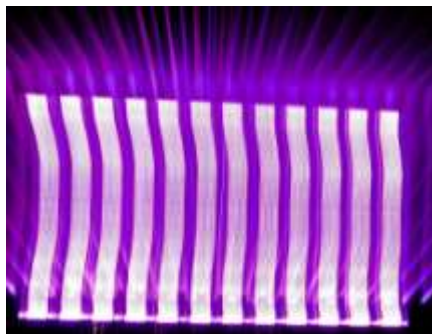
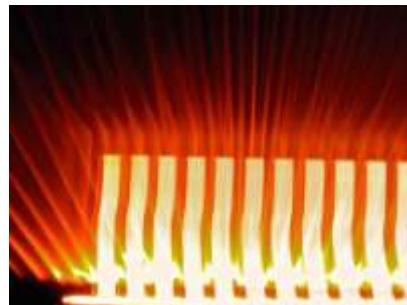




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Welcome back to Geoff Thomas for the antique bowls day.



Together with 4 of Geoff's unique photos.

This time they are of Felixstowe Pier.

Date	Top rink	Football winners	Catering	Bar
26/7/19	Sandie Parker Sam Brown Jim Waller Phil Bayley	Tony Paulley Geoff Freeman	Elaine Wake Maureen Alder Ann Sharples Barry Rudolph	Mike Rosenthal Mary Hughes
02/8/19*	Dennis Wood Gavin Hampton Peter Sharples	Brian Moates Barry Miller	Alan Bellamy Geoff Freeman Steven Trevelyan Chris Hope	Mike Rosenthal Maurice Tate
09/8/19**	Steve Trevelyan Mary Warner Elaine Wake	None	Doreen Bayley Phil Bayley Tony Ret	Mike Rosenthal Colin Hobbs
16/8/19	None because of Weather	None	Sandie Parker Roland Pettitt Mike Clements	Mike Rosenthal
23/8/19 ***	Ann Sharples Nick La Femina Peter Sharples	Mick Ridsdale Solo	Mary Hughes Jim Hughes Jim Waller	Mike Rosenthal Colin Hobbs
30/8/19 **** §	Sandie Parker Ann Sharples Peter Lee	Nick La Femina Marios Zachariades	Myriam Tsang Ian Gibbins Rex Freeman	Mike Rosenthal Colin Hobbs

*Welcome to Nabuko who is with us till the end of the season.

**Welcome to Dietmar Thivessen who will hopefully be with us a lot longer!

***Welcome to Michael Toher.

****Welcome to Mort Mascarenhas.

§ Our thoughts are with Betty Carlin who has had a suspected heart attack and been transferred to Harefield Hospital.

Another Trophy

Last month the Potts trophy, now the Jubilee Cup.



More work for the engraver.

Results

- Sat 20.07.19 Portman Trophy away to the Mill. Lost all 3.
- Sat 20.07.19 Friendly home to Watford. Won 4, drew 1.
Top rink: Dennis Wood, Pat Austin, Grant Rickells.
- Sun 21.07.19 TCL home to Court Park. Won 4 -0. 95 to 623 shots.
10 points to 0.
Top rink: Mary Warner, Polly Lee, Grant Rickells, Roy Wake.
- Mon 22.07.19 Vets B away to Eastcote. Won 3 -0. 58 o 41. 5 points to 0.
- Tues 23.07.19 Bidgood B home to Ladygate. Lost 19 to 48.
- Tues 23.07.19 Bidgood A. Home to the Mill. Won 40 – 29. 4 points to 0.
- Wed 24.07.19 C&T away to Deane Park. Won 2 to 1. 61 to 50.
8 points to 2.
Top rink: Maureen Alder, Tony Paulley, Maurice Tate.
- Thurs 25.07.19 Vets A home to Ladygate. Postponed.
- Sat 27.07.19 Lost away to Fassnidge in TCL. 64 – 81. 3 points to 7.
Top rink: Mike Rosenthal, Barry Miller, Elaine Wake, Grant Rickells.
- Sun 28.07.19 Won Jubilee Cup home to Harrow Weald (see photo above)
Won 3 rinks to 1. 89 – 55
Top rink: Mary Warner, Grant Rickells, Roy Wake.
- Tues 30.07.19 C&T home to Harefield. Lost 34 -60. 0 points to 10.
2 friendlies won.
Top rink: Mike Rosenthal, Paul Adams, Mark Snell.
- Wed 31.07.19 C&T + 2 friendlies away to Ladygate. Won 60 – 49.
Top rink: Liz Mitchell, Brian Moates, Magan Kanjia.
- Thurs 01.08.19 Vets A cup home to Northwood. Won 63- 35.

Now in semi final on 3rd September.

Sat 03.08.19 Lost at home in Middlesex league to Ladygate 42 to 72.
1 point to 9.

Sun 04.08.19 Friendly away to Wendover.

An army marches on its tummy!

Clearly the motto of HBC as they marched (or more accurately drove) into the country in an attempt to defeat Wendover BC.

Refuelling at the Red Lion before battle.



(Barry you really don't want to see the test match score!)

Despite 4 closely fought rinks, we were ultimately unsuccessful in our aim.

We lost 2 rinks to 3. 82 – 101.

Top rink went to Myriam Tsang, Dennis Wood, Polly Lee and Peter Lee.

Perhaps we were slowed down by the consumed calories not to mention alcohol!

If so, Wendover were determined to slow us even further by providing another calorific, but tasty, meal at the end.



Despite our loss this was a lovely day out in the country.

Results cont.

- Sun 11.08.19 TCL away to Court Park. Lost 3, drew 1. 60 – 96.
Top rink: Mary Warner, Tony Paulley, Grant Rickells, Roy Wake.
- Tues 13.08.19 Vets A home to Hendon. Won 45 to 31. 4 ½ to ½ .
- Tues 13.08.19 Bidgood B won away to Stanmore. 46 to 27. 4 points.
- Wed 14.08.19 Vets B at home to Stanmore. Cancelled. 2 ½ points each.
- Thurs 15.08.19 C&T home to Ladygate. Lost 52 to 53 2 points to 8.

- Sat 17.08.19 Top rink: Mary Hughes, Maurice Tate, Jim Hughes.
Friendly home to North Greenford. Won 53 to 52.
Top rink: Mary Warner, Peter Sharples, Roy Wake.
- Sun 18.08.19 Friendly away to West Harrow. Won 2 to 1. 56 to 36.
Top rink: Alan Goodall, Mary Hughes, Jim Hughes.
- Wed 21.08.19 Ladies Weald league away to Harrow Weald. They cancelled.
- Wed 21.08.19 Vets B won home to Northwood. 53 to 39 and promoted!
- Thurs 22.08.19 Friendly away to Pinner. Lost 1 to 3. 57 to 71.
Top rink: Dennis Wood, Doreen Bayley, Andrew Georgiou.
- Fri 23.08.19 Vets A home to Lady gate. Won 2 rinks to 1. 4 points to 1.
Won league for 2nd year in a row.
- Sat 24.08.19 TCL home to Fassnidge. 2 rinks each but 81 to 93 shots.
Top rink: Jai Mahadeo, Peter Sharples, Elaine Wake, Peter Lee.
- Sun 25.08.19 Coronation Shield. Lost by 9 shots overall.
- Wed 28.08.19 Friendly home to Bushey. They failed to turn up so we had a match against each other.
Top rink: Anne Snell, Doreen Bayley, Tony Ret, Mark Snell.
- Wed 28.08.19 Vets B away to West Harrow. Lost overall on shots 40-50.
- Thurs 29.08.19 Ladies Weald league home to Harrow Weald. Won both rinks. 40 – 12 shots. 4 points.

Congratulations to Mary Hughes, Mary Warner and Anne Snell who beat Hendon in H&D triples. 19 -11.

Congratulations to Tony Paulley, Brian Moates, Alan Bellamy and Mike Clements who beat Eastcote in H&D 4s and are now into semi finals.

Congratulations to vets B team who have been promoted.

Congratulations to vets A team who have won the league for the 2nd time in a row.

Congratulations to Bidgood B who have been promoted. More on this in next newsletter.

Congratulations to Eileen Goodall for the way she has transformed the entrance to the clubhouse after the fir trees were removed.



From desert

through to



...delight.

Pat Austin also praised Eileen Goodall and team for their monumental effort in catering for HBC hosting of the H&DWBA match with Watford WBA.

The following email was received from H&DWBA *“On behalf of the above association, I would like to say a big thank you to all the people who served a fantastic meal. Could you thank all those people who helped to make our association very welcome. It was really appreciated by all.”*

Eileen devised the following splendid menu.



The team survived ..just about!
Let's hope the plants can survive the strong winds experienced on
Antique Bowls day.



They are a little windswept. A few stormy hours still to go!

Antique Bowls day

Look who the gale force wind blew in from Suffolk!



Just in time for our antique bowls day! Luckily the woods were blown here too.

THE ANNUAL ANTIQUE BOWLS COMPETITION
 Saturday 10th August 2019 at 10.00am
 Play list + start times + rinks (the home player is named first)

	'A' LEAGUE	'B' LEAGUE	'C' LEAGUE	'D' LEAGUE
	RINK 1	RINK 2	RINK 3	RINK 4
10.00	✓ Peter 5 v Phil ✓	Grant v Peter L	Mary v Allan	Myriam v Polly
10.30	Phil v Barry	Peter L v Elaine ✓	Allan v Ann	✓ Polly v Shellah
11.00	Peter 5 v Roy ✓	Grant v Doreen	Mary v Anthony	Myriam v Mick
11.30	Barry v Peter 5	Elaine v Grant	Ann v Mary	Shellah v Myriam
12.00	Roy v Barry	Doreen v Elaine	Anthony v Ann	Mick v Shellah
12.30	Phil v Roy	Peter L v Doreen	Allan v Anthony	Polly v Mick

1.00pm Lunch break, please bring your own food.
 (B.B.Q, weather permitting)

2.00pm Semi-final (A random draw of the four League winners)

2.30pm Final (the two semi-final winners)

If any members wish to play, a social roll up can be arranged after the final and presentation

Please read notice board for competition rules

All games: 2 woods and 8 ends only

Toss for the first mat (the mat then to change hands after **EVERY END!**)

Score system: Win - 2 Points; Tie - 1 Point

In the event of a tie, then the League winner will be decided on shot difference

For the semi-finals and final only, in the event of a tie an extra end will be played

(All times approximate depending on weather!)

J.Hughes, L. Mitchell, M. Hughes 2019



Liz coping with the organisation of the Antique Bowls day.

Her daughter looking understandably shocked to be roped in too!



Geoff, being a good station master, brings refreshment to the workers.



Old (sorry Jim) and new member, Mick Ridsdale, both hoping to triumph in this prestigious competition.

Solo is clearly sad



to think how foolish human beings are (including his master and mistress)



to play in such windy conditions.

Our ladies captain Doreen looks somewhat windswept.



Let's hope she isn't blown into confusion.



Clearly the fate of the scoreboard!

I missed the afternoon session so I could attend an ignominious defeat of Watford by Brighton. An embarrassingly early exit from Nick Woolford's football competition as well as a worrying start to the season.

As a result I didn't know who these groupies are supporting.
 (Thanks to Sheilah Lowe for following photos.)



Could it be winner for the second year in a row – Grant Rickells?



We were all grateful that we avoided any fallen trees.



Thanks to Andrew Georgiou for photo.



Was it the wind that caused our super efficient Mary to not only look a bit blurred but also to be wearing Elaine's coat?

All is revealed in Roy's email to me headed

"Can our secretary be trusted with keys?"!

After an enjoyable game against North Greenford some of us decided to go out for a meal including Mary who had come in our car with her bowls bag in Phil's. After a nice meal and drinks it was time to leave. Mary put on her coat, put her hands in her pockets and stated she had lost her door key, which she said were in there when we left the club. We made her turn out her handbag in case she had put them in there. Alas no key. We searched the pub, still no keys. Next search was my car, still no keys so we made her turn out her handbag again whilst Phil searched his car boot, still no keys. Panic started to set in with Mary wondering how she was going to get into her flat as no-one else had a key. With that I looked at Mary and said why are you wearing Elaine's coat?!

So she put on her own coat and guess where the key was!!!

Answers on a postcard please



The Gala Day on August Bank Holiday

On a temperature record breaking August Bank Holiday Monday, the troops arrived to set up for the morning session which was to be opened to the public for the first time.





As well as much industry, there were some strange sights which raised a number of questions.



Is Polly introducing a new social animal member to the club – a cat as a companion to Solo?



Have the Pulfords decided the club needs a spring clean?



Are Eric and Mick bowing to the cricket gods in memory of the ashes win?



Has Dennis decided the newsletter is missing his obligatory seated pose?



Is Mary greeting Roy who saved her from total panic about her “lost” key?



Oh no, she is just demonstraring the throwing of the horseshoe!

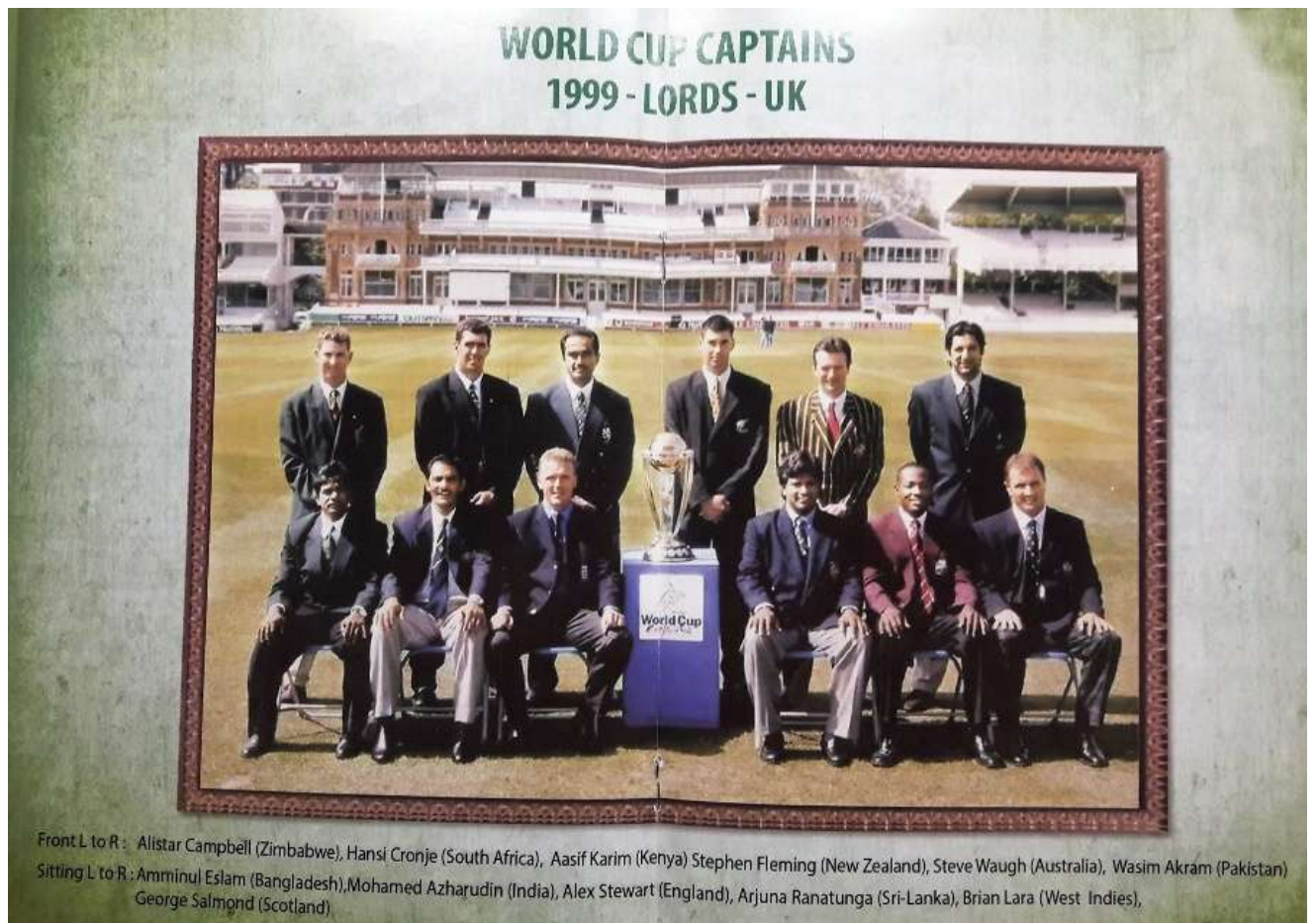
Opening the morning session to the general public not only provided more people to contribute money but gave the public the chance to try bowls and to see what a friendly crowd we are.



One of those visitors rather stunned Anne Snell when he took to the game like a duck to water, getting the wood to the jack consistently with a natural smooth action. She was unsurprised when he informed her that although he hadn't played bowls before, he had been the Kenyan national cricket captain! What's more he came again 2 days later for coaching and brought with him a very interesting magazine all about "The Kenyan dynasty".



The middle spread shows all the 1999 World Cup captains at Lords.



Aasif Karim is keen to continue playing during his many expected times in Britain when he will visit his daughter who will be at University here.

Not only is this newsletter sent to Chesham (Delphine), Bicester (the Lloyds), Suffolk (Geoff) and Brighton (Jamie's daughter) but it is also viewed in Australia and South Africa (Nick LF) but now it will be seen in Japan and Kenya. Truly we are becoming an international club!

Some "old" friends turned up for the day. Delphine Brown, George and Renee Lloyd and even Jamie McDonald (who hardly mentioned his recent top rinks!!) Great to see Jan here again.



Faye and Pauline were tasked with providing most welcome tea at the end of a very hot day. Mike and Colin were as usual providing liquid refreshment throughout the day.

After 12.30 non club members left and stalls were cleared away so that Roy Wake could run the Auction of promises in his usual impeccable manner.



Our president Mark Snell thanked everyone involved in the day

The caterers for lunch certainly drew the short straw on such a hot day. The club house was hot and crowded making it difficult to squeeze between chairs to distribute the food. As many of the long tables were being used in the morning it was not possible to fully set up before the hungry troops arrived. Despite these difficulties the catering team of Maureen Alder, Ann Sharples, Pat Austin and Sandie Parker did a magnificent job.



Nabuko is clearly wondering about the sanity of her club mates as they get very excited about a horse race without horses.



Is Liz celebrating because she has just won the spider competition or because the meticulously planned Gala Day is going so well?!

Any slight doubt in Nabuko's mind that Brits are crazy was overturned by our afternoon fun match organised splendidly by our ladies captain Doreen Bayley. Having just about mastered the rules of bowls, Nabuko is now expected to play a game where the jack is cast last!!

STALLS & EVENTS - 2019 PRIZE WINNERS

STALL	PRIZE	NOTE	WINNERS
Guess the Weight of Ann Sharples' Cake (+ plate)	The cake	Nobody guessed the exact weight (3 lb 6½oz). 2 guessed within 1½ oz so flipped coin to decide who would win the cake and who the wine.	Cake winner = Polly Lee Bottle of Wine = Rene Lloyd
Guess the Number of items in a jar	The jar of sweets	Correct No. = 74 Closest guess = 75	Steve Wyatt
Target Boule	Overall winner wins bottle of wine	Highest Score = 9	Andrew Georgiou
Treasure Hunt	Bottle of Wine	Treasure located at: Isle of Arran	Liz Mitchell
"Are you a HotShot?"	Bottle of Wine		Tony Oakes
Bagatelle	Bottle of Wine	Highest Score = 435	Alan Goodall
Darts	Bottle of Wine	Highest Score = 76	Liz Mitchell
"Rising Draw" 101-200	1st = Bottle of Rum 2nd = Bottle of Sherry 3rd = Bottle of Wine		1st = Roy Wake 2nd = John Alder 3rd = Myriam Tsang
Golf – two challenges	Golf 1 = Boxes of Sweets Golf 2 = Bottle of Wine	Golf 1 = 3 people scored 60 Golf 2 = scored 25	Golf 1 = Barry Rudolph Gavin Hampton Peter Lee Golf 2 = Delphine Brown
Molky (skittles)	Bottle of Wine	Highest Score = 20	Barry Rudolph
Match the Adult to the Baby Picture	1st = Bottle of Wine 2nd = Box of Chocolates 3rd = Box of Biscuits	Highest correct = 17 2nd & 3rd = 8	1st = Gavin Hampton 2nd = Shelagh Z 3rd = Jai M
"Cat - Guess my name"	Bottle of Wine	Cat Name = Spike	Rajan (Visitor - gave incorrect contact number)
Shove Ha'penny	Bottle of Wine	Highest Score = 27	Alan Goodall
14:15 hrs Spider	Bottle of Gin		Liz Mitchell

Game			
14:30 hrs Fun Bowls Match	Bottles of Wine	Top Star Team Top Moon Team	Brian Moates Alan Goodall Myriam Tsang Liz Mitchell Steve Wyatt Peter Sharples

NOTE: ALL PRIZES WERE DONATED

The above table compiled by Liz Mitchell. Yet another example of her efficiency! Liz was ably assisted by Janet Everatt, Sandie Parker and Jeanette Swaffield, but Jeanette stated that 95% of the work was undertaken by Liz. In fact Liz has had no time to bowl for about 3 weeks!!

The answers to the Baby picture competition have been displayed by Myriam in the clubhouse. So obvious when you know the answers!!

Amount raised £2143.

Thanks to our treasurer, Phil Bayley for the many hours he spent sorting out the money.

Members went away tired but happy. Some were particularly encumbered with prizes.



For instance Alan Goodall, who is here modelling the latest addition to the garden from Peter Lee, which is designed to show Eileen Goodall's beautiful flowers even more.

What's more there is evidence that Eileen's passion for gardening has extended to growing plants on our precious bowls green!!



Why else were we finding sneaky patches of flora on our green?



How many of these plants will end up growing ON our green?

What energy our very successful social secretary has. Following the Gala Day, it was all round to the Swaffields with the Liddles and the Wyatts for drinks and an Indian takeaway till 1.15am!!! Impressive.



I saw this in a shop window.

Perhaps it should be the new HBC motto.



Don't grow up – it's a trap!



