



Newsletter – 2018



'Clash of the Titans'

Grass Cutting Club

New members welcome!

Welcome to the 2018 Newsletter.

Derbyshire Dales District Council (DDDC)

DDDC have recognised that the security of the external equipment store cupboard needs to be improved, given that we now have the “new” mower in it. The suggested work includes new semi-concealed hinges to the doors, and the addition of hinge bolts to the door frames. Hopefully this work will be carried out at the same time as other pavilion maintenance work.

We now also have under bench equipment storage in the changing room at the north end of the pavilion. This has to be accessed through the pavilion. To facilitate this DDDC will install a digital key safe in the external equipment store, and this will contain pavilion keys, a key for the under bench store padlock, and a key for the china cupboard. All Committee members will have a key to the external equipment store cupboard, and Club members should have a key if they are so minded. We charge a £5 returnable deposit for each key. Committee members only will be told the combination of the digital key safe.

Committee

Committee currently comprises -:

Position	Name	Specific Responsibilities (but not limited to)
Chairman	Jean Peters	Singles League and membership
Vice Chairman	Bill Robinson	Match Liaison Association Croquet Newsletter Calendar
Secretary	Ann Riley	Club meetings Correspondence
Treasurer	Allen Flatman	Club finances
Members	Ruth Barnes	Press Officer (inc. Web liaison) Catering liaison
	Tim Spray	Grounds man
	Steven Schmidt	

The club comprises 50 members, of which one is a social member only, and one a student member) many of whom undertake an array of tasks to ensure we can all enjoy our sport -:

Team Captains – A - Alan Reeves
B - Dorothy Evans
Friendlies – Steve Marsh and Carol Furniss

Teams are open for all – please contact the captains.

Coaches – keep us right. Jean Peters, Bill Robinson.
Event reporter – ensures that we appear regularly in press articles – Ruth Barnes
Webmaster to ensure our IT is up to speed – Dorothy Evans
Support to catering ensures we are fed and watered as required – Ruth Barnes et al
Pavilion Teas – Billie Reeves, for Club sessions
Support to mowing ensures we have good playing surfaces – Tim Spray et al
Tournament organiser – Jill Schmidt (Founder's and Chairman's Cup)
Social activities take place throughout the season with winter walks also arranged – Alan Reeves et al . Winter croquet to be notified – Peter Blackburn
Away days - George Wolfe (Snitterton) - Peter Knowles (Brodsworth) –Jean Peters (Hathersage Bowls) – Bill Robinson (Bakewell Bowls)
Singles League – Jean Peters
Events scheduling – Bill Robinson
Equipment – Molly Winder, Allen Flatman et al.
Autumn trip to Ripon – Alan Reeves
Friendly Matches (U3A, Southwell, Darley Dale, Sheffield Univ, St Elphins) – Steve Marsh and Carol Furniss
AC croquet, newsletter and Croquet Day - Bill Robinson

If you are involved in any of the above (or other roles) please report back through the committee and we can record all the great stuff we do for the membership.

Thank-you, ALL, for this huge effort.

If you wish to support any of the functions please contact the relevant committee member or Chairman/Secretary directly.

Club Coaching sessions

AC – Thursday evenings from 6.00pm – Bill Robinson

Enjoyed by those who participate.

GC – Saturday Mornings – on demand from Bill Robinson and Jean Peters

Club members wishing to consider coaching tuition or being coached please ask the committee for advice as required, for both internal Club coaching or for externally run coaching courses.



The George ‘Montgomery Stalk’

Calendar of events for the 2018 season (as at 21st July) -:

Key Dates 2018/19 -: Please watch the website and newsletter for further details

Wed 25 th July	Friendly match with Hathersage Bowls Club
Mon – 30 th July	Brodsworth trip
Tue – 7 th August	B Team home vs Branston B
Tue/Wed/Thu 7/8/9 August	Yorkshire Open Tournament at Ripon
Sun 26 th August	A team home vs Leicester
Sat – 25 th August	Club Tourn. Chairmans Cup
Wed B 29 th August	
Sat - 1 st September, 2pm	Tim and Ann's Tea
Tue/Wed/Thu 2/3/4 October	2 nd Ripon Event
Sunday 7 th October	Hathersage Bowling Club croquet taster session
Winter sessions at Fitism	tbc
Winter walks	tbc
2019	
Wed – March 6th	AGM
Wed - March 13th	Annual dinner at Bakewell Golf Club

Club times -:

Monday 2pm – 6pm

Thursday 2pm – 9pm (from 6pm Association Croquet reserved one lawn)

Saturday 10am – Noon

Committee Meetings - May – July – October - February

Cricket Fixture Dates (Saturdays: starting 1pm an finish 7/8pm) :

July 28th, August 4th, August 18th, September 1st



Another nearly 'all white' day a Bakewell Croquet Club

Practice Tips – Coach's Corner

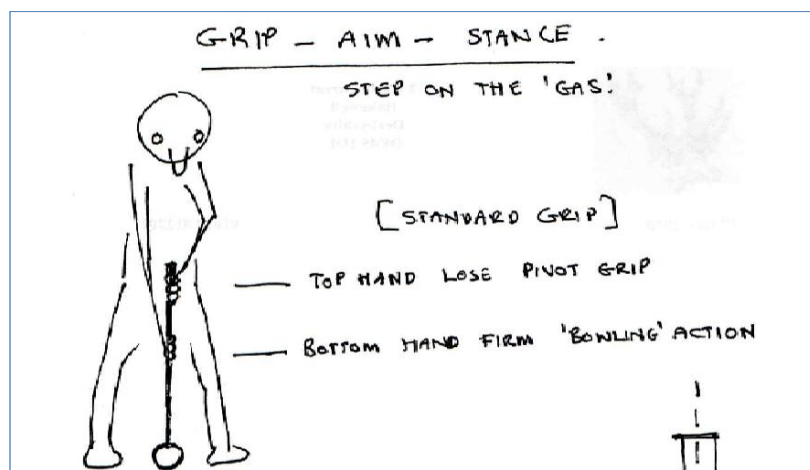
Shooting at another ball – fire balls at a target ball from fair distance – if you start missing reduce the distance until 100% strike success

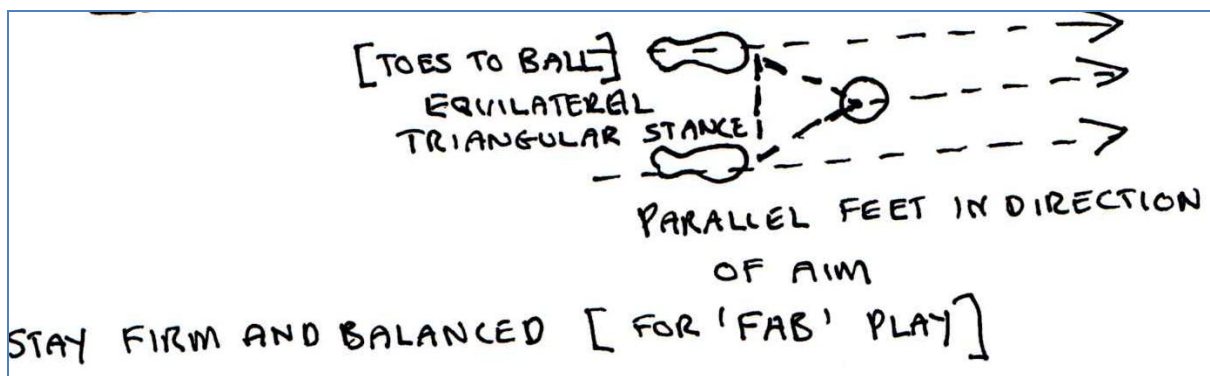
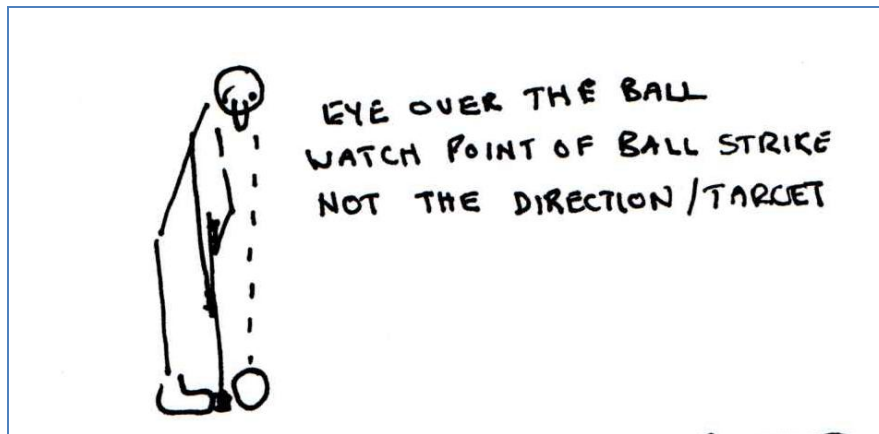
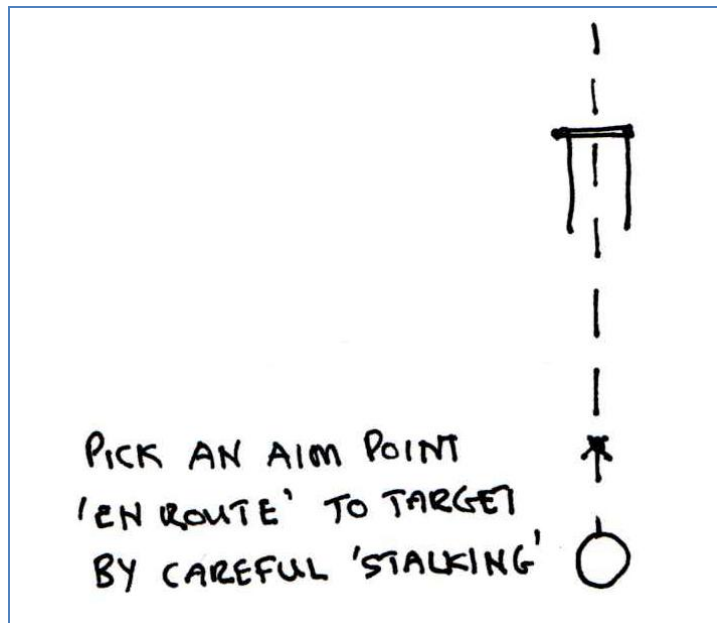
Hoop approaches – fire balls to a target point in front of hoop where a hoop success on next shot is guaranteed

Hoop running – fire shots from different distances and angles until confident on success

Stop shot approaches – fire balls at target ball to move it to identified positions.

Angled promotions – Fire a ball at Ball 2 to direct ball 2 to hit ball three



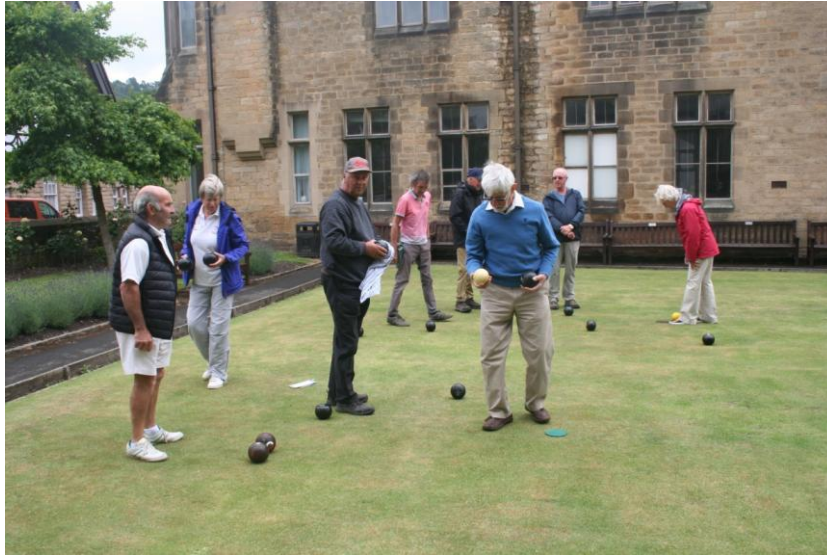


And keep your feet about as wide as your shoulders.

National Croquet Day.

13th May – National Croquet Day – was hosted again at Bakewell with a great number of visitors enjoying an introduction to the game again this year.

Bakewell Bowls Club Day



Bemused Croquet players learning the art of Bowls at Bath Gardens.
"You're facing the wrong way Gill"



Under the care of Rob Graves the Croquet guests soon learnt the art of Bowls.



After an awkward start John from the Bowls club proved a great 'jumper'



Members of the Bowls club enjoying a demonstration in the 'Art of Croquet'
"It would be simpler to bowl it through !"

Boules, Croquet and a fine banquet are scheduled again for Palterton in September with social activities also enjoyed again at the wonderful Oaksedge Summer Barbeque in June.

Snitterton and Brodsworth offer extra-curricular fun with the spring and autumn trips to Ripon enabling some enjoyment on fine lawns.

RESULTS. (See Website for further information)

Club Tournaments.

Spring Founder's Cup – Tim Spray

FEMCC League

A Team

8-4 Win vs Sheffield

4-8 Loss vs Pinchbeck

10-2 Win vs Notts A

9-3 Loss vs Long Eaton

To follow vs Ashby and Leicester in August

B Team

6-6 Draw vs Ashby C

10-2 Win vs Darley Dale

3-9 Loss vs Torksey

To follow vs Branston and Louth in August, North Hykenham in September

If would like to participate please contact the team captains (Alan and Dorothy).

For friendly games where smiles rather than points are enjoyed in relaxed contest then please contact Carol or Steve.

Fancy a new mallet?

There are various makes to trial kept at the Club including Manor House, David Barrett and John Hobbs.

Also see -:

Treetop Mallets www.treetop-mallets.co.uk

MC Percival Mallets Michael@croquetmallets.co.uk

David Barrett davidbarrett.db@tiscali.co.uk

John Hobbs: www.john-hobbs-croquet-mallets.mfbiz.com

Manor House Mallets: www.davetrimmermallets.com

PFC Hoopmaker: www.croquet.org.uk/shop

PHC Mallets: mlstuchfield@gmail.com

Further information from the Croquet Magazine – copy at Clubhouse



Founder Cup Success
It must be the turn of the 'shorts' – or the sandals!

New members

The Club is delighted to have secured new members -:

Kathryn Bistany

Kathryn Lloyd

Elizabeth Turner

Errors and Faults - A Simplified Guide

Error	Rule (4 th Edition)	Action
Offside		
At the moment a hoop point is scored, any ball that is more than half-way to the next hoop is offside unless it reached its position in that stroke, following contact with an opponent's ball, or by being directed to a penalty spot	10	Opponent(s) can decide to leave the offside ball where it is or have it moved to a penalty spot
Playing a wrong ball (after first three turns of the game)		
Striker plays partner ball (singles) (<i>Opponent should advise striker that he is about to play the wrong ball</i>)	11(b)(1)	Replace the balls and then striker plays the correct ball - thus no penalty
Player plays his own ball but out of sequence when it was his partner's turn to play (doubles) (<i>Other players should advise player that he is playing out of sequence</i>)	11(c)(1)	Replace the balls and then player's partner plays his ball - thus no penalty
Striker plays partner ball (doubles)	11(c)(2) (1)	Balls are replaced and the game continues
or Striker plays opponent's ball (singles or doubles)	11(b)(2)	Opponent(s) can choose
or Player plays his own ball but out of sequence when it was opponent's turn to play (doubles)	11(d)	(a) to have all balls replaced or leave them where they are; and (b) to restart play with either of their balls
Non-striking faults		
A moving ball touches any part of a player, his mallet, clothes or shoes	12(a)	If the striker commits the fault, then opponent(s) can choose to have the ball(s) replaced or leave them where they are; and opponents then restart play using the next ball in sequence. If none of the balls
or A player touches, moves or shakes a stationary ball with any part of his body, mallet, clothes or shoes	12(a)	
or A player causes damage to the lawn	12(b)	

Error	Rule (4 th Edition)	Action
		<p>move, then the striker loses that turn.</p> <p>If the player who commits the fault is not the striker, then the defaulter (or his team) loses his (or its) next turn.</p> <p>No points can be scored.</p>

Striking faults

In striking a ball, if the striker:

strikes the ball with any part of the mallet other than the end face	13(a)(5)	<p>Opponent(s) can choose to have the ball(s) replaced or leave them where they are.</p> <p>Opponents then restart play using the next ball in sequence.</p> <p>No point can be scored.</p>
'double-taps' the ball	13(a)(6)	
does a 'crush' shot	13(a)(7)	
moves or shakes a stationary ball by hitting a hoop or peg with a mallet	13(a)(10)	
pushes or pulls the ball with a mallet	13(a)(11)	
touches another ball with a mallet	13(a)(12)	

Etiquette

<p>Breaches of etiquette include leaving a lawn without permission, talking, moving about, arguing, not accepting the decision of a referee,</p> <p>wasting time (over 1 min. per shot) or marking the desired finishing position of a ball</p>	14	<p>A referee should be found.</p> <p>A warning is issued for the first offence. A repeat offence causes the player to lose a turn. A further offence causes the player to lose the match</p>
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Bakewell is a member of the Croquet Association (CA) and pays a sub to them.

The CA is the National Governing Body for our sport.

Benefits of membership -:

- There is a CA shop
- Magazine
- Insurance
- CA offer grants and loans
- CA offer sponsorships
- CA offer awards
- CA run the handicapping system
- CA organise National Matches/Open events
- CA offer coaching

We receive the magazine and will try to ensure that a recent copy is available at the pavilion.

Anybody wishing to enter a National Open competition will see the options in the CA fixtures book held by the committee.

If you learn of any activity or event that may be of interest please let our secretary know and she will circulate the membership.

See - www.croquet.org.uk

The Federation of East Midlands Croquet Clubs (FEMCC)

The FEMCC under the auspices of the CA organise the leagues within the region of -: Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, Northants, Notts and Rutland.

To enter leagues clubs have to be affiliated to the CA.

There are three leagues for Golf Croquet (Division 1, Division 2 and Division 3)

The Bakewell A and B teams take part in these Leagues relevant to them and pay the fees necessary to the FEMCC.

There are also 2 Association Leagues (26 and 14 pt).

See

www.eastmidlandscroquet.org.uk

Check this out - http://www.mnlg.com/jcc/frames/start_theGame.html