Croquet Communique 16th September 2021

Golf Croquet Friendly v. Hurlingham

On 3rd September 2021, we entertained a Golf Croquet (GC) Team, from Hurlingham for a friendly fixture.

An entertaining day's play, saw Roehampton Club win by 6 games to 3.

Roehampton Club team: Gill Bray, Caroline Dewar, Carmel Brancen and Trevor Campbell.

Croquet Section and Club Staff Match, 6th September 2021

This popular event finally returned to the

calendar, having missed last year due to Covid, and the year before when it was rained off twice.



Roehampton Club and Hurlingham Club teams

The Croquet Section were delighted to welcome staff from all sections of the Club, including some, who had not played before.

Staff are paired with a croquet Member and, they count the number of hoops their pairing scores across the evening to decide the staff winner.

This year Francesca Marini, (Events and Wedding Coordinator), was the winner, with joint second, Karen Hunneyball, (Finance Director) and Tristan McIllroy, (Operations Manager, Golf, Games and Club), and fourth, Michael Bent, (Security).

All enjoyed the excellent 'refreshments' served in the pavilion afterwards.









Many thanks to John Pearson and Tristan McIllroy for their organisation.

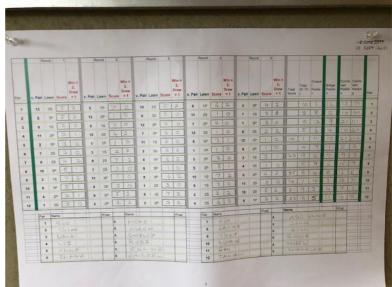
Bridge and Golf Croquet Event

Annual Internal Bridge and Croquet Match. This event made a welcome return last Friday, 10th September, 2021. Well managed by Ron Wood, a morning of five games of competitive croquet, followed by eighteen boards of duplicate bridge, with twenty-four people taking part.

Played in pairs, the overall combined winners, (bridge and croquet), were Ron Wood and Nigel Aspinall, the croquet winners were Mike and Sue Tumath, and the bridge winners were Diana and Andrew Wilson.

Many thanks to Ron Wood for his exellent organisation, his spreadsheet for recording the croquet was a masterpiece, (a thing of beauty!).





Hussars Cup: Weekend 11th and 12th September 2021

Report from John Pearson:

The Tournament was played over the weekend of 11^{th} and 12^{th} September, happily in rainfree weather with some sunshine and on suitably fast lawns.

The field of 16 contained many old friends, including three former winners (Tim Dutton, Surbiton, who won twice in the late 1990s; and more recently Andre Machell, Watford, and - twice – Jordan Waters, Merton), and three welcome newcomers.

The clear winner was the runner-up of the past three years, Barry Holland, Surbiton, winning all his five matches, the last after coming from a long way behind to beat Jordan.

The valiant runner-up was home club member, Lynn Pearcy, winning four of her matches in just her second essay into a CA AC singles event and losing only to Barry.





Barry Holland, of Surbiton, receiving the Hussar's Cup from John Pearson





Lynn Pearcy of Roehampton Club runner-up in Hussar's Cup

Weekend of 11th and 12th September 2021

The weeked of 11th and 12th September, also saw Roemampton Club Members competing elsewhere:

- Harry Fisher competed in the President's Cup involving eight of the top English players, winning seven of his matches, he finished a very creditable fourth.
- Mark Van Loon competed in the Chairman's Salver also with a top class entry. He also won seven of his matches and finished mid-table.

Well done to both Harry and Mark.

- Tim Russell played in the Sussex Open GC Championship at Southwick. A tremendous performance saw him win all six games in his block, (the highest number of wins in any of the blocks). Sadly he progressed no further.
- This weekend he plays at Budleigh Salterton in their Autumn AC Weekend.

Enjoy your Croquet!

Mike Pattison Croquet Captain