



Our season continues with our competitions running and Chris and Graham working hard to see that they do. Chris will tell all in his report.

Meanwhile I have not played much as Diana and I have just come back from a trip to Northumberland. However we did visit Bamburgh Castle on the beautiful coast, where low and behold we watched a group of children playing croquet (not very seriously) on the lawn outside the castle, which made us feel quite at home.

So it seems July is a quiet month, but I am sure that as the competitions warm up things will get much more interesting.

I am sure we all await with interest to find out what will happen now that Forresters is under new management! Let's all hope that things remain quiet and unchanged.

- Lynn

Chairman's Comments

We are now well into the new playing season and it looks like another hot and dry summer, at the moment. The lawns are getting faster apart from the clover patch which is our temporary lawn 4. The Covid competition is coming towards the end of the first knock out period, so hopefully everyone can meet the deadline.

We are fortunate to have welcomed some more new members and I hope you will make yourselves known to them, and assist them with helpful advice when playing. You may have already met them but for those that haven't they are Judith and Mungo Park, Angie and Neil Best, and very recently, Miriam Lewis and David Denyer; we look forward to your company in the Croquet Club.

As you will be aware Tim Forrester-Muir has now relinquished ownership of Forrester Park, and we wish him and his family well for a less stressful existence in their retirement.

At the time of writing the new proprietors are obviously still settling in, but we hope to make their acquaintance in the near future.

See you on the Lawns,

- Neil Clark



CLUB CAPTAIN'S NOTES – JULY 22

East Anglian Handicap League

Both of our teams in the Eastern Area League are featuring well as we approach the halfway stage this 2022 season.

2022 MATCH RESULTS

Results vs.:	Maldon Pavilion	Unity	Colchester	Maldon Lakeside	Southchurch	Chelmsford	POINTS	GAME DIFF	NET HOOPS	PLACE
Maldon Pavilion		Round 5	[1 Jul]	13-5 [hoops: 118-77]	10-8 [hoops: 110-98]	[29 Jul]	4	+10	+53	
Unity (Sudbury)	Round 5		9-9 [hoops: 109-101]	Round 3	Round 4	14-4 [hoops: 114-79]	3	+10	+43	
Colchester	[1 Jul]	9-9 [hoops: 101-109]		Round 4	11-7 [hoops: 107-96]	Round 5	3	+4	+3	
Maldon Lakeside	5-13 [hoops: 77-118]	Round 3	Round 4		[19 Aug]	15-3 [hoops: 117-89]	2	+4	-13	
Southchurch	8-10 [hoops: 98-110]	Round 4	7-11 [hoops: 96-107]	[19 Aug]		Round 3	0	-6	-23	
Chelmsford	[29 Jul]	4-14 [hoops: 79-114]	Round 5	3-15 [hoops: 89-117]	Round 3		0	-22	-63	

Maldon Pavilion is heading the table with its most recent win at Southchurch. The team drawn from the squad for this match, Al Brown, Neil Clark, Chris Joslin and John Hustwick, came out winners 10-8 (110hoops to 98) in a close fought match.

Pavilion host Colchester at Forrester Park on Friday 1st July when the team of Pete Howe, Graham Parker, Neil Clark and John Hustwick will be seeking to cement its position at the top of the table.

Maldon Lakeside represented by Joan Fairclough, Shirley Wallis, Sue Jackman and Karen Davies played brilliantly at Forrester Park to overcome a strong Chelmsford team 15-3 (117-89) – an excellent result.





Lakeside continues the season with an away match at Sudbury on 29th June when Chris Adams, Karen Davies and Sue Jackman will be taking on Unity on their single court. This is a first time Maldon has been invited to play at this venue and we wish the team continued success in a friendly but challenging setting.

Covid Singles Handicap Club Tournament 2022

Vice-captain Graham reports that the tournament is proceeding well and games are being played steadily with all first round games to be completed by 17th July.

A reminder to competitors - please to enter the results on handicap cards!!



Georgie Clark Knockout Competition 2022

Graham has now posted the table in the Club Hut and circulated to all 21 competitors and so this long standing annual singles level play competition is up and running.

Another reminder to competitors to enter the results on handicap cards (remember this is level play so reference has to be made to the table on the card! Any help required? -just let Graham or I know



Forrester Plate Pairs Knockout Competition 2022

Entry into this competition is now closed and the table will be posted in the Club Hut and circulated by email any day now

All England GC Handicap Tournament

The club heat which decides who will represent the Club at the Area Finals at Surbiton is being played at the moment to be completed by 29th June. Only four members have entered this year but we shall soon know who is going to be carrying the Maldon flag at Surbiton and hopefully onward to the National Final at Wrest Park in September

In other news -

Tony White entered the B Level Tournament at Colchester this last month and came a very creditable runner up – well done and congratulations Tony.

- Chris Joslin, Club Captain



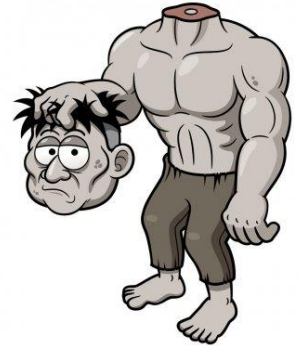
The Hoops

It has been noticed that on some occasions the lawn hoops are getting mixed between lawns. Although they appear the same we do in fact have three different types for our four lawns. The part that goes into the ground (the carrot) is a slightly different size and shape and putting the incorrect hoops into the lawn can result in making the hoops loose. They do wear anyway as the season progresses but this aggravates the problem. Please take care when lifting the hoops and ensure they go into the correct equipment trolley.

Is your Head Loose?

An Allen key has been provided to tighten mallet heads. The key will fit most mallets and is in a plastic bag attached to the notice board inside the shed. Please replace if you use it.

- Geoff Macro



Lynn says: Mind your head!

Closing date for articles is the 20th of July as I am going to be away at the end of the month.