turned out
against Oxford. The club will be known as the Heley
Club, in honour of Mrs. Heley, and intends to play four
or five matches a year. Whatever the standard of play—
and it looks like being pretty high—there is no doubt
that the club will aim at being one of the most enter-
prising in the country. Their opponents may be dismayed
by their prowess, but no one can fail to welcome their
enthusiasm.

Why I Lost

Many are the reasons which players are apt to advance
for their having lost a game, although rarely do we hear
the obvious one that the opponent had made the fewer
mistakes. During the past few weeks we have heard such
a variety of reasons for losing as to suggest that croquet
is even more elaborate a game than it is. "Why did the
manager put me on that outside lawn, since he knows I
can never play well there" is the type of excuse sometimes
forthcoming, and others which fall into the same cate-
gory are "This hot (cold) weather is too much for me,"
"I always go off my game when X comes and watches,"
or "Fancy putting us on as late as 6 o'clock." Doubles,
of course, afford an even wider range since the partner's
limitations can be illustrated in great detail—"Three
times I laid for her by her hoop and each time she
failed."

What the various reasons often add up to is that had
the player been able to concentrate fully on the game,
unconcerned by extraneous circumstances, his chances
of winning would have been considerably improved.
And in particular this means remaining unaffected by
one's disappointment at having just previously muffed
a simple shot. While there are many players who can
be distracted only too easily from the matter in hand, we
can think of a few whose attitude on the lawn suggests
that not even the last trump would disturb their con-
centration.

"Nurseries of Blooming Youth"

Watching the powerful Cambridge team inflict its
crushing defeat upon their plucky opponents of Hurling-
ham recently led this Rover to a "recherche du temps
perdu" where the story of emergent youth on the croquet
court is concerned. Keith Izard, the fiery New Zealander,
was still at Cambridge when first invited to play in the
Beddow Cup. (It was rumoured that he cut his *viva* there
a year or so later to play under an alias, in the final of the
Championship). William Sweet-Escott had only recently
gone down from Oxford when he played in it, on the
first of several occasions, in 1913 (Corbally's last great
year). More undergraduates might have reached the
top then had they had better opportunities to do so,
but no club existed at Cambridge, and though there was
a fairly flourishing one in the parks of Oxford, it was
jealously reserved by the dons for themselves. But
young men were often to be found at tournaments from
July to September, not only before 1914 but between
the Wars, and some of these soon became very good
players, notably W. E. R. Blood, one of a famous family
of five, who played in "the Ten" in 1921, and Jim Moffat
who made quite a habit of winning at "Opens" at
provincial tournaments. No less memorable was the
performance of one still younger, the later international
player, Maj. G. F. Stone, who won his Silver Medal at
thirteen, a feat which not even our brilliant John Bolton
has surpassed. A note of at least equal length would be
necessary to record the feats of their feminine contem-
poraries, but unhappily this species appears now to be
extinct.

Twice Four is Eight

Driving past a sports club in one of the south-western
suburbs of London which caters primarily for cricket,
tennis and bowls, we noticed a game of croquet taking
place with what appeared to be an unusually large
number of participants, all congregated on the lawn at
the same time. Curious to know whether there was some
matter in dispute to which a posse of referees had been
summoned, we stopped in order to enjoy a closer view.
Judge of our surprise when we found a game of golf
croquet was in progress with six players contesting the
issue. In addition to the standard colours of Red,
Yellow, Blue and Black, there was a Pink ball and a
Brown ball. The club concerned only has one lawn and
this six-ball game presumably has the aim of giving as
many members a game as possible. This reminds us of
the practice in Australia and New Zealand of having two
separate games of Association Croquet on the same
lawn at one time. It is obviously desirable, if not
essential, to have eight distinctive colours and the normal
custom is to have Pink and White in partnership against
Brown and Green for the second game. When Colonel
Saalfeld was over here in 1961 he was telling us that he
had himself played in New South Wales when three
games were in progress on one lawn. He added that
twelve players occupying one lawn in three doubles
matches could be a trifle disconcerting—which does not
overstate the case.

Notes from the Clubs

Woking

We make a welcome return, the Croquet Section having been revived. We have two courts and can do with some more members, so if you would like to join this old Club please contact the acting Secretary, D. C. Caporn, at Hampton Court Palace. We decided with some trepidation to enter the Longman Cup, drew Hurlingham and put up an excellent performance, all things considered. In particular, we congratulate a newcomer to Croquet, J. Aldridge, who pegged out and beat Mrs. Thom in his first competitive game. Canon Pym has joined the Club and played very well at Hurlingham. He hadn't played competitive Croquet for several years. Capt. Millar has also resumed playing again. We are hoping next year to revive a tournament at the Club. At present we are engaged in a recruiting drive, principally through advertising in the local press, which is cheap and brings surprisingly good results. We should like some friendly matches at home against other clubs, so if your club can give us a game we shall be very pleased. Will you help by challenging us to a doubles? We have entered the All England and we hope our representative will do well. The Club has excellent facilities in beautiful surroundings, so why not come over and see us one weekend.

Rochampton

We have been very busy with our usual Club tournaments. In our annual match against Southwick we won by 3 games to 2. The Golf Croquet match against Dulwich was unfortunately cancelled, due to appalling weather. We also had a very exciting match against Cambridge University, when an alleged 10-bisquer played an open singles, made an all round break, cross-wired his opponent at the second, and won easily! His handicap was swiftly reduced! We shall be playing doubles on full bisques later this month and also holding a Club American tournament of 18 points with a time limit of 1½ hours. We hope they will both be successful. We have gained several new members this year and look forward to welcoming several more soon.

The league is growing stronger and the standard of Croquet is improving fast. By next year we shall probably be able to form two divisions, so if any clubs around us would like to join in next year we shall be very pleased. At present the leaders are last year's holders, Beechams, and ourselves, with a new club, Worton Hall, following closely behind.

Questions and Answers

Question: If, in the course of peeling a ball, the striker's ball scores a point for itself and thereafter again makes contact with the croqueted ball, does this count as a roquet?

Answer: No. See Law 16 (b.iii). A roquet is not made unless the balls are in contact when they come to rest.

Question: If a ball which has not been pegged out is removed from the court under a misapprehension and further play ensues, what is the procedure to correct this?

Answer: See Law 29 (d). All play subsequent to this error is null and void, at whatever stage the mistake is discovered (unless the players have left the court thinking the game is ended); the balls shall be replaced, the score is adjusted and the person entitled to play shall play.

OBITUARY

MISS W. L. STEVENSON

Winifred Stevenson was for many years an enthusiastic member of the Nottingham Club, having many friends in the Croquet world including a number of players in South Africa.

Though, for health reasons, she was unable to play the game for the past few years, she regularly visited the Club and enjoyed watching games in progress, actively working out in her mind the tactics she would employ if she had been one of the opponents.

Such was Miss Stevenson's enthusiasm for Croquet, that she was at the start and finish of every day's play during the tournament, and great was her enjoyment.

Nottingham will sadly miss this dear old lady of 81 years of age, who passed away in her sleep at the end of June.

HANDICAPS CONFIRMED OR ALTERED BY THE HANDICAP CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

CLUB RECOMMENDATIONS

PARKSTONE

Dr. H. J. Penny 1½ to 1.
Mrs. W. A. T. Syngé 5 to 4½.
N. A. C. McMillan 7½ to 7.

COMPTON

NEW HANDICAPS

Maj. C. J. H. Tolley 7*.
During Play
Maj. C. J. H. Tolley 7* to 5.

After Play

Dr. H. R. McAleenan 10 to 9.
F. H. Pugh 9 to 7.

NOTTINGHAM

NEW HANDICAPS

P. J. Cross (non-Associate) 14*.
After Play
P. J. Cross (non-Associate) 14* to 14.

G. Birch 1 to ½.
Miss E. M. Brumpton 6½ to 5½.
Rev. F. Denbow 5 to 4.
W. W. Haynes 9 to 8.

A. G. Bucknell (non-Associate) 5½ to 5.

CHELTENHAM

NEW HANDICAP

K. A. Ross 10*.

Before Play

K. A. Ross 10* to 8.

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

(non-official)

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt 1½ to 1.
Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty 3 to 2.
Mrs. T. F. Laverty 9 to 7½.
A. J. Cooper —2½ to —3.
Col. W. R. Healing 4½ to 3½.
Mrs. W. Nash 11 (D 10) to 10.
Dr. R. R. Trail 13 to 12 (D 10).
Prof. A. S. C. Ross 7½ to 6½.
Mrs. A. S. C. Ross 11 to 10.
Mrs. M. Kitchin 14 (D 12) to 13 (D 12).

By personal request

F. Henshaw 12 to 14.
Mrs. Newnham-Davis 10 to 11.

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

(official)

Rev. H. L. Ormerod 5 to 3½.
R. A. Godby ½ to —½.
Miss E. J. Warwick —2 to —2½.
Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard 7½ to 6.
Mrs. T. F. Laverty 7½ to 7.

RECOMMENDATIONS

SOUTHWICK

Mrs. W. A. Naylor 8 to 7½.
Mrs. H. Wells 14 to 13.
Mrs. V. Webb (non-Associate) 15 to 14.
M. W. B. Shead (non-Associate) 16 to 12.

HURLINGHAM

T. F. H. Jessell 5½ to 4.

WOKING

NEW HANDICAPS

Maj. Mulliner 11.
J. Aldridge 9.

GILBEY

D. C. Caporn 4½ to 3½.
Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson 7 to 6½.
W. B. Franklin 8 (D 7) to 6.
P. D. Hallett 4 to 3.
Mrs. T. Croal 9 to 8.
Mrs. L. C. Farlie 8 to 7.

SOUTHWICK

1. The advertisement in July for the Unofficial Tournament was incorrect, particularly in the list of events. For the corrected version see p.15 of this number.
2. The President of the Club is Mr. Corke, and not Mrs. Corke as appeared in the Journal last month.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY v. CAMBRIDGE

UNIVERSITY

at Hurlingham, June 25th

Two things have been traditional in the Varsity Matches that have been played so far: fine weather and Cambridge victories. The weather was certainly up to standard this year, but the Cambridge victory was quite overwhelming. Nobody could have expected anything but a win for Cambridge this year, as they were throughout a much stronger side, the difference in handicap being an average of 4½ per man, and though the ultimate result was inevitably disappointing for Oxford, they can console themselves with the knowledge that they all played above known form, and this was duly noted in official circles—one understands that considerable reductions are afoot for them no less than for their opponents. Cambridge, however, were a far superior team, and considerable credit is due to those responsible for teaching them—largely Mrs. Heley, but there were others. The standard of play at Cambridge especially has improved steadily every year, and as their tour shows, they are now a match for any club side in the country.

Another encouraging feature of the match was that this year, for the first time, both teams consisted entirely of second generation men. None of those who played in the first match 3 years ago were playing this year, though some were there to watch. Also among the spectators were 2 journalists from Sweden, keen to start the game going there, in which venture we send them every good wish. After a suitable course of instruction from the game's elder statesman, they took reels of photographs of the players and the cup. It is to be hoped that they were duly impressed by the enthusiasm, confident approach, and impeccable white turn-out of all the players.

In the top singles Thorp was quite outstanding, and he must surely be a very strong contender for a place in the Surrey Cup this year; in spite of one or two very long hits, Miller had little chance, and the game was soon over. This game has always been one-sided, the winning margins having been 23, 19, 23 and now 22. Laurensen is also having a very good season, and Shewan performed well to get as far round as he did: towards the end there was a slight accident, as Laurensen, all set to go out, laid a reverse rush to penult which deceived himself as well as his opponent, and proceeded to run the hoop with the wrong ball, but the end was not long delayed. At one stage the Cambridge Miller looked to be in some danger, Ross being quite favourably placed, but things didn't quite go his way and eventually Miller won comfortably. Campbell hung on grimly against Banks, and in fact was the only Oxford man still alive at lunch, but Banks, showing a grasp of the game remarkable for one playing at No. 6 (another mark of strength of the Cambridge side) won easily when the game was resumed.

In the afternoon doubles, it seemed that Cambridge were either somewhat overawed by the prospect of a clean sweep, or else charitably inclined to avoid this, for Thorp and Banks soon had their balls round, but their partners showed considerable reluctance to follow them. Eventually D. Miller struck form, and after some spectacular coups executed a neat peel of rover and went out in the next turn. Meanwhile Shewan and Ross, a well-trying pair, were creeping up and narrowed the gap very strikingly before Cambridge went out. Hallett and Mozley completed Oxford's tale of woe. As Maj. Rivington presented the Cup to the very worthy Cambridge side, Oxonian thoughts turned hopefully to next year, when all their top 3 will still be in residence.

SINGLES

R. F. Thorp bt C. G. Miller +22.
J. T. Laurensen bt R. G. S. Shewan +13.
D. W. Miller bt K. A. Ross +14.
P. D. Hallett bt P. W. Robinson +15.
A. N. Mozley bt C. H. Townshend +9.
I. E. Banks bt N. G. Campbell +19.

DOUBLES

R. F. Thorp and J. T. Laurensen bt R. G. S. Shewan and K. A. Ross +8.
P. D. Hallett and A. N. Mozley bt C. G. Miller and C. H. Townshend +13.
D. W. Miller and I. E. Banks bt P. W. Robinson and N. G. Campbell +18.
Result: Cambridge University bt Oxford University, 9-0.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY TOUR

June 18th—23rd

While Ascot and Lord's were being washed away, the Cambridge University Croquet Team was enjoying a week of good weather for their tour. Leaving Cambridge on Thursday, June 18th, we covered the 130 miles to Cheltenham before lunch, but the two drivers, Thorp and Laurensen, showed no ill-effects from their efforts when they beat their opponents, Miss Roe and W. H. Thorp—Laurensen beating the latter with a shot at the peg from a corner. It was good to see John Andrews once again playing against Cambridge, for it was he at Oxford, with Derek Watson at Cambridge, who was responsible for the initiation of the Varsity match in 1961. The next day the Doubles commenced with the overnight score 3-all. The Cambridge position quickly looked promising when in the 2nd game Miller and Hallett forged ahead, and in the 1st Laurensen went round to 4-back and Thorp to the peg. However Laurensen then stuck in 4-back, allowing the Cheltenham Thorp to go round and peg out his Cambridge namesake; Cheltenham looked to have the game and the match until Laurensen eventually hit in and pegged out.

After another excellent lunch at the Club, we drove to Budleigh, where a royal welcome awaited us in the form of a superb dinner at the Rosemullion Hotel with its lovely view over the bay. The next day dawned fair and sunny, and while Cambridge admired the scenery Budleigh rapidly took a 3-1 lead by luncheon, with Banks and Mrs. Cave still locked in what was to prove a marathon struggle, which ended eventually about 4 o'clock. But the most notable match was that between Thorp and Cooper, which the former just won, hitting the peg from the boundary when his opponent's ball was itself but one foot from its goal. With Cambridge needing to win both doubles the situation again looked promising when the new pair of Hallett and Mozley took a commanding lead over the Misses Mills and Cooper. Thorp and Laurensen also led their opponents easily, but when they were about to go out, Col. Cave achieved a magnificent long roquet and Thorp was once again pegged out. This time Laurensen failed to hit in, and Budleigh claimed the match.

At Parkstone, Thorp was once again in great form when beating Cmdr. Beamish, but Laurensen showed the effects of a late night in losing to his old rival Dr. Penny. A notable Cambridge victory was that of Mozley, rapidly improving, over Maj. Hill-Bernhard, and he once again partnered Hallett in a good doubles victory. Hammond-Chambers, a descendant of Pinckney-Simpson, playing his first competitive game did well to lose to Mrs. McMordie by only 5, even though on handicap. Once again Cambridge had to concede victory, but it was a most enjoyable match.

The drive to Compton that night lasted till 11 o'clock, but everyone was well rested by the next morning. David Miller returned to the team but was sadly off form in his singles against a skilful opponent. Hallett and Laurensen had good victories, and Thorp played very well once again, though eventually losing to Hamilton-Miller by 3. Mozley had the honour of playing Cyril Tolley, who will doubtless soon rule the croquet lawn as he used to the links. Our visit to Compton was marked by the very generous gesture of the gift of a silver spoon to each of the team by an anonymous donor—a gesture that typified the kindness we were shown both here and at every other club we visited.

The next day we visited Rochampton, and somewhat to our surprise beat what was probably the strongest team we had met. Thorp and Laurensen were both on good form in singles and in doubles, and Hallett and Mozley reaffirmed their strength as a partnership. But the outstanding victory here was that of Banks over Mrs. Solomon. The tour has done his play untold good, and with his excellent style he should go far.

Thus ended what was a most enjoyable experiment. It is an idea which we fully recommend to any club, for it provides a marvellous opportunity of seeing other clubs and meeting other players, and as we all discovered it improves one's croquet enormously, for we all had 2 match games every day, as well as many friendlies. It was gratifying, too, to find so many spectators everywhere, and to receive such a warm welcome. We certainly enjoyed ourselves—I hope our opponents did too.

v. Cheltenham

Played on Thursday and Friday, 18th and 19th June

Results

SINGLES

J. T. Laurensen bt W. H. Thorp +4.
R. F. Thorp bt Miss I. M. Roe +22.
D. W. Miller lost to Miss K. M. O. Sessions —15.
P. D. Hallett bt Rev. J. E. Andrews +15.
A. N. Mozley lost to Mrs. B. de C. Mathews —5.
I. E. Banks lost to H. A. Sheppard —13.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF IRELAND

"So the trumpets blew unto the field . . . and every man made him ready in his best manner to do what he might." Mallory, "Le Morte d'Arthur"

The tournament to decide the Championship of Ireland for 1964 was held at Carrickmines Croquet and Lawn Tennis Club from June 15th to 21st, in weather so fine at times that members could say, with some chance of being believed, that they had been driven to watch from the bar in order to avoid the sun. The event was enriched by the presence of an exceptionally large entry from "across the water" and further afield: old friends such as Dacre Stoker, without whom the tournament would not be complete, and distinguished newcomers such as Joan Warwick and Bryan Lloyd-Pratt, Dorothy Daniels, Col. and Mrs. Stobart and Mr. and Mrs. Temple Page. Monty Reitcheson and Cam Paynter, visitors from New Zealand and Australia, were especially welcome, and it is hoped that they will set a fashion and encourage their fellow countrymen to sample Irish croquet when the opportunity occurs.

The Committee indicated the shape of things to come by holding a supper party for the visiting players on the Sunday before the start of the tournament. Later in the week, Douglas and Mary Strachan, and Douglas and Noreen Figgis, were equally hospitable, and these parties, combined with Elizabeth Morgan's teas, may effectively have increased the visitors' weights and reduced their efficiency, to the relief of the home players.

The finalists in the Championship were Douglas Strachan and Dacre Stoker. Stoker played somewhat erratically in his progress to the final: one game in his first round match against Ray Duff took six hours, neither player being able to put the other out of his misery. It was during this game that the realisation came to the present writer that Mallory had recorded similar events in the Camelot tournament of 964 "And never was there seen a more doleful battle in no Christian land; for there was but rushing and cutting, joining and striking; and many a grim word was there spoken either to other, and many a deadly stroke. And thus they fought all the long day, and never stinted; and ever they fought still till it was near night."

However, in his match against Bryan Lloyd-Pratt, Stoker regained his normal form, winning by two points in the third game in which Lloyd-Pratt missed a change to peg out; for "when two noble men encounter needs must the one have the worse, like as God will suffer at that time."

Douglas Strachan played consistently well, achieving some notable victories, particularly against Joan Warwick, whom he defeated by +26 +20 in the semi-final. Hitting the tice in the first game, he was fortunate to roquet his opponent's ball in a take-off which would otherwise have gone out. Joan Warwick's feelings can readily be imagined. Strachan inspired by his good fortune proceeded to play a faultless game, going to 4-back in the resulting break, to the peg with his second ball when his opponent failed to hit the lift, and finishing the game in his third break.

In the final, Strachan monopolised play in the first game, which he won by 17, but the second developed into a dogged battle, in which with Strachan for peg and rover, Stoker achieved a fine break to peg out Strachan's forward ball, leaving himself with his backward ball on penultimate. An exciting cross-wiring duel ensued from which Stoker made his last two hoops, but failed to peg out one ball, leaving Strachan a 15-yard shot. Strachan hit in magnificently, and made rover and the peg out, to retain the Championship for the second year.

Many exciting finishes were seen during the week, the most noteworthy, perhaps, being that in a handicap doubles match between Lady Fitzgerald and Col. Stobart against Douglas Strachan and Tim Webb, a novice of very great promise, playing in his first tournament. Both sides were for rover and the peg when Lady Fitzgerald hit in, and pegging out Strachan, ran her own ball on to the peg, leaving Webb and Stobart cross-wired on rover, the former on the playing and the latter on the non-playing side. A cat and mouse game ended when Stobart took position about 3 yards level with the side of rover hoop, and Webb, fearing to miss the roquet, went for the hoop and ended squarely in the jaws. Stobart, with only half a ball to shoot at, played a beautiful shot to make the roquet on the non-playing side of the hoop, giving himself a simple hoop approach and position for a return roquet to the peg, and hence finishing the game. Lady Fitzgerald and Col. Stobart went on to win the handicap doubles by +2 from Bryan Lloyd-Pratt and D. Temple Page, despite a beautiful game by Lloyd-Pratt who almost achieved victory.

Nora Tottenham and Frances Joly were finalists in both the Founders Cup (recorded somewhat unkindly in the local paper as the Flounders Cup) for handicap singles and the Steele Cup level singles. Nora Tottenham won both events after close struggles.

The final of the Green Cup for players with handicaps over 6 was between Grace Hopkins and Mr. Temple Page, who struggled home after a long match, recording the visitors' first victory.

The plate event for players knocked out in the first round of the Championship was worthily won by Monty Reitcheson, whose fine play and sportsmanship gained him many friends. Players in England can indeed welcome the news that he will be able to play in several events before his return to New Zealand.

The prize-giving, by Mary O'Reilly, President of the Club and Manager of the tournament ensued, for as Merlin advised King Arthur when the tournament was over "Withdraw you unto your lodgings, and rest you as soon as ye may, and reward your good knights with gold and with silver, for they have well deserved it; there may no riches be too dear for them, for of so few men as ye have, there were never men did more of prowess than they have done today, for ye have matched this day with the best fighters of the world."

CHAMPIONSHIP OF IRELAND

(16 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Miss E. J. Warwick bt J. W. Robinson +16 +11.
R. J. Leonard bt Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot +14 +4.
D. F. Strachan bt Lt-Col. F. E. Stobart +16 +17.
D. Figgis bt R. E. Steen +13 +10.
B. Lloyd-Pratt bt M. P. Reitcheson +5 -22 +10.
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker bt S. R. Duff +9 +8.
Mrs. A. M. Daniels bt G. M. FitzPatrick +18 +22.
W. B. C. Paynter bt Lady G. FitzGerald -15 +21 +13.

SECOND ROUND

Miss E. J. Warwick bt R. J. Leonard +24 +12.
D. F. Strachan bt D. Figgis +7 +18.
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker bt B. Lloyd-Pratt +25 -4 +2.
W. B. C. Paynter bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels -15 +7 +7.

SEMI-FINAL

D. F. Strachan bt Miss E. J. Warwick +26 +20.
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker bt W. B. C. Paynter +18 +4.

FINAL

D. F. Strachan bt Capt. H. G. D. Stoker +17 +1.

LEVEL SINGLES

STEEL CUP

(3½ bisques and over.)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. H. M. Read bt Mrs. T. Purefoy +9.
Miss G. Hopkins bt D. Campbell +6.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. N. M. Tottenham bt Mrs. H. M. Read +16.
Miss F. Joly bt Miss G. Hopkins +6.

FINAL

Mrs. N. M. Tottenham bt Miss F. Joly +9.

LEVEL SINGLES

GREEN CUP

(6 bisques and over.)

(8 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Miss G. Hopkins bt H. Kenny +23.
Mrs. D. Figgis bt J. H. Wilson +14.
D. Temple Page bt A. D. Craig +12.
Miss I. Haire bt G. Gilpin +4.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss G. Hopkins bt Mrs. D. Figgis +23.
D. Temple Page bt Miss I. Haire +12.

FINAL

D. Temple Page bt Miss G. Hopkins +3.

HANDICAP SINGLES

FOUNDERS CUP

(Time limit: 3 hours)

(27 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

R. J. Leonard (2) bt Mrs. H. M. Read (4) +17.
M. P. Reitcheson (-½) w.o. J. H. Wilson (9) (scratched).
D. F. Strachan (-1) bt D. Campbell (5) +7.
Miss F. Joly (4) bt A. D. Craig (10) +23.
J. D. Robinson (3) bt W. B. C. Paynter (0) (scratched) +26.
Miss E. J. Warwick (-2) w.o. Mrs. T. Purefoy (5) (scratched).
S. R. Duff (1½) bt R. E. Steen (3) +8.
D. Figgis (1½) bt B. Lloyd-Pratt (-2) +13.
Mrs. A. M. Daniels (1) bt Miss G. Hopkins (6) +12.
T. J. B. Webb (10) bt Capt. H. G. D. Stoker (-1) +6.
Lady G. FitzGerald (2) bt D. Temple Page (9) +10.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot (3) bt Mrs. D. Figgis (9) +4 (on time).
R. J. Leonard (2) bt Miss I. Haire (8) +20.
D. F. Strachan (-1) bt M. P. Reitcheson (-½) +26.
Miss F. Joly (4) bt J. D. Robinson (3) +4.
S. R. Duff (1½) bt Miss E. J. Warwick (-2) +18.
Mrs. A. M. Daniels (1) bt D. Figgis (1½) +9.
T. J. B. Webb (10) bt Lady G. FitzGerald (2) +19.
Mrs. N. M. Tottenham (4) bt Lt-Col. F. E. Stobart (1) +10.

THIRD ROUND

Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot (3) bt R. J. Leonard (2) +10.
Miss F. Joly (4) bt D. F. Strachan (-1) +10.
Mrs. A. M. Daniels (1) bt S. R. Duff (1½) +12.
Mrs. N. M. Tottenham (4) bt T. J. B. Webb (10) +19.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss F. Joly (4) bt Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot (3) +4 (on time).
Mrs. N. M. Tottenham (4) bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels (1) +14.

FINAL

Mrs. N. M. Tottenham (4) bt Miss F. Joly (4) +20.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

STONEBROOK CUPS

(Time limit: 3 hours—starting at 3rd hoop)

(15 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

D. Figgis and Mrs. D. Figgis (10½) bt Miss F. Joly and Mrs. N. M. Tottenham (8) +1.
D. Temple Page and B. Lloyd-Pratt (7) bt Capt. H. G. D. Stoker and G. Gilpin (8) +11.
Mrs. T. Purefoy and D. Campbell (10) bt H. Kenny and A. D. Craig (21) +20.
D. F. Strachan and T. J. B. Webb (7) bt M. P. Reitcheson and T. Purefoy (5½) +20.
Miss E. J. Warwick and Mrs. H. M. Read (2) bt Mrs. A. M. Daniels and J. H. Wilson (9) +8.
Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot and W. B. C. Paynter (3) bt R. J. Leonard and S. R. Duff (3½) +8.
Lt-Col. F. E. Stobart and Lady FitzGerald (3) bt G. M. FitzPatrick and R. E. Steen (5) +14.

SECOND ROUND

J. D. Robinson and Miss I. Haire (11) bt D. Figgis and Mrs. D. Figgis (10½) +3.
D. Temple Page and B. Lloyd-Pratt (7) bt Mrs. T. Purefoy and D. Campbell (10) +20.
D. F. Strachan and T. J. B. Webb (7) bt Miss E. J. Warwick and Mrs. H. M. Read (2) +2 (on time).
Lt-Col. F. E. Stobart and Lady FitzGerald (3) bt Mrs. E. M. Lightfoot and W. B. C. Paynter (3) +8.

SEMI-FINAL

D. Temple Page and B. Lloyd-Pratt (7) bt J. D. Robinson and Miss I. Haire (11) +19.
Lt-Col. F. E. Stobart and Lady FitzGerald (3) bt D. F. Strachan and T. J. B. Webb (7) +2.

FINAL

Lt-Col. F. E. Stobart and Lady FitzGerald (3) bt D. Temple Page and B. Lloyd-Pratt (7) +2.

HUNSTANTON v NOTTINGHAM

July 4th and 5th

This enjoyable 2-day match ended in a win for Hunstanton by 9 games to 6.

SINGLES

Hunstanton 7 games, Nottingham 5 games

DOUBLES

Hunstanton 2 games, Nottingham 1 game (on time).

Nottingham was represented by the Club President, H. O. Hodgson, G. Birch, Miss E. C. Brumpton, T. Stephens, Miss F. Garrett, Miss E. M. Brumpton was reserve.

Hunstanton was represented by: A. A. Reed, Mrs. A. Neville Rolfe, Mrs. G. D. Perowne, Miss S. G. Hampson, W. B. Franklin, Mrs. B. L. Sundius Smith and J. Muzio were reserves.

COMPTON

June 15th—20th

Although there was a good deal of sunshine, the weather was not really kind, but at least we escaped the deluges which led to the cancellation of racing at Ascot and two days of the Lord's Test Match.

The catering was again well organised by Mrs. Chittenden. Mrs. Owen was a tireless worker, and Maj. Dibley a faultless manager.

In the Open Singles there was, as last year, a play-off between Mrs. Rotherham and Dr. Wiggins; the latter proved the victor for the seventh consecutive year.

A feature of the Tournament which pleased everyone was the return to form of Dr. McAleenan, who on the last day won the "X" Handicap against Mrs. Roper (who also played well all week), and a semi-final of the Restricted Handicap. The final of this was postponed till the following week, when Mr. Pugh (another who will be shedding some bisques) won by 19.

Maj. Cyril Tolley, who only took up the game after watching this Tournament last year, did very well to win a match in the Open Singles and to reach the final of the "Y" Handicap.

The most exciting game of the Tournament was the Doubles semi-final in which Mrs. Longman (who won the Open Championships of the South of England last October at Devonshire Park) and Mr. Pugh (who won a Barwell Salver at Cheltenham last July) played Mr. and Mrs. Roper. It was thought by some that the Ropers' half bisque would prove insufficient to enable them to make a fight of it. But when time was called Mr. Roper was in play and at the end of the turn his partner's ball had been pegged out and he himself was for the stick. On the other side Mrs. Longman was for the stick and Mr. Pugh was for the rover, and they were separated. Mr. Pugh hit in, made the rover and attempted a long peg-out. In this shot his partner's ball stopped just short of the stick and stymied him from pegging out his own ball. However, he roqueted his partner's ball onto the peg and stopped near it himself. Each side then wanted a single point, and it was clear that with Mr. Pugh so near the stick he would get it in his next turn, unless Mr. Roper hit. Mr. Roper heroically hit and won for his side a thrilling game.

A popular innovation was the presentation to the winner of each event of a silver spoon with the arms of Eastbourne in enamel. This was possible through the generosity of a member who prefers to be anonymous. Some connect the presentation of spoons as prizes with Golf.

OPEN SINGLES

(10 Entries)

DRAW

FIRST ROUND

C. J. H. Tolley bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt by 14.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt Mrs. H. C. S. Perry by 25.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt E. A. Roper by 8.
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt Maj. C. J. H. Tolley by 16.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 15.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt bt Mrs. W. Longman by 5.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 26.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt by 16.

FINAL

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller by 3.

PROCESS

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt by 18.
E. A. Roper bt Mrs. W. Longman by 17.

SECOND ROUND

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt Mrs. H. C. S. Perry by 26.
Mrs. H. F. Chittenden bt C. J. H. Tolley by 13.
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt by 10.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt E. A. Roper by 12.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 13.
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller by 7.

FINAL

Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins by 11.

PLAY-OFF

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 20.

SINGLES (CLASS "B")

(3 to 7 1/2 bisques)
(11 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

W. H. Austin bt Mrs. E. A. Roper by 13.
Mrs. E. M. Temple bt Mrs. D. E. Charlton by 17.
Capt. W. A. T. Synge bt R. J. Pickett by 13.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. W. A. T. Synge bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley by 16.
W. H. Austin bt Mrs. E. M. Temple by 18.
Miss E. F. Rose bt Capt. W. A. T. Synge by 20.
Miss H. D. Parker w.o. Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (opponent scratched).

SEMI-FINAL

W. H. Austin bt Mrs. W. A. T. Synge by 24.
Miss E. F. Rose bt Miss H. D. Parker by 18.

FINAL

W. H. Austin bt Miss E. F. Rose by 14.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "C")

(8 bisques and over)
(7 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

H. A. Hall (9) bt Miss M. Bryan (9) by 1 (on time).
F. H. Pugh (9) w.o. Mrs. R. J. Pickett (8) (opponent scratched).
Dr. H. R. McAleenan (10) bt Mrs. H. A. Hall (16) by 8.

SEMI-FINAL

F. H. Pugh (9) bt H. A. Hall (9) by 19.
Dr. H. R. McAleenan (10) bt E. F. Gadsden (12) by 8.

FINAL

F. H. Pugh (9) bt Dr. H. R. McAleenan (10) by 19.

(CLASS "X")

(27 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. H. A. Hall (16) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) by 7.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller (-2 1/2) bt Mrs. D. E. Charlton (3 1/2) by 6.
W. H. Austin (3) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1 1/2) by 12.
F. H. Pugh (9) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (-1 1/2) by 12.
Mrs. H. C. S. Perry (6) bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (4 1/2) by 5.
Dr. H. R. McAleenan (10) bt Capt. W. A. T. Synge (6) by 8.
E. A. Roper (2) bt H. A. Hall (9) by 1.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (2) w.o. Mrs. D. M. Owen (7) (opponent scratched).Miss H. D. Parker (3) bt Mrs. W. Longman (-1 1/2) by 4.
Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (5) bt Miss M. Bryan (9) by 11.
Mrs. E. Rotherham (-3) bt Miss E. F. Rose (3 1/2) by 14.

SECOND ROUND

R. J. Pickett (6) bt Mrs. E. A. Roper (6 1/2) by 16.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller (-2 1/2) bt Mrs. H. A. Hall (16) by 8.
F. H. Pugh (9) bt W. H. Austin (3) by 21.
Dr. H. R. McAleenan (10) bt Mrs. H. C. S. Perry (6) by 11.
E. A. Roper (2) bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (2) by 15.
Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (5) bt Miss H. D. Parker (3) by 10.
Mrs. E. Rotherham (-3) bt Mrs. R. J. Pickett (8) by 9.
Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) bt Maj. C. J. H. Tolley (5) by 3.

THIRD ROUND

R. J. Pickett (6) bt D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller (-2 1/2) by 12.
Dr. H. R. McAleenan (10) bt F. H. Pugh (9) by 2.
E. A. Roper (2) bt Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (5) by 13.
Mrs. E. Rotherham (-3) bt Mrs. E. M. Temple (5) by 4.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. H. R. McAleenan (10) bt R. J. Pickett (6) by 12.
E. A. Roper (2) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham (-3) by 18.

FINAL

Dr. H. R. McAleenan (10) bt E. A. Roper (2) by 17.

(CLASS "Y")

(14 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) bt Mrs. D. E. Charlton (3 1/2) by 5.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1 1/2) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (-1 1/2) by 7.
Capt. W. A. T. Synge (6) w.o. Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (4 1/2) (opponent retired).
H. A. Hall (9) w.o. Mrs. D. M. Owen (opponent scratched).
Mrs. W. Longman (-1 1/2) bt Miss M. Bryan (9) by 5.
Miss F. E. Rose (3 1/2) bt Mrs. R. J. Pickett (8) by 6.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) w.o. Mrs. E. A. Roper (6 1/2) (opponent retired).
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1 1/2) bt Capt. W. A. T. Synge (6) by 5.
Mrs. W. Longman (-1 1/2) bt H. A. Hall (9) by 1.
Maj. C. J. H. Tolley (5) bt Miss F. E. Rose (3 1/2) by 17.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1 1/2) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) by 10.
Maj. C. J. H. Tolley (5) bt Mrs. W. Longman (-1 1/2) by 13.

FINAL

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1 1/2) bt Maj. C. J. H. Tolley (5) by 11.

DOUBLES

(Not less than 4 bisques—combined handicap)
(8 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Miss M. Bryan (10 1/2) bt W. H. Austin and Miss E. M. Temple (8) by 6.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt and Miss H. D. Parker (5) bt Maj. C. H. Tolley and Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (4 1/2) by 12.
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Roper (8 1/2) bt Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Pickett (14) by 4.
F. H. Pugh and Mrs. W. Longman (7 1/2) bt Capt. and Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (11) by 2.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. H. D. Parker (5) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Miss M. Bryan (10 1/2) by 9.
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Roper (8 1/2) bt F. H. Pugh and Mrs. W. Longman (7 1/2) by 1.

FINAL

Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt and Miss H. D. Parker (5) bt Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Roper (8 1/2) by 6 (on time).

CHELTENHAM

The Cambridge match was followed by a three-day American Tournament. Unlike the similar Whitsun Tournament, which had equal numbers of local and visiting players, this week-end event was graced by only one visitor but she has travelled far. She is Mrs. E. Narbey, a 2 1/2 bisque player, from Hamilton, New Zealand. The Tournament was run in three blocks, and the winners of the blocks played off for first and second places.

SEMI-FINAL

K. A. Ross (8) bye.
R. G. S. Shewan (7) bt Miss M. A. Posford (6) by 13.

FINAL

K. A. Ross (8) bt R. G. S. Shewan (7) by 18.

PARKSTONE

June 22nd—27th

A glorious week of warmth and sunshine. Courts less good than the Committee expected after the heavy expenditure on them, but we gather more work will be done on them. The groundsmen had done much to overcome difficulties which arose after the professional firm had finished. Catering was excellent and prices reasonable.

The score sheets speak for themselves. A notable feature was the narrow margin of victories in the Doubles which Capt. and Mrs. Synge deservedly won. Mrs. Synge's style is nearly perfect; she will go far and her husband's temperament is ideal. They were a valued addition to the pleasure of the week, as were Dr. and Mrs. Smartt. Mrs. Naylor, a much improved player, with the evergreen "Della" gave the Synge a good run in the final.

Mrs. Smartt gave Comdr. Beamish a real struggle in the Open. Miss Allen was supreme in her class and went far in the Handicap "X" which Dr. Penny, playing beautifully, won.

The "crush" is not understood clearly by some players. Two long bisquers used the expression "I cannot crush I am not touching the wire," likewise a good player wishing to play a ball out of Hoop 1 back down to Hoop 1 with the ball in the hoop less than halfway through 1 back played without calling a referee, the ball just grazed the wire. Two referees near at hand knew it must have been a crush. A crush does not only arise when trying to make a hoop. It is the mallet in contact with the ball when the ball reaches the wire.

"Della" and Mrs. McMordie made us all happy. We want to come again.

OPEN SINGLES

(8 Entries)

DRAW

FIRST ROUND

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt bt Dr. H. J. Penny by 8.
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt P. Thompson by 12.
V. A. de la Nougerede bt Mrs. E. M. Kay by 9.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt bt Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith by 16.

SEMI-FINAL

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish by 12.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt w.o. V. A. de la Nougerede (opponent scratched).

FINAL

Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt by 7.

PROCESS

FIRST ROUND

P. Thompson bt Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith by 3.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt bt Mrs. E. M. Kay by 3 (on time).
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 5.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt bt Dr. H. J. Penny by 9 (on time).

SEMI-FINAL

P. Thompson bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt by 2.
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt by 5.

FINAL

Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt P. Thompson by 14.

PLAY-OFF

Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt by 4.

LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "B")

(2 to 6 bisques)
(9 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

W. H. Austin bt Mrs. R. A. Hill by 19.

SECOND ROUND

Miss K. D. Hickson bt T. A. Chignell by 15.
Mrs. W. A. T. Synge bt W. A. Austin by 19.
Maj. F. Hill-Bernard bt Capt. W. A. T. Synge by 8.
Miss R. M. Allen bt Mrs. M. McMordie by 11.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss K. D. Hickson w.o. Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (opponent retired).
Miss R. M. Allen bt Maj. F. Hill-Bernard by 19.

FINAL

Miss R. M. Allen bt Miss K. D. Hickson by 21.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "C")

(6 1/2 bisques and over)
(12 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Miss H. F. Woolley (6 1/2) bt Mrs. I. M. Purves (10) by 12.
Miss W. E. Creed Meredith (9 1/2) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (7) by 13.
M. A. C. McMillan (7 1/2) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor (8) by 2.
Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (16) bt Mrs. K. M. Lowein (13) by 11.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. G. Hill (8) bt Miss M. M. Fickling (15) by 16.
Miss H. F. Woolley (6 1/2) bt Miss W. E. Creed Meredith (9 1/2) by 2.
M. A. C. McMillan (7 1/2) bt Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (16) by 10.
F. Henshaw (12) w.o. Mrs. C. Devitt (9) (opponent scratched).

SEMI-FINAL

Miss H. F. Woolley (6 1/2) w.o. Mrs. G. Hill (8) (opponent retired).
M. A. C. McMillan (7 1/2) bt F. Henshaw (12) by 14.

FINAL

M. A. C. McMillan (7 1/2) bt Miss H. F. Woolley (6 1/2) by 11.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "X")

(Unrestricted)
(27 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (5) bt Miss M. M. Fickling (15) by 3.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1 1/2) bt Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) by 9.
P. Thompson (1 1/2) bt M. A. C. McMillan (7 1/2) by 15.
Mrs. E. M. Kay (5) bt Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (16) by 11.
W. H. Austin (3) bt Miss H. F. Woolley (6 1/2) by 10.
Capt. W. A. T. Synge (6) bt Miss K. D. Hickson (4) by 3.
Miss R. M. Allen (4) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) by 12.
Mrs. M. McMordie (4) bt F. Henshaw (12) by 3.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (2) bt Maj. F. Hill-Bernard (3) by 7.
Miss W. E. Creed Meredith (9 1/2) bt Mrs. I. M. Purves (10) by 20.
Dr. H. J. Penny (1 1/2) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor (8) by 16.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. K. M. Lowein (13) w.o. Mrs. C. Devitt (9) (opponent scratched).
Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (5) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1 1/2) by 12.
Mrs. E. M. Kay (5) bt P. Thompson (1 1/2) by 6.
Mrs. H. Austin (3) bt Capt. W. A. T. Synge (6) by 6.
Miss R. M. Allen (4) by Mrs. M. McMordie (4) by 12.
Miss W. E. Creed Meredith (9 1/2) bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (2) by 9.
Dr. H. J. Penny (3) bt T. A. Chignell (4) by 16.
Miss M. M. Taylor (7) bt Mrs. G. Hill (8) by 10.

THIRD ROUND

Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (5) bt Mrs. K. M. Lowein (13) by 19.
W. A. Austin (3) bt Mrs. E. M. Kay (5) by 3.
Miss R. M. Allen (4) bt Miss W. E. Creed Meredith (9 1/2) by 16.
Dr. H. J. Penny (1 1/2) bt Miss M. M. Taylor (7) by 6.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (5) bt W. H. Austin (3) by 7.
Dr. H. J. Penny (1 1/2) bt Miss R. M. Allen (4) by 9.

FINAL

Dr. H. J. Penny (1 1/2) bt Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (5) by 5.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "Y")

(14 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) bt Miss M. M. Fickling (15) by 2.
Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (15) w.o. M. A. C. McMillan (7 1/2) (opponent scratched).
Miss K. D. Hickson (4) bt Miss H. F. Woolley (6 1/2) by 10.
F. Henshaw (12) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill (6) by 14.
Maj. F. Hill-Bernard (3) bt Mrs. I. M. Purves (10) by 12.

SECOND ROUND

Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) bt Mrs. K. M. Lowein (13) by 11.
Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (16) w.o. Miss K. D. Hickson (4) (opponent scratched).
Maj. F. Hill-Bernard (3) w.o. F. Henshaw (12) (opponent scratched).
Mrs. W. A. Naylor (8) w.o. Mrs. G. Hill (8) (opponent scratched).

SEMI-FINAL

Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) bt Mrs. R. Creed Meredith (16) by 12.
Maj. F. Hill-Bernard (3) bt Mrs. W. A. Naylor (8) by 2.

FINAL

Rev. Canon R. Creed Meredith (0) bt Maj. F. Hill-Bernard (3) by 2.

MIXED DOUBLES

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

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. R. A. Hill and Miss M. M. Taylor (13) bt I. A. Chignell and Mrs. M. McMordie (8) by 5.
W. H. Austin and Mrs. E. M. Kay (8) bt P. Thompson and Maj. F. Hill Bernard (4 1/2) by 6 (on time).
Capt. and Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (11) bt Rev. Canon and Miss W. E. Creed Meredith (9 1/2) by 2.

SECOND ROUND

V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. W. A. Naylor (7) bt Miss L. M. Allen and Mrs. K. Lowein (17) by 2.
Mrs. R. A. Hill and Miss M. M. Taylor (13) bt W. H. Austin and Mrs. E. M. Kay (8) by 7.
Capt. and Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (11) bt M. A. C. McMillan and Miss M. M. Fickling (22 1/2) by 8.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (3 1/2) bt Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. D. Hickson (5 1/2) by 2.

SEMI-FINAL

V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. W. A. Naylor (7) bt Mrs. R. G. Hill and Miss M. M. Taylor (13) by 1.
Capt. and Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (11) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (3 1/2) by 3.

FINAL

Capt. and Mrs. W. A. T. Synge (11) bt V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. W. A. Naylor (7) by 8.

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

(Unofficial)

June 29th—July 4th.

The unofficial American Tournament was held at Budleigh Salterton from June 29th, in what can only be described as perfect weather. A cloudless sky for days on end and magnificent views made an ideal setting for a most enjoyable week of croquet.

I called on the ancient Maori weather gods to do their duty, and the result was remarkable, even by English standards, where the weather gods have apparently got discouraged and given up trying.

If the weather and setting were perfect, so too were the courts, and for this credit is due to the two groundsmen, West and Hunt, despite the fact that some of the courts do duty as tennis courts as well.

This week is a preliminary to the Open Tournament, and was well attended by local and visiting players, including two New Zealanders, all getting the "lie of the land", sharpening the eye, but still playing with a festival spirit. Winners and runners-up of blocks and final results are tabulated below, and our congratulations go to the winners and condolences to the losers.

Several players should be mentioned: smiling John Cooper, a "Cavalier of the Courts" who plays every stroke, good or "hammered" with a truly gay abandon that is akin to genius; Mrs. Cruden, a jet age player, who must be allergic to bisques, so lavish is she in their use, and then, when they are all happily and wantonly disposed of, plays nearly to scratch; Mrs. Nash, a dark horse if ever there was one; and the imperturbable Professor Ross, never, never flurried. My sympathy went out to him when he stuck in "rover" allowing Col. Laverty to reach the semi-final, where he was guilty of most ungentlemanly conduct in beating his own wife; he then won the final against Dr. Smartt, who had disposed, but only just, of John Cooper.

May I say, on behalf of the visitors, how enjoyable this week has been, and how ably it was managed by Miss Joan Warwick, particularly as no time limits of any sort were imposed. In New Zealand the final of a tournament is a matter of conjecture, not a date with the calendar, as with you.

I found the handicapping a little upsetting. To see 7 and 8-bisques play a perfect 4-ball break is just not done in New Zealand. I doubt if a New Zealand 5 could make a break of 4, let alone 8 or 9 hoops as I frequently saw done this week. I found it disconcerting to see long bisques execute perfect split shots the length of the court as a matter of course. Our players, who admittedly have more inter-club competition, are much more under the eye of the Official District Handicapper, and any sign of such competence suffers immediate bisque penalty.

However, good luck to them, bisques and all—I've enjoyed Budleigh Salterton and its people and its tournament and sincerely hope to come back and play again. Kia-Ora.

Results

BLOCK "A"

Winner: A. J. Cooper (—2½) won 6/6 games.
He beat Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3), Col. W. R. Healing (4½), Mrs. F. R. Briggs (2½), Miss Locks-Latham (7½), Miss M. K. A. Towers (7), Maj. R. St. G. Atchley (12).

BLOCK "B"

Winner: Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (3) won 4/6 games.
He beat G. B. Horridge (6), G. R. Mills (4½), Mrs. E. F. Narbey (2½), J. G. Warwick (—2) and lost to R. A. Godby (½), Mrs. W. Nash (11).

BLOCK "C"

Winner: Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1½) won 5/6 games.
He beat D. J. Bird (12), Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (0), Mr. Kitchin (14), Miss G. V. Pirie (10), Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) and lost to Mrs. A. S. C. Ross (11).

BLOCK "D"

Winner: Professor A. S. C. Ross (7½) won 6/6 games.
He beat Miss K. Ault (3½), Miss J. Cooper (5), Mrs. Michelmore (4), Miss V. Mills (1), Brig. J. Omond (6½), M. P. Reitcheson (—1½).

BLOCK "E"

Winner: Mrs. T. F. Laverty (9) won 6/6 games.
He beat Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (—1), Mrs. Newnham-Davis (10), Mrs. Omond (9), Miss A. E. Mills (1½), F. Henshaw (12), Mrs. Cruden (8).

PLAY-OFF

QUARTER-FINAL

Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (3) bt Prof. A. S. C. Ross (7½) +4.

SEMI-FINALS

Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (3) bt Mrs. T. F. Laverty (9) +12.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1½) bt A. J. Cooper (—2½) +5.

FINAL

Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1½) +15.

EXTRA EVENT

July 1st—4th

(On adjusted handicap, starting at the 5th hoop)

SEMI-FINAL

Miss E. J. Warwick bt Mrs. Hawkins +4.
R. A. Godby bt Mrs. Cruden +13.

FINAL

R. A. Godby bt Miss E. J. Warwick +3.

BUDLEIGH SALTERTON

July 6th—11th

Having read "Monty's" report on the unofficial tournament last week I will not dwell upon the beauties of the setting of the Budleigh Club which are too well known and beloved by all its visitors to require further description. The Maori weather gods could hardly be expected to produce two good weeks running in England. There was hardly sufficient rain to warrant the putting on of wet weather clothing before it was time to take it off; we had some sun and plenty of arctic winds almost unbelievable for early July.

We had the usual first class luncheons, teas and morning coffee that one associates with Budleigh and, what has also come to be expected, superlative management by Jack Dibley with his wife Grace as his able assistant. This was acknowledged in a small way by the presentation to them after the prize-giving of a tray with an old Budleigh print as a gift from all the players. Mention must also be made of the vast amount of work carried out behind the scenes before and during the tournament by Gerald Cave which ensured its smooth running.

Joan Warwick triumphed again for the fourth successive year in the Open Singles but not before a tough battle with Robin Godby in the play-off concluded shortly after 8 p.m. on Saturday after she had been on the courts almost continuously since 10 a.m. Godby must also be congratulated for his fine play throughout the week. By reaching the Opens Final he has qualified for a C.A. Silver Medal, a most coveted award and nowadays very hard to win.

Joan, who was undoubtedly the steadiest player of the week, also won the Open Handicap Singles, a "double" only achieved once before, by Maurice Reckitt soon after the War. She beat Mrs. Prichard in the final. This determined lady also played well during the week: she won the "C" Singles and will surely suffer under the handicapper's axe. The "B" Opens went to Henry Ormerod younger brother of international William. When he can play in more tournaments his handicap must bump down—it should suffer quite a knock after this week's play. He also won the Extra in quick time.

There were many very close matches during the week as the score sheets indicate. Perhaps one of the best was one between the brothers Beamish in the Opens. The battle was won by the Army, Desmond playing back to his old form for much of the week.

Budleigh has many regular and ardent spectators and perhaps the writer will be forgiven for mentioning one, his host, Henry Dixon who but two months from his ninetieth birthday was seldom absent from watching the play throughout the week, despite the cold winds, offering his sometimes caustic but usually apt comments.

On behalf of all visitors thanks to every Budleigh member for their hospitality in making us so welcome and giving us such a pleasant week.

OPEN SINGLES

(22 Entries)

DRAW

FIRST ROUND

M. B. Reckitt bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 24.
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard bt Miss E. J. Warwick by 2.
R. F. Rothwell bt Mrs. E. F. Narbey (N.Z.) by 1.
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden by 5.
R. A. Godby bt Miss A. E. Mills by 11.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish by 8.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt N. B. C. Paynter by 21.
A. J. Cooper bt Dr. H. J. Penny by 6.
B. Lloyd-Pratt bt M. B. Reckitt by 12.
R. F. Rothwell bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard by 14.
R. A. Godby bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave by 8.
J. G. Warwick bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt by 2.
M. P. Reitcheson bt Miss V. Mills by 12.
Col. D. W. Beamish bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 10.

THIRD ROUND

A. J. Cooper bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 17.
B. Lloyd-Pratt bt R. F. Rothwell by 2.
R. A. Godby bt J. G. Warwick by 3.
M. P. Reitcheson w.o. Col. D. W. Beamish (opponent retired).

SEMI-FINAL

A. J. Cooper bt B. Lloyd-Pratt by 12.
R. A. Godby w.o. M. P. Reitcheson (opponent scratched).

FINAL

R. A. Godby* bt A. J. Cooper by 4.

*Qualifies for Silver Medal.

OPEN SINGLES

PROCESS

FIRST ROUND

Miss V. Mills bt Dr. H. J. Penny by 8.
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt B. Lloyd-Pratt by 24.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 13.
A. J. Cooper bt M. P. Reitcheson by 8.
Col. D. W. Beamish bt M. B. Reckitt by 4.
J. G. Warwick bt N. B. C. Paynter by 11.

SECOND ROUND

R. A. Godby bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart by 12.
R. F. Rothwell bt Miss V. Mills by 25.
Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave by 2.
Miss E. J. Warwick bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt by 17.
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard by 8.
Mrs. H. F. Chittenden w.o. (opponent scratched).
Col. D. W. Beamish bt Miss A. E. Mills by 23.
J. G. Warwick bt Mrs. E. F. Narbey by 19.

THIRD ROUND

R. F. Rothwell bt R. A. Godby by 12.
Miss E. J. Warwick bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 17.
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish w.o. (opponent scratched).
Col. D. W. Beamish bt J. G. Warwick by 13.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss E. J. Warwick bt R. F. Rothwell by 20.
Col. D. W. Beamish bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish by 7.

FINAL

Miss E. J. Warwick bt Col. D. W. Beamish by 8.

PLAY-OFF

Miss E. J. Warwick bt R. A. Godby by 7.

LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "B")

(2 to 6 bisques)

(18 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Rev. H. L. Ormerod bt Mrs. M. McMordie by 13.
Mrs. R. G. Michelmore bt Mrs. M. H. Vincent by 5.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. F. R. Briggs bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley by 18.
Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty bt Col. W. R. Healing by 15.
T. F. H. Jessel bt Miss J. Cooper by 22.
Rev. H. L. Ormerod bt Miss E. Fisher by 17.
Mrs. R. G. Michelmore bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt by 17.
G. B. Horridge bt Mrs. E. M. Kay by 12.
Mrs. G. W. Solomon bt G. R. Mills by 15.
Miss K. D. Hickson bt Miss K. Ault by 6.

THIRD ROUND

Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty bt Mrs. F. R. Briggs by 10.
Rev. H. L. Ormerod bt T. F. H. Jessel by 3.
Mrs. R. G. Michelmore bt G. B. Horridge by 20.
Mrs. G. W. Solomon bt Miss K. D. Hickson by 4.

SEMI-FINAL

Rev. H. L. Ormerod bt Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty by 9.
Mrs. G. W. Solomon w.o. Mrs. R. G. Michelmore (opponent scratched).

FINAL

Rev. H. L. Ormerod bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon by 6.

HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "C")

(6½ and over bisques)

(10 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. W. Nash (10) bt Dr. R. R. Traill (12) by 10.
G. A. Black (7) bt Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (8) by 20.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. S. S. Cruden (8) bt Mrs. T. F. Laverty (7½) by 5.
Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) bt Mrs. W. Nash (10) by 2.
G. A. Black (7) bt Miss D. Locks Latham (7½) by 5.
Mrs. J. Povey (7) bt D. J. Bird (12) by 6.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) bt Mrs. S. S. Cruden (8) by 12.
G. A. Black (7) bt Mrs. J. Povey (7) by 5.

FINAL

Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) bt G. A. Black (7) by 7.

HANDICAP SINGLES

(48 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Rev. H. L. Ormerod (5) bt Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (2) by 5.
A. J. Cooper (—3) bt Mrs. J. Povey (7) by 7.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (2) bt Maj. E. C. Heathcote (1½) by 6.
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (—2) bt Mrs. E. C. Gatehouse (8) by 12.
Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) bt M. B. Reckitt (—½) by 14.
Miss K. D. Hickson (4) bt Lt.-Col. F. E. Stobart (1) by 2.
Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) bt Mrs. E. M. Kay (5) by 7.
G. A. Black (7) bt Miss V. E. Mills (1) by 17.
G. R. Mills (4½) bt Mrs. F. R. Briggs (2½) by 10.
Mrs. T. F. Laverty (7½) bt Dr. R. R. Traill (12) by 8.
T. F. H. Jessel (4) bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (—1½) by 24.
G. B. Horridge (6) bt R. F. Rothwell (—½) by 16.
R. A. Godby (½) bt Mrs. M. H. Vincent (2) by 14.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1) bt Col. D. W. Beamish (—1½) by 5.
Mrs. R. G. Michelmore (4) bt Miss E. Fisher (2) by 8.
J. G. Warwick (—2) bt Miss K. Ault (3½) by 9.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt Dr. H. J. Penny (1) by 3.
Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (—1) bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (0) by 20.
M. P. Reitcheson (—½) bt Miss D. Locks Latham (7½) by 10.
Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (2) by 13.
A. J. Cooper (—3) bt Rev. H. L. Ormerod (5) by 6.
Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (—2) bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt (2) by 10.
Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) bt Miss K. D. Hickson (4) by 14.
G. A. Black (7) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (5) by 8.
Mrs. T. F. Laverty (7½) bt G. R. Mills (4½) by 14.
G. B. Horridge (6) bt T. F. H. Jessel (4) by 8.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1) w.o. R. A. Godby (½) (opponent scratched).
J. G. Warwick (—2) bt Mrs. R. G. Michelmore (4) by 7.
W. B. C. Paynter (0) bt D. J. Bird (12) by 17.
Miss S. S. Cruden (8) bt Miss J. Cooper (5) by 10.
Miss E. J. Warwick (—2) bt Mrs. M. McMordie (4) by 12.
Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (—½) bt B. Lloyd-Pratt (—2) by 9.

THIRD ROUND

Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (—1) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) by 7.
Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt M. P. Reitcheson (—½) by 5.
A. J. Cooper (—3) bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard (—2) by 12.
Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) bt G. A. Black (7) by 10.
G. B. Horridge (6) bt Mrs. T. F. Laverty (7½) by 5.
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1) bt J. G. Warwick (—2) by 4.
W. B. C. Paynter (0) bt Mrs. S. S. Cruden (8) by 10.
Miss E. J. Warwick (—2) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden (—½) by 25.

FOURTH ROUND

Miss A. E. Mills (1½) bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave (—1) by 26.
Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) w.o. A. J. Cooper (—3) (retired on peg).
Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1) bt G. B. Horridge (6) by 5.
Miss E. J. Warwick (—2) bt W. B. C. Paynter (0) by 15.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) bt Miss A. E. Mills (1½) by 20.
Miss E. J. Warwick (—2) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt (1) by 13.

FINAL

Miss E. J. Warwick (—2) bt Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (7½) by 6.

DOUBLES (HANDICAP)

(Combined Handicap not to be less than 3 bisques)

(23 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Mrs. T. F. Laverty (3) bt Maj. E. C. Heathcote and Mrs. M. H. Vincent (3½) by 11.
J. G. Warwick and Mrs. J. Povey (5) bt M. P. Reitcheson and Mrs. S. S. Cruden (6½) by 7.
R. A. Godby and T. F. Jessel (4½) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon and Mrs. F. R. Briggs (4½) by 2 (on time).
Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. D. Hickson (5) bt B. Lloyd-Pratt and Dr. R. R. Traill (8) by 1.

Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Rev. H. L. Ormerod (5) bt N. B. C. Paynter and Mrs. M. McMordie (4) by 2.
Miss V. Mills and Col. W. R. Healing (4½) bt G. A. Black and Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (15) by 15.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt and Miss J. Cooper (7) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham and G. B. Horridge (3) by 5.

SECOND ROUND

Miss E. J. Warwick and Mrs. R. C. Hawkins (7) bt Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard and Mrs. D. M. C. Prichard (5½) by 7.
R. F. Rothwell and Mrs. E. M. Kay (4½) bt Lt.-Col. G. E. Cave and Mrs. G. E. Cave (7) by 5.
J. G. Warwick and Mrs. J. Povey (5) bt Dr. R. B. N. Smartt and Lt.-Col. T. F. Laverty (3) by 14.
R. A. Godby and T. F. Jessel (4½) bt Dr. H. J. Penny and Miss K. D. Hickson (5) by 3.
Miss V. Mills and Col. W. R. Healing (4½) bt Mrs. H. F. Chittenden and Rev. H. L. Ormerod (5) by 2.
Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt and Miss J. Cooper (7) bt M. B. Reckitt and G. R. Mills (4) by 4.
B. G. Perry and Miss S. C. Gough (18) bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish and D. J. Bird (8½) by 1 (on time).
A. J. Cooper and Mrs. T. F. Laverty (4½) bt Miss A. E. Mills and Miss K. Ault (5) by 5.

THIRD ROUND

Miss E. J. Warwick and Mrs. R. C. Hawkins (7) bt R. F. Rothwell and Mrs. E. M. Kay (4½) by 6.
R. A. Godby and T. F. Jessel (4½) bt J. G. Warwick and Mrs. J. Povey (5) by 4.
Miss V. Mills and Col. W. R. Healing (4½) bt Mrs. R. B. N. Smartt and Miss J. Cooper (7) by 11.
A. J. Cooper and Mrs. T. F. Laverty (4½) bt B. G. Perry and Miss S. C. Gough (18) by 8.

SEMI-FINAL

R. A. Godby and T. F. Jessel (4½) bt Miss E. J. Warwick and Mrs. R. C. Hawkins (7) by 5.
A. J. Cooper and Mrs. T. F. Laverty (4½) bt Miss V. Mills and Col. W. R. Healing (4½) by 5.

FINAL

R. A. Godby and T. F. Jessel (4½) bt A. J. Cooper and Mrs. T. F. Laverty (4½) by 10.

CHALLENGE AND GILBEY TOURNAMENT

OPEN SINGLES

(8 Entries)

DRAW

FIRST ROUND

D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt R. O. Hicks +6.
J. B. Gilbert w.o. A. G. Sadler (opponent scratched).
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker bt W. B. C. Paynter +9.
G. Williams bt A. D. Karmel +17.

SEMI-FINAL

D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt J. B. Gilbert 5.
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker bt G. W. Williams +2.

FINAL

D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt Capt. H. G. D. Stoker +3.

OPEN SINGLES

PROCESS

FIRST ROUND

G. Williams bt J. B. Gilbert +7.
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker bt R. O. Hicks +6.
W. B. C. Paynter w.o. A. G. Sadler (opponent scratched).
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt A. D. Karmel +8.

SEMI-FINAL

G. Williams bt Capt. H. G. D. Stoker +18.
D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller bt W. B. C. Paynter +4.

FINAL

D. J. V. Hamilton Miller w.o. G. Williams (opponent scratched).

LEVEL SINGLES

THE COUNCIL CUP

(2½ to 5½ bisques)

(8 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

P. D. Hallett bt Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts +14.
Mrs. E. Narbey bt Mrs. J. S. Speer +9.
D. C. Caporn bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson +11.
Mrs. P. D. Showan bt Maj. J. H. Dibley +8.

SEMI-FINAL

P. D. Hallett bt Mrs. E. Narbey +9.
Mrs. P. D. Showan bt D. C. Caporn +1.

FINAL

P. D. Hallett bt Mrs. P. D. Showan +8.

LEVEL SINGLES

THE RECKITT CHALLENGE CUP

(6 to 8½ bisques)

(6 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts bt Brig. J. S. Omond +9.
W. B. Franklin bt Mrs. G. Trull +4.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss B. Duthie bt L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts +22.
W. B. Franklin bt Mrs. M. H. Carrington +12.

FINAL

W. B. Franklin bt Miss B. Duthie +9.

LEVEL SINGLES

THE STEVENSON CHALLENGE CUP

(9 bisques and over)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. T. Croal bt Miss G. W. Bartlett +13.
Mrs. M. Francis w.o. (opponent scratched).

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. T. Croal bt Mrs. D. F. Caporn +13.
Mrs. M. Francis bt Mrs. J. S. Omond +16.

FINAL

Mrs. T. Croal bt Mrs. M. Francis +7.

HANDICAP DOUBLES

(Combined handicap of 4 bisques or more)

(8 Pairs)

FIRST ROUND

W. B. C. Paynter and Mrs. M. H. Carrington (6½) bt R. O. Hicks and Mrs. A. D. Karmel (6½) +5.
P. D. Hallett and Mrs. E. Narbey (6½) bt Mrs. P. D. Showan and Mrs. J. S. Speer (8) +14.
D. C. Caporn and A. J. Oldham (9½) bt Capt. H. G. D. Stoker and Mrs. G. Trull (6) +6.
L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts and W. B. Franklin (13½) bt J. B. Gilbert and Miss B. Duthie (5) +2.

SEMI-FINAL

P. D. Hallett and Mrs. E. Narbey (6½) bt W. B. C. Paynter and Mrs. M. H. Carrington (6½) +18.
L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts and W. B. Franklin (13½) bt D. C. Caporn and A. J. Oldham (9½) +16.

FINAL

L. E. W. Stokes-Roberts and W. B. Franklin (13½) bt P. D. Hallett and Mrs. E. Narbey (6½) +3.

GOLF CROQUET SINGLES

THE ASCOT CHALLENGE CUP

"A" BLOCK

(13 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1) bt Mrs. L. E. Frenken (1) 1 up.
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker (-1) bt P. D. Hallett (1) 2 up.
J. B. Gilbert (-1) bt Mrs. M. H. Carrington (1) 4 and 2.
Mrs. A. L. Beck (1) bt Miss B. Duthie (1) 3 and 2.
A. D. Karmel (-1) bt R. O. Hicks (-1) 2 up.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1) bt Mrs. G. Trull (1) 1 up.
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker (-1) bt J. B. Gilbert (-1) 2 up.
A. D. Karmel (-1) bt Mrs. Beck (1) 2 up.
Mrs. G. W. Solomon (0) bt Mrs. D. Kozhevar (1) 3 and 2.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1) bt Capt. H. G. D. Stoker (-1) 4 and 2.
A. D. Karmel (1) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (0) 4 and 2.

FINAL

Mrs. V. C. Gasson (1) bt A. D. Karmel (-1) 5 and 4.

"B" BLOCK

(11 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Miss Eaton (2) bt Mrs. M. Francis (2) 4 and 3.
Miss Young (2) bt Mrs. A. D. Karmel (2) 1 up.
Miss Hammer (2) bt Miss G. Bartlett (2) 5 and 3.

SECOND ROUND

Miss King (2) bt W. B. Franklin (2) 4 and 3.
Miss Young (2) bt Miss Eaton (2) 3 and 2.
Miss S. Phillips (2) bt Miss Hammer (2) 2 up.
Mrs. Pickard (2) bt Mrs. D. M. Staub (2) 2 up.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss Young (2) bt Miss King.
Mrs. Phillips (2) bt Mrs. Pickard.

FINAL

Mrs. S. Phillips (2) bt Miss Young (2).

PLAY-OFF

Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt Mrs. Phillips by 1 up.

GOLF CROQUET DOUBLES

THE DELVES BROUGHTON CHALLENGE CUPS

(Combined Croquet Handicaps not less than 4)

FIRST ROUND

W. B. C. Paynter and W. B. Franklin (2) bt Mrs. M. Francis and Miss G. Bartlett (4) 5 and 4.
Miss King and Miss Young (4) bt Mrs. S. Phillips and Mrs. D. M. Staub (4) 2 up.
Mrs. Beck and Miss Hammer (3) bt A. D. Karmel and Mrs. A. D. Karmel (1) 2 up.

SECOND ROUND

Mrs. V. C. Gasson and Miss B. Duthie (2) bt Mrs. L. E. Frenken and Mrs. D. Kozhevar (2) 5 and 4.
Miss King and Miss Young (4) bt W. B. C. Paynter and W. B. Franklin (2) 3 and 1.
Miss Eaton and Mrs. Pickard (4) bt Mrs. Beck and Miss Hammer (3) 5 and 3.
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker and Mrs. G. Trull (0) bt P. D. Hallett and Mrs. M. H. Carrington (2) 5 and 3.

SEMI-FINAL

Miss King and Miss Young (4) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson and Miss B. Duthie (2) 1 up.
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker and Mrs. G. Trull (0) bt Miss Eaton and Mrs. Pickard (4) 1 up.

FINAL

Capt. H. G. D. Stoker and Mrs. G. Trull (0) bt Miss King and Miss Young (4) 5 and 3.

CHALLENGE (EXTRA EVENT)

FINAL

Mrs. V. C. Gasson (2½) bt Mrs. T. Croal (9) +11.

GILBEY (EXTRA EVENT AMERICAN)

BLOCK "A" Winner: D. C. Caporn.
BLOCK "B" Winner: Mrs. W. Speer.
BLOCK "C" Winner: Brig. J. S. Omond.
BLOCK "D" Winner: Mrs. L. Farlie.

HANDICAP SINGLES

THE GILBEY CUPS

BLOCK "A"

(6 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

R. O. Hicks (-1) bt A. D. Karmel (-1) +8.
A. G. Sadler (2) w.o. (opponent retired on peg).

SEMI-FINAL

J. B. Gilbert (-1) bt R. O. Hicks (-1) +19.
Capt. H. G. D. Stoker (-1) bt A. G. Sadler (2) +17.

FINAL

J. B. Gilbert (-1) bt Capt. H. G. D. Stoker (-1) +17.

"B" BLOCK

(6 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

P. D. Hallett (4) bt Mrs. P. D. Showan (3) +6.
Mrs. J. S. Speer (5) bt Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts (3) +5.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (5) bt P. D. Hallett (4) +16.
D. C. Caporn (4½) bt Mrs. J. S. Speer (5) +9.

FINAL

D. C. Caporn (4½) bt Mrs. F. H. N. Davidson (5) +5.

"C" BLOCK

(7 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. M. H. Carrington (6½) bt Mrs. A. D. Karmel (7½) +14.
Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (7) bt Brig. J. S. Omond (6½) +2.
A. J. Oldham (6) bt Miss B. Duthie (6) +10.

SEMI-FINAL

Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (7) bt Mrs. M. H. Carrington (6½) +11.
A. J. Oldham (6) bt Mrs. G. Trull (7) +16.

FINAL

Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (7) bt A. J. Oldham (6) +3.

"D" BLOCK

(7 Entries)

FIRST ROUND

Mrs. D. F. Caporn (11) w.o. (opponent scratched).
Mrs. T. Croal (9) bt Mrs. M. Francis (9) +4.
Mrs. L. C. Farlie (8) bt Mrs. J. S. Omond (9) +10.

SEMI-FINAL

Mrs. T. Croal (9) bt Mrs. D. F. Caporn (11) +11.
Miss G. Bartlett (10) bt Mrs. L. C. Farlie (8) +7.

FINAL

Miss G. Bartlett (10) bt Mrs. T. Croal (9) +13.

PLAY-OFF

D. C. Caporn (4½) bt J. B. Gilbert (-1) +17.
Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (7) bt Miss G. Bartlett (10) +5

FINAL

D. C. Caporn (4½) bt Maj.-Gen. F. H. N. Davidson (7) +4.

TOURNAMENTS

GENERAL CONDITIONS AND INFORMATION

The following conditions apply to all tournaments advertised below unless specified to the contrary in any advertisement:—

1. The tournament will be played under the Laws of Association Croquet and the Regulations for Official Tournaments.
2. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to refuse an entry without giving a reason. In particular, entries will not be accepted in excess of the capacity of the courts.
3. If there are very few entries for an event, the Manager may play it on the American system, even though otherwise advertised.
4. Hoops will be 3½ in. wide. Jaques "Eclipse" balls will be used.
5. Flat-soled footwear must be worn on the lawns.
6. In C.A. tournaments no leave will be granted before the draw has been made. Applications for leave on the first day will be considered immediately after the draw by the Manager or a deputy authorised by him. Leave on other days may be given by the Manager only. In other tournaments leave may be granted by the Manager or his authorised deputy, if the needs of the tournament permit.
7. Entries for C.A. tournaments must be made on Official Forms and must be accompanied by the entrance fee (which includes levy) and any Tribute due. It is helpful if entries for other tournaments are made on the Official Forms. In any case entrants should give the address and telephone numbers, if possible, which will find them during the tournament; entrance fees and any Tribute due must be paid before the draw. For rates of tribute (i.e. non-Associates only) see p. 1, April 1964.
8. Winners of Trophies will hold them for one year or until next competed for, whichever period is shorter.
9. Play will normally commence at 10 a.m. each day, but the Manager may arrange an earlier start if he feels it desirable.
10. Competitors will be made Honorary members of the Club for the duration of the tournament.

THESE CONDITIONS APPLY TO ALL TOURNAMENTS EXCEPT WHEN OTHERWISE STATED.

HUNSTANTON

THE SIXTY-SIXTH HUNSTANTON OPEN CROQUET TOURNAMENT

will be held in the Club Grounds on

Monday, August 31st to September 5th

Committee.—The Tournament Committee of the Club.

Manager.—Mrs. E. Reeve.

Referee.—J. G. Warwick.

Hon. Secretary.—Mrs. A. N. Rolfe, The Cottage, Heacham, Norfolk.

EVENTS

- 1.—OPEN SINGLES. (Draw and Process). NORFOLK CHALLENGE CUP. Holders, Miss Warwick and Mrs. Rotherham. Entrance Fee, 12s. 6d.
- 2.—LEVEL SINGLES. Law 36 suspended. HUNSTANTON CHALLENGE BOWL. 2½-6 bisques inclusive. Holder, Mrs. A. N. Rolfe. Entrance Fee, 10s. 6d.
- 3.—HANDICAP SINGLES. 6½ bisques and over. SILVER ROSE BOWL. Holder, Mrs. J. Povey. Entrance Fee, 10s. 6d.
- 4.—HANDICAP SINGLES X.Y. Unrestricted. INGLEBY CUP. Holder, A. D. Karmel. Entrance Fee, 12s. 6d.
- 5.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. Combined handicap to be not less than 4. Time limit 3½ hours. Holders, Mrs. Rotherham and Mrs. Povey. Entrance Fee, 10s. 6d. each.

Conditions

No player may enter for more than one of Events 1, 2 and 3.

Entries for Events 1, 2, 3 and 4 must reach the Hon. Secretary by Wednesday, 26th August, and for Event 5 on Tuesday, 1st September. Leave will not normally be granted after noon on Monday.

THE PRESIDENT'S CUP

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

Holder—J. W. Solomon

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

No Entrance Fee

Will be played for at the HURLINGHAM CLUB on Tuesday,
September 8th and following days

Committee.—The Tournament Committee of the Croquet Association.

Manager.—to be appointed.

Referee.—M. B. Reckitt.

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

CONDITIONS

Hoops 3 11/16in. wide will be used. The Council of the C.A. reserve the right to substitute hoops 3½in. wide at their discretion.

Fourteen

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

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

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

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

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

Competitors must make themselves available for all hours of play.

PLAY

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

THE SURREY CUP

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

Holder—D. F. Strachan

Will be played for at the CHELTENHAM CLUB on Monday,
September 7th and following days

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

Manager.—Mrs. A. M. Daniels.

Referee.—Miss W. Adye.

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

Conditions as for the President's Cup except that 3½in. hoops will be used. Further, in the event of a tie between three or more competitors the names will be drawn on the Bagnall-Wild system and single games will be played in each round.

CHELTENHAM

AN (UNOFFICIAL) AMERICAN HANDICAP SINGLES
TOURNAMENT

will be held in the Club grounds

SEPTEMBER 12th and 13th WEEKEND

Entrance Fee 6s.

Entries to reach the Tournament Secretary not later than first post Friday, September 11th.

ROEHAMPTON

A CROQUET TOURNAMENT

will be held on Monday, 21st September

and five following days

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

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

Referee.—M. B. Reckitt.

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

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

EVENTS

- 1.—OPEN SINGLES. Draw and Process. The Ranelagh Gold Cup. Entrance Fee 11s. 6d. Holder: M. B. Reckitt.
- 2.—HANDICAP SINGLES. Single games. Open to Competitors with a handicap of 2½ to 7½. Entrance Fee 10s. 0d. The Brooke Challenge Cup. Holder: D. C. Caporn.
- 3.—HANDICAP SINGLES. Open to Competitors with a handicap of 8 bisques or more. The "full bisque" system will be used. Entrance Fee 10s. 0d. Winner 1963: Mrs. I. M. Purves.
N.B.—No Competitor may enter for more than one of the above events.
- 4.—"X" and "Y" HANDICAP SINGLES. In this event there will be a time limit of 3 hours in accordance with Reg. 8. Entrance Fee 10s. 0d. The Creyke Cups. Holder "X": Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard. Holder "Y": D. C. Caporn.
- 5.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. Combined handicap not less than 5. Entrance Fee 6s. 6d. each. Games start at the 5th hoop. Winners 1963: D. W. Miller and A. N. Mozley.

NOTE.—The above Entrance Fees include the C.A. levy.

Non-Associates pay a tribute of 25s. 0d. to the C.A. when playing in an official Tournament, or 12s. 6d. if they compete in one event only, but on becoming an Associate any tribute paid during the current year is refunded, or credited against subscription.

CONDITIONS

Entries for Events 1, 2, 3 and 4 must reach the Games Secretary, accompanied by the Entrance Fee, by the first post, Wednesday, September 16th, 1964. Entries for Event 5 close at mid-day on Tuesday, September 22nd, 1964. The draw for Events 1 to 4 will take place at the Club at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, September 16th 1964.

Seven courts will be provided. If necessary some games will be played at Hurlingham Club.

BRIGHTON

AN UNOFFICIAL TOURNAMENT

will be held on

Monday, August 31st, and five following days

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

Referee—E. A. Roper.

Hon. Tournament Secretary.—W. H. Austin, Flat A, 3 Victoria Road, Southwick, Sussex.

- 1.—OPEN SINGLES. 3 bisques and under. Entrance Fee, 11s.
 - 2.—HANDICAP SINGLES. 3½-7 bisques. Entrance Fee, 11s.
 - 3.—HANDICAP SINGLES. 7½-10. Entrance Fee, 11s.
 - 4.—HANDICAP SINGLES. 11 bisques and over. Entrance Fee, 11s.
 - 5.—HANDICAP SINGLES. X. Y. (DOUGLAS-JONES CUP). Entrance Fee, 11s.
 - 6.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. Combined handicap not less than 6. All games start at No. 3 hoop with a time limit of 3½ hours. Entrance Fee, 11s.
- Entries, on official forms, please, for Events 1, 2, 3 and 4, must reach the Hon. Secretary not later than first post Thursday, August 27th.
- Event 6 will be drawn at 2.30 on Tuesday, September 1st.

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The Fifty-Seventh Annual Open Tournament will take place from Monday, September 28th to Saturday, October 3rd, and from Monday, October 5th to Saturday, October 10th.

Events 1 to 8 will start and be completed in the first week and Events 9 to 13 in the second week.

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

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

Referee.—Mrs. E. Reeve.

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

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

EVENTS

- 1.—OPEN SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND. DRAW AND PROCESS. Holder of the Ionides Challenge Trophy: Mrs. W. Longman. Entrance Fee, 15s. 0d.
- 2.—DEVONSHIRE PARK SALVER. LEVEL SINGLES. Open to competitors handicapped at $\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ inclusive. Holder: G. Williams. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 3.—LUARD CUP. LEVEL SINGLES. Open to competitors handicapped at 4 to $7\frac{1}{2}$ inclusive. Holder: Mrs. M. McMordie. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 4.—TREVOR WILLIAMS CUP. LEVEL SINGLES. Open to competitors handicapped at 8 to 11 inclusive. Holder: F. R. Meacham. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 5.—FELIX CUP. LEVEL SINGLES. Open to competitors handicapped at 12 to 16 inclusive. Holder: Mrs. G. E. Cave. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 6.—OPEN DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND. The Victor Vases. 1963 winners: D. J. V. Hamilton-Miller and Mrs. E. Rotherham. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d. each competitor.
- 7.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. Open to pairs with a combined handicap of not less than 4 bisques. Players who enter for Event 6 may not enter for this Event. All games start at the 3rd hoop. Time limit $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours—No extra half-hour. Entrance Fee 11s. 6d. each competitor.
- 8.—HANDICAP SINGLES "X.Y". THE SUSSEX CHALLENGE CUP. Holder: Mrs. W. A. T. Synge. To be drawn in one block. Entrance Fee, 15s. 0d.
- 9.—MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND. Holder of the O'Callaghan Gold Challenge Cup: Lt.-Col. D. M. C. Prichard. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 10.—WOMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND. Holder of the Franc Challenge Trophy: Mrs. W. Longman. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 11.—RESTRICTED HANDICAP SINGLES. Restricted to competitors who have not entered for Events 9 or 10. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d.
- 12.—HANDICAP SINGLES "X.Y". THE SUSSEX UNION CHALLENGE CUP. Holder: Maj. F. Hill-Bernard. Entrance Fee, 15s. 0d.
- 13.—RESTRICTED HANDICAP DOUBLES. Restricted to pairs with a combined handicap of not less than 2 bisques. All games start at 3rd hoop. Time limit $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours—No extra half-hour. 1963 winners: Mrs. N. A. Fotiadi and Mrs. J. R. Oxley. Entrance Fee, 11s. 6d. each competitor.

CONDITIONS

- 1.—Competitors may enter for only one of Events 1-5.
- 2.—All matches will be of singles games.
- 3.—Events 1, 6, 9 and 10, will be played under the Laws of Advanced Play and Event 2 under the Laws of Semi-advanced Play.
- 4.—Events 6 and 7 will be played under the Laws of Handicap Singles Play omitting Law 38b and 39. In Event 6 each player will receive 8 bisques and in Event 7 will receive 12 bisques.

INFORMATION

ENTRIES, ACCOMPANIED BY ENTRANCE FEES, FOR ALL EVENTS (EXCEPT 6, 7 AND 13) MUST REACH THE SECRETARY, C.A., HURLINGHAM S.W.6. BY THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th.

25th. (Do not send Entries to Devonshire Park.) Cheques and Postal Orders should be made payable to the Croquet Association.

Competitors may enter for Events 6, 7 and 13 in the above way, but, if there is still room, entries will be accepted at Devonshire Park by the Secretary up to half-an-hour of the time of the Draw.

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

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

DRAW.—The Draw for all Events except 6, 7 and 13 will take place in the C.A. Offices, Hurlingham Club, London, S.W.6, at 11.45 a.m. on Friday, September 18th. The Draw for Events 6 and 7, will take place at Devonshire Park at noon on Tuesday, September 29th and for Event 13 at Devonshire Park at noon on Tuesday, October 6th.

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

Entries may be limited if found necessary.

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

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

All competitors must report to the Manager on arrival.

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

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

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

N.B.—The Match this year will be played on the second Saturday, October 10th. For further details see September magazine.

PRACTICE AND FRIENDLY GAMES

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

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