



NEWSLETTER



May 2017

Congratulations

Our very own vice Captain, **Andrew Georgiou** is now the Herga Junior champion. Well done!!



A very shiny cup!

In addition congratulations to **John Southgate** who won the men's pairs with Glen Adams.



I keep being informed of more glory for Harrow members. I have been informed that **Jai Mahadeo** and **Anne Sharples** with Pam Gollop won the Ladies Open Triples competition.



Both looking very modest!

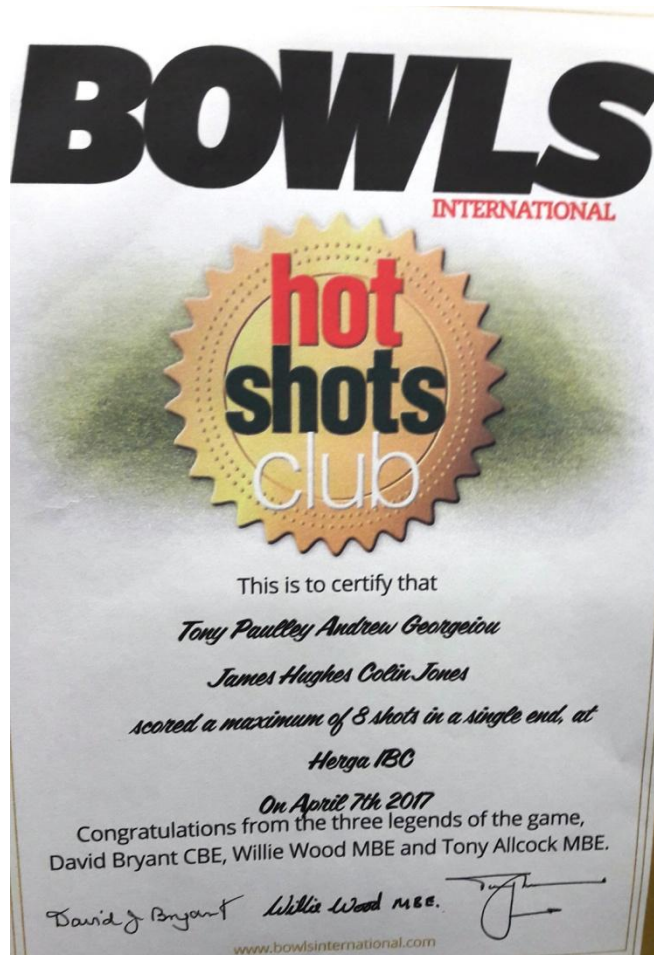
But now no longer in the shade..of Cyprus!



Congratulations also to **Kath Smith** and **Brian Elbourne** who were runners up in the mixed triples competition at Herga.

Congratulations to our **own hot shots**.

Wow! Look at the 3 signatures at the bottom.



Len Smith knows the answer!

The picture below was in the last newsletter and further information has been provided by Len Smith.



When the clubhouse was built a gap was left at the front so that water could drain away rather than going into the clubhouse after a heavy downfall. Unfortunately someone decided to fill in the gap with concrete plus the pebbles spelling out HBC and this has created some problems in the past.

Our condolences to the Hadland family

Mary Warner sent out the following email to members on 5th May: -

“It's my sad duty to let you all know of the loss of another former member. **Binks Hadland** passed away yesterday after being unwell for some time. She survived her husband, Doug, by only a few weeks and we send our condolences to the Hadland family.”

I have an image of Doug greeting Binks to his new residence – both restored to their former glory and relishing each other's company once again.

Her funeral is on Tuesday 30th May at 1.15pm at St Anselm's Church, 74 Elm Hatch, Westfield Park, Pinner HA5 4JL. The Committal is at Breakspear Crematorium, Breakspear Rd, Middlesex HA4 7SJ at 2.45pm. The wake will be at the Barn Hotel, West End Road, Ruislip, Middx. HA4 6JB at 3.30-7pm. Everyone who would like to attend is welcome. However if you intend to go, please inform Mary Warner who will pass numbers to Yvonne, Binks and Doug's daughter.

Mark Snell announced that there will be a new competition next year in honour of Doug. It will be an over 80s competition played for the Doug Hadland cup and the Hadland family are kindly donating the cup.

Further sad news

Lily Barrett

Some of you will remember a former social member and Herga founder, Lily Barrett. Sadly she has passed away. Details of her funeral are as follows: 18th May 2017 at Breakspear Crematorium, East Chapel, 12.00 midday. Roy Wake remembers Lily as a lovely lady who always had a smile on face. He said the following “I have known Lily for over 20 years. She and her husband Frank regularly attended our Ladies Festivals. They were both very good ballroom dancers, which they thoroughly enjoyed. Frank and Ted Moyle were both key instigators in forming of Herga Indoor Bowls Club and were original directors. Lily was a very good bowler in her day. The restaurant is still named as the Frank Barrett restaurant. Lily continued to help out at Herga until about 3 or 4 years ago.”

Similar sentiments were expressed by Sheilah Lowe.

“Lily and her husband worked tirelessly to make Herga successful. She came every year for enrolment and took all of our details meticulously, continuing after her husband Frank died. She enjoyed herself meeting us all and was such a lovely friendly person. We missed her when she was not able to come any more.”

Jim Hughes will be attending Lily's cremation, to represent Herga and indeed Harrow as she was a social member at Harrow Bowls Club for many years.

Kevin Bulman

Mary was informed by John Kingdom that Kevin Bulman passed away on the 11th May after a long illness. Kevin Bulman was a former President and Captain and his name can of course be seen on the board behind Roy's table.

He will be cremated and interred with his wife Sylvia at North Shore Cemetery, Auckland. Sylvia was John Kingdom's wife's sister, and Kevin introduced John to bowls at HBC. John lives in New Zealand but still enjoys his bowls.

If anyone wishes to share their memories of Kevin please pass the information to me to be included in the next newsletter. Pat Austin, for instance, remembers that although he was not a big supporter of the ladies' game when she won her Middlesex badge in 1996, he was very supportive, gave her a lot of advice and he also came and watched her.

Members may also be interested to read some of the history of the club, prepared by Mike Rosenthal. This can now be found on our website and a picture of Kevin Bulman can be seen on p 49 (plus information on p 37, 54 and 63) together with some of our current members. It is interesting to see that a number of them look exactly the same now as then. Pictures in attics come to mind.

Club Night results

Date	Top rink	Football winners	Catering	Bar
28/04/17	Barry Miller Barry Rudolph Brian Moates *Not counting to points total	Elaine Wake £20 Sheilah Lowe £10	Eileen Goodall Alan Goodall Mary Hughes Jim Hughes	Mike Rosenthal
01/05/17	Barry Miller Grant Rickells Roy Wake	BANK HOLIDAY FUN ROLL UP **	34 players	
05/05/17	Shelagh Zachariades Gerry Musgrave Kris Beejay Roy Wake	Rita Haigh £20 Grant Rickells £10	Elaine Wake Maurice Tate Barry Rudolph	Mike Rosenthal
12/05/17	Marios Zachariades Shelagh Zachariades Paul Adams Phil Bayley	Mark Snell £20 Rita Haigh £10	Kath Smith Len Smith Anthony Gray	Mike Rosenthal

Thanks to **Tony Ret for cutting the grass on Monday and Friday whilst many of the green team were in Devon.



Devon Holiday

51 enthusiastic members of HBC descended on Langstone Cliff Hotel, Dawlish Warren and enjoyed excellent food and 2 welcoming local bowls clubs as well as incredibly good weather. Naturally Dennis Alder was on hand to relax in the hot sun in his customary position!



His tranquillity was only interrupted when an audacious seagull helped himself to part of Dennis' sandwich, thereby causing much amusement to onlookers!



Looks like Dennis himself!

The game at Bitton Park, played in glorious sunshine ended in a 3 rinks all draw although we were heavily outpointed (124 -101).



Top rink went to Shelagh Zachariades, Ann Sharples, Pat Austin and Peter Lee. We very much enjoyed the company of their players for a second year.



Clearly the sun shines on the righteous!

There was a much closer match at the lovely Topsham club and this time we lost by only 3 points (113-110).



More hospitality



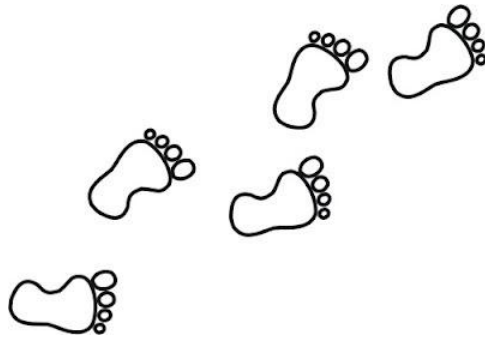
Top rink went to Isabelita John, Fay Mortimer, Rex Freeman and Ian Gibbins.



Why only a photo of the top rink at Topsham? Is it because they are more photogenic than top rink at Bitton Park or is it because it was impossible to get Peter Lee and Ann Sharples into the same photo because of height differences?

The quiz night as last year led to much hilarity. Last year's champions, now renamed Queen (We are the champions) were able to regain their crown. Despite strong competition from "Sounds of the seventies" (consisting of only 4/5 players) and "Failures", Queen (consisting of team leader Elaine Wake together with Mary Warner, Doreen Bayley, Roy Wake, Phil Bayley, Mary Hughes, Jim Hughes, Marios Zachariades [whose only helpful suggestion was that Pavlova was a tennis player!] and Shelagh Zachariades) were eventually able to overcome Anne Snell's attempts to confuse them by her "deliberate" mispronouncements.

Further controversy arose when Jim Hughes was spotted looking at his phone. A thorough investigation by adjudicator Mark Snell exonerated Jim from cheating and accepted his explanation that he was once again proudly looking at the footage of his first grandson taking his first steps.



Thanks were extended to Anne Snell for posing the questions and putting up with much ribbing and Mark Snell for his (largely unsuccessful) attempts to keep the alcohol fuelled rabble under control and of course to Neil Goodman for providing the quiz.

On the last night awards were presented and thanks extended. The latter particularly to Anne and Mark for their sterling work in organising the holiday, ensuring everyone felt happy and included and in dealing with any problems which arose. Roy Wake presented a thank you card and voucher to Anne on behalf of everyone.

The golf prize went to Phil Bayley and Doreen and Graham Emery.



The most unusual award went to Barry Miller for the best “Back flip in a shower or bath”! As a result of this manoeuvre Barry broke some ribs and spent several days in Exeter Hospital only coming home on the Saturday after we returned. A get well card was presented by Anne Snell to Jai Mahadeo, our welfare officer to give to Barry. Anne, Mark and Jai had only returned at 4.30am on Tuesday morning so it is a wonder that Anne was able to read any of the quiz questions properly! Naturally before leaving the Hospital that night they had to take a picture to be included in the newsletter!!



NB. Barry himself has sanctioned the inclusion of this photo. Jai was having trouble sending it on email so I received it via text which probably explains its quality. Jai suggested a heading “high on morphine” and the fuzzy nature of the photo probably makes you feel that you too are in a drug induced state!

Clearly Barry needs to learn from his namesake, Windy Miller of Trumpton fame. He flirted with danger when leaving the mill but always avoided being struck by the vanes/sails of the windmill!



A note from Anne and Mark

Just a note to thank you all for the Debenhams's voucher you so kindly gave us at the end of our Bowl's Tour to Devon which we really appreciate. We were certainly blessed with beautiful weather and two enjoyable bowls games despite the fact that we were not triumphant this year – maybe an excuse to return next year for a final showdown!! A lot of fun and laughter was had by all though one member (who shall remain nameless) slightly overstepped the mark by attempting a double back flip in the bath!! We are pleased to report that he is now back home and we look forward to seeing him at the Club again soon – though sadly he will not be bowling for a while!! Thank you again to you all for making it such a memorable trip!!

Open Day

Report from coach, Geoff Thomas.

The day started at 7.30 with heavy rain but by the time we all arrived to prepare the green and have the woods ready the weather was much improved.

Our volunteers came ready for action for 10am. Jim had his 2 friends come at 10.16am (Jim 1 minute late!) and after a chat and coffee, they were off to the green with Anne and Jim.



We then waited for someone else to coach. The wait went on a few hours and some of us had a bit of a roll up ourselves. Mr Moates' team won the morning roll up from the triple match.

Action at last! From 12.30pm until 4pm we had another 18 people attend plus 2 families with young children, who were looked after by Sheilah Lowe and used very small woods.

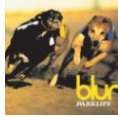
The afternoon club roll up had to be abandoned as we needed to use all 6 rinks for our guests, and we had a very positive response from several people who will be coming back for further coaching with a view to becoming club members.

Anne and I would like to thank everyone who came along in whatever capacity to help out on this very successful day, and we look forward to seeing our new club members in due cause.



Results

04/05/17: Vets A home to Eastcote. Won on all 3 rinks. 68 – 38. 5 points



Park Life



Our president Mark Snell recently had an inspired idea

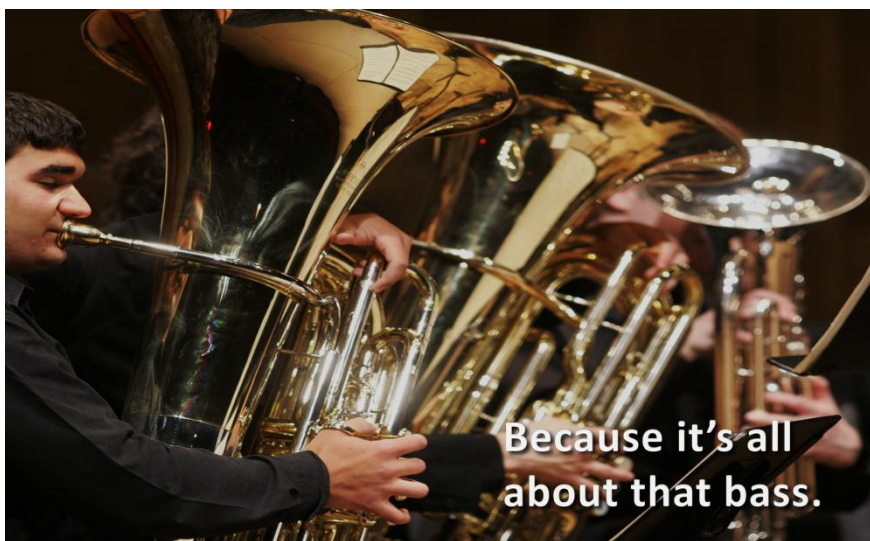


(an uncanny likeness!)

whilst walking to the club through the lovely Harrow Recreation ground. The spring 2017 Harrow Recreation newsletter gave good publicity to our Open Day and Mark thought that we could reciprocate by publicising some of their forthcoming events. So here goes:



4th June **Harrow Concert Band** 2.30 – 4.30



Because it's all about that bass.

Harrow Concert Band

- We are a local amateur concert wind band, looking for musicians of any standard (ideally with previous ensemble experience) aged 16 and upwards. We rehearse at Harrow Arts Centre on Sunday Mornings from 10:00 until 12:00
- We would love to hear from you if you play: Flute, Clarinet, Bassoon, Trumpet, Trombone, French Horn, Euphonium, Tuba, Percussion
- For more information, please email secretary@harrowconcertband.org.uk

18th June **Glen Trew Band** 2.30 – 4.30



2nd July **Dog Show and Afternoon Tea** 2.30 – 5

Surely an opportunity for our very own non bowling member, Solo to shine.



Boot Camps every Thursday.



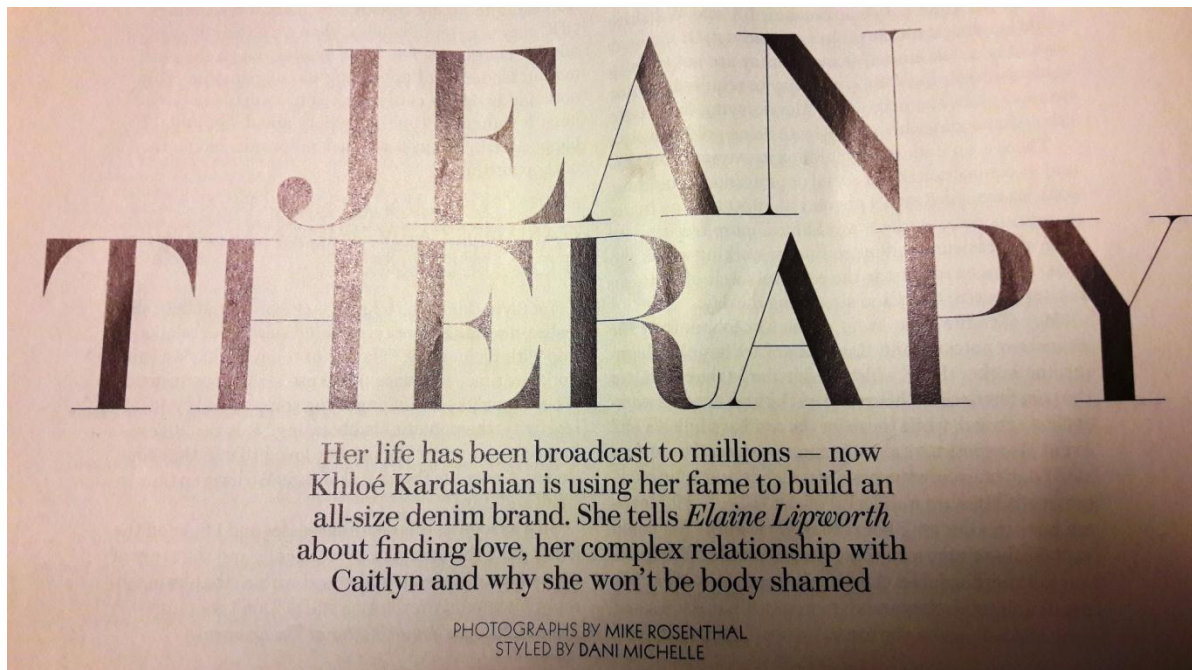
Free exercise sessions at 10 am in the basketball court. The instructor Claudia Manera adapts the routine to be suitable for all ages and level of fitness.

Queen's Sapphire Anniversary

Despite the recent panic in the press about Prince Philip's health and the screening of King Charles III we hope the Queen will make it to her Sapphire Jubilee. We are preparing to celebrate this event on Sunday 2nd July.

More famous faces at HBC?

Magan and Sonia recently spotted the following in the Evening Standard magazine.



We know that Geoff Thomas has taken up photography seriously - concentrating on night photography.



But is this our own Mike Rosenthal following suit?



Whoever knew that Mike Rosenthal mixed with those famous for being famous!!



Topical quote

Overheard in the Club House:

“Is that the name of Teresa May’s husband, Mr May?”!!!



