



**September 2024**



Date	Top rink	Catering	Bar
30/08/24	Anne Musgrave Gerry Musgrave Brian Moates	Mary Warner Dawn Allwood Sue Higgs	Dave Higgs
06/09/24	Marios Zach Shelagh Zach Jim Waller	Steve Fox Mort Mascarenhas Chris Tozzi	Mark Snell
13/09/24	Anthony Gray Elaine Wake Mike Keller	Kamalpreet Loyal Satnam Loyal Myriam Tsang	Liz Mitchell
20/09/24	Kamalpreet Loyal Gerry Musgrave John Southgate Mike Keller	Jeanette Swaffield Peter Swaffield Jill Stokes	Pradip Tailor

September Friday night results: points Marios Zach and Shelagh Zach and shots winner Gerry Musgrave.

Overall Friday night winner is again Grant Rickells.

## Results

24/08/2024: ML Harrow v Masonians. Won 53 to 34. 10 points.

**Congratulations** on promotion from West 2 to west 1.

31/08/2024: F v Cowley. Won 57 to 48.

Top rink: Myriam Tsang, Eric Everatt, Phil Bayley.

01/09/2024: F v The Mill. Lost 60 to 82.

Top rink: Mary Warner, Elaine Wake, Grant Rickells.

03/09/2024: Vets A cup. Semi final. Lost to Ladygate.

05/09/2024: Ladies Fv Northwood. Cancelled by them.

11/09/2024: F away to Court Park: Won 85 to 56.

Top rink: Tony Ret, Anne Snell, Peter Lee.

17/09/2024: F away to Iver Heath. Lost 40 to 49.

Top rink: Anne Snell, Shelagh Zach, Mark Snell.

18/09/2024: F home to Pavilion. Won 67 to 53.

Top rink: Sandie Parker, Jeanette Swaffield, Grant Rickells.

## **Sad news before all the good news.**

We were sad to hear of the death of long standing member Pauline Dimmock.

In her email informing members of Pauline's death. Mary Warner wrote:

*It is with great sadness that I inform you of the death of Pauline Dimmock, who passed away last Friday after a long illness.*

*Pauline joined the Club in 1993 with her husband, Stuart, who went on to win the Junior Championship in 1996. Pauline enjoyed her bowls but on an informal basis. She never went in for competitions. She was, however, a whizz at catering and helped in the kitchen at a time when bowls clubs were expected to provide meals quite regularly. Her husband predeceased her and a bench in his memory can be seen at the back of the green.*

*Pauline is survived by her three children, Mark, Alison and Paul.*

# Pauline Joyce Dimmock



**FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2024**

12.45pm ~ FUNERAL SERVICE  
BREAKSPEAR CREMATORIUM, BREAKSPEAR ROAD, RUISLIP, HA4 7SJ

Following the service ~ RECEPTION  
LOWLANDS TENNIS CLUB, LOWLANDS ROAD, EASTCOTE, HA5 1TU

Donations, if desired, in memory of Pauline may be given to Michael Sobell House  
<https://paulinedimmock.muchloved.com/>

Kindly RSVP to ALISON  
07947 212980      ahamilton42@hotmail.com

\*\*\* Family flowers only \*\*\*

## Triple success for Harrow Bowls Club

On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September, HBC hosted the finals of Harrow & District competitions. Catering was spearheaded by Elaine Wake who together with her team catered magnificently for a crowded clubhouse.



This is the only picture I got of Elaine and Doreen Bayley who were chained to the kitchen for most of the day initially preparing bacon butties for the green team and participants as well as preparing a sumptuous lunch. Elaine had of course been busy baking quiches and cakes during the week in preparation.



Some of the “dogsbody” who volunteered to help out as necessary with the day. Sandie Parker was missing from the photo – probably still busy washing up. Phil Bayley who manned the bar can be seen in the background crushing cans.



Mary Warner, seen here keeping on top of lunch orders, had co-ordinated with Rod Fraser, H&D competition secretary to ensure a successful and memorable finals. Well attended and enjoyed by all (well, possibly not the losers!) it was pronounced a resounding success.





The green looked magnificent as seen in this photo where President Roy Wake welcomed Rod Fraser and H&D to our club.



The fox hole had been carefully repaired by Jim Hughes together the mending of the electric fence during the week. Members of the green team including Mark Snell, Terry Liddle, Ian Gibbins, Steve Wyatt and David Gillan had been up at the crack of dawn so they could get to the club at 7am to swish, cut and iron the grass. In addition Grant Rickells, Peter Lee, Jim Waller and Tony Paulley arrived early to help with swishing and setting up the green.

The green was admired by the many participants and visitors who flocked to the event.





The third success was the win (19-8 after 16 ends) in the 4s competition by Brian Moates, Grant Rickells, Mort Mascarenhas and Andrew Georgiou against The Mill.



**Congratulations**



## **EGM on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 10am.**

This event was attended by 41 people prior to the last 2 finals matches. The need for more newer/younger people to step forward to fill posts so that the club moves forward in a healthy direction was expressed. A number of people responded to the request. Kamalpreet Loyal has agreed to be catering manager but will need an assistant. (Vicki Wong later agreed to be the assistant). The green team have key members over 80 years old so younger members need to step forward to keep our green in its present excellent condition and to save the club a huge amount of money thus avoiding a big increase in fees. Dawn Allwood offered to go on the required chemicals course and to assist with the cutting of the grass. A number of other younger members have come forward recently including Mort, Steve Fox, Jeanette and her husband, and Paul and Vicki Wong and sometimes their son. Also Myriann Mazzola has been assisting Eileen and Alan with the plants recently. Any member interested in finding out more should approach any of the green team to discover how they can help. Their names are as follows.....

Mark Snell, Barry Rudolph, Terry Liddle, Ian Gibbins, Alan Goodall, Jeff Freeman, Eileen Goodall, David Gillan, Roland Pettitt, Tony Ret, Steve Wyatt, Jim Hughes, Peter Lee, Eric Everatt, Dennis Wood.

The team look after the surrounding grass, flower beds and hedges as well as the bowling green itself.

Another key post which requires filling is that of social secretary. There was a discussion about the continuation of a Gala Day. This will be raised again at the



AGM. Satnam Loyal has joined the committee as he has plenty of ideas about raising money for the club.

The meeting also discussed the 125th anniversary of the club which is in 2 years time. Planning needs to start now. There was a suggestion that an application for a grant, possibly from the National Lottery, should be made. Again any member willing to get involved with this would be welcome. There was a discussion about whether the bar needed an upgrade and whether there is a need for an extension. The view of the meeting was that neither was required. It was stated that some areas need repainting. The Anniversary celebrations will no doubt be an agenda item at the AGM on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January. So please put this date in your diary. The HBC AGM is an event which is very well attended and becomes almost a social event. An opportunity during the winter to catch up with everyone. It is not like other AGMs which I have attended in the past where only committee members plus a few more come. So don't be the one to miss out. Your views and ideas will be vitally important to maintain our great club.

## **Finals Days**

The weather on all 3 days was glorious and suitable for playing and watching. Jim Hughes offered to take over Dennis' Friday slot as Dennis Wood was in a finals in the morning.



Jim and Eric Everatt seen above hard at work keeping the green up to the usual high standard.



As a number of people were in multiple finals, scheduling proved somewhat difficult and the reserve day had to be used after the EGM.

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September am session was umpired by Grant Rickells and saw a number of close matches.

The Ladies Handicap required a second card but eventually was won by Anne Snell who was unconcerned about upsetting my grandson who had come to cheer me on. I (Shelagh Z) lost 21 -18 but was happy to be declared the Liverpool against Anne's Manchester City! However it looks in the photo that I have fallen asleep.



Gerry Musgrave was hoping to win the Junior having lost last year to Nick Woolford, who was the crowd's favourite as he was about to move out of the area. Unfortunately for Gerry he came up against an in form Dawn Allwood who had caused major logistical issues by getting through to 5 finals!

He lost 21 -16 in another good match.



The third match in the morning session was the named pairs. Dennis Wood and Mick Ridsdale had overcome a number of good pairs to reach the final but the crack team of Pradip Tailor and Magan Kanjia proved a step too far and they lost 25 -12.



The triples competition in the afternoon (umpired by Marios Zachariades) saw Yash Raval, Dawn Allwood and Mort Mascarenhas have a convincing win 22 – 10 against Pradip Tailor, Gavin Hampton and Barry Miller.



Either Dawn is sleeping after her 2 competitions or she is admiring the cup!

Saturday morning procedures were once again umpired by Marios Z and saw 3 competitions.

The over 65s in which the winners of the named pairs were now pitted against each other. In a close match Magan Kanjia beat Pradip Tailor 21 – 17.



In the second match, two of the winners of the triples were now playing against each other in the 2 woods competition. This was originally just a men's competition but due to a lack of entrants for the ladies 2 woods it became a mixed event. Mort Mascarenhas was at some point leading 17- 12 at which point some were heard saying it was a foregone conclusion that Mort would win. Little did they know about Dawn's fighting spirit. Never count out an Aussie! Dawn started to come back to 19 all, and then 20 all. Finally on the 28<sup>th</sup> end Mort got the shot and won 21 to 20.





In the 3<sup>rd</sup> match Barry Rudolph was neck and neck with Brian Moates in the Singles Handicap. After 18 ends the score was 16 all. Eventually Brian won 21 - 17.



The Mens and Ladies championships are traditionally held on the Saturday afternoon session and were umpired by John Southgate.

In the ladies match, Anne Snell was at one point 13 to 9 up but got stuck on this score for 7 ends and so eventually lost to Dawn Allwood 21 to 13. This means that Dawn won the Junior and Ladies Championship in the same year. An impressive feat and possibly the first time for a female participant. Of course this was an achievement for Stan Kirby who won all the competitions available to him in his first year!



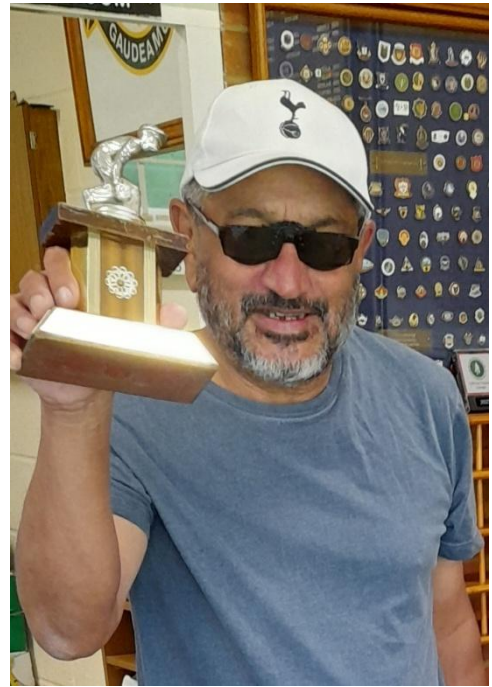
The over 80s competition was won convincingly by the incomparable Alan Bellamy defeating Tony Ret 18 to 6. An increasing number of people in the club are now eligible to enter this competition so it is not an easy one to win!



The Men's Championship held on rink 1 close to the spectators was an enthralling event with some memorable bowling by both Mort Mascarenhas and Brian Moates. Mort went steaming ahead and after 11 ends was 14 to 5 up. After 16 ends he was 18 to 9 up and was holding a winning 3 shots, when Brian managed to pull out shot wood and got 1 shot. After this Mort failed to score despite having played some unbelievable woods which were right on the jack. Every time Brian found a way to score and he eventually triumphed winning 21 to 18. What a display by both players!



A well deserved pint!



The Wilmshurst Trophy is no consolation.

On the Sunday, Jim Hughes umpired the 2 remaining matches which followed the EGM.

Another battle between Mort and Brian, this time in the Centenary Challenge saw Brian again victorious, this time in 2 sets.





Having won 3 competitions already and lost a 4<sup>th</sup> by 1 shot only, Dawn decided it was only polite to lose the 5<sup>th</sup>. She and Tony Ret conceded the drawn pairs match 17 to 11 after 17 ends. Despite being possibly the only participant to do warm up stretches Dawn unfortunately pulled a muscle early in the match which hampered her performance. This is not to detract from the splendid performance of Pradiptaylor and Alan Bellamy who had had to give 2 shots to Tony and Dawn on a hot lunchtime.



## **Captain's v Vice Captain's match and supper**

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September

Once again we were blessed with good weather for our afternoon match.

The tables were arranged and decorated by Mary Warner, Jeanette Swaffield, Barry Rudolph and Grant Rickells in the morning. Thanks to Satnam Loyal for the photos of the day.



Waiting eagerly to play.





Names read out by Grant Rickells, Captain and Jim Waller, Vice Captain.



Teams sorting themselves out on the well prepared green.





2 trial ends followed by 18 ends with no break.



What a vista!

Eventually the Captain's team triumphed 126 to 95.

Captain's top rink were Tony Paulley, Eric Everatt and Jeff Ham.

Vice Captain's top rink were Kamalpreet Loyal, Jai Mahadeo and Barry Miller.





Waiting hopefully for food!



The caterers Paula and her team had prepared and served the food.

The wines were provided and paid for by the Captain Grant Rickells and Vice Captain Jim Waller.

An excellent variety of desserts were contributed by club members.



After the food Grant thanked the many key members who make HBC such a vibrant club.

The President Roy Wake who has always been at the end of a telephone for help and advice.

The secretary Mary Warner who organises so many things including the Captain's supper, Dinner dance and the Dorset bowls holiday.



The Treasurer Phil Bayley who is on hand every Friday night to sort out the money and in addition who keeps the finances in order. He has ensured we have the best electricity rate.

Mary Hughes the Fixtures secretary.

Jim Waller the Vice Captain who is always on hand to help.

Doreen Bayley the Ladies Captain.

Mark Snell the Chief Green Ranger and his magnificent team (whose names were mentioned earlier) who work throughout the year. Rose and dahlia specialist Terry Liddle, who as well as manning the lawn iron, assists Eileen and Alan Goodall in the colourful beds which enhance our green. New member Myriann Mazzola has joined too to assist Eileen.

Shelagh Zachariades and her trusty assistant Marios, Competition Secretary and newsletter writer in chief!!



Catering Manager Elaine Wake plus assistant Barry Rudolph. Elaine produced homemade quiches and 6 delicious cakes for the H&D finals held at HBC. A major undertaking made a little easier by a number of willing helpers.

Social Secretary and Bar Manager Liz and Peter Mitchell. As mentioned earlier we are still in need of a social secretary for next year.

Development Officer Anne Snell who has been joined this year by Jeff Ham.

Jeanette and Liz who are currently attending a course to become coaches.

Sadly during the year we have lost 3 members Tony Oakes, Graham Emery and Pauline Dimmock.

Two new members were then invited to speak about their experience since joining the club.



Vicki Wong and Niranjana Jilka both informed and entertained us with their addresses. Also seen in this picture is Jo Driver one of our “new” members recruited from Wealdstone Bowls Club which unfortunately closed down. I was assured by Mike Keller (also seen in the picture just behind Mark Snell) that they had all been made to feel very welcome and had enjoyed their first year at Harrow.

Grant then reported on various teams. To highlight the good bits!!

Congratulations to Vets A, captained by Magan Kanjia with an impressive squad of 18 (a good bench much like Manchester City!) who won the league and got to the semi final of the vets cup.

Congratulations to Bidgood A led by Tony Paulley who came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the league by ½ point

Congratulations to Middlesex league teams who were promoted from W2 to W1.

We got to the semi final in the Portman trophy.

Also congratulations to Prakash Kotecha who got to H&D 2 wood semi final and to Mort Mascarenhas, Brian Moates, Grant Rickells and Andrew Georgiou who won the H&D 4s final.



Clearly Grant is so delighted with these various triumphs that he is forced into a rendition of the Alleluia chorus. Or maybe it is because he has won the Friday night shield for a second year running, a fact that he forgot to report.



## McMillan coffee morning 27<sup>th</sup> September



Report in next newsletter

### Liz and Jeanette

Liz Mitchell and Jeanette Swaffield have attended a coaching course in Leicester and have returned with lots of ideas. They are due to complete their course on 19 October. So when the new outdoor season starts in 2025 they will be happy and keen to bring some of these ideas to share with us all. I'm sure we will all benefit from this.

### Last day of outdoor bowling

Extended from Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September to 6<sup>th</sup> October and then some people hibernate, some do short mat at the club and some join Herga for full size indoor bowling. Come along if you want to give it a go.

### HERGA INDOOR BOWLS CLUB



JOIN US FOR OUR OPEN DAY ON  
SUNDAY 6TH OCTOBER  
10AM to 4PM

- SUPERB 6 RINK INDOOR BOWLING GREEN
- COACHING AVAILABLE
- INTERNAL & EXTERNAL COMPETITIONS
- FRIENDLY CLUB NIGHTS
- SOCIAL BOWLING
- FULLY LICENSED BAR
- HOME COOKED FOOD AVAILABLE
- FRIENDLY TEAM MATCHES HOME AND AWAY
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