Camerton & Peasedown Croquet Club

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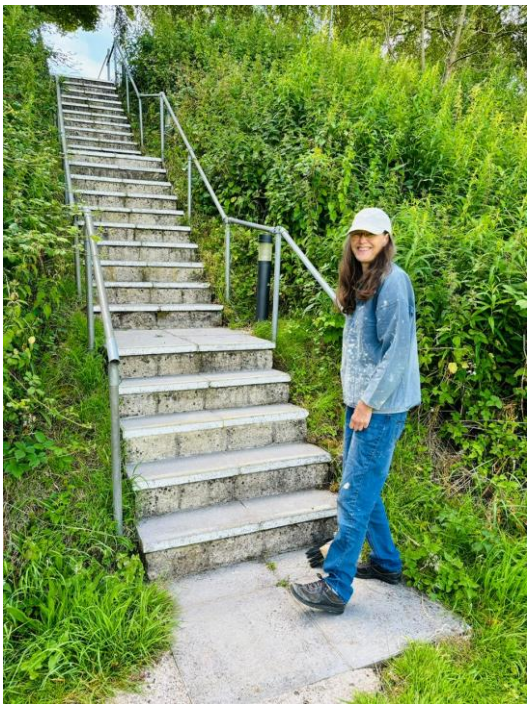
Newsletter

July 2024

Welcome to Peter and Carol Coombs who have just joined the Club!
"old members" please introduce yourselves and make them feel at home!



As part of the last Working Party team Ann did a brilliant job on the steps! Thanks!
(the last four were painted too) all in preparation for……..

CPCC Summer BBQ on Saturday 27 July

for members, family and friends!

The day will start from 10am with another Work Party.
all welcome!
The BBQ will be serving food from 1pm til 5pm
£10/person
Croquet lawns available all day
with Crazy Croquet on one lawn?
Please sign the poster in the Club House or email Fran franralli@gmail.com
We need to know how many to cater for……
You will need to bring your own alcoholic drinks
Soft drinks, teas and coffees will be available in the Club House

League Match Results: full match reports on our website:

14 June GC Level Play 5+ A team v Taunton Deane	**lost**	**9 -11**
18 June GC Handicap team A v Weston Super Mare B	**won**	**12½ -7½**
23 June GC Handicap team B v Weston Super Mare A	**lost**	**9½ -10½**
26 June GC Level Play 5+ team B v Dowlish Wake	**lost**	**6 - 14**
28 June GC High Handicap v Llandaff	**lost**	**9 - 11**
3 July GC Handicap team A v Weston Super Mare A	**won**	**12½ -7½**
4 July Short Croquet v Lym Valley	**won**	**10 – 6**
6 July GC Level Play v Budleigh Salterton	**lost**	**7 - 13**

Team captains are reminded that results must be recorded with SW Federation.
Please also notify Angela for the newsletter Acrofts857@aol.com
and Andy for the website Andyloakes@hotmail.co.uk

Our Summer Tournaments are well underway with **Finals Day on 12 October.**
Colin Britt has qualified for the Level Singles Final from Groups A and B.
He has also qualified for the Short Croquet Final…….
Other groups have yet to play…..….

GC All England Handicap Tournament: Our elimination rounds have been played.
The two winners going forward to the next round are Ann Munton and Chris Simons.
Congratulations and good luck to both in Bath on 11 August.

Singles Play is scheduled on Monday and Saturday mornings from 10am.
It is best to book yourself in on the CPCC website or post a message on WhatsApp to check you'll not be playing on your own!!!

Taster Sessions are being booked by members during the summer for friends, neighbours or social clubs. There are still plenty of free evenings available.
Check available dates. Help is available with the croquet or catering if organised in advance. Acrofts857@aol.com

Lunch on Thursday 25 July at 12 noon at The Fromeway, Radstock BA3 3LG
Please sign the Notice in the Club House or contact Marion marion.button@yahoo.co.uk
Numbers are needed to reserve a table……

A lovely new **dishwasher** has been donated by a pair of members! **Big Thank You!**
So……The following message is for EVERYONE…..
Please fill it with your used crockery and cutlery…. please switch it on if it is full!
Please empty it and put everything away if it has washed everything up!.....
(Sadly it didn't come with a Dishwasher fairy!!)

Thanks too to Roger Pocklington for a **smart new coaching aid board** and to Chris Simons and Des for the long awaited **framing around the ceiling hatch**.

Key Cards: This request went out last month but to no avail???
Do you have more than one key card for the equipment store?.. duplicates were issued when the lock was defective. If you have a spare card please could you return it to David Milford as soon as possible as we are running short of cards to issue to new members.

100 Club This month's lucky number was: **41** **John Rowley**
Please contact Nigel to buy numbers: nigelwulcko@yahoo.co.uk

Bath Christmas Market. A Craft Stall is booked for **Tuesday 3 December**.
Mo Boys and Sue Wagstaff are organising this once again.
Please contact them if you are keen to be involved in any way.
Moboys@talktalk.net Sue.wagstaff2@btinternet.com

DIARY DATES

Saturday 27 July:	**Summer BBQ:** for members and friends!
Saturday 12 October:	**Finals Day and BBQ**
Saturday 26 October:	**Quiz Night at Claverton Village Hall**
Tuesday 3 December:	**CPCC Craft Stall at Bath Christmas Market**
Tuesday 10 December:	**Christmas Lunch in the Club House**

Match Play Suspended Again????
Watching the grass grow and the rain fall from the comfort of the Club House…!!

The lawns are recovering well after the winter BUT there is now a bald patch at the start corner of Lawn 2…….
Please can you avoid this area and start your matches from a slightly different place.

And Finally…….

More great newspaper articles in Midsomer Norton/Radstock Journal!

Thanks to Jill P….

Christina proves key player

Croquet

IN THE South West Croquet Federation Leagues, matches are well underway for all seven of the Camerton and Peasedown teams and the club has also started its programme of internal club tournaments, which are always highly contested.

On 31st May the CPCC Level 5+ 'A' team, captained by Phil Hendy, travelled to Dowlish Wake CC, Ilminster.

The day stayed dry and the home team made the Camerton and Peasedown team very welcome.

It soon became clear that at Dowlish Wake golf croquet takes on a different meaning as players needed to read the slope of the lawns as well as the distance needed to play their shots.

Despite these difficulties the Camerton and Peasedown team fought hard with several games producing long tactical battles around some hoops.

Christina Sandford was the CPCC key player, winning two games and so scoring the two CPCC points. Her last game was extremely close throughout and included a titanic battle on hoop 12 before she went on to score the golden hoop.

Christina in action at Dowlish Wake

Camerton & Peasedown in 'thriller' clash with Weston Super Mare

Croquet

CAMERTON and Peasedown 'B' team (handicap) entertained Weston Super Mare 'A' team at home. The rain stayed away although there was a cooling wind.

The morning session was very tight with wins for both teams and matches halved meaning at lunch time the scores were level at 7½ to 7½. It was all to play for in the afternoon session.

The afternoon was similar; a win for one side, followed by a win for the other. 7½ to 7½ became 7½ – 8½, became 8½ – 8½, became 8½ – 9½, became 8½ – 10½. At this stage the Weston-super-Mare 'A' team were already victorious but CPCC won the last match bringing the final result 9½ – 10½ to Weston-super-Mare.

Camerton and Peasedown 'B' had been up against an experienced Weston-super-Mare 'A' team but they had held their own and only just lost at the end. The Camerton and Peasedown star player of the day was Simon Munton who won three of his four games.

On June 8th the Camerton and Peasedown Level GC team travelled to Nailsea to play Nailsea 'A' who fielded a strong team on their home lawns.

Unfortunately, on the day, CPCC could not field their strongest team, two of their best players being unavailable; the result would certainly have been closer had the full strength team been available.

Nevertheless, Ros Key-Pugh, Charles Fingleton, David Milford and Des Back were not disgraced as they all claimed one win. David Milford repeated, for the second match in a row, what has become his trade mark action of beating the opposition's best player for his win.

Colin Britt, who captained the team, played well and won three of his four singles and one doubles with Ros Key-Pugh.

The team's performance was better in the second half of the day; having been 10-2 down at one point they won five matches in the last eight and only ran out losers by 13 points to 7.

Competitors in the Croquet England C-level competition convened at Camerton & Peasedown on June 11th for a round of qualification in this national event.

Preliminary group matches were completed and the round robin winners went forward to a knock- out main event.

The winner was Roger Booth (Eynsham CC) and he goes forward to the national final at Watfor.

Matthew Parsons (Bradford-on Avon), Jill Bateman (Cheltenham CC) and Patricia Naish (Camerton & Peasedown CC) all scored points.

Intense concentration from Charles Fingleton as he strikes a yellow ball against Nailsea A

Angela Crofts CPCC Secretary 7 July 24

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