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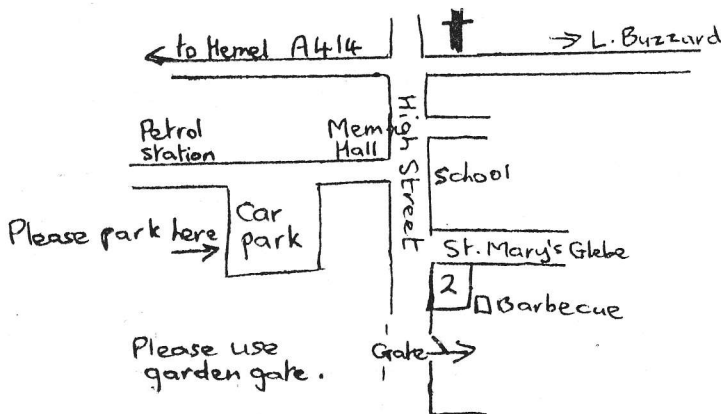
Welcome to our mid-season bulletin! Several dates to note and a few other bits of urgent information have prompted this rather hurried effort.

M.J.B. (Editor)

Sessions Booked for August and September. There will be NO MONDAY EVENING sessions! Reasons 1) Hardly anyone came and 2) we need to save money.

Other sessions will be as usual until Wed. 5th Sept. which will be the last evening session. Last daytime sessions of the season will be the weekend of the 22nd Sept.. PLEASE NOTE!

BARBECUE - Sat. August 11th at Eve and Len Buckingham's home in Eddlesborough (see plan) 5.30 p.m. start; profits to Club. Contact Bob if not yet booked (01582 668440)



CAR BOOT SALES The sale on June 4th made £84.07 profit. Thanks to Tony Brown and to all who helped.

We are to repeat the exercise on SUNDAY AUGUST 19th (or 26th if very wet). All offers of goods and/or help will be very gratefully received, if possible before the day, by Tony on 373860.

KNOCKOUT COMPETITION A fun event for members only, using our shiny new handicaps, will be arranged for SATURDAY AUGUST 18th, 2-5p.m. (Arrive a bit early if you can) Light refreshments to follow.

L.L. CLUB V DUNSTABLE U3A, JULY 7th. Irene Stevens, who was a tower of strength at this event writes:- "A friendly game. Thanks to all players that came and enjoyed a lovely afternoon. The weather let us down a bit but it did not spoil our fun. Thanks to Margaret Dilley for a lovely cream tea.

The game ended with the score at 8-2 to the home team" A return match is to be held, probably on Sept. 22nd, at Pages Park. Dunstable have offered to supply the refreshments. Watch for details.

MEMBERSHIP We need at least a few new members - because it is good to make more new friends and because it would help to balance the books!! Perhaps you know someone who would enjoy trying the game?

Anyone joining now could play for the remaining 8 weeks, up to 5 sessions a week, for only £15 - or two "trial sessions" for £5. Perhaps you could encourage some teenagers on holiday for example!

GRANT We were very pleased to receive a grant of £100 from the L.L. Sports Council. Bob Walmsley now sits on their committee so our views should be well represented.

THE CROQUET ASSOCIATION has to move from its rented accommodation at the Hurlingham Club and are looking for an alternative home. Be great if we could find them premises in this area!

TOURNAMENT NEWS

Diana Phelps and Margaret Brown played in the E. Anglian doubles tournament at the National Trust's Anglesey Abbey in Cambs.. Ten clubs took part and we played Chelmsford B, Bury-St-Edmunds B and Burnham-on-Crouch B teams. Scores were 9-3/10-10/7-4.

2) The next National Trust fixture is at Ickworth Hall, Suffolk on Sunday Sept. 2nd. A number of our members have already said that they would like to take part in this singles event.



3) Grass Roots National. Several of our members are amongst the 8 to play in the next round on Sat. 28th. We wish them luck!

4) The Waterways Marathon. This is to take place from 3p.m. on the 4th of August for 24 hrs.. Irene Davis is holding it to raise funds for McMillan nurses in connection with the proposed new Cancer-care Centre at the L. and D. hospital. Contributions/sponsors are invited by a number of our members, some of whom are playing during the night or in the wee, small hours.

* The Davis' garden is to be OPEN on Sunday 5th so you could come and watch the last hour of the marathon and then join in the fun and games and take a little light refreshment. Time -2-5pm., place- on the A5, north of Hockliffe. Tel. 210260.

THE GOLDEN JUBILEE SUMMER PARTY

We have been asked to consider planning an event to celebrate this anniversary - beacons, bonfires, street and garden parties are suggested. All community events will be listed in a book and each organisation involved will be given a copy and a certificate confirming their participation.

Your committee discussed this and agreed that we would enjoy taking part- possibly in some town-wide event. Your sec. has spoken to Linda Hindson at the Council Offices and communicated our willingness to take part. Linda will let us know of any plans that emerge - we thought there might be a Town meeting on the subject.

There was some hilarity at the committee meeting when it was suggested that we might stage an Alice-in-Wonderland croquet match with flamingoes as mallets and hedgehogs as balls, etc..

Any other ideas???

Please remember to send in accounts of your matches or any other news of, or for, members ready for the end-of-season newsletter. Thanks! Margaret.

