

JANICE MALLESON
15th March 1933 – 24th December 2025
Member of Roehampton Club 1990 – 2025



It is with immense sadness that we announce the death of a long-standing Member, Janice Malleson, who passed away on 24th December 2025 at the age of 92. Her daughter, Bea Malleson, has kindly written the following:

Janice was born in London to Sylvia and Archibald MacDonald Hardy. One of her first memories was seeing Crystal Palace on fire on 30th November 1936.

Janice went to boarding school in Devon during the war, where she played a variety of sports including tennis which she always loved and continued to play at Roehampton Club.

Her travels began at 14, when she visited her penfriend Christiane in Paris, a city she loved. Janice went on to work in Paris, Strasbourg, and the Iraqi Embassy in London, before she met Miles at a party in London. They were married in South Africa, where Miles had a job with JWT, on 10th October 1959. Janice worked for a trade unionist in Johannesburg and introduced Miles to the Progressive Party. They returned to London in the early 1960s.

Janice and Miles had three children, Bea, Ruthie and David. Janice introduced them to skiing which she took up again at 40. At 50 she started to play golf at Roehampton Club. David tragically died in a motorbike accident a week before his 19th birthday in 1986.

Janice loved being a grandmother to Emma, Udē, Oriē, Immy and Allegra. She also enjoyed taking them to Roehampton Club for meals and to swim. Janice was still regularly swimming in the outside pool in summer 2025, she loved playing and watching sports all her life and being a Member of Roehampton Club.

Janice was diagnosed with lymphoma in late November 2025 and was admitted to St George's Hospital. After her diagnosis Janice decided not to have any medication that might have prolonged her life, saying that she'd lived a long, full and mostly happy life, had laughed, loved and been loved and was ready to go. She felt it was a privilege to spend her last days at the Royal Trinity Hospice. She died peacefully, with dignity and not in pain.

If you would like to know the arrangements for Janice's funeral, please contact her daughters at Bea.malleson@gmail.com and Ruth.malleson@gmail.com