Camerton & Peasedown Croquet Club

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Newsletter

May 2024

League Matches
GC High Handicap Team played their first match away against Bath losing 5-15.
(Full report by captain David Milford on the website).
Unfortunately several matches were lost at the Golden Hoop……..
Maybe some training on Golden Hoop tactics is required before the next match?

All league matches get underway in May.
Team captains are reminded that results must be recorded with SW Federation.
Please also notify Angela (newsletter) Acrofts857@aol.com
and Andy (website) Andyloakes@hotmail.co.uk

Our Lawns The relentlessly wet winter and spring has been unkind to our lawns. Everyone is aware that they are not up to their usual standard for this time of year. The Committee met this week with Damian of Greensward who was already similarly concerned. Recovery procedures are underway with extra visits and intensive care……. but kind weather is needed to assist their work.

Our Website is up and running but some people are still having problems logging on.
If you have an issue contact Andy: 07719 327454 Andyloakes@hotmail.co.uk

National Croquet Week starts on Saturday. We are holding two **Open Days** on **Saturdays 18 and 25 May** from 10am to 4pm to encourage people to find out what croquet is about!! Everyone has been sent a poster to display or hand out..
Helpers are required. **An email was sent out earlier this week….**

Annual Subscriptions were due 1 April. Almost everyone has paid or responded. Please **c**ontact David if you have forgotten. d.milford@yahoo.co.uk

Singles Play is scheduled for Monday and Saturday mornings from 10am. Please book yourself in on the CPCC website to check you'll not be playing solo instead!!!

Taster Sessions are being booked by members during the summer. There are plenty of free evenings available. Please check if you have a preferred date and if you need help with the croquet or catering. Acrofts857@aol.com

The next Lunch:Thursday 30 May at 12 noon at **The King William** Tunley BA2 0EB
Please sign the Notice in the Club House or contact Marion marion.button@yahoo.co.uk
Numbers are needed to reserve a table……

HELP! Our dishwasher's brain is exhausted and keeps doing random, naughty things! Consequently it can no longer be used and needs to be banished! Do you have or know anyone with a good secondhand one? If so please let Fran know as soon as possible before we buy a new one…? franralli@gmail.com

Working Party: Thanks to everyone who turned up to help last time… lots of jobs were done despite the evil weather! The next Working Party Day is **Saturday 1 June**. Nearer the time Des will prepare a list of jobs that need doing….

Summer Tournaments start in June with **Finals Day/BBQ on Saturday 12 October**
Match play dates are in the diary. Organised by Colin Britt information has been sent to everyone. Please return your form to Colin before 21 May to organise game schedules on match days. Please sign up for as many tournaments as possible….

Beginners Course has gone very well. There are a couple more sessions to organise before the day when we meet up and croquet together.

Tisbury Club have invited us to visit them for a friendly afternoon of croquet following their recent visit to us. The proposed date has been changed to 22 or 25 August.
5 or 6 (higher handicap) Could you let Brian know if you are interested.
Bwilson71e@icloud.com

100 Club This month's lucky number was 27: **Charles Fingleton winning £25**
Please contact Nigel to buy numbers: nigelwulcko@yahoo.co.uk

Diary

Thursday 30 May:	**Lunch at The King William Tunley**
Saturday 1 June:	**Working Party starting at 10am**
Saturday 27 July:	**Summer BBQ:** for members and friends!
Saturday 12 October:	**Finals Day/BBQ**
Saturday 26 October:	**Quiz Night at Claverton Village Hall**
Tuesday 10 December:	**Christmas Lunch in the Club House**

And Finally…….

This week's newspaper article in Midsomer Norton/Radstock Journal

Wednesday 15th May 2024 Contact us by email: contactus@mnrjournal.co.uk

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Camerton and Peasedown club to stage open day as part of national croquet week

Croquet

HAVING completed this year's very successful early season Beginner's Course, several newcomers to the fascinating game of croquet have joined Camerton and Peasedown Croquet Club.

Every spring the club runs a beginners course consisting of five afternoons of skills and tactics training from the club's fully qualified coaches.

The first session is always free and the nominal fee for the other four sessions is deducted from the membership fee if the new player joins the club.

Membership gives access to the club's four full-sized croquet lawns and to their new clubhouse for 12 months of both summer and winter play. Roll-up sessions are for Golf Croquet, both singles and doubles, on Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays and Thursdays and for Association Croquet on Wednesday mornings.

League matches are played against other local clubs in the South West Federation of Croquet Clubs. In the Handicapped Leagues novice players receive extra shots when playing against more experienced players.

And it is not just about the croquet; CPCC holds regular social events, quiz evenings, barbecues and the like throughout the year, providing members with a chance to make new friends with similar interests.

In the five coaching sessions of the Beginners Course the new players were taught the basic shots of croquet and on their first afternoon they had mastered these skills sufficiently well to play a game of Golf Croquet.

On subsequent afternoon training sessions they improved their basic shots, honing their ability to send their ball accurately on a line and to a precise length; they learned more advanced strokes and more advanced tactics.

Golf croquet is often likened to 'playing chess on grass'.

The new members joining the club from the April Beginner's Course will be quickly introduced to club afternoons and some will play a key part in the club's upcoming Open Day on Saturday, May 18. The Open Day will be part of the Croquet England's National Croquet Week.

On May 18 Camerton and Peasedown CC will be open from 10am until 4pm to welcome anyone interested in the game; introductory sessions will be offered free to both adults and accompanied children.

The club is situated in Whitebrook Lane in Peasedown, BA2 8LD; the entrance to the lawns is through the Peasedown Cricket Club grounds. No advanced booking is necessary for the Open Day – just roll up and join in; there will be someone on the gate to welcome you and direct you to the croquet lawns.

The CPCC 'Class of April 2024' at the start of their taster session with club coaches David Milford and Mo Boys.

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