

NEWSLETTER





September 2018

Thanks to Maureen Alder for the above Hot Shot certificate and congratulations to Nick La Femina, Allan Pulford and Steve Wyatt for achieving 9 shots in a triples in one end.

The secretary, Mary Warner, has put the list up for the Club Officers next year. Do consider putting your name forward for one of the posts.

As the season draws to a close, remember you can stay in touch with your friends by joining Herga and /or joining in with short mat bowls at HBC. Sessions on Tuesday pm and Thursday pm starting on Tuesday 16th October.



The next newsletter will report on the Captain's versus Vice Captain's day, the Alicante trip, Herga versus Harrow match and the Dinner Dance.

August Friday night winners: Jim Hughes and Sandie Parker jointly.

August shots winner: Tony Oakes and Sandie Parker.

Date	Top rink	Football winners	Catering	Bar
17/8/18	Anne Musgrave	£20 Barry	Maureen	Mike
	Marios Zach	Rudolph	Alder	Rosenthal
	Eric Carpenter	£10 Nick la	Liz Mitchell	Colin
		Femina	David Gillan	Hobbs
24/8/18	Terry Liddle	£20 Phil Bayley	Faye Mortimer	Mike
	Elaine Wake	£10 Roy Wake	Pauline	Rosenthal
	Peter Lee	*Drawn by special	Dimmock	Colin
		visitor	Brian Moates	Hobbs
31/08/18	Steve Wyatt	£20 Rex Freeman	Myriam Tsang	Mike
*	Barry Rudolph	£10 Pat Austin	Ian Gibbins	Rosenthal
	Jim Hughes		Rex Freeman	Colin
				Hobbs
07/09/18	Myriam Tsang	£20 Barry	Anne	Mike
	Sam Brown	Rudolph	Musgrave	Rosenthal
	Grant Rickells	£10 Myriam	Gerry	Colin
		Tsang	Musgrave	Hobbs
			Alan Bellamy	
			Gavin	
			Hampton	
14/09/18	Nick Woolford	£20 Nick	John Barrett	ColinHobbs
A very	Liz Mitchell	Woolford	Eric Everatt	Efficiently
special	Jim Waller	£10 Pauline	Tony Paulley	serving
good bye	Jim Hughes	Dimmock	(Janet Everatt	drinks paid
evening			purchasing	for by
to Di and			and	Geoff
Geoff **			overseeing!)	Thomas!

** 2006 was clearly a vintage year for new bowlers as that is the year when not only our Captain Roy Wake joined but also our coach Geoff Thomas. Geoff has been so central to the life and successful growth of our club. He has been on the Friday green team, a committee member, H&D rep, and been responsible for the beautiful display of roses. He has been an excellent and very hard working coach responsible for many new players joining the club. He has instigated the Tuesday roll up and the very successful antique bowls day.

The 34 players and numerous others who turned out to give Geoff a big send off were pleased to discover that Geoff intends to return next year to run that day again.



A full house.

Geoff was presented with an engraved tankard and a card expressing how much we will miss Geoff as he moves to Suffolk.





Zachary Gillham proudly collecting a bar voucher on behalf of Jim Hughes. Delighted when Jim allowed him to keep it. Now a special souvenir of his visit. He was also so pleased to draw the football raffle but didn't manage to get the team chosen by his grandparents Shelagh and Marios Z!



"Congratulations to Anne Snell and Mary Warner who beat Harefield in the H&D pairs to progress to the semi final. Unfortunately they lost a close match to the Hill 13-15."





The information in the last newsletter with regard to the H&D pairs was both right and wrong! They are through to the semi final but they have

not lost the next round.



Clearly I misunderstood some information written in Roy's Friday book. I usually photograph the relevant part now to get the results information.

Both Roy and I often have difficulty in deciphering the squiggles on the page amidst many crossings out. Roy would be happy if the information is put on the page on post it notes.



Strangely it was announced on 24/08 that Anne and Mary had lost the next match to The Mill!! Looks like I have the gift of prophesy (except I got the name a bit wrong).



Congratulations to Janet Everatt, Mary Warner, Mary Hughes and Anne Snell who won in the H&D fours away to Preston Park and then beat the Mill so are through to the final.

Congratulations to Mike Clements and Brian Moates who beat Harefield in H&D quarter finals.

Congratulations to the following who are through to next round of the Portman Cup. Singles: Mike Clements, Pairs: Jim Hughes, Grant Rickells, Triples: Tony Paulley, Brian Moates, Magan Kanjia.

Congratulations to HBC who beat West Harrow to retain the Potts cup. Thanks to Sandie Parker for the following picture, showing Roy trying not to step on the infected West Harrow rinks, while proudly displaying the cup, which will have another year happily living in our trophy cabinet.



Congratulations to Jai Mahadeo, Elaine Wake, Maureen Alder and Pat Austin who played Hendon in H&D league final and only lost on the last end with the last wood.

Congratulations to John Southgate, Grant Rickells, Jim Hughes and Geoff Thomas who were runners up in the H&D 4s final on 1st September. They got a runners up engraved wine glass each.



As reported last month

Harrow vets A are winners of the H & D division 1 vets league.



Captain of Vets A receiving the shield.

Gala day

Well, what did I tell you?

Spend Bank Holiday in Harrow at the HBC Gala day and have fun.

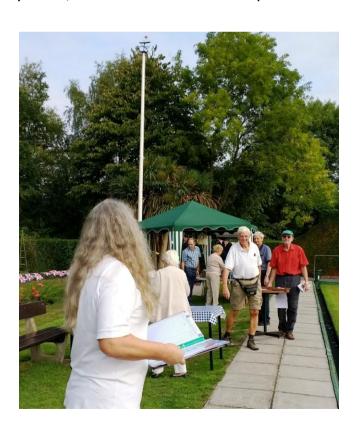
And was I correct?

I certainly was!

After a rainy Sunday, Bank holiday Monday was ideal weather. The fete was organised with military precision by the 3 muskateers.



(Well, more precisely Liz Mitchell, Jeanette Swaffield and Janet Everatt.) They arrived with clear plans, floats, signs and necessary equipment for the many stalls, as well as heavies to respond to the bosses.



Stallholders arrived early to set up their stalls and then had fun trying out games on other stalls. As well as the tried and tested ones, there were new ideas such as "Guess the baby", boules "higher or lower" and darts.

Dennis Alder and Solo, who regularly feature in the newsletter, adopted their usual resting pose.



Mary Warner suggested one of the reclining babies was probably Dennis! Is she right, Dennis?





What about the young drinker. Is this Rex?



This competition will reappear in a different (and easier?) format next year so the answers will not be revealed. Let's have a picture of Solo as a puppy next year so we can all get 1 right! I am impressed that Allan Pulford got so many right (see list below).

The morning passed incredibly quickly and it was time for the auction of promises run with his usual enthusiasm by our captain Roy Wake. Some great offers were on the table and the auction raised £840.



All morning Maureen Alder and Pat Austin had been beavering away preparing a delicious lunch of jacket potatoes with chilli con carne, tuna and cheese filling and salad. How they managed to cater for so many people and even squeeze round to deliver the food in such a crowded clubhouse, I don't know. What was even more remarkable was that they played the fun match in the afternoon! Did they sleep for a week afterwards?

lan and Rex kept up the excitement with the horse race game.



Remarkably the first race was won by Solo (although I didn't notice him give in his £2!)



"I'd prefer extra biscuits!!"

Before the afternoon game we had the inevitable spider competition.



If the spider doesn't get you, Elaine will.

"Andrew, fancy eating a choc ice rather than drinking a glass of wine!"

Meanwhile Anne Musgrave waits patiently for the spider to arrive.



Won by Peter Lee. (The spider competition , I mean, not Anne!)



Thanks to Doreen and Phil Bayley for organising the fun bowls match. This gave Nick Woolford the chance to show off his new (nearly) unique baseball hat which was donated by Geoff Thomas and which he acquired in the auction of promises.



We all wondered why our lovely coach and club photographer (and baseball hat donator!) Geoff Thomas was leaving us. Now we know. It is nothing to do with the redevelopment of the Civic Centre site after all. Rather, he has been driven from the club by none other than our Captain Roy. Clearly Geoff has been fraternising with Roy's innocent young wife, Elaine!



Thanks for all your photos of the Gala day, Geoff.

Following tea provided by Faye Mortimer and Pauline Dimmock, the various prize winners were announced.

STALLS & EVENTS - PRIZE WINNERS

STALL	PRIZE	NOTE	WINNERS	
Guess the Weight of Ann Sharples' Cake	The cake	Nobody guessed the exact weight (3 lb 5oz). 3 guessed within 1 oz so flipped coin to decide who would win the cake and who the wine.	Cake winner = Eileen Goodall Bottles of Wine = Fay Mortimer & Sara Rosenthal	
Guess the Number of items in a jar	The jar of sweets	Correct No. = 275 Closest guess = 267	Sandie Parker	
Target Boulle	Overall winner wins bottle of wine	Highest Score = 19	Jack Webb	
Treasure Hunt	Bottle of Wine		Eric Jansson	
Marathon Quiz	Bottle of Wine		Mary Warner	
Bagatelle	Bottle of Wine	Highest Score = 495	Tony Paulley	
Darts	Bottle of Wine	Highest Score = 84	Jim Waller	
"Rising Draw" 101- 200	1st = £50 2nd = £20 3rd = Box of chocs		1st = Liz Mitchell 2nd = Grant Rickells 3rd = Jan Douglas [Visitor]	
Golf – two challenges	Golf 1 = Bottle of Wine Golf 2 = Bottle of Wine	Golf 1 = 4 people scored 40 Golf 2 = 3 people scored 34	Golf 1 = Andrew Georgiou, Steve Wyatt, Barry Rudolf, Nick Woolford Golf 2 = Sandy Parker Polly Lee Elizabeth Barral	
Molkky (skittles)	Bottle of Wine	Highest Score = 23	Eric Everatt	
Match the Adult to the Baby Picture	Bottle of Port	Highest correct = 9	Allan Pulford	
"Guess my name and I'll buy you a drink"	Choice of can of beer/shandy/cider or glass of wine.	Cat Name = Wiskie	Anne Musgrave	
Shove Ha'penny	Bottle of Wine	Highest Score = 26	Wendy Wyatt	
14:15 hrs Spider Game	Bottle of Whisky		Peter Lee	

NOTE: ALL PRIZES WERE DONATED



A red faced organiser wins the £50"rising draw" competition. Our President, Mark Snell thanked the many people involved in making the day such a financial and social success. This included the various caterers, 25 stall holders and Mike Rosenthal and Colin Hobbs behind the bar.

All those who provided items for auction, and who bid, were thanked. In addition Phil Bayley undertook not only his treasurer's duties but was also victorious in the afternoon match. His team won 108 shots to 102 against Doreen's. His top rink was John Austin, Anne Snell and Sylvia Colbourne. Doreen's was Barry Rudolph, David Gillan and Liz Mitchell.

But the biggest thanks must go to 3 newish members who took on the organisation and running of the event with such panache and style.

(I think I am turning into Nicholas Parsons!)



Not only was it great fun but it raised over £2000.



Janet Everatt, Liz Mitchell and Jeanette Swaffield
A splendid trio!

Club Finals days

On Friday 14th September 5 keenly contested matches were played overseen by Maurice Tate as umpire. Mike Clements was triumphant in the Centenary Challenge winning in 3 closely fought sets against Jim Hughes – both regular finalists.



However it was great that a number of the events involved newer members so the honours board will be resplendent with some new names.

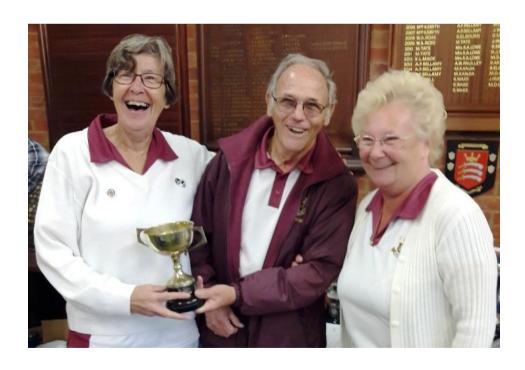
Gerry and Anne Musgrave fought off a strong challenge from newbees

Jeanette Swaffield And Liz Mitchell in the named pairs competition.





In another close encounter Shelagh Zachariades beat Elaine Wake in the Ladies handicap.



The triples was won by Andrew Georgiou, Gavin Hampton and Sheilah Lowe.



And especially significant was the inaugural over 80s competition. This is played for the Doug Hadland cup which was presented by Doug's family and was won by Dennis Alder who beat Barry Miller in an excellent final. I think Doug would have been delighted with the standard of the competition and final. He was loved by all at HBC and many were keen to see their name on the honours board as the first winners of this cup. Maureen Alder had certainly expressed that wish but she was delighted that Dennis will be the first winner especially as this will be his last season of bowling.



Dennis won the Junior competition in 2000 - his first year here and felt a lovely symmetry to go out on a win in his last season bowling.





He couldn't resist a photo with his first cup which is now proudly held by another newish member Gavin Hampton.





We enjoyed a glorious Saturday of weather and bowling with Len Smith umpiring in the morning and Sheilah Lowe in the afternoon and evening.



Is this heaven?
In the Over 65s, Jim Hughes was this time triumphant over Mike Clements.



The drawn pairs was another opportunity for Dennis Alder (with Roy Wake) to win a further trophy. They were however defeated by Sandie Parker (another newish member) and Ian Gibbins.



A closely fought match in the Ladies 2 woods saw a 14 all draw with one end to go. With her final wood Jai Mahadeo got shot wood and so was once again winner of that trophy.



The 2 matches traditionally played on the Saturday afternoon were both closely fought. Magan Kanjia triumphing in the Men's Championship and Anne Snell in the Ladies.





Mary Warner, who was runner up, was impressed with the runner up trophy! Tony Oakes was delighted with his win in the Singles handicap.





In the afternoon we were delighted to see Steve Fox on his second official outing following his skiing accident in which he broke his leg. Thanks to Allan Pulford who gave him a lift.

As a beautiful Saturday evening draws to a close, the last match of the two days draws to an end.

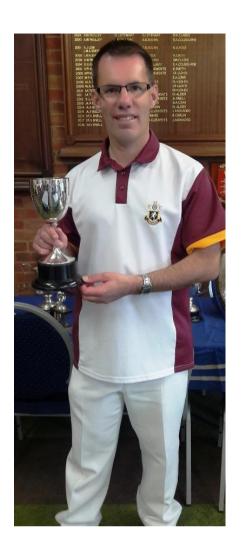


This was the third match played by Mike Clements on the Saturday and the second of his matches marked by Andrew Georgiou.





Clearly both Andrew and Solo were finding the day rather tiring and decided to rest while Mike had a short break – was he getting coaching from Colin behind the bar? Eventually Brian Moates was victorious in this Men's 2 woods competition.



Results

Sun 12/08/18: TCL away to Court Park. Lost 70-77. 2 triples each.
4 points to 6.

Top rink: Mike Rosenthal, Elaine Wake, Peter Sharples, Maurice Tate.

Mon 13/08/18: Vets B home to Deane Park. Lost 37-53. 0 points to 4.

Tues 14/08/18: Vets A away to Hendon. Lost 1-4 points.

Wed 15/08/18: Vets B away to Stanmore. Lost 44-45. 2 t to 1.

2 points to 3.

Wed 15/08/18: Bidgood A home to Century. Won 46 - 19. 4 points to 0.

Thurs 16/08/18: C&T + 2 friendlies home to Ladygate. Won 64-41.

10 points to 0.

Top rink: Mary Warner, Grant Rickells, Jim Hughes.

Sat 18/08/18: Friendly home to North Greenford. Won 88 – 24.

Top rink: Paul Adams, Elaine Wake, Roy Wake.

Sun 19/08/18: Away to West Harrow in Potts Trophy. Won 95-73.

Top rink: Mike Rosenthal, Maureen Alder, Jim Hughes.

Mon 20/08/18: Bidgood home to Ruislip. Won 42-23. 4 points to 0.

Mon 20/08/18: Friendly away to Chalfont St Giles. Lost 56-77.

Top rink: Mary Warner, Barry Miller, Roy Wake.

Wed 22/08/18: Vets B home to Northwood. Won 2-1. 52 shots to 46.

4 points to 1.

Thurs 23/08/18: Friendly away to Pinner. Lost 50-87. 4 points to 0.

Thurs 23/08/18: Ladies away to Harrow Weald. Lost 1-3.

Sat 25/08/18: TCL home to Fassnidge. Lost 75-81. 3 points to 7.

Top rink: Paul Adams, Elaine Wake, Grant Rickells,

Maurice Tate

Wed 29/08/18: Friendly away to Bushey. Lost 81-85. 2 rinks each.

Top rink: Dennis Wood, Jai Mahadeo, Elaine Wake,

Mark Snell

Thurs 30/08/18: Ladies WL home to Harrow Weald. Lost. 1 triple each.

Tues 11/09/18: Ladies WL won at home in both rinks and got maximum points so finishing in 3rd place.

Thurs 13/09/18: Friendly at home to Wealdstone. Won 79 -63.

Top rink: Polly Lee, Pater Lee, Roy Wake.

Sometimes Roy bemoans having to report on too many lost matches against other teams. I will refer him to Mike Rosenthal's history of the club. In 1973 of the 51 matches played only 18 were won!

FinallyWere we visited by UFOs?



Or did Donald Trump



overhear comments about him from HBC members?

Looks like he sent a drone to investigate.



Thanks to Sheilah Lowe for photos and idea.

Good job Solo was not around as he might have thought it was edible!

And **finally, finally** also seen hovering near our green



Is this toilet block about to be deposited on Anthony Gray's head?













