



**September 2022**



**Newsletter**



Date	Top rink	Catering	Bar
05/8/22	Kamalpreet Loyal Jim Waller Gerry Musgrave	Mary Hughes Jim Hughes Eric Everatt Kris Beejay	Alan Goodall
12/8/22	Isabellita John Geoff Thomas Polly Lee Peter Lee	Maureen Alder Steve Wyatt Howard Greenwood	Liz Mitchell Peter Mitchell Magan Kanjia
19/8/22	Olly Mazzitelli Steve Fox Grant Rickells	John Southgate Terry Liddle Steve Wyatt	Peter Swaffield
26/8/22	Kamalpreet Loyal Grant Rickells Peter Lee	Myriam Tsang Dennis Wood Gavin Hampton	Brian Elbourn

September information follows in the next newsletter

## **Gala Day 29<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

The day before the Bank holiday saw a small team of helpers gathering items together under Liz's instructions to speed things up on the morning itself. Liz had of course got everything immaculately prepared and organised.

On the day itself, P J D'Cruz took some great photos which in themselves tell the story of the day. All hands were on deck to set up in time for the arrival of non club members.



Fran and Allan did a great "Silhouette" challenge.



The gazebos had been set up on the Sunday and the tombola tickets organised.



Luckily a penguin was on hand to assist Anthony and Dennis.

Some rested in readiness for the day ahead.  
And checked if they had sufficient finances  
(otherwise, the treasurer could help out?!)





So it is not a Mediterranean diet that leads to such healthy Greeks but the ability to rest in the midst of action!



Once the locals were signed in the fun began in earnest.



A chance to play



And chat with the family



And try and win great (?) prizes



And to discover where Solo's biscuits were hidden



I think Peter should have been barred from the competition



as Solo was clearly trying to help



Who wouldn't want to win this?

There was a chance to try out bowls ...for a small fee.



Start them young



We recorded the names of some potential new members.





Some visitors with potential came from the south coast!

How did they find us? Who did they come with?



Wow! They were with Jamie!

Jamie's very attractive daughter and granddaughter keen to get a hot shot!

Avoid the tattoos!



An opportunity to get not only plants but also advice from our resident expert Eileen Goodall.



Come on Dennis ! You must need some plants for your new home.



Eventually it was time for the public to leave and for packing up to begin in readiness for the rest of the day.



And time for a well earned drink...  
And a lovely lunch thanks to Jeanette and crew.



Then the famous auction of promises



Followed by the race horse game



Backwards and forwards they went



Would the game ever end?

Eventually it happened much to everyone's delight...even those who lost.

They need a rest now!



Now it was time for the spider.

Despite being prepared to brave the streets of London all night, our secretary Mary Warner is apparently afraid of the poor inanimate object and so got nowhere near it!

I'm sure the spider was equally afraid of Mary's multicoloured trousers!!





Yes Olly, it is your wood closest!  
Before beginning our afternoon match the rather confusing rules needed explaining.



Some looked baffled including Peter Lee.



Luckily Polly had no such difficulty and Polly together with Phil and Grant were the overall winners.



At the end of the day time for tea and cakes and announcements.



Liz Mitchell sent the following email to everyone a few days later.

**Thank you to everyone who helped in any way with Gala Day. Those who set-up, took down, counted the cash, ran stalls and activities, donated plants, bottles and bric-a-brac, made jam, baked cakes, pies and pastries, prepared lunch, afternoon tea and organised the bowls match. All your efforts contributed to the success of the event.**

**We managed to raise £1,633.65 which should cover the cost of our new dishwasher.**

*[Yes, our new dishwasher has been delivered and I understand Allan Pulford and Jim Waller will be installing new cables for the machine at the weekend so it should be operational next week (fingers crossed)! Hooray!]*

## GALA DAY - PRIZE WINNERS

Stall	Prize	Won by	With a score/ guess of:	Correct amount/ Guess:
Guess the number of SWEETS in the jar	Jar of Sweets	Liz Mitchell	105	134
Treasure Hunt	Tin of Biscuits	Peter Swaffield		
Guess my Name	Wine	Grant Rickells	Grundy	
Bagatelle	Wine	Brent ( <i>visitor</i> )	310	
Darts	Wine	Alex Georgiou	100	
Fran & Allan's Challenge ("Silhouette")	Wine	Barry Rudolph	33	35
Golf 1	Wine	Mike ( <i>visitor</i> )	60	
Golf 2	Wine Wine	Tie: Ian Gibbins & Barry Rudolph	25	
Shove Ha'penny	Wine	Matthew B ( <i>visitor</i> )	35	
Target Boules	Tin of Quality Street	Charlie Morsley ( <i>visitor</i> )	14	
Guess the Weight of the Cake	Fruit Cake Wine	Allan Bellamy Anthony Georgiou	2lb 2oz 2lb 4oz	2lb 3oz
Spider Game	Hamper	Olly Mazzitelli		

Liz assisted by Jeanette announced the prize winners and handed out the prizes.





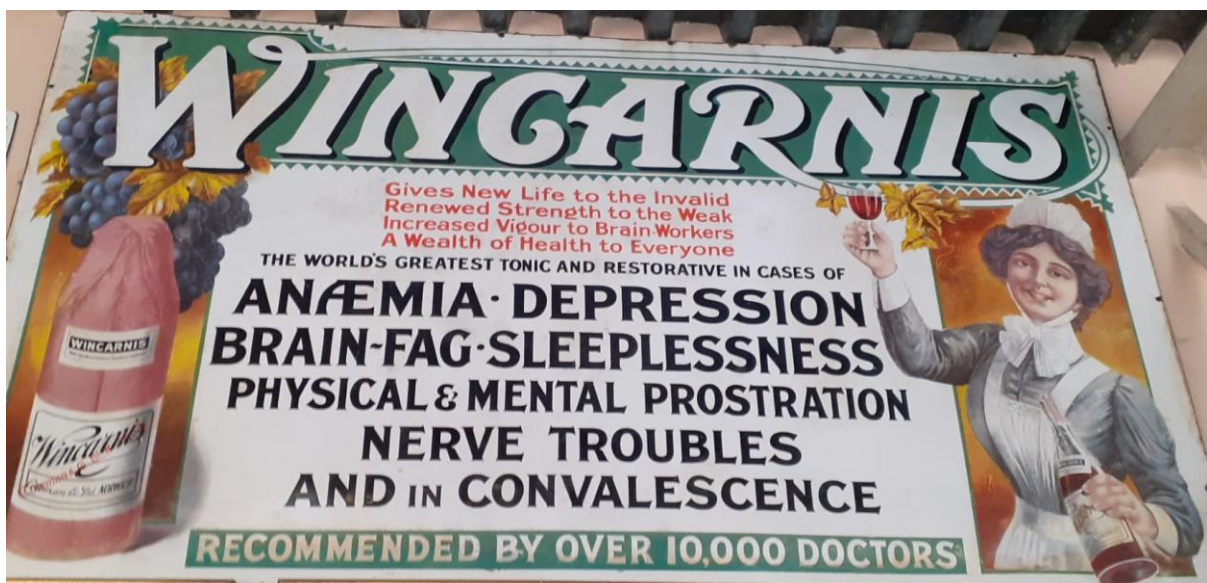
But of course the main thanks should go to Liz for her incredible organisation and Jeanette for the brilliant food. The help of their wonderful crew and splendid husbands should not go uncommented.

One final act before Roy closed the proceedings was undertaken by our treasurer, Phil Bayley. As well as giving out all the floats and counting all the money in the morning and playing and winning in the afternoon, Phil got the 100 club numbers drawn out.



1. The lucky winners of the August 100 Club are as follows:
2. No. 17 Sam Brown £78.75
3. No. 98 Pat Austin £39.38
4. No. 39 Terry Liddle £23.62
5. No. 50 Dennis Wood £15.75

**A few people need some of this following all that effort!**



This advert was spotted on the auction of promises lot offered by Peter and Jeanette Swaffield and won by Liz and Peter Mitchell and redeemed on the finals reserve day on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September. It looks so great that I really must bid on it next year (if it is offered again!) even if it clashes with finals reserve day.



## Finals Days

Having arrived at 10.30 on a chilly but bright morning expecting to have to set up all the rinks for the Friday matches, I was delighted to find that members of the Green Team had already done the job.



The iron had decided to stop working and was stuck on rink 5 but after many attempts the “King of the Iron” Terry Liddle managed to get it going again. He not only ironed the green on the Friday but again on the Saturday and impressively managed to avoid landing in the ditch!



The green looked magnificent on both days as did the surrounding area with the flower beds still resplendent.

A testament to the hard work of Eileen and Alan Goodall.



Friday and Saturday morning sessions were overseen by Brian Elbourn with the other sessions umpired by Alan Bellamy and Gerry Musgrave.



Mike Clements will yet again be on the honours board having overcome Jim Hughes in the Over 65 competition.



Rex Freeman will be collecting a “runners up” trophy this year, as well as the cups of any non attendees at the dinner dance. However he was prevented from collecting the Junior trophy by David Gillan.



Despite a splendid effort on my part! Anne Snell won the Ladies handicap.



The afternoon saw Howard Greenwood, Barry Rudolph and Mort Mascarenhas triumph over Allan Pulford, Tony Ret and Jim Hughes.



A very close named pair competition between Polly and Peter Lee and Phil Bayley and Grant Rickells required an extra end to settle it.



Polly and Peter took the victory in a match enjoyed by everyone.



Not least as choc ices were on sale for only 30p!



The next day was again hot enough for ice cream for those sitting in the shelter of the clubhouse. Unfortunately they were all sold. The players were donning warmer clothes due to a cold wind.

Mort will have his name on the board again having defeated Brian Moates in the 2 woods.





The other match played in the morning (Jim Hughes and Barry Rudolph against Gavin Hampton and Anne Snell) was a long drawn out match (appropriate for the Drawn Pairs!) with some excellent bowling.



A head which required considerable thought!

And then a bit more thought.



It is good to see the umpire earn his keep!!



Good job Harrow Times was not present to observe the following scene on the bowls green!



Was this relief at winning in time for Gavin to get to his QPR match before it finished ...or something Mark should be investigating?

I hope it was a good 0.0 draw against Stoke, Gavin!!



The afternoon saw 5 victors in 5 finals. The first was Polly Lee who beat Marios Zachariades in the over 80's competition.



The Centenary Challenge went to 3 sets with Jim Hughes winning the first before Grant Rickells hit peak form to win the remaining 2 sets.





Brian Moates had a somewhat (!) difficult task in the Singles Handicap of handing 12 shots to Prakash Kotecha! Prakash was only coached last season and joined towards the latter part of the season and so received a handicap of 3. However he showed during the indoor season that he was a very enthusiastic player who was keen to practise and improve. He was a good cricketer and is still a cricket umpire so is a formidable opponent, even without the 12 point start. Brian did well to only lose 21 to 12



The Ladies Championship was won in fine style by Mary Warner, who continued her consistent form in beating Liz Mitchell - marked in her final official act with HBC by Maureen Alder.



Not content with such exploits she rushed home before going up to London to spend the night queuing to see the Queen's coffin lying in state. She then felt inspired to spend the next night at Parliament Square ready for the funeral. She obtained a prime position in Parliament Square as can be seen from the following photo.



The men's championship was a fiercely contested event. Did Magan Kanjia and Peter Lee care that the marker Terry Liddle had been up at the crack of dawn



to iron the green? It would appear not as they were tying at 14 all after 21 ends. After the 25 end Magan needed only 1 shot to win but was thwarted in the next 2 ends. Eventually Magan managed the win on the 28<sup>th</sup> end.





Now it looks like Magan is getting ready for short mat!





## Results

- Sun 31/07/22 Jubilee cup v Harrow Weald. Won 3 to 1. 67 to 56  
Top rink: PJ D'Cruz, Anne Snell and Magan Kanjia
- Tues 02/08/22 C&T away to Harefield. Lost 1 to 2. 43 to 66. 2 points to 8  
Friendly lost  
Top rink: Jeanette Swaffield, Peter Lee, Alan Bellamy.
- Wed 03/08/22 C & T away to Ladygate. Lost 1 rink to 2. 36 to 58.  
2 points to 8.  
Top rink: Liz Mitchell, Grant Rickells, Alan Bellamy
- Sat 06/08/22 MML home to Ladygate. Won 2 rinks to 1. 8 points to 2.  
Top rink: Gerry Musgrave, Barry Miller, Brian Moates,  
Alan Bellamy.
- Mon 08/08/22 Friendly home to Oxhey. Lost 1 rink to 2. 38 to 56  
Top rink: Marios Z, Jeanette Swaffield, Phil Bayley
- Tues 09/08/22 Vets A home to Stanmore. 2.5 points each. Draw
- Wed 10/08/22 Hosted H&DWBA
- Thurs 11/08/22 Vets B away to Lupton. Cancelled due to very hot weather.
- Thurs 11/08/22 Ladies v Stanmore played despite very hot weather.  
Lost but survived.
- Sat 13/08/22 Antique Bowls. Winner Anne Snell. R/U Barry Miller
- Mon 15/08/22 Vets B away to Bessingby. Lost
- Tues 16/08/22 Vets A home to Hendon. Lost 1 to 2 rinks.
- Wed 17/08/22 Away to Oxhey Pavilion. Won 2 to 1. 39 to 14.  
Top rink: Pradip Tailor, Barry Rudolph, Elaine Wake
- Thurs 18/08/22 Home to Deane Park. C&T Won 3 to 0. 63 to 41. 10 points.  
Top rink: Liz Mitchell, Mort Mascarenhas, Peter Lee

Sat 20/08/22 Friendly home to North Greenford won 84 to 66.  
Won 3 and drew 1 rink  
Top rink: Mary Warner, Allan Pulford, Roy Wake

Tues 23/08/22 Friendly away to Pinner. Lost 0 to 4. 59 to 92.  
Worst loss this season!

Wed 24/08/22 Vets B won away to Lupton. 3 points to 1

Wed 31/08/22 Away to Rickmansworth. **Cancelled by us as not enough players signed up. The Captain Roy was very unhappy as this was a new fixture and there were a large number of players playing at the Wednesday afternoon roll up.**

### **Congratulations to**

Mike Clements and Brian Moates who won the semi final of the H&D pairs v Eastcote. Mike Clements, Brian Moates and Grant Rickells who won the semi finals of the triples v Eastcote and the team who played against Ladygate in the Portman trophy semi finals and won.

**September results in the next newsletter.**



**AND FINALLY but most importantly...THANK YOU to Dennis and Maureen Alder for paying for drinks for everyone on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September before their move to Watford. We hope they will come back VERY frequently to see us.**





