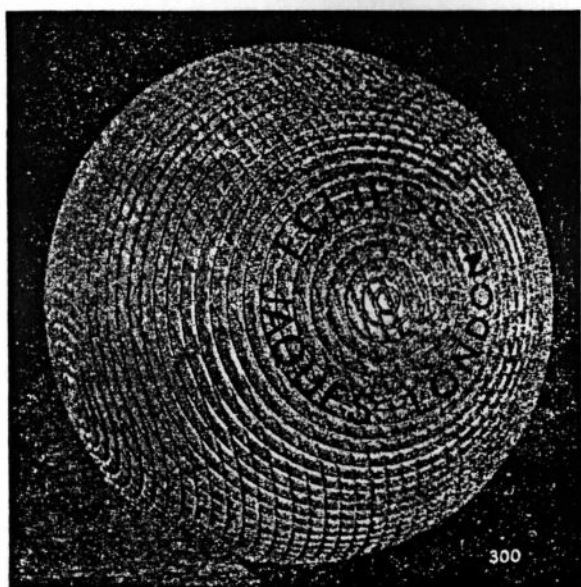


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Lady Bird

Mrs. C. L. Robertson

Mrs. D. M. Staub

A. C. Towers

Mrs. E. D. Ward

Ewart Whitehead

\* \* \*

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The following have been invited to compete:

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E. P. C. Cotter

\*H. O. Hicks

\*C. W. R. Hodges

Miss D. A. Lintern

W. Longman

M. B. Reckitt

Mrs. E. Rotherham

J. W. Solomon

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins

Those marked with a \* were unable to accept.

LORN C. APPS.

Secretary.

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

**August 24th, 1953**

## **EXMOUTH**

G. A. H. Alexander 10 to 9.  
Col. D. W. Beamish — $\frac{1}{2}$  to —1.  
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish \*3 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
G. A. Black 11 to 10 (D 9).  
Mrs. N. E. Wallwork 6 to 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
Mrs. L. A. Walters 7 to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

## **CHELTENHAM**

Mrs. L. Grist 13 (D 12) to 11.  
Miss L. Hulton 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 4.  
Mrs. S. Mathews 6 to 5.  
Miss H. Parker 7 to 6.  
Miss N. A. Posford 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 6.  
Major N. E. O. Thackwell 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 3.

## **LEAMINGTON**

Mrs. A. L. Megson 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 4.  
R. H. Newton 3 to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
E. C. Penny \*8 to \*6.

## **NON-ASSOCIATES**

W. R. Bolton 14 (D 12) New Handicap.  
Mrs. G. Reid-Walker D 12 New Handicap.

## **CREYKE CUPS**

W. J. Hawkings \*8 to 8.  
Brig. A. E. Stokes-Roberts 8 to 7.  
Mrs. M. L. Thom 9 to 8.

## **HURLINGHAM**

### **NON-ASSOCIATE**

Dr. J. D. Beavan 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

## **ALL ENGLAND HANDICAP**

Major J. H. Dibley 2 to 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
C. S. Ratcliffe 12 to 9.  
Miss J. Warwick 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 7.

## **CHALLENGE AND GILBEY CUPS**

Miss G. W. Bartlett \*9 to 10.  
Major R. A. D. Fullerton 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 2.  
Brig. T. S. Omond 12 (D 10) to 10.  
Mrs. T. S. Omond 14 (D 12) to 12.  
C. L. Robertson 9 New Handicap.  
Mrs. C. L. Robertson 10 New Handicap.  
Miss J. Warwick 7 to 6.  
Mrs. M. D. Ward \*9 to 9.  
E. Whitehead 8 to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

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## **EDITORIAL NOTES**

### **The "Ladies' Field" Cup**

Again we have pleasure in congratulating Miss D. A. Lintern on yet another victory in the competition for the above trophy. Seven times altogether has Miss Lintern won the Cup; her first success—in 1939—was under more strenuous conditions than have since been possible, for there were then ten players.

Since the war only eight competitors have taken part, and this year the number was reduced to six. Not for the first time in this competition—Miss Lintern had to play a deciding match (best of three) before her victory was complete. Mrs. E. Rotherham, who had won all her five games in the first series, lost two in the second; Miss Lintern, on the other hand, won all her games in the second series, and, in the play-off she won two games in sequence.

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### **The Exhibition Matches at Wimbledon**

No doubt Associates have not only seen the advertisement which appeared in the August *Gazette*, giving full particulars of these Matches which are to be held on the lawns of the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club on Monday, September 7th, but they will support the Croquet Association by being present and bringing their friends.

This is a unique occasion. It is interesting to recall that before 1874 the All England Croquet Club flourished alone at Worple Road, Wimbledon; then lawn tennis soon became so popular that though the words Lawn Tennis were at first added to the title of the Club it was finally decided to eliminate the words "Croquet and" altogether. When, however, the Club removed to its present headquarters in Church Road, Wimbledon, it was a courteous gesture to the older game to add "and Croquet" to its title.

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The Exhibition matches will start at 1.30 p.m., and we are happy to state that the New Zealand player, Mr. A. G. F. Ross, will be among those playing. He is the present holder of the New Zealand Championship and creates a record by having won this honour for the 11th time.

Our own players will be: E. P. C. Cotter, winner of the 1952 Men's Championship; H. O. Hicks, Open Champion 7 times; J. W. Solomon, holder of the Open Championship and Men's Championship 1953; Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins, joint holder of the Open, and the Mixed Doubles Championships, 1953. The women players are: Miss D. A. Lintern, Women's Championship winner, 1949 and 1951; Mrs. E. Rotherham, Women's Championship winner, 1952 and 1953; Mrs. G. J. Turketine, a former winner of the Peel Memorial Challenge Bowl.

It is interesting to state that two well known lawn tennis players (now also expert croquet players) will be taking part in these exhibition matches; they are: J. B. Gilbert, a former competitor in the Wimbledon Championship, and winner of the All England Plate; Capt. H. G. Stoker, R.N., also a frequent competitor at Wimbledon and a former Captain of the Royal Navy Lawn Tennis team.

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### **The Coronation Dinner**

It was a brilliant idea on the part of the Croquet Committee of the Roehampton Club to celebrate the year of the Coronation of our Patron, Her Majesty the Queen, by arranging for a Dinner to be held at the Club on Tuesday, August 18th. The occasion was a great success, and about 70 Associates and their friends spent a most enjoyable evening.

Mr. W. Longman, a Vice-President of the Croquet Association, was in the chair, and, after proposing the toast of Her Majesty, he spoke on the game's present position, reviewed its past, and made suggestions for its future. Among the latter, he thought smaller courts would attract more players to the game and larger hoops—i.e. four inch instead of 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.



Col. C. C. Adams in a speech of welcome proposed the health of the visitors; he made it the opportunity tactfully to suggest that those in the company who were not croquet players should certainly give the game a trial.

Mr. E. P. Duffield, replying to this toast, in a few words expressed his appreciation of the enterprise shown by the Croquet Committee in having so ably arranged the evening's entertainment. His keen interest in any scheme which would ensure the future of the game was abundantly clear in the conclusion of his speech.

Dr. N. H. Oliver provided an interlude by reciting his well known and clever parody of Kipling's "If." Mrs. Nickisson concluded the list of toasts by proposing the health of the Chairman, to which Mr. Longman suitably replied.

Roehampton Club is to be commended for the excellent dinner provided, and the staff who served it deserve to be duly praised.

### Unwelcome Publicity for the Game

We publish in this issue of the *Gazette*, by way of strong protest an open letter to J. P. W. Mallalieu. This journalist (as the letter states), was asked as a guest of Roehampton Club to see the semi-final of the Open Championship and write a favourable impression of croquet. He abused this privilege by sneering at the game.

## THE "LADIES' FIELD" CUP

### THE HURLINGHAM CLUB

July 7th, 1953

Never have we known the weather to be so unkind to this old-established Competition.

In consequence of the number of best available Women Players having to be reduced to six—though nine had been invited with Miss M. J. Daldy as reserve—it was only necessary to play two games a day.

Mrs. E. Rotherham, Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. L. H. Ashton, showed their quality early in the competition—indeed Mrs. Rotherham won all five games in the first series. Miss Lintern, after a good start, lost to Mrs. Ashton—and then to Mrs. Rotherham; in the second series, however, she won every one of her five games, and, as we shall see, qualified to play Mrs. Rotherham in the play-off. Mrs. Ashton, who had played well, lost only two games in each of the two series of five games each. Against Mrs. Rotherham in the fifth round, the close score of —1 suggests how narrow was her opponent's victory; and, in the fourth round, the score by which she lost to Mrs. B. H. Wiggins —5, shows that this too was a hard-fought game.

Mrs. Wiggins, who won 4 games, had no easy successes against Mrs. E. Reeve (in both series), Mrs. Ashton, and Mrs. Apps—this last game was the only one with a score of double figures.

Mrs. Apps, who had a long run of defeats, very considerably redeemed her first series misfortunes by winning three games in the second; of these, her convincing win +21, against Mrs. Rotherham in the very last round was one of those instances of ill luck that has occurred before in this kind of Competition.

A player, who has no chance of winning, deprives (quite fairly and, indeed, laudably) another who appears to have complete victory awaiting her. So it was for Mrs. Rotherham.

Mrs. Reeve was not able to produce the quality of play which won her this Competition in 1928, 1929, 1931 and 1948.

### THE PLAY-OFF

Mrs. Rotherham and Miss Lintern having tied, with 8 games each, this deciding match (best of three) was greatly looked forward to. It was played on the Tuesday of the following week.

As a result of Miss Lintern hitting her tice—which Mrs. Rotherham had missed—she made three hoops. Then she was permitted to start a break which she played with such accuracy that it soon looked certain to be concluded with a clip on 4-back. Mrs. Rotherham shot in, but missed a short roquet. Miss Lintern was again making good progress—but was stopped by the opposition of 1-back.

Soon after she shot in and made 4-back and the penultimate; then she picked up a good break from 1-back to the peg—though the single peel through the rover was not accomplished. Both balls, not long after, hit the peg and the first game went to Miss Lintern +23.

The second, and, as it proved, the deciding game, provided a slightly more even game. Nevertheless, Mrs. Rotherham was not able to produce the form which earlier won her seven games in succession. As the score, +17, by which she lost this second game, shows, the few points she made were not anything like Mrs. Rotherham at her best.

So Miss Lintern adds yet another to her six previous wins, five of the last being now consecutive.

Mrs. Ernest Turner was again in charge of the Competition and gave to every player the benefit of her courtesy and efficiency.

At the end of the First Series (i.e. Round 5) the scores were:—

Mrs. E. Rotherham	...	5 games
Miss D. A. Lintern	...	3 "
Mrs. L. H. Ashton...	...	3 "
Mrs. B. H. Wiggins	...	3 "
Mrs. E. Reeve	...	1 "
Mrs. L. C. Apps	...	0 "

Final scores (i.e. after Round 10) were:—

Mrs. E. Rotherham	...	8 games
Miss D. A. Lintern	...	8 "
Mrs. L. H. Ashton...	...	6 "
Mrs. B. H. Wiggins	...	4 "
Mrs. L. C. Apps	...	3 "
Mrs. E. Reeve	...	1 "

### Analysis of Games

Miss D. A. Lintern won 8 games: against Mrs. E. Reeve +14 +22, Mrs. L. H. Ashton +14, Mrs. L. C. Apps +26 +13, Mrs. B. H. Wiggins +25 +25, Mrs. E. Rotherham +15. And lost two games: to Mrs. L. H. Ashton —7, Mrs. E. Rotherham —15.

Mrs. E. Rotherham won 8 games: against Mrs. E. Reeve +18 +24, Mrs. L. H. Ashton +1 +26, Mrs. L. C. Apps +14, Mrs. B. H. Wiggins +22 +25. And lost two games: to Mrs. L. C. Apps —21, Miss D. A. Lintern —15.

Mrs. L. H. Ashton won 6 games: against Mrs. E. Reeve +8 +25, Mrs. L. C. Apps +18 +10, Mrs. B. H. Wiggins +17, Miss D. A. Lintern +7. And lost four games: to Mrs. B. H. Wiggins —5, Mrs. E. Rotherham —1 —26, Miss D. A. Lintern —14.

Mrs. B. H. Wiggins won 4 games: against Mrs. E. Reeve +2 +8, Mrs. L. H. Ashton +5, Mrs. L. C. Apps +11. And lost six games: to Mrs. L. H. Ashton —17, Mrs. L. C. Apps —14, Mrs. E. Rotherham —22, —25, Miss D. A. Lintern —25 —25.

Mrs. L. C. Apps won 3 games: against Mrs. E. Reeve +7, Mrs. B. H. Wiggins +14, Mrs. E. Rotherham +21. And lost seven games: to Mrs. E. Reeve, Mrs. L. H. Ashton —18 —10, Mrs. B. H. Wiggins —11, Mrs. E. Rotherham —14, Miss D. A. Lintern —26 —13.

Mrs. E. Reeve won 1 game: against Mrs. L. C. Apps +5. And lost nine games: to Mrs. L. H. Ashton —8 —25, Mrs. L. C. Apps —7, Mrs. B. H. Wiggins —2 —8, Mrs. E. Rotherham —18 —24, Miss D. A. Lintern —14 —22.

## THE CREYKE CUPS

This Event was played for the first time since the War in the same week as the "Ladies' Field" Competition. Previously it had always been played alongside of the President's Cup. There were 10 entries in each of the two blocks—which this year was the method chosen in which to play the event. In Block "A" the Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury came through the four rounds to beat Miss M. J. Daldy in the final.

Brigadier A. E. Stokes Roberts was strongly fancied to win Block "B" and those who took this view were proved to be good judges of form. After beating Mrs. M. L. Thom—the Hurlingham player who is an opponent not easily overcome—the Brigadier defeated the two Roehampton players; Mrs. E. Bristow in the semi-final, and Mrs. F. Pavia in the final.

### BLOCK "A".

#### HANDICAP SINGLES.

(3½ Bisesques and under).

(10 Entries).

#### FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton (—½) bt E. Carlile (2) opponent retired.

Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt G. Victor Evans (1) by 9.

The rest had byes.

#### SECOND ROUND.

Miss M. J. Daldy (—1) bt Capt. H. G. Stoker (1½) by 3.

Miss D. Jennings (3½) bt Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton (—½) by 21.

Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt R. H. Park (½) opponent retired.

Dr. N. Oliver (½) bt Dr. G. L. Stanley (2) by 10.

#### SEMI-FINAL.

Miss M. J. Daldy (—1) bt Miss D. Jennings (3½) by 7.

Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt Dr. N. Oliver (½) by 23.

#### FINAL.

Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt Miss M. J. Daldy (—1) by 15.

### BLOCK "B".

#### HANDICAP SINGLES.

(4 Bisesques and over).

(10 Entries).

#### FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. M. L. Thom (9) bt Mrs. D. Attfield (7) by 19.

W. J. Hawkings (\*8) w.o. L. H. Ashton (4½).

The rest had byes.

#### SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. E. Bristow (7) bt Rev. G. L. Jarratt (9) by 13.

Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts (8) bt Mrs. M. L. Thom (9) by 13.

Mrs. H. J. Collins (4½) bt W. J. Hawkings (\*8) by 11.

Mrs. F. Pavia (4) bt R. C. V. de Wesselow (4½) by 6.

#### SEMI-FINAL.

Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts (8) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (7) by 19.

Mrs. F. Pavia (4) bt Mrs. H. J. Collins (4½) by 5.

#### FINAL.

Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts (8) bt Mrs. F. Pavia (4½) by 23.

## AN OPEN LETTER TO MR. J. P. W. MALLALIEU, M.P.

Dear Mr. Mallalieu,

Some members of the Roehampton Club have drawn my attention to an article on Croquet recently written by you for the *Evening Standard*. They all strongly resented the tone of that article, and I confess that, on reading it, I shared their resentment.

In order that you might see the game played by experts and to record your impressions, you were I believe the guest of the Roehampton Club, and I understand that Mr. Crowther-Smith spent a considerable time in explaining the intricacies of the game and supplying you with any information you required. The result of all this was—to put it mildly—very disappointing, and when I had finished reading your article I could not help thinking of some lines of Pope with which you are doubtless familiar:—

"Damn with faint praise . . .

And without sneering teach the rest to sneer."

You were of course free to write what you wished and to express your opinion of what you saw, but I would like to ask you: Was it in the best possible taste to refer to one of our leading players as getting red and redder because his opponent was playing so well? It was not true.

Was it in the best taste to speak of the viciousness of the players? This was not true.

Was it in the best possible taste to speak of the game as being in the nature of a burial service? Was this true?

You refer to the spectators as being all elderly or middle-aged. I would remind you, however, that croquet is essentially a game for the elderly and middle-aged. You acknowledge that the game requires skill and intelligence but some of us who are elderly or middle-aged possess both skill and intelligence. We have also many young players, as witness the fact that the winner of this year's Championship is twenty-one.

May I suggest (charitably) that you wrote your article in a fit of spleen or after a "hangover," and that it is possible that on reading your article in print you were rather ashamed of it.

If this is so it is a point in your favour; and it would be a further point in your favour if you were to express regret for what you have written.

With all good wishes should you be inclined to take up the game, I am,

Yours sincerely,

NORMAN OLIVER

Roehampton Club, S.W.15.

## HURLINGHAM

AUGUST 3rd—12th

The Hurlingham Croquet Tournament has for many years been one of the most popular tournaments of the season and the reason is not far to seek. There could be no more delightful setting than the beautiful grounds of the Hurlingham Club, whilst the competitors enjoy all the amenities of the club itself. It is also an occasion for meeting old friends.

It was therefore a little disappointing that the entry this year should have been so small. Two reasons have been suggested as the cause of this. One reason was the Coronation festivities, which had left some of us with very little money to spend; and the other was that after the travesty of our summer the weather was not to be trusted.

It is interesting to recall that it is just thirty-nine years since the August Bank Holiday fell on Monday, August

3rd, as this year, and the writer has a vivid recollection of that particular tournament. For the first two days interest in the game was overshadowed by fears and talk of impending tragedy, and on the Wednesday—after war had been officially declared—many players at once departed in order to take up important national duties. Serious croquet was impossible, and before the end of the week we had "broke the good meeting with most admired disorder," little thinking that it would be more than four years before we should be playing there again.

In spite of the smallness of the entry the tournament this year was a complete success. Many of our leading players took part and some very interesting games were witnessed.

In the first place we offer our hearty congratulations to Dr. Wiggins in winning the Hurlingham Cup for the first time. He beat Mr. Cotter in the Final by two straight games—a remarkable feat. With Mrs. Rotherham as his partner he also won the Open Doubles, and followed up his successes by reaching the final of the Handicap Singles.

A stroke of luck gave a spectacular finish to the final of the Doubles. When Dr. Wiggins was for four-back his partner Mrs. Rotherham was pegged out by Cotter whose partner, Miss Lintern, was then for the third hoop. Some time later when Miss Lintern had reached the rover hoop she left her two balls near the south boundary in preparation for finishing in her next turn. Meanwhile Dr. Wiggins had reached the penultimate. With his ball now on the north boundary, he took his stance to shoot at one or other of the opponents' balls, 35 yards away. It was necessary for him to hit one of these balls in order to save the game. He took aim, but much to his surprise his ball ran straight through the penultimate, coming to rest within two yards of his opponents' balls. The rest was easy. He made the rover hoop off one of these balls, thus snatching victory when all seemed lost.

Another rather spectacular ending occurred in the first of the games between Cotter and Longman. Cotter had pegged out one of his balls but failed to peg out the second. When Longman had one of his balls for the peg and one for the rover hoop he placed them in an easy position for the finish having first put Cotter's ball out of harm's way in the second corner. Cotter took his last shot—the proverbial last shot—and hit the peg, another example of victory gained after everything had seemed lost.

The Turner Cup was won by Spencer Ell who beat Victor Evans in the Final. Mr. Shelley—a very promising player—was the winner of the Longworth Cup, and Mr. Hitchcock won the Younger Cup.

Mrs. Wiggins and Miss Carlyon won the Candlesticks defeating Mrs. Beaton and Mrs. Thom in the Final, having conceded four bisques. The latter part of this game was not without its thrills for the spectators. Mrs. Beaton and her partner were both for the peg when Mrs. Wiggins was for four-back and her partner only for the fifth hoop, the bisques having all gone. After some in and out play, lasting nearly three-quarters of an hour, Mrs. Wiggins and Miss Carlyon hoop by hoop fought their way round to succeed eventually in gaining a remarkable victory.

Dr. Beavan won not only the Handicap Singles but the Extra Event also. He played consistently well throughout the meeting and now is probably waiting to hear what the Official Handicapper has to say about it.

Mr. Brackenbury was again our able Manager, and performed the almost impossible task of pleasing everyone.

A word of praise—or rather many words of praise—must be awarded to Col. Hayward, the popular games' manager of the Club. His interest in the game together with his valuable assistance at all times contributed very materially to the success of the meeting.

The weather which started kindly gave us later a few days of gloom, but recovered before the end of the week and the tournament was concluded in brilliant sunshine.

We can now only express the hope that when we meet again next year we shall have a pre-war entry, with all our old friends and many new ones, taking part. May we also express the hope that Mr. Brackenbury will again be the Manager of the Tournament and that Col. Hayward will give it his blessing.

## THE HURLINGHAM CUP.

### OPEN SINGLES.

(13 Entries).

#### FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton bt Major J. W. Cobb —4 +10 +5.  
Col. C. C. Adams bt Mrs. E. Rotherham +16 +2.  
E. P. C. Cotter bt W. Longman +3 +22.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt Mrs. L. C. Apps +7 +19.  
C. W. R. Hodges bt Mrs. W. Longman +26 +12.  
The rest had byes.

#### SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. B. H. Wiggins bt Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton +6 +2.  
E. P. C. Cotter bt Col. C. C. Adams +21 +23.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt C. W. R. Hodges —3 +26 +24.  
M. B. Reckitt bt Miss D. A. Lintern —8 +2 +13.

#### SEMI-FINAL.

E. P. C. Cotter bt Mrs. B. H. Wiggins +25 +3.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt M. B. Reckitt +26 —3 +17.

#### FINAL.

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins bt E. P. C. Cotter +6 +7.

## THE TURNER CUP.

### LEVEL SINGLES.

(Scratch or over).

(13 Entries).

#### FIRST ROUND.

D. E. Buckland bt Miss M. S. Carlyon by 7.  
M. Spencer Ell bt Capt. H. G. Stoker by 17.  
Dr. D. Beavan bt Dr. G. L. Stanley by 25.  
I. W. Cheavin bt Major J. H. Dibley by 3.  
G. V. Evans bt R. H. Park by 3.  
The rest had byes.

#### SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. S. Phillips bt D. E. Buckland by 6.  
M. Spencer Ell bt Dr. D. Beavan by 5.  
G. V. Evans bt I. W. Cheavin by 8.  
Dr. N. H. Oliver bt Mrs. M. B. Reckitt by 13.

#### SEMI-FINAL.

M. Spencer Ell bt Mrs. S. Phillips by 19.  
G. V. Evans bt Dr. N. H. Oliver by 13.

#### FINAL.

M. Spencer Ell bt G. V. Evans by 6.

## THE HURLINGHAM DOUBLES.

### LEVEL PLAY.

### MIXED DOUBLES.

(8 Entries).

#### FIRST ROUND.

M. B. Reckitt and Mrs. G. J. Turketine bt W. J. Hawkins and Miss A. E. Mills by 19.  
Major J. W. Cobb and Mrs. B. H. Wiggins bt Dr. G. L. Stanley and Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse by 13.  
E. P. C. Cotter and Miss D. A. Lintern bt W. Longman and Mrs. W. Longman by 19.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins and Mrs. E. Rotherham bt K. E. Shelley and Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton by 13.

#### SEMI-FINAL.

M. B. Reckitt and Mrs. G. J. Turketine bt Major J. W. Cobb and Mrs. B. H. Wiggins by 23.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins and Mrs. E. Rotherham bt E. P. C. Cotter and Miss D. A. Lintern by 4.

#### FINAL.

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins and Mrs. E. Rotherham bt M. B. Reckitt and Mrs. G. J. Turketine by 8.

## THE YOUNGER CUP.

### LEVEL SINGLES.

(2½ Bisques or more).

(5 Entries).

#### FIRST ROUND.

R. C. V. de Wesselow bt Mrs. H. J. Collins by 14.  
The rest had byes.



## SEMI-FINAL.

G. E. W. Hitchcock bt R. C. V. de Wesselow by 7.  
Miss D. Jennings bt Miss A. E. Mills by 15.

## FINAL.

G. E. W. Hitchcock bt Miss D. Jennings by 3.

## THE LONGWORTH CUP.

## LEVEL SINGLES.

(6 Bisques or more).

(8 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse bt Mrs. M. L. Thom by 4.  
Mrs. I. C. Baillieu bt W. J. Hawkings by 2.  
K. E. Shelley bt S. S. Townsend by 15.  
Mrs. D. Attfield bt I. C. Baillieu by 14.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse bt Mrs. I. C. Baillieu by 13.  
K. E. Shelley bt Mrs. D. Attfield by 16.

## FINAL.

K. E. Shelley bt Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse by 8.

## HANDICAP SINGLES.

(33 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

W. J. Hawkings (8) bt Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (7½) by 1.  
The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Capt. H. G. Stoker (1½) bt G. V. Evans (1) by 5.  
I. C. Baillieu (7) bt Dr. G. L. Stanley (2) by 8.  
Mrs. W. Longman (—1) bt Mrs. D. Attfield (7) by 3.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt K. E. Shelley (8) by 9.  
Major J. W. Cobb (—½) bt T. A. Rumbold (10) by 18.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins (—3½) bt Miss M. S. Carlyon (½) by 3.  
Mrs. H. J. Collins (4½) bt W. Longman (—3) by 13.  
Col. C. C. Adams (—2) bt W. J. Hawkings (8) by 4.  
E. P. C. Cotter (—4) bt M. Spencer Ell (1) by 18.  
R. C. V. de Wesselow (4½) w.o. opponent scratched.  
Mrs. L. C. Apps (—1½) bt Mrs. I. C. Baillieu (11) by 11.  
Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton (—½) bt Miss D. Jennings (3½) by 2.  
Dr. D. Beavan (\*2½) bt M. B. Reckitt (—3) by 26.  
G. E. W. Hitchcock (4½) bt Major J. H. Dibley (2) by 7.  
Miss A. E. Mills (3) bt Dr. N. H. Oliver (½) by 13.  
Mrs. G. J. Turketine (½) bt Miss O. Sands (12) by 21.

## THIRD ROUND.

Capt. H. G. Stoker (1½) bt I. C. Baillieu (7) by 7.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt Mrs. W. Longman (—1) by 26.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins (—3½) bt Major J. W. Cobb (—½) by 6.  
Mrs. H. J. Collins (4½) bt Col. C. C. Adams (—2) by 13.  
E. P. C. Cotter (—4) bt R. C. V. de Wesselow (4½) by 6.  
Mrs. L. C. Apps (—1½) bt Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton (—½) by 11.  
Dr. D. Beavan (\*2½) bt G. E. W. Hitchcock (4½) by 16.  
Miss A. E. Mills (3) bt Mrs. G. J. Turketine (½) by 2.

## FOURTH ROUND.

Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt Capt. H. G. Stoker (1½) by 6.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins (—3½) bt Mrs. H. J. Collins (4½) by 11.  
E. P. C. Cotter (—4) bt Mrs. L. C. Apps (—1½) by 19.  
Dr. D. Beavan (\*2½) bt Miss A. E. Mills (3) by 15.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins (—3½) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) by 13.  
Dr. D. Beavan (\*2½) bt E. P. C. Cotter (—4) by 14.

## FINAL.

Dr. D. Beavan (\*2½) bt Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins (—3½) by 26.

## "THE LADIES' FIELD" CANDLESTICKS.

## LADIES' HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(6 Pairs).

## FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton and Mrs. M. L. Thom (7½) bt Mrs. L. C. Apps and Mrs. D. Attfield (5½) by 9.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham and Miss A. E. Mills (0) bt Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. G. J. Turketine (—3½) by 8.  
The rest had byes.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton and Mrs. M. L. Thom (7½) bt Mrs. W. Longman and Mrs. H. J. Collins (3½) by 20.  
Mrs. B. H. Wiggins and Miss M. S. Carlyon (—1½) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham and Miss A. E. Mills (0) by 16.

## FINAL.

Mrs. B. H. Wiggins and Miss M. S. Carlyon (—1½) bt Mrs. R. C. J. Beaton and Mrs. M. L. Thom (7½) by 2.

## MEN'S HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(10 Pairs).

## FIRST ROUND.

Major J. W. Cobb and Dr. N. H. Oliver (0) bt Dr. G. L. Stanley and W. J. Hawkings (10) by 14.  
W. Longman and T. S. Oliver (5) bt A. McClure Williams and T. F. Dalton (4) by 3.  
The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins and Dr. D. Beavan (—1½) bt G. V. Evans and R. H. Park (1½) by 8.  
E. P. C. Cotter and D. E. Buckland (—½) bt Major J. W. Cobb and Dr. N. H. Oliver (0) by 6.  
W. Longman and T. S. Oliver (5) bt M. B. Reckitt and Col. C. C. Adams (—5) by 18.  
Major J. H. Dibley and G. E. W. Hitchcock (6½) bt I. C. Baillieu and K. E. Shelley (15) by 13.

## SEMI-FINAL.

E. P. C. Cotter and D. E. Buckland (—½) bt Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins and Dr. D. Beavan (—1½) by 16.  
W. Longman and T. S. Oliver (5) bt Major J. H. Dibley and G. E. W. Hitchcock (6½) by 13.

## FINAL.

E. P. C. Cotter and D. E. Buckland (—½) bt W. Longman and T. S. Oliver (5) by 6.

## EXTRA EVENT.

## HANDICAP SINGLES.

(16 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Dr. D. Beavan (\*2) bt Miss M. S. Carlyon (½) by 23.  
M. B. Reckitt (—3) bt T. E. Miles (3½) by 6.  
Miss D. Lintern (—3) bt I. C. Baillieu (7) by 14.  
Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt Dr. G. L. Stanley (2) by 8.  
Mrs. I. C. Baillieu (11) w.o. opponent retired.  
Mrs. W. Longman (—1) bt Dr. N. H. Oliver (½) by 14.  
Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) bt Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) by 10.  
Miss A. E. Mills (3) w.o. D. E. Buckland retired.

## SECOND ROUND.

Dr. D. Beavan (\*2) bt M. B. Reckitt (—3) by 11.  
Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt Miss D. A. Lintern (—3) by 23.  
Mrs. W. Longman (—1) bt Mrs. I. C. Baillieu (11) by 12.  
Miss A. E. Mills (3) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) by 20.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Dr. D. Beavan (\*2) bt Major J. H. Dibley (2) by 6.  
Mrs. W. Longman (—1) bt Miss A. E. Mills (3) by 14.

## FINAL.

Dr. D. Beavan (\*2) bt Mrs. W. Longman (—1) by 24.

## THE ALL-ENGLAND HANDICAP

Seventeen competitors qualified to meet at Roehampton Club in the final stages of this important Event. It was to be regretted that two of them, Brigadier A. E. Stokes Roberts (Roehampton), and Mrs. P. Olver (Leamington) were unable to play. Brigadier Stokes Roberts would have been expected to go far; he was this year's winner of the Peels, with a handicap of 10, and the "B" Creyke Cups at 8 bisques. Dr. B. R. Sandiford (Edgbaston), who won in 1951, and Major J. H. Dibley (Ryde), were the two who received w.o.'s, and it was Major Dibley who entered the semi-final by defeating the Edgbaston player. E. P. C. Cotter (Roehampton, winner in 1948), became a semi-finalist by beating Major J. W. Cobb (Woking) +21, and then Miss M. S. Carlyon (Budleigh Salterton), +15; she played well with a break to 4-back—but the other ball refused the second hoop. Though she still had two of her 4½ bisques, Cotter was allowed to play—and he put his clip on the penultimate. Then, as a result of not making opportune use of her two bisques, Cotter went out with a double peel.

Miss J. Warwick (Hunstanton) beat T. Wood-Hill (Buxton), and then D. M. Anderson (Cheltenham), and entered the semi-final by a very closely won game, +3. C. S. Ratcliffe (Colchester) was the most liberally equipped player—with 12 bisques. He has competed more than once previously, but not with the success that attended him this time, for he reached the semi-final. D. E. Buckland (Hurlingham) seemed to have had more than one chance to beat him, and he only lost a very close game by 2 points.

Major Dibley v. Miss Warwick produced a sensational finish; all four clips were on the peg for quite a time and there were over-cautious attempts by each player to see that the opponent did not peg out first. Finally, Miss Warwick, in trying to get her two balls well away from the other two, and lay a rush to the stick, sent one off. This gave Dibley the chance to win, +2.

Cotter only just beat Ratcliffe in the other semi-final; his opponent played really well, running hoops in quick succession. But his second break had almost no assistance from the several extra turns he still had unused; had these been judiciously employed the result might have been reversed.

So it was given to Major Dibley to show that the minus player is not as invincible as some seem to think. With the aid of his 3 bisques he went to the peg—and was pegged out, when for 2-back. Cotter failed to wire behind his 3rd hoop; Dibley from the fourth corner—a wonderful shot—hit the half of a ball left open and went out. The rover hoop was run from a very nasty angle.

Miss D. A. Lintern, by her courtesy and efficiency, helped to make the competition a complete success.

### AREA FINALS.

#### HANDICAP SINGLES.

(17 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

D. M. Anderson (2½) bt Miss G. Metcalfe (5½) by 7.  
The rest had byes.

##### SECOND ROUND.

Dr. B. R. Sandiford (2) w.o. Brig. A. E. Stokes Roberts (8).

Major J. H. Dibley (2) w.o. Mrs. P. Olver (4).  
Miss J. Warwick (7½) bt T. Wood-Hill (1½) by 11.  
D. M. Anderson (2½) bt Mrs. A. E. Williams (6½) by 17.  
E. P. C. Cotter (—4) bt Major J. W. Cobb (—½) by 21.  
Miss M. S. Carlyon (½) bt Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (2½) by 14.  
C. S. Ratcliffe (12) bt Miss M. J. Daldy (—1) by 12.  
D. E. Buckland (3½) bt W. W. Sweet Escott (—½) by 6.

##### THIRD ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt Dr. B. R. Sandiford (2) by 14.  
Miss J. Warwick (7½) bt D. M. Anderson (2½) by 3.  
E. P. C. Cotter (—4) bt Miss M. S. Carlyon (½) by 15.  
C. S. Ratcliffe (12) bt D. E. Buckland (3½) by 2.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt Miss J. Warwick (7½) by 2.  
E. P. C. Cotter (—4) bt C. S. Ratcliffe (12) by 3.

##### FINAL.

Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt E. P. C. Cotter (—4) by 12.

## THE CHALLENGE CUPS AND GILBEY CUP

August 13th—22nd

This popular Meeting was blessed with good entries, mostly good weather, and certainly good management—for this was again in the experienced hands of Miss D. A. Lintern and Mrs. L. E. G. Nickisson.

The lawns provided a good playing surface, which, in consequence of occasional rain, varied as a test of touch and strength.

### THE CHALLENGE CUPS

In the Roehampton Cup were such well known competitors as E. P. C. Cotter, C. W. R. Hodges, Dr. H. J. Penny, Major J. W. Cobb, Mrs. L. C. Apps and Mrs. G. J. Turketine.

Major Cobb and Dr. Penny were made to play a full three-game match before they entered the semi-final—both Mrs. Turketine and Mrs. Apps putting up strong opposition. Hodges, after winning the first game quite comfortably against Major Cobb, lost the other two—though by small points. Dr. Penny played well in the first game against Cotter, an accurate break took him to 4-back. Cotter's triple peel was spoilt by a break down in hoop 5, and there was another lapse—a missed short roquet later; however this game went to Cotter—and the second was a perfect twenty-sixer, complete with triple peel.

In the final, Major Cobb, who had been playing well all the week, was given unusual chances by Cotter from which he looked more than likely to win the first game; he lost it by seven points.

The second game opened favourably for Major Cobb; but with all set for a break he stuck in the first hoop; and this handed Cotter a break on a tray to 4-back. The second break was simplified for Cotter when his opponent's ball—shooting from the third corner at the ball by the peg—stuck in the rover hoop. Cotter went out with a triple to win the Roehampton Challenge Cup for the fourth time running, and five times in all.

That wonderful player, M. Spencer Ell, won the Council Cup, from an entry of 17. Col. P. W. Adshead gave him a hard first game—losing it by only 8 points. After that his scores denote how he comfortably reached the final there to win the two games consecutively.

Miss A. E. Mills is to be congratulated on winning the Luard Cup convincingly. Last year she was narrowly beaten by 3 points—in the first round by Mrs. H. J. Collins.

The Reckitt Cup, in the lower half, was almost completely composed of Roehampton Club players; indeed, after Mrs. E. Bristow had disposed of Sir C. Douglas-Jones, the semi-final produced a close game between Mrs. Bristow and Mrs. D. Attfield. Mrs. Attfield just won this game, +8, and the final against Miss J. Warwick by the even closer score, +4.

The victory of E. Whitehead in the Stevenson Cup was a popular one; his first two games showed him to be a formidable competitor in this class. In the final, however, Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth went very close to winning this Cup.

### THE GILBEY CUP

As we have already said, Major Cobb had been playing well during the week, and now, in Block "A", he went through to the final. He had beaten the Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury after a close game in the semi-final, and had an even more grim contest against Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins in the final. Dr. Wiggins looked to have the game by going out with a single peel at the rover hoop; this did not happen, but Major Cobb came along courageously, single-peeled his own ball, to win +3.

Major R. A. D. Fullerton won Block "B." His really hardest game was against Col. Adshead which they contested on level terms. Miss D. Jennings was his opponent in the final; but, in spite of the bisque she received, Major Fullerton qualified to play Major Cobb.

Miss Warwick won Block "C"; she contested the final with Miss M. W. Borron, giving half a bisque.



E. Whitehead had two very close games before reaching the final of Block "D," and another, in the final itself.

In the play-off—Major Cobb (winner of Block "A") v. Major Fullerton (winner of "B")—Cobb looked all set to go from 2-back, single peel and finish; but he stuck in 4-back. Major Fullerton reaped the full benefit of this disaster.

The winners of "C" and "D" Miss Warwick, and E. Whitehead, were well matched; Miss Warwick, though conceding a bisque, qualified to play Major Fullerton in the conclusive final. She made an all-round break without a bisque, and though her opponent was given chances he somehow failed to use them; Miss Warwick won +17, and is to be congratulated on such a well merited victory. The Handicap Doubles gave spectators several interesting games to watch—and to criticise. There were many protracted struggles, some decided on time; T. Wood-Hill and Dr. G. L. Stanley became semi-finalists in this way, and then, after a close game, finalists. Cotter and Miss Warwick could not stop E. V. Carpmael and Mrs. P. E. Heley from entering the final.

This final may have established a record as regards its duration; but it is not easy to check this, for as far as we know there is no table kept at Headquarters regarding the longevity of Handicap Doubles. Congratulations to Carpmael and Mrs. Heley for coming through such a test of skill and endurance in triumph.

The Golf Croquet singles was won by Mrs. B. M. Chittenden and the Doubles by Mrs. D. M. Cork and C. L. Robertson.

Dr. Penny won the Extra Handicap, defeating Mrs. Chittenden +6.

#### DIVISION I.

##### THE ROEHAMPTON CHALLENGE CUP.

(6 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

Major J. W. Cobb bt Mrs. G. J. Turketine +2 -7 +26.  
Dr. H. J. Penny bt Mrs. L. C. Apps -11 +15 +26.  
The rest had byes.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Major J. W. Cobb bt C. W. R. Hodges -21 +3 +4.  
E. P. C. Cotter bt Dr. H. J. Penny +16 +26.

##### FINAL.

E. P. C. Cotter bt Major J. W. Cobb +7 +26.

#### DIVISION II.

##### THE COUNCIL CHALLENGE CUP.

( $\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  Bisesques).

(17 Entries).

Dr. N. Oliver bt Dr. G. L. Stanley by 8.  
The rest had byes.

##### SECOND ROUND.

V. A. de la Nougere de bt E. V. Carpmael by 1.  
Major R. A. Downing Fullerton bt Mrs. S. Phillips by 19.  
T. Wood-Hill bt Miss M. S. Carlyon by 7.  
Dr. N. Oliver bt Major J. H. Dibley by 25.  
M. Spencer Ell bt Col. P. W. Adshead by 8.  
S. F. Sopwith w.o. R. H. Park opponent scratched.  
Capt. H. G. Stoker bt G. Victor Evans by 4.  
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury bt Mrs. C. Waydelin by 21.

##### THIRD ROUND.

V. A. de la Nougere de bt Major R. A. Downing Fullerton by 13.  
Dr. N. Oliver bt T. Wood-Hill by 23.  
M. Spencer Ell bt S. F. Sopwith by 22.  
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury bt Capt. H. G. Stoker by 8.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

V. A. de la Nougere de bt Dr. N. Oliver by 5.  
M. Spencer Ell bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury by 18.

##### FINAL.

M. Spencer Ell bt V. A. de la Nougere de +19 +24.

#### DIVISION III.

##### THE LUARD CHALLENGE CUP.

(3 to 5 Bisesques).

(9 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

Miss D. Jennings bt Mrs. M. F. MacArthur by 6.  
The rest had byes.

##### SECOND ROUND.

Miss A. E. Mills bt Y. B. Last by 19.  
Miss D. Jennings bt Mrs. H. J. Philpot by 12.  
G. E. W. Hitchcock bt Miss J. Birch by 14.  
Mrs. W. A. Traill bt Mrs. B. M. Chittenden by 4.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Miss A. E. Mills bt Miss D. Jennings by 18.  
G. E. W. Hitchcock bt Mrs. W. A. Traill by 17.

##### FINAL.

Miss A. E. Mills bt G. E. W. Hitchcock by 12.

#### DIVISION IV.

##### THE RECKITT CHALLENGE CUP.

(5 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$  Bisesques).

(12 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

I. C. Baillieu bt Mrs. R. A. Hill by 22.  
Mrs. J. H. S. Murray bt Mrs. W. F. Haynes by 20.  
Mrs. P. E. Heley bt Capt. V. G. Gibbey by 22.  
Mrs. E. Bristow bt Miss H. McKean by 4.  
Sir C. Douglas-Jones bt Miss M. L. Hillyer by 6.  
The rest had byes.

##### SECOND ROUND.

Miss J. Warwick bt I. C. Baillieu by 6.  
Mrs. J. H. S. Murray bt Mrs. P. E. Heley by 4.  
Mrs. E. Bristow bt Sir C. Douglas-Jones by 14.  
Mrs. D. Attfield bt Miss M. W. Borron by 13.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

Miss J. Warwick bt Mrs. J. H. S. Murray opponent retired.  
Mrs. D. Attfield bt Mrs. E. Bristow by 8.

##### FINAL.

Mrs. D. Attfield bt Miss J. Warwick by 4.

#### DIVISION V.

##### THE STEVENSON CHALLENGE CUP.

(8 Bisesques and over).

(10 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

W. J. Hawkings bt Mrs. M. D. Cork by 6.  
Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth bt C. L. Robertson by 12.  
The rest had byes.

##### SECOND ROUND.

Miss G. W. Barlett bt Mrs. C. L. Robertson by 12.  
E. Whitehead bt W. J. Hawkings by 18.  
Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth bt Brig. T. S. Omond by 19.  
Mrs. E. D. Ward bt Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith by 15.

##### SEMI-FINAL.

E. Whitehead bt Miss G. W. Barlett by 26.  
Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth bt Mrs. E. D. Ward by 15.

##### FINAL.

E. Whitehead bt Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth by 4.

#### THE GILBEY CUP.

##### BLOCK "A."

(12 Entries).

##### FIRST ROUND.

Dr. H. J. Penny (-1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Dr. N. Oliver ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 20.  
Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins (-3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. L. C. Apps (-1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 16.  
Mrs. G. J. Turketine (- $\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt V. A. de la Nougere de (1) by 8.  
Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt M. Spencer Ell (1) by 3.  
The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Miss M. S. Carlyon ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. W. Longman ( $-1$ ) by 9.  
 Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins ( $-3\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Dr. H. J. Penny ( $-1\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 8.  
 Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt Mrs. G. J. Turketine ( $-1\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 3.  
 Major J. W. Cobb ( $-1\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt G. Victor Evans (1) by 23.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins ( $-3\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Miss M. S. Carlyon ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 2.  
 Major J. W. Cobb ( $-1\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) by 9.

## FINAL.

Major J. W. Cobb ( $-1\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins ( $-3\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 3.

## BLOCK "B."

(15 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. S. Phillips (2) bt Mrs. M. F. MacArthur (3) by 1.  
 S. F. Sopwith ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Y. B. Last ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 21.  
 Miss D. Jennings ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. W. A. Traill (4) by 2.  
 Miss A. E. Mills (3) bt Capt. H. G. Stoker ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 6.  
 Major R. A. Downing Fullerton ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. H. J. Philpot (3) by 16.  
 Col. P. W. Adshead ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Dr. G. L. Stanley (2) by 10.  
 Major J. H. Dibley ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt E. V. Carpmal ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 22.

## SECOND ROUND.

S. F. Sopwith ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. S. Phillips (2) by 16.  
 Miss D. Jennings ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Miss A. E. Mills (3) by 3.  
 Major R. A. Downing Fullerton ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Col. P. W. Adshead ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 8.  
 T. Wood-Hill ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Major J. H. Dibley ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 13.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Miss D. Jennings ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt S. F. Sopwith ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 7.  
 Major R. A. Downing Fullerton ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt T. Wood-Hill ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 23.

## FINAL.

Major R. A. Downing Fullerton ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Miss D. Jennings ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 13.

## BLOCK "C."

(17 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

I. C. Baillieu (7) bt Mrs. H. M. McKean ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 10.  
 The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. P. E. Heley (6) bt Mrs. D. Attfield (7) by 8.  
 Miss M. W. Borron ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. W. F. Haynes ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 2.  
 Miss J. Birch ( $4\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Miss A. M. Carlyon ( $4\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 9.  
 G. E. W. Hitchcock ( $4\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt I. C. Baillieu (7) by 5.  
 Mrs. R. A. Hill ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Sir C. Douglas-Jones (6) by 1.  
 Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (5) bt Mrs. J. H. S. Murray (7) by 9.

Miss J. Warwick (7) bt Capt. V. G. Gilbey (7) by 11.  
 Miss M. L. Hillyer ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (7) by 9.

## SECOND ROUND.

Miss M. W. Borron ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. P. E. Heley (6) by 2.  
 Miss J. Birch ( $4\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt G. E. W. Hitchcock ( $4\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 3.  
 Mrs. R. A. Hill ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (5) by 14.  
 Miss J. Warwick (7) bt Miss M. L. Hillyer ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 20.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Miss M. W. Borron ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Miss J. Birch ( $4\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 3.  
 Miss J. Warwick (7) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 2.

## FINAL.

Miss J. Warwick (7) bt Miss M. W. Borron ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 12.

## BLOCK "D."

(11 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

C. L. Robertson (9) bt Miss G. W. Barlett (\*9) by 11.  
 Mrs. M. D. Cork (10) bt Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith (14) by 13.  
 Brig. T. S. Omond (12) bt Mrs. C. L. Robertson (10) by 8.  
 The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

E. Whitehead (8) bt Mrs. D. M. Staub (14) by 6.  
 C. L. Robertson (9) bt Mrs. M. D. Cork (10) by 11.  
 Brig. T. S. Omond (12) bt Mrs. M. H. Carrington (14) by 8.  
 Mrs. E. D. Ward (\*9) bt Mrs. T. S. Omond (14) by 6.

## SEMI-FINAL.

E. Whitehead (8) bt C. L. Robertson (9) by 2.  
 Mrs. E. D. Ward (\*9) bt Brig. T. S. Omond (12) by 2.

## FINAL.

E. Whitehead (8) bt Mrs. E. D. Ward (\*9) by 7.

## PLAY-OFF.

Major R. A. Downing Fullerton ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Major J. W. Cobb ( $-1\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 6.  
 Miss J. Warwick (7) bt E. Whitehead (8) by 12.

## FINAL.

Miss J. Warwick (7) bt Major R. A. Downing Fullerton ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 17.

## HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(Combined Handicap of 1 Bisque or over).

(18 Pairs).

## FIRST ROUND.

Major J. W. Cobb and Mrs. D. Attfield ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt E. Whitehead and C. L. Robertson (17) by 8.  
 S. F. Sopwith and Mrs. B. M. Chittenden ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Brig. T. S. Omond and Mrs. T. S. Omond (22) by 8.  
 The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. R. A. Hill ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Capt. V. G. Gilbey and Mrs. W. F. Haynes ( $13\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 21.  
 T. Wood-Hill and Dr. G. L. Stanley ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Col. P. W. Adshead and I. C. Baillieu (9) by 3.  
 Miss D. Jennings and Mrs. H. J. Philpot ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Sir C. Douglas-Jones and Mrs. M. D. Cork (16) by 2 on time.  
 Major J. W. Cobb and Mrs. D. Attfield ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt M. Spencer Ell and Mrs. E. Bristow (8) by 16.  
 S. F. Sopwith and Mrs. B. M. Chittenden ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Major J. H. Dibley and Miss M. S. Carlyon (2) by 10.  
 E. V. Carpmal and Mrs. P. E. Heley ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt G. E. W. Hitchcock and Miss A. E. Mills ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 3.  
 G. Victor Evans and Major R. A. Downing Fullerton ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Dr. H. J. Penny and Mrs. D. M. Ward ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 5.  
 E. P. C. Cotter and Miss J. Warwick (3) bt Mrs. W. A. Traill and Mrs. C. L. Robertson (14) by 20.

## THIRD ROUND.

T. Wood-Hill and Dr. G. L. Stanley ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt V. A. de la Nougerede and Mrs. R. A. Hill ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 2.  
 Major J. W. Cobb and Mrs. D. Attfield ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Miss D. Jennings and Mrs. H. J. Philpot ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 18.  
 E. V. Carpmal and Mrs. P. E. Heley ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt S. F. Sopwith and Mrs. B. M. Chittenden ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 8.  
 E. P. C. Cotter and Miss J. Warwick (3) bt G. Victor Evans and Major R. A. Downing Fullerton ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 20.

## SEMI-FINAL.

T. Wood-Hill and Dr. G. L. Stanley ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Major J. W. Cobb and Mrs. D. Attfield ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 8.  
 E. V. Carpmal and Mrs. P. E. Heley ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt E. P. C. Cotter and Miss J. Warwick (3) by 6.

## FINAL.

E. V. Carpmal and Mrs. P. E. Heley ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt T. Wood-Hill and Dr. G. L. Stanley ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 3.

## EXTRA EVENT.

## HANDICAP SINGLES.

(29 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

S. F. Sopwith ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) w.o. Mrs. J. H. S. Murray (7) opponent scratched.  
 Brig. T. S. Omond (12) bt Mrs. C. L. Robertson (10) by 8.  
 G. Victor Evans (1) bt E. V. Carpmal ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 10.  
 Dr. G. L. Stanley (2) bt Sir C. Douglas-Jones (6) by 3.  
 Mrs. L. C. Apps ( $-1\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Col. P. W. Adshead ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 14.  
 Dr. H. J. Penny ( $-1\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt R. H. Park ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 25.  
 Miss M. S. Carlyon ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. W. F. Haynes ( $6\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 11.  
 Mrs. T. S. Omond (14) bt Miss G. Barlett (9) by 13.  
 Miss H. McKean ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. H. J. Philpot (3) by 11.  
 Miss A. E. Mills (3) bt Mrs. D. M. Cork (10) by 14.  
 Mrs. G. J. Turketine ( $-1\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Miss A. M. Carlyon ( $4\frac{1}{2}$ ) by 4.  
 Miss M. L. Hillyer ( $7\frac{1}{2}$ ) bt Mrs. W. A. Traill (4) by 6.  
 Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (5) bt Mrs. G. W. Solomon (3) by 2.  
 The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley (1½) bt S. F. Sopwith (1½) by 13.  
 G. Victor Evans (1) bt Brig. T. S. Omond (12) by 6.  
 Mrs. L. S. Apps (—1½) bt Dr. G. L. Stanley (2) by 7.  
 Dr. H. J. Penny (—1½) bt Miss M. S. Carlyon (½) by 11.  
 Miss H. McKean (7½) bt Mrs. T. S. Omond (14) by 9.  
 Mrs. G. J. Turketine (—½) bt Miss A. E. Mills (3) by 6.  
 Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (5) bt Miss M. L. Hillyer (7½) by 10.  
 M. Spencer Ell (1) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (7) by 6.

## THIRD ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley (1½) bt G. Victor Evans (1) by 3.  
 Dr. H. J. Penny (—1½) bt Mrs. L. C. Apps (—1½) by 15.  
 Miss H. McKean (7½) bt Mrs. G. J. Turketine (—½) by 14.  
 Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (5) bt M. Spencer Ell (1) by 2.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Dr. H. J. Penny (—1½) bt Major J. H. Dibley (1½) by 22.  
 Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (5) bt Miss H. McKean (7½) by 3.

## FINAL.

Dr. H. J. Penny (—1½) bt Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (5) by 6.

## GOLF CROQUET

## THE "ASCOT" CHALLENGE CUP.

## HANDICAP SINGLES.

(27 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley (1) bt S. F. Sopwith (1) by 1 and 2 and 1.  
 Miss A. E. Mills (1) bt Mrs. E. Bristow (2) +1 —2 +2 and 1.  
 Mrs. G. J. Turketine (0) bt W. J. Hawkings (2) opponent retired.  
 Mrs. H. J. Philpot (1) bt Mrs. E. Cork (2) +2 and 1, 4 and 3.  
 Mrs. D. M. Staub (3) bt Mrs. C. L. Robertson (2) 8 and 5, 7 and 6.  
 Miss M. L. Hillyer (2) bt Mrs. W. F. Haynes (2) 2 and 1, 3 and 2.  
 Mrs. Howard Austin (2) bt Mrs. J. W. Hawkings (3) 2, 6 and 4.  
 Mrs. R. A. Hill (2) bt Dr. G. L. Stanley (1) —2 +1 +4 and 3.  
 Miss M. W. Borron (2) bt Mrs. E. Carrington (3) 3 and 2, 4 and 2.  
 I. C. Baillieu (2) bt Mrs. S. Phillips (1) 2 and 1 +1.  
 Mrs. D. Attfield (2) bt Miss A. M. Carlyon (2) 5 and 4 +2 and 1.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith (3) bt C. L. Robertson (2) —2 and 1, +4 and 3, +4 and 3.  
 Major J. H. Dibley (1) bt Miss A. E. Mills (1) —2 and 1, +2 and 1, +3 and 2.  
 Mrs. G. J. Turketine (0) bt Mrs. H. J. Philpot (1) +1 —1 +3 and 2.  
 Miss M. L. Hillyer (2) bt Mrs. D. M. Staub (3) +2 and 1, —2 and 1, +2 and 1.  
 Mrs. Howard Austin (2) bt Mrs. R. A. Hill (2) —2 and 1, +1, +4 and 3.  
 Miss M. W. Borron (2) bt I. C. Baillieu (2) —2 and 1, +2 and 1, opponent retired.  
 V. A. de la Nougereade (1) bt Mrs. D. Attfield (2) —2, +4 and 3, +3 and 2.  
 Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (1) bt E. Whitehead (2) +1, +7 and 6.

## THIRD ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley (1) bt Mrs. Haigh Smith (3) +3 +2.  
 Miss M. L. Hillyer (2) bt Mrs. G. J. Turketine +1 —1 +3 and 2.  
 Mrs. Howard Austin (2) bt Miss M. W. Borron (2) by 1.  
 Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (1) bt V. A. de la Nougereade (1) by 1.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Major J. H. Dibley (1) bt Miss M. L. Hillyer (2) +5 and 4.  
 Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (1) bt Mrs. Howard Austin (2) by 1.

## FINAL.

Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (1) bt Major J. H. Dibley (1) by 1.

## GOLF CROQUET DOUBLES.

THE "DELVES BROUGHTON" CHALLENGE CUP.  
(10 Pairs).

## FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. S. Phillips and Miss A. E. Mills (2) bt Mrs. D. Attfield and Mrs. E. Bristow (4) by 1.  
 Mrs. D. M. Cork and C. L. Robertson (4) bt Mrs. E. Haigh-Smith and Mrs. E. Carrington (6) 6 and 5.  
 The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Miss M. S. Carlyon and Miss A. M. Carlyon (2) bt E. Whitehead and Mrs. C. L. Robertson (4) 2 and 1.  
 Mrs. S. Phillips and Miss A. E. Mills (2) bt S. F. Sopwith and Mrs. B. M. Chittenden (2) 5 and 4.  
 Mrs. D. M. Cork and C. L. Robertson (4) bt V. A. de la Nougereade and Mrs. Staub (4) 4 and 3.  
 Mrs. L. E. G. Nickisson and Mrs. R. A. Hill (3) bt Mrs. Howard Austin and Miss M. L. Hillyer (4) 3 and 2.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. S. Phillips and Miss A. E. Mills (2) bt Miss M. S. Carlyon and Miss A. M. Carlyon (2) by 1.  
 Mrs. D. M. Cork and C. L. Robertson (4) bt Mrs. L. E. G. Nickisson and Mrs. R. A. Hill (4) 3 and 2.

## FINAL.

Mrs. D. M. Cork and C. L. Robertson (4) bt Mrs. S. Phillips and Miss A. E. Mills (2) 3 and 2.

## CHELTENHAM

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL OPEN  
TOURNAMENT

Cheltenham again and nice to be back in those lovely grounds. Ten courts are now available and under the capable management of Miss Steel there were no shortened games and no time limits and all ended happily soon after tea on Saturday. The practice of shortened games in the general handicap should surely be avoided.

The courts are not quite up to their previous standard, they now lack the guiding hand and life-long experience of Mr. Healing, but I am told efforts are being made to persuade him again to give his invaluable help and advice.

The weather was capricious but did not seriously delay proceedings. As usual the Club owes a deep debt of gratitude to Miss Paulley for her hard work and general supervision of all the catering.

Mrs. Rotherham is to be congratulated on a splendid victory over Hicks in the final of the Draw, and indeed had a chance of repeating her success in the play-off. She is a joy to watch when in form.

The Handicap was won by Miss Parker after a long and exhausting struggle with Mrs. Mathews, both players well, I imagine, receive the attention of the handicapper.

Mrs. Ozanne, a very popular local figure, did well to beat Hicks by 26 in this event.

The "B" event was worthily won by Mrs. Odling after an exciting final with Miss Hulton. The Junior Handicap went to Mrs. Lewis-Grist who shows definite promise.

Remains the ever-popular Doubles. This went to Wood-Hill and Fellows after several tight fights and possibly rather unexpected victories. They repeated a success recently achieved at Buxton.

Finally, we congratulate the ground staff on the hard work they put in throughout the week.

## THE CHELTENHAM CHAMPIONSHIP CHALLENGE CUP.

## OPEN SINGLES.

(Two Life System).

## THE DRAW.

(17 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Major J. W. Cobb bt Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows by 12.



## SECOND ROUND.

H. O. Hicks bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 24.  
 F. H. Fisher bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 2.  
 J. K. Brown bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury by 10.  
 Major J. W. Cobb bt Mrs. B. H. Wiggins by 13.  
 Mrs. E. Rotherham bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey by 3.  
 H. T. Pinckney Simpson bt Rev. H. B. W. Denison by 25.  
 R. V. N. Wiggins bt Mrs. G. Ozanne by 8.  
 Major J. R. Abbey bt T. Wood-Hill by 22.

## THIRD ROUND.

H. O. Hicks bt F. H. Fisher by 9.  
 J. K. Brown bt Major J. W. Cobb by 7.  
 Mrs. E. Rotherham bt H. T. Pinckney Simpson by 23.  
 R. V. N. Wiggins bt Major J. R. Abbey by 17.

## SEMI-FINAL.

H. O. Hicks bt J. K. Brown by 26.  
 Mrs. E. Rotherham bt R. V. N. Wiggins by 14.

## FINAL.

Mrs. E. Rotherham bt H. O. Hicks by 1.

## PROCESS.

(17 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

H. O. Hicks bt T. Wood-Hill by 25.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. B. H. Wiggins bt Mrs. G. Ozanne by 25.  
 V. A. de la Nougerede bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey by 12.  
 Rev. H. B. W. Denison bt J. K. Brown by 3.  
 H. O. Hicks bt Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows by 16.  
 Major J. R. Abbey bt Major J. W. Cobb by 10.  
 H. T. Pinckney Simpson bt F. H. Fisher by 23.  
 R. V. N. Wiggins bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury by 15.  
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 18.

## THIRD ROUND.

Mrs. B. H. Wiggins bt V. A. de la Nougerede by 5.  
 H. O. Hicks bt Rev. H. B. W. Denison by 14.  
 Major J. R. Abbey bt H. T. Pinckney Simpson by 19.  
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt R. V. N. Wiggins by 18.

## SEMI-FINAL.

H. O. Hicks bt Mrs. B. H. Wiggins by 15.  
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Major J. R. Abbey by 13.

## FINAL.

H. O. Hicks bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 25.

## PLAY-OFF.

H. O. Hicks bt Mrs. E. Rotherham by 12.

## THE MONEY CHALLENGE SALVER.

## LEVEL SINGLES.

(2 Bisesques and over).

(13 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. V. C. Gasson bt Miss M. C. Macauley by 2.  
 Mrs. W. A. Odling bt Major the Rev. N. E. O. Thackwell by 17.  
 Miss E. P. Carmouche bt R. H. Newton by 16.  
 A. McClure Williams bt Dr. G. L. Stanley by 19.  
 Capt. C. G. Reid Walker bt Mrs. A. L. Megson by 8.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. C. B. Cumberlege bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson by 15.  
 Mrs. W. A. Odling bt Miss E. P. Carmouche by 11.  
 Capt. C. G. Reid Walker bt A. McClure Williams by 7.  
 Miss L. Hulton bt Miss R. M. Peel by 15.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. W. A. Odling bt Mrs. C. B. Cumberlege by 3.  
 Miss L. Hulton bt C. G. Reid Walker by 2.

## FINAL.

Mrs. W. A. Odling bt Miss L. Hulton by 4.

## HANDICAP SINGLES.

(5 Bisesques and over).

(15 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Lt.-Col. S. Mathews (5½) bt Mrs. L. Mackinder (14) by 7.  
 Mrs. G. H. Weech (9) bt F. W. Clive (5) by 11.  
 Miss Hilda McKean (7½) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (5) by 5.  
 Miss M. A. Posford (6½) bt Miss L. Newman (5½) by 8.  
 Mrs. S. Mathews (6) bt Mrs. N. E. O. Thackwell (11) by 8.  
 Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (6½) bt Miss W. Adye (10) by 5.  
 Miss W. M. Plum (6) bt Miss H. D. Parker (7) by 3.

## SECOND ROUND.

Lt.-Col. S. Mathews (5½) bt Mrs. G. H. Weech (9) by 2.  
 Miss M. A. Posford (6½) bt Miss Hilda McKean (7½) by 5.  
 Mrs. S. Mathews (6) bt Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (6½) by 13.  
 Mrs. Lewis Grist (13) bt Miss W. M. Plum (6) by 12.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Miss M. A. Posford (6½) bt Lt.-Col. S. Mathews (5½) by 18.  
 Mrs. Lewis Grist (13) bt Mrs. S. Mathews (6) by 12.

## FINAL.

Mrs. Lewis Grist (13) bt Miss M. A. Posford (6½) by 2.

## GENERAL HANDICAP SINGLES.

(45 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. A. V. Armstrong (4) bt Col. V. N. Johnson (1½) by 3.  
 Miss E. P. Carmouche (3) bt J. K. Brown (½) by 2.  
 F. H. Fisher (—1½) bt Mrs. C. B. Cumberlege (2½) by 17.  
 Miss W. Adye (10) bt Mrs. L. Mackinder (14) by 10.  
 Miss H. D. Parker (7) bt T. Wood-Hill (1½) by 12.  
 A. McClure Williams (2) bt H. T. Pinckney Simpson (—1) by 25.  
 Mrs. G. H. Weech (9) bt A. L. Megson (1½) by 20.  
 Miss Hilda McKean (7½) bt Mrs. Lewis Grist (13) by 5.  
 Miss L. Hulton (4½) bt Lady Ursula Abbey (5) by 15.  
 Major the Rev. N. E. O. Thackwell (\*3) bt Miss L. Newman (5½) by 18.  
 Mrs. B. H. Wiggins (—2) bt Mrs. V. C. Gasson (2) by 2.  
 Miss M. A. Posford (6½) bt C. G. Reid Walker (2½) by 6.  
 Rev. H. B. W. Denison (0) bt Major J. W. Cobb (—½) by 5.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. G. Ozanne (1) bt Lt.-Col. A. M. Daniels (6½) by 7.  
 H. O. Hicks (—5½) bt F. W. Clive (5) by 15.  
 Mrs. W. A. Odling (3) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham (—3) by 15.  
 Mrs. A. L. Megson (4½) bt Dr. G. L. Stanley (2) by 7.  
 Mrs. A. V. Armstrong (4) bt Mrs. N. E. O. Thackwell (11) by 17.  
 F. H. Fisher (—1½) bt Miss E. P. Carmouche (3) by 2.  
 Miss H. D. Parker (7) bt Miss W. Adye (10) by 18.  
 Mrs. G. H. Weech (9) bt A. McClure Williams (2) by 14.  
 Miss L. Hulton (4½) bt Miss Hilda McKean (7½) opponent retired.  
 Major the Rev. N. E. O. Thackwell (\*3) bt Mrs. B. H. Wiggins (—2) by 25.  
 Rev. H. B. W. Denison (0) bt Miss M. A. Posford (6½) by 5.  
 R. V. N. Wiggins (1) bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (—2) by 17.  
 Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) bt Miss M. C. Macauley (3½) by 5.  
 Mrs. S. Mathews (6) bt V. A. de la Nougerede (1) by 5.  
 Major J. R. Abbey (1) bt Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows (—1) by 6.  
 R. H. Newton (3) bt Lt.-Col. S. Mathews (5½) by 18.

## THIRD ROUND.

Mrs. G. Ozanne (1) bt H. O. Hicks (—5½) by 26.  
 Mrs. W. A. Odling (3) bt Mrs. A. L. Megson (4½) by 3.  
 F. H. Fisher (—1½) bt Mrs. A. V. Armstrong (4) by 2.  
 Miss H. D. Parker (7) bt Mrs. G. H. Weech (9) by 5.  
 Miss L. Hulton (4½) bt Major the Rev. N. E. O. Thackwell (\*3) by 8.  
 R. V. N. Wiggins (1) bt Rev. H. B. W. Denison (0) by 14.  
 Mrs. S. Mathews (6) bt Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury (1) by 20.  
 Major J. R. Abbey (1) bt R. H. Newton (3) by 10.

## FOURTH ROUND.

Mrs. G. Ozanne (1) bt Mrs. W. A. Odling (3) by 4.  
 Miss H. D. Parker (7) bt F. H. Fisher (—1½) by 18.  
 R. V. N. Wiggins (1) bt Miss L. Hulton (4½) by 14.  
 Mrs. S. Mathews (6) bt Major J. R. Abbey (1) by 7.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Miss H. D. Parker (7) bt Mrs. G. Ozanne (1) by 11.  
Mrs. S. Mathews (6) bt R. V. N. Wiggins (1) by 4.

## FINAL.

Miss H. D. Parker (7) bt Mrs. S. Mathews (6) by 6.

## HANDICAP DOUBLES.

## THE BARWELL CHALLENGE SALVERS.

(Unrestricted).

(17 Pairs).

## FIRST ROUND.

R. V. N. Wiggins and Mrs. B. H. Wiggins (—1) bt J. K. Brown and Lady Ursula Abbey (5½) by 8.

## SECOND ROUND.

Rev. H. B. W. Denison and Mrs. J. H. S. Murray (7) bt A. L. Megson and Mrs. A. L. Megson (6) by 13.

H. O. Hicks and C. G. Reid Walker (—3) bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey and Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey (—3) by 2.

Mrs. C. B. Cumberlege and Miss L. Hulton (7) bt R. H. Newton and J. W. Dixson (13) by 3.

Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows and T. Wood-Hill (½) bt R. V. N. Wiggins and Mrs. B. H. Wiggins (—1) by 5.

H. T. Pinckney Simpson and Miss W. M. Plum (5) bt Miss E. P. Carmouche and Miss M. Chancellor (7) by 1.

Dr. G. L. Stanley and Miss M. A. Posford (8½) bt Mrs. E. Rotherham and Miss M. C. Macauley (½) by 21.

V. A. de la Nougere and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (3) bt F. H. Fisher and Major the Rev. N. E. O. Thackwell (1½) by 1.

Major J. W. Cobb and A. McClure Williams (1½) bt Lt.-Col. S. Mathews and Mrs. S. Mathews (11½) by 10.

## THIRD ROUND.

H. O. Hicks and C. G. Reid Walker (—3) bt Rev. H. B. W. Denison and Mrs. J. H. S. Murray (7) by 11.

Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows and T. Wood-Hill (½) bt Mrs. C. B. Cumberlege and Miss L. Hulton (7) by 4.

H. T. Pinckney Simpson and Miss W. M. Plum (5) bt Dr. G. L. Stanley and Miss M. A. Posford (8½) by 1.

Major J. W. Cobb and A. McClure Williams (1½) bt V. A. de la Nougere and Mrs. V. C. Gasson (3) by 13.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows and T. Wood-Hill (½) bt H. O. Hicks and C. G. Reid Walker (—3) by 18.

Major J. W. Cobb and A. McClure Williams (1½) bt H. T. Pinckney Simpson and Miss W. M. Plum (5) by 7.

## FINAL.

Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows and T. Wood-Hill (½) bt Major J. W. Cobb and A. McClure Williams (1½) by 7.

## EXMOUTH

JULY 20th—26th, 1953

If those croquet players who have never been to Exmouth before to play in a tournament then they are advised to think about coming next year. There is a large and spacious club house, a comfortable lounge in which excellent sandwich lunches and teas are served. The six lawns which normally are used for tennis were well prepared, nice and green and good to play on. The trees and surrounding hills make it all a very pleasant setting.

As for the weather it was variable, showers, some wind but on the whole plenty of sunshine, so we were indeed fortunate and above all it wasn't cold.

The Tournament was in the very capable hands of Miss A. Mills, who in her usual charming manner worked hard throughout, and Major Stone gave valuable assistance.

C. B. Bird acted as official referee. He seemed to be here there and everywhere besides playing in the open event. He must have tramped a good many miles during the week.

It was good to see some new promising players, especially W. P. Omerod, a school boy from Marlborough College. He has an excellent knowledge of the game, plays his strokes well. With practice he should go a long way. We hope he will induce some of his school colleagues

to take up the game, by so doing new players would be introduced to the game which is so badly needed these days.

There were many good and thrilling games played in the Open Event. Major Stone and Maurice Reckitt were in good form, the latter had a hard and exciting game in the semi-final of the Draw against Colonel Beamish who was playing well throughout the tournament. Near the end of the game Col. Beamish peeled his opponent through the rover but failed to peg him out. Reckitt shot in and won a fine game by 2.

The final of the Process was an equally exciting game, between Col. Beamish and Major Stone. The former got off the mark by going to 3-back and got his other ball to the penultimate before Stone started. Eventually Stone got in and got to 3-back with his black. He was able to get this ball to the rover without Beamish making any further advancement. At this stage blue was for the 2nd hoop. Stone got in with his blue and playing a brilliant break went to the peg but failed to peel his black in doing so. Beamish's balls were then for 3-back and penultimate. He got in with his red and from 3-back went to the peg and pegged Stone's blue ball out thus leaving Stone to make the rover and peg with his black. After careful manoeuvring Beamish made the last two hoops and eventually won the game by a brilliant peg out from near the 4th hoop. Stone had four long shots with his black ball after his blue had been pegged out and only narrowly missed his opponent's balls on the last three shots owing to the roll of the lawn. Congratulations to the winner and loser also for giving the spectators such a thrilling game to watch.

Unfortunately the rain came down just at lunch time on Saturday and many of the finals were played in the rain.

The "B" levels were won by Mrs. R. C. Michelmores.

The final of "C" Handicap, played under Variation H, between Mrs. Roe and G. Alexander had to be time limited as the former had to play in the final of the Doubles. This was a very level game throughout and just before time all four balls were for 3-back. Alexander had the innings, made the hoop and won by one point. Many players in this event expressed their opinion that this variation is not at all popular as it is considered that the lower bisquer has the advantage.

In the final stages of the "X", Comdr. Beamish had an easy victory over Miss Carlyon and similarly W. P. Omerod over Major Dibley in the semi-finals.

The final between Beamish who had to concede three bisques to young Omerod ended in a win for Comdr. Beamish.

## OPEN SINGLES.

## A CHALLENGE BOWL.

## THE DRAW.

(9 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Miss M. K. Haslam w.o. Major G. F. Stone opponent retired.

## SECOND ROUND.

Miss M. S. Carlyon bt Major J. H. Dibley by 13.

C. B. Bird bt Comdr. D. W. Roe by 9.

M. B. Reckitt bt Miss M. K. Haslam by 15.

Col. D. W. Beamish bt V. C. Cave by 21.

## SEMI-FINAL.

C. B. Bird bt Miss M. S. Carlyon by 6.

M. B. Reckitt bt Col. D. W. Beamish by 2.

## FINAL.

M. B. Reckitt bt C. B. Bird by 20.

## PROCESS.

(9 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley bt V. C. Cave by 21.

## SECOND ROUND.

M. B. Reckitt bt Comdr. D. W. Roe by 15.

Major G. F. Stone bt Major J. H. Dibley by 25.

Col. D. W. Beamish bt C. B. Bird by 23.

Miss M. S. Carlyon w.o. Miss M. K. Haslam opponent retired.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Major G. F. Stone bt M. B. Reckitt by 12.  
Col. D. W. Beamish bt Miss M. S. Carlyon by 5.

## FINAL.

Col. D. W. Beamish bt Major G. F. Stone by 2.

## PLAY-OFF.

Col. D. W. Beamish w.o. M. B. Reckitt scratched.

## LEVEL SINGLES (CLASS "B").

(2½ Bisques and over).

(12 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Dr. L. Omerod bt Mrs. N. E. Wallwork by 2.  
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley by 18.  
Mrs. R. G. Michelmores bt Mrs. D. E. Chorlton by 8.  
Mrs. H. J. Philpot bt Mrs. W. A. Traill by 3.

## SECOND ROUND.

Miss K. Ault bt Miss J. Birch by 19.  
Dr. L. Omerod w.o. Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish opponent retired.  
Mrs. R. G. Michelmores bt Mrs. H. J. Philpot by 12.  
Mrs. M. B. Reckitt bt Miss V. E. Mills by 2.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Miss K. Ault bt Dr. L. Omerod by 10.  
Mrs. R. G. Michelmores bt Mrs. M. B. Reckitt by 19.

## FINAL.

Mrs. R. G. Michelmores bt Miss K. Ault by 10.

## HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS "C").

(6½ Bisques and over).

(11 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. D. M. Roe (7) bt Miss S. C. Gough (14) by 12.  
Miss E. J. Williams (9) bt Lt.-Col. I. Picton-Turbervill (12) by 12.  
Mrs. C. A. Bishop (8) bt Miss W. L. Stevenson (9) by 9.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (7½) bt Mrs. H. T. Farris (6½) by 23.  
Mrs. D. M. Roe (7) bt Miss E. J. Williams (9) by 10.  
Capt. G. R. Bald (7) bt Mrs. C. A. Bishop (8) by 5.  
G. A. H. Alexander (10) w.o. Mrs. C. A. G. Money (8½) opponent retired.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. D. M. Roe (7) bt Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (7½) by 7.  
G. A. H. Alexander (10) bt Capt. G. R. Bald (7) by 4 on time.

## FINAL.

G. A. H. Alexander (10) bt Mrs. D. M. Roe (7) by 1 on time.

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

## EVENT "X".

(36 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Comdr. D. W. Roe (2) bt Miss V. E. Mills (3½) by 19.  
V. C. Cave (1) bt G. A. H. Alexander (10) by 1.  
Mrs. D. M. Roe (7) bt Mrs. W. A. Traill (4) by 7.  
M. B. Reckitt (—3) bt Mrs. F. R. Carling (5½) by 7.

## SECOND ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (6) by 9.  
Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) bt Miss M. K. Haslam (1½) by 2.  
Mrs. S. Phillips (2) bt Mrs. F. R. Briggs (2) by 6.  
Major L. Price Harris (7) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (6) by 4.  
Col. D. W. Beamish (—½) w.o. Major G. F. Stone (—3½) opponent scratched.  
Mrs. R. G. Michelmores (3) bt Miss E. J. Williams (9) by 15.  
W. P. Omerod (6½) bt Mrs. C. A. G. Money (8½) by 20.  
Comdr. D. W. Roe (2) bt V. C. Cave (1) by 20.  
Mrs. D. W. Roe (7) w.o. M. B. Reckitt (—3) opponent scratched.  
Dr. L. Omerod (6) bt Miss K. Ault (3) by 3.  
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (3½) bt Miss J. Birch (4½) by 18.  
Miss S. C. Gough (14) bt Capt. G. R. Bald (7) by 10.  
Mrs. C. A. Bishop (8) bt Lt.-Col. I. Picton Turbervill (12) by 5.  
Miss M. S. Carlyon (½) bt Mrs. D. E. Chorlton (3½) by 8.  
Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (7½) bt Mrs. H. J. Philpot (3) by 12.  
Miss W. L. Stevenson (9) bt Mrs. H. T. Farris (6½) by 8.

## THIRD ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt Mrs. M. B. Reckitt (2½) by 13.  
Mrs. S. Phillips (2) bt Major L. Price Harris (7) by 15.  
Mrs. R. G. Michelmores (3) bt Col. D. W. Beamish (—½) by 6.  
W. P. Omerod (6½) bt Comdr. D. W. Roe (2) by 8.  
Dr. L. Omerod (6) bt Mrs. D. W. Roe (7) by 23.  
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (3½) bt Miss S. C. Gough (14) by 9.  
Miss M. S. Carlyon (½) bt Mrs. C. A. Bishop (8) by 14.  
Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (7½) bt Miss W. L. Stevenson (9) by 17.

## FOURTH ROUND.

Major J. H. Dibley (2) bt Mrs. S. Phillips (2) by 10.  
W. P. Omerod (6½) bt Mrs. R. G. Michelmores (3) by 1.  
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (3½) bt Dr. L. Omerod (6) by 15.  
Miss M. S. Carlyon (½) bt Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (7½) by 3.

## SEMI-FINAL.

W. P. Omerod (6½) bt Major J. H. Dibley (2) by 17.  
Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (3½) bt Miss M. S. Carlyon (½) by 19.

## FINAL.

Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (3½) bt W. P. Omerod (6½) by 7.

## EVENT "Y".

(18 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Miss V. E. Mills (3½) bt G. A. H. Alexander (10) by 3 on time.  
Mrs. W. A. Traill (4) bt Mrs. F. R. Carling (5½) by 2.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (6) bt Miss M. K. Haslam (1½) by 13.  
Mrs. F. R. Briggs (2) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (6) by 11.  
Major G. F. Stone (—3½) bt Miss E. J. Williams (9) by 22.  
Miss V. E. Mills (3½) w.o. Mrs. C. A. G. Money (8½) opponent retired.  
Mrs. W. A. Traill (4) bt Miss K. Ault (5) by 6.  
Capt. G. R. Bald (7) w.o. Miss J. Birch (4½) opponent scratched.  
Mrs. D. E. Chorlton (3½) bt Lt.-Col. I. Picton Turbervill (12) by 13.  
Mrs. H. J. Philpot (3) bt Mrs. H. T. Farris (6½) by 1 on time.

## THIRD ROUND.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (6) bt Mrs. F. R. Briggs (2) by 12.  
Miss V. E. Mills (3½) w.o. Major G. F. Stone (—3½) opponent scratched.  
Mrs. W. A. Traill (4) bt Capt. G. R. Bald (7) by 12.  
Mrs. H. J. Philpot (3) bt Mrs. D. E. Chorlton (3½) by 6.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (6) bt Miss V. E. Mills (3½) by 3.  
Mrs. W. A. Traill (4) bt Mrs. H. J. Philpot (3) by 8.

## FINAL.

Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (6) bt Mrs. W. A. Traill (4) by 7.

## HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(Combined Handicaps not less than scratch).

(16 Pairs).

## FIRST ROUND.

Mrs. L. G. Walters and G. A. Black (16) bt Mrs. H. J. Philpot and Mrs. C. A. Bishop (11) by 9.  
Miss J. Birch and Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (12) bt Miss M. S. Carlyon and V. C. Cave (1½) by 4.  
Mrs. F. R. Briggs and Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (8) bt Dr. L. Omerod and Miss K. Ault (11) by 4 on time.  
Miss V. E. Mills and Mrs. M. H. Vincent (15½) bt Miss A. E. Mills and Miss S. C. Gough (15) by 13.  
Mrs. R. G. Michelmores and Mrs. W. A. Traill (7) bt Major J. H. Dibley and Mrs. J. H. Dibley (8) by 15.  
Comdr. D. W. Roe and Mrs. D. W. Roe (9) bt Col. D. W. Beamish and Comdr. G. V. G. Beamish (3) by 1 on time.  
Major G. F. Stone and Mrs. R. Jones Bateman (8½) bt Mrs. D. E. Chorlton and G. A. H. Alexander (13½) by 10.  
Miss M. K. Haslam and Capt. G. R. Bald (8½) bt Miss W. L. Stevenson and Lt.-Col. I. Picton Turbervill (21) by 9.



## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. L. G. Walters and G. A. Black (16) bt Miss J. Birch and Mrs. C. E. Gatehouse (12) by 10.  
 Miss V. E. Mills and Mrs. M. H. Vincent (15½) bt Mrs. F. R. Briggs and Mrs. N. E. Wallwork (8) by 18.  
 Comdr. D. W. Roe and Mrs. D. W. Roe (9) bt Mrs. R. G. Michelmores and Mrs. W. A. Traill (7) by 4.  
 Miss M. K. Haslam and Capt. G. R. Bald (8½) bt Major G. F. Stone and Mrs. R. Jones Bateman (8½) by 3.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. L. G. Walters and G. A. Black (16) bt Miss V. E. Mills and Mrs. M. H. Vincent (15½) by 12.  
 Comdr. D. W. Roe and Mrs. D. W. Roe (9) bt Miss M. K. Haslam and Capt. G. R. Bald (8½) by 1 on time.

## FINAL.

Mrs. L. G. Walters and G. A. Black (16) bt Comdr. D. W. Roe and Mrs. D. W. Roe (9) by 11.

## LEAMINGTON

It was indeed a happy inspiration that caused the Leamington Club to hold once again an Open Tournament. Entries were numerous; in fact several unfortunately, had to be refused. As it was, it meant skilful management if the tournament was to be carried through by the Saturday evening. Carried through it was; thanks to the untiring energies of Mr. Langley who was most ably assisted by Mrs. Langley.

Mr. Richards and his assistant are much to be congratulated on the excellence of the five courts, which stood up extraordinarily well to very heavy rain. A special tribute is due to Mr. Fisher, who, during the winter months, put in much valuable work on the lawns.

There were some exciting finishes on "Doubles" morning. Witness Miss Macaulay's plucky play; with rather less than half an hour to go, her blue clip was on the 2nd hoop, whilst black, red, and yellow were all for rover hoop. When time was called, blue had joined the other three clips on the rover hoop, and it was Miss Macaulay and Mrs. Craven who emerged victorious. Mrs. Craven was striking the ball well throughout the week, and she only needs a little more tournament play to find herself among the leading ladies. Mrs. Giles Reid Walker had flown over from Switzerland on the Tuesday especially to partner her father-in-law. It was perhaps unfortunate for her to be drawn against Mr. Cotter in her first tournament game, but her clip reached the rover hoop, and her play showed real promise. Miss Philpott gave Gen. Fellows excellent support; indeed she had laid for him to go out, when Mr. Anderson hit the last shot. Here surely is a player who will, at any moment, become first-class.

Mrs. Megson scored a well deserved win in the Handicap Singles, Variation H. Mrs. Megson is a very good uphill player, and is never more dangerous than when near to defeat.

Variation "H" proved distinctly unpopular. Of the fifteen competitors in the event, twelve were emphatically against it, one was indifferent, whilst two said they liked it.

Mr. Newton in the Open Handicap on the Saturday beat Mr. Cotter in the forenoon, and then Mr. Hicks in the afternoon, to win the Cup. A day he will remember. On the Friday and the Saturday Mr. Hicks and Mr. Cotter were seldom off the courts, so visitors from Edgbaston, Nottingham and Northampton found their journeys well worthwhile. The club much appreciated the entries of the nine scratch and minus players for their tournament.

The refreshments were exceptionally good. Miss Philpott and her band of workers proved indefatigable in looking after the welfare of the players. Major Deakin was a host in himself, and Mrs. Deakin most kindly arranged Bridge at the Club in the evenings. Visits during the week from Miss D. D. Steel, Miss Evelyn Steel, Mr. J. K. Brown and H. C. Davey added greatly to the enjoyment of the meeting, which was voted by one and all to be an outstanding success.

## OPEN SINGLES.

("Two Life System").

(Variation "B").

## THE MIDLAND CHALLENGE CUP,

## THE DRAW.

(15 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

T. Wood-Hill bt R. H. Newton by 12.  
 E. P. C. Cotter bt Mrs. M. Craven by 17.  
 J. N. Lovett bt G. H. Mason by 16.  
 H. O. Hicks bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey by 26.  
 Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows bt Miss M. C. Macaulay by 24.  
 Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt Col. P. W. Adshead by 6.  
 F. H. Fisher bt Miss E. P. Carmouche by 13.  
 The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey bt T. Wood-Hill by 22.  
 H. O. Hicks bt Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows by 16.  
 F. H. Fisher bt Capt. G. C. Reid Walker by 9.  
 E. P. C. Cotter bt J. N. Lovett by 26.

## SEMI-FINAL.

E. P. C. Cotter bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 25.  
 H. O. Hicks bt F. H. Fisher by 24.

## FINAL.

H. O. Hicks bt E. P. C. Cotter by 25.

## PROCESS.

(15 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Rev. G. F. H. Elvey bt G. H. Mason by 13.  
 E. P. C. Cotter bt Miss E. P. Carmouche by 16.  
 F. H. Fisher bt J. N. Lovett by 5.  
 T. Wood-Hill bt Miss M. C. Macaulay by 15.  
 H. O. Hicks bt Mrs. G. F. H. Elvey by 8.  
 Mrs. M. Craven bt Capt. G. C. Reid Walker by 6.  
 R. H. Newton bt Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows by 5.  
 The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. M. Craven bt T. Wood-Hill by 00.  
 Rev. G. F. H. Elvey bt Col. P. W. Adshead by 8.  
 H. O. Hicks bt F. H. Fisher by 15.  
 E. P. C. Cotter bt R. H. Newton by 10.

## SEMI-FINAL.

E. P. C. Cotter bt Rev. G. F. H. Elvey by 16.  
 H. O. Hicks bt Mrs. M. Craven by 24.

## FINAL.

E. P. C. Cotter bt H. O. Hicks by 7.

## PLAY-OFF.

H. O. Hicks bt E. P. C. Cotter by 26.

## HANDICAP SINGLES.

(4 Bishes and over).

(15 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Miss H. McKean (7½) bt W. R. Bolton (14) by 7.  
 Mrs. C. A. Bishop (8) w.o. Mrs. F. R. Carling (5½) opponent retired.  
 Miss A. M. Carlyon (4½) bt Mrs. P. Olver (4) by 3.  
 Mrs. F. Langley (5½) bt Mrs. England-Smith (9) by 10.  
 C. E. Burton (5) bt Mrs. R. Whitham (11) by 6.  
 R. Whitham (9) bt G. G. Bantock (5) by 19.  
 Mrs. A. L. Megson (4½) bt G. A. H. Alexander (10) by 16.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. C. A. Bishop (8) bt Miss H. M. McKean (7½) by 14.  
 R. Whitham (9) bt Mrs. F. Langley (5½) by 22.  
 Mrs. A. L. Megson (4½) bt C. E. Burton (5) by 1.  
 E. C. Penny (6) bt Miss A. M. Carlyon (4½) by 11.

## SEMI-FINAL.

Mrs. A. L. Megson (4½) bt E. C. Penny (6) by 6.  
 R. Whitham (9) bt Mrs. C. A. Bishop (8) by 21.

## FINAL.

Mrs. A. L. Megson (4½) bt R. Whitham (9) by 6.

## THE HANDICAP SINGLES.

(29 Entries).

## FIRST ROUND.

Miss A. M. Carlyon (4½) bt A. L. Megson (1½) by 16.  
 R. H. Newton (3) bt Mrs. P. Olver (4) by 8.  
 Miss H. McKean (7½) bt R. Whitham (9) by 6.  
 W. R. Bolton (14) bt Miss E. P. Carmouche (3) by 14.  
 J. N. Lovett (scr.) bt Mrs. M. Craven (1) by 23.  
 H. O. Hicks (—5½) bt Mrs. C. A. Bishop (8) by 13.  
 Mrs. T. A. Madge (5) bt Mrs. R. Whitham (11) by 10.  
 E. C. Penny (6) bt D. M. Anderson (2) by 9.  
 E. P. C. Cotter (—4) bt Mrs. A. L. Megson (4½) by 10.  
 Miss M. C. Macaulay (3½) bt Mrs. F. Langley (5½) by 10.  
 The rest had byes.

## SECOND ROUND.

G. G. Bantock (5) bt Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows (—1) by 2.  
 R. H. Newton (3) bt Miss M. C. Macaulay (3½) by 8.  
 Miss H. McKean (7½) bt G. H. Mason (—½) by 14.  
 H. O. Hicks (—5½) bt Miss A. M. Carlyon (4½) by 4.  
 E. P. C. Cotter (—4) bt E. C. Penny (6) by 17.  
 J. N. Lovett (scr.) bt W. R. Bolton (14) by 20.  
 T. Wood-Hill (1½) bt C. E. Burton (5) by 10.  
 G. A. H. Alexander (9) bt Mrs. F. England Smith (9) by 12.

## THIRD ROUND.

R. H. Newton (3) bt G. G. Bantock (5) by 15.  
 H. O. Hicks (—5½) bt Miss H. McKean (7½) by 7.  
 E. P. C. Cotter (—4) bt T. Wood-Hill (1½) by 11.  
 G. A. H. Alexander (9) bt J. N. Lovett (scr.) retired.

## SEMI-FINAL.

R. H. Newton (3) bt E. P. C. Cotter (—4) by 25.  
 H. O. Hicks (—5½) bt G. A. H. Alexander (10) by 11.

## FINAL.

R. H. Newton (3) bt H. O. Hicks (—5½) by 11.

## HANDICAP DOUBLES.

(Unrestricted).

(12 Pairs).

## FIRST ROUND.

J. N. Lovett and E. G. Bantock (5) bt G. H. Mason and T. Wood-Hill (1) by 18.  
 H. O. Hicks and D. M. Anderson (—3) bt Miss E. C. Philpott and Brig.-Gen. B. C. Fellows (4½) by 3.  
 E. C. Penny and G. A. H. Alexander (15) bt Mrs. A. L. Megson and A. L. Megson (6) by 12.  
 E. P. C. Cotter and Col. P. W. Adshead (—1½) bt Mrs. Giles Reid Walker and Capt. G. C. Reid Walker (14½) by 5.  
 The rest had byes.

## ENTRIES.

Entries accepted by the Entrance Fee, sent to the Secretary, C.A., 4, Southampton Row, W.C.1, as late as to reach her not later than the 1st of September, 1953.

## DRAW.

A list of the names of the players will be published in the Gazette, September 1st, 1953.

## SECOND ROUND.

Mrs. M. Craven and Miss M. C. Macaulay (4½) bt Miss E. P. Carmouche and R. Whitham (12) by 1.  
 H. O. Hicks and D. M. Anderson (—3) bt J. N. Lovett and E. G. Bantock (5) by 10.  
 Mrs. T. A. Madge and R. H. Newton (8) bt Mrs. C. A. Bishop and Mrs. R. Whitham (10) by 6.  
 E. C. Penny and G. A. H. Alexander (15) bt E. P. C. Cotter and Col. P. W. Adshead (—1½) by 4.

## SEMI-FINAL.

H. O. Hicks and D. M. Anderson (—3) bt Mrs. M. Craven and Miss M. C. Macaulay (4½) by 10.  
 E. C. Penny and G. A. H. Alexander (15) bt R. H. Newton and Mrs. T. A. Madge (8) by 3.

## FINAL.

H. O. Hicks and D. M. Anderson (—3) bt E. C. Penny and G. A. H. Alexander (15) by 11.

## LONGMAN (CLUB TEAM) CUP

WOKING versus RYDE

Played at Woking on August 11th, 1953. Woking players named first.

## SINGLES.

T. F. Dalton (2) bt Miss E. Walker (3½) by 14.  
 R. Whitham (9) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley (6) by 7.  
 A. McClure Williams (2) lost to Major J. H. Dibley (2) by 2.

## DOUBLES.

T. F. Dalton and R. Whitham (11) bt Mrs. J. H. Dibley and Miss E. Walker (9½) by 9.  
 A. McClure Williams and Brig. T. S. Omond (12) lost to Major J. H. Dibley and Mrs. C. R. Farnsworth (10) by 4.

RESULT.—Woking bt Ryde by 3 games to 2.

## THE SILVER JUBILEE CUP

Challenge Cup, presented to the C.A. in 1935  
by H. T. Pinckney Simpson, Esq.

Holder—R. C. V. de Wessilow (6)

will be played for at

THE ROEHAMPTON CLUB

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th, 1953  
AND FOUR FOLLOWING DAYS.

Committee.—The Tournament Committee of the Croquet Association.

Manager, Referee and Handicapper.—Mrs. G. J. Turketine.

Assistant Referees on the Official List will be appointed on the ground under Reg. 15 (a).

Secretary.—The Secretary, C.A., 4, Southampton Row, London, W.C.1.

OPEN TO ASSOCIATES ONLY.

### THE SILVER JUBILEE CUP, HANDICAP SINGLES.

An Event open only to Associates who are classed at scratch or more. Entrance Fee, 6s. Matches of single games throughout. Prizes, the Challenge Cup and other prizes according to the number of entries. The Event will be drawn in two or more approximately equal Blocks, the winners of which will play off as for the Gilbey Cup.

#### CONDITIONS.

Hoops  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches wide, and Jaques' "Eclipse" Balls will be used.

The winner will hold the Challenge Cup for one year or until the next Competition, whichever is the shorter period.

The Committee reserve the right to refuse any entry without assigning a reason, and to decide any question that may arise.

Every Competitor shall wear such flat-soled boots or shoes as cannot damage the Court.

#### ENTRIES.

The Entries, accompanied by the Entrance Fees, must be sent to the Secretary, C.A., 4, Southampton Row, London, W.C.1., so as to reach her not later than the first post on Wednesday, 2nd September.

Competitors must give with their entries the address at which messages will reach them during the Tournament.

#### DRAW.

The Draw will take place at 4, Southampton Row, London, W.C.1., on Wednesday, September 2nd, at 2.30 p.m.

#### PLAY.

Play will begin at 10 a.m. daily unless otherwise notified.

Competitors must report themselves to the Manager on arrival, and ascertain, if not previously notified, at what hour they must be ready to play.

Any Competitor who wishes to leave the ground before the conclusion of play must obtain the permission of the Manager.

Any Competitor who is not present, or is otherwise unable to play when called upon to do so, will be liable to be scratched.

## ROEHAMPTON CLUB

### OPEN CROQUET TOURNAMENT

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st, and Five Following Days

(Under the Laws and Regulations of the Croquet Association)

Committee.—The Croquet Committee of the Roehampton Club.

Manager.—Miss D. A. Lintern.

Referee.—Mr. T. Wood-Hill.

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

Secretary.—The Games Secretary, Roehampton Club, London, S.W.15.

Assistant Referees may be appointed under Reg. 15(a).

#### EVENTS.

1.—THE RANELAGH GOLD CUP. Holder, Mr. J. G. Warwick. Draw and Process. Entrance Fee, 10s.

2.—OPEN SINGLES (CLASS B). Open to Competitors with a handicap of 1 bisque or more. Variation B. Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d.

3.—HANDICAP SINGLES (CLASS C). Open to Competitors with a handicap of 4 bisques or more. Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d.

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

4.—X & Y HANDICAP SINGLES. In this event shortened games may be played in accordance with Reg. 12 at the discretion of the Manager. Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d.

5.—HANDICAP DOUBLES. Combined handicaps not less than 1 bisque. Entrance Fee, 5s. each person.

#### CONDITIONS.

Entries for Events 1, 2, 3 and 4, must reach the Games Secretary, accompanied by the Entrance Fee, by first post on Thursday, September 17th, 1953. Entries for Event 5 close on Tuesday, September 22nd. The Draw will take place at 2 p.m. on Thursday, September 17th.

Play will commence at 10 a.m. Eight Courts will be provided and Eclipse Balls used. Standard  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in. Hoops.

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

Competitors will be made Honorary Members of the Club during the Tournament.



**DEVONSHIRE PARK, EASTBOURNE****SOUTH OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS  
THE FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL  
OPEN TOURNAMENT**

will start on

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th, 1953**and continue during the following two weeks.  
(Held under the Laws and Regulations of the C.A.)

Committee.—The Entertainments Committee of the County Borough of Eastbourne, the Tournament Committee of the Council of the C.A., and the following local representatives of the C.A.—The Lord Tolemache, Lt.-Col. R. A. Irwin, L. D. P. Swift, Esq., Capt. H. C. Davey and N. Oddie, Esq.

Manager.—Rev. B. V. F. Brackenbury.

Referee.—Mrs. E. Reeve, who will nominate Assistant Referees under Regulation 15 (a).

Handicapper.—M. B. Reckitt.

Secretary.—The Secretary, The Croquet Association, 4, Southampton Row, London, W.C.1 (to whom all entries should be sent before Tuesday, September 22nd).

**EVENTS.**

- 1.—**OPEN SINGLES. THE CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.** Open to all competitors. (See Conditions below.) Entrance Fee, 12s. Holder of the perpetual Challenge Trophy presented by the late Mrs. A. C. Ionides—Dr. W. R. D. Wiggins.
- 2.—**MEN'S OPEN SINGLES. THE MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.** Open to all men competitors. (See Conditions below.) Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d. Holder of the perpetual Gold Challenge Cup presented by the late Capt. C. L. O'Callaghan.—W. Longman.
- 3.—**WOMEN'S OPEN SINGLES. THE WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND.** Open to all women competitors. (See Conditions below.) Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d. Holder of the perpetual Challenge Trophy presented by Mrs. H. Franc.—Miss D. D. Steel.
- 4.—**"B" LEVEL SINGLES.** Open to competitors handicapped at 1½ to 4½ bisques inclusive. (See Conditions below.) Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d. Holder of the perpetual Silver Challenge Salver presented by the Devonshire Park Company.—Mrs. V. C. Gasson.
- 5.—**"C" LEVEL SINGLES.** Open to competitors handicapped at 5 to 8½ bisques inclusive. (See Conditions below.) Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d. Holder of the Challenge Trophy presented by the late E. Sydney Luard, Esq.—N. L. Bright.
- 6.—**"D" LEVEL SINGLES.** Open to competitors handicapped at 9 bisques or over. (See Conditions below.) Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d. Holder of the perpetual Challenge Cup presented by the late Trevor Williams, Esq.—Mrs. C. M. Turner.
- 7.—**UNRESTRICTED LEVEL DOUBLES.** (See Conditions below.) Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d. each competitor. Played under Variation "B."
- 8.—**RESTRICTED HANDICAP DOUBLES.** Open to pairs with combined handicaps of not less than 1 bisque. (See Conditions below.) Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d. each competitor.
- 9.—**HANDICAP SINGLES.** To be drawn in one block. **THE "SUSSEX" PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP.** (See Conditions below.) Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d.
- 10.—**LIMITED HANDICAP SINGLES.** Limited to competitors handicapped at 1½ bisques or over. Competitors in this event may not enter for Events 1, 2 or 3, or 7. Shortened games if necessary. Entrance Fee, 8s. 6d.

**CONDITIONS.**

- 1.—In Event 1, matches best of three games will be played throughout. In all other events matches of single games will be played.
- 2.—Competitors may not enter for more than two of Events 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.
- 3.—Law 44 will be suspended in Events 4, 5 and 6.

4.—Play in Events 1 and 4 will begin on Monday, September 28th; in Events 5 and 9 on Tuesday, September 29th; in Event 7 on Wednesday, September 30th; in Event 6 on Thursday, October 1st; in Events 2 and 3 on Friday, October 2nd; in Event 8 on Monday, October 5th; in Event 10 at the discretion of the Manager.

5.—Events 1 and 7 will be completed by Monday, October 5th.

Players in Events 2, 3 or 6 may enter for Event 9 on the understanding that they will not be called upon to play in that event before Friday, October 2nd.

**INFORMATION.**

**ENTRIES.**—Entries accompanied by Entrance Fees for all Events except 7 and 8 must reach the Secretary, The Croquet Association, 4 Southampton Row, London, W.C.1, by Tuesday, September 22nd (do not send entries to Devonshire Park). Cheques and postal orders should be made payable to The Croquet Association.

Non-Associates must also pay a tribute of 10s. to the C.A., as this is an Official Tournament, or 5s. if they enter in only one event; 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 Tournament.

**DRAW.**—The Draw for all Events, except Events 7 and 8, will take place at the C.A. Office, 4 Southampton Row, at 11.30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 23rd. The Draw for Event 7 will take place at Devonshire Park at noon on Tuesday, September 29th, and for Event 8 at Devonshire Park at noon on Saturday, October 3rd.

**COURTS AND EQUIPMENT.**—Ten courts will be provided at Devonshire Park, and competitors must also be prepared to play on the courts at the Compton Club if required. Jaques' Eclipse balls and hoops, 3¼ inches wide, will be used.

**PLAY.**—Play will begin at 10 a.m. daily, or earlier, if necessary, and will continue until daylight fails.

Competitors in Events 1 and 4, will be notified, and must be prepared to play, if they are required, at 10 a.m., or some later hour, on Monday, September 28th.

All competitors must report themselves to the Manager on arrival at the ground each day and must ascertain if they have not been notified previously, at what hour they are required to play; if they wish to leave the ground before the conclusion of play, they must first obtain the permission of the Manager.

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

Before leaving the ground for the day, competitors should not fail to consult the order of play announced on the board for the following day.

A competitor who is not present or is otherwise unable to play when called upon to do so, will be liable to be scratched under Regulation 24 (a) (i).

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**—No leave should be applied for, nor could it be granted, save in exceptional circumstances.

**HEELS.**—In accordance with Regulation 24 (a) (iv) competitors are liable to be scratched if they do not wear such flat-soled boots or shoes as cannot damage the courts.

**PRIZES.**—In addition to the Challenge Trophies mentioned, two prizes will be given in each Event with 8 entries, and the number of other prizes will be in accordance with the number of entries.

The Challenge Trophies may be held by the winners for one year or until the next Tournament, whichever is the shorter period.

**ACCOMMODATION.**—The following hotels are recommended:—

Licensed.—Alexandra, Beaulieu, Burlington, Caversham, Cumberland, Grand, Hydro, Kenilworth Court, Queen's and Sussex.

Unlicensed.—Devonshire Court, Lansdowne, New Wilmington and Westrocks.

**CATERING.**—Morning coffee and afternoon teas will be provided daily at Devonshire Park.

**ADMISSION.**—Associates will be admitted free on production of their Membership Cards. Otherwise, admission is 1s.

# CROQUET EXHIBITION MATCHES

will be held on the lawns of the

ALL ENGLAND LAWN TENNIS AND  
CROQUET CLUB

at

WIMBLEDON

on the afternoon of

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th

ALL ASSOCIATES ARE ASKED TO SUPPORT THE CROQUET  
ASSOCIATION BY BEING PRESENT AND BRINGING THEIR  
FRIENDS

ENTRANCE 1/6

# DEVONSHIRE PARK, EASTBOURNE

*Saturday, October 3rd, 1953*

## *A Match*

## MEN v. WOMEN

*Teams selected by:*

**J. W. SOLOMON, Winner of the Men's Championship, 1953**

**Mrs. E. ROTHERHAM, Winner of the Women's Championship, 1953**

### *Men*

E. P. C. COTTER  
W. W. S. ESCOTT  
C. W. R. HODGES  
M. B. RECKITT  
J. W. SOLOMON  
DR. W. R. D. WIGGINS

### *Women*

MRS. L. H. ASHTON  
MISS D. A. LINTERN  
MRS. W. LONGMAN  
MRS. N. ODDIE  
MRS. E. ROTHERHAM  
ANOTHER

### *Doubles Pairs*

E. P. C. COTTER & J. W. SOLOMON

C. W. R. HODGES & DR. W. R. D. WIGGINS

W. W. S. ESCOTT & M. B. RECKITT

MISS D. A. LINTERN & MRS. W. LONGMAN

MRS. L. H. ASHTON & MRS. N. ODDIE

MRS. E. ROTHERHAM & ANOTHER

Play will commence at 10.30 a.m.

Six singles will be played in the afternoon

Three doubles in the morning