

UP THE MILTON

Results, Pix and More from MP Ladies

Welcome to another edition of Up The Milton after a busy and action-packed 2023 season on the greens. It all happened in hot, windy and/or very wet weather.



Some action on President's Day

Nationals

On a lovely sunny morning in Leamington Spa the Fours team of Kath, Min, Tracy and Lynda battled it out against Middlesex but alas there was no second round for our team. A good time was had by the Four and their fan club in the nightspots of Leamington.

Later in the month it was Alex's turn in the 2-wood singles but alas no second round appearance.

Our Juniors Molly and Grace also put in an appearance at Leamington but no trophy won.



BH

It was Alex's turn to come top of the class in the County Finals in the 2-wood singles at Banister Park picking up the County Champions Trophy.

Our Fours team of Kath, Min, Tracy and Lynda beat our old foes Lee by 2 shots (with the help of Tracy's dodgy/well placed back wood) to become County Champions.

With Molly Junior Champion and Grace runner-up it was a good day for silverware at the BH Finals.









P&D

On the last day of P&D Finals at Lee in rained - **a lot.** On went the waterproofs and games commenced. It was more of an endurance test for Sue B battling it out with Sue Wheeler of Fareham in the Champion of Champions Final. After 4 hours Sue B survived continuous rain and a water feature of a rink to become a soggy and chilly Champion. Some of the games were postponed with eventual results below.

Champion of Champions Sue B

Singles runner-up Alex

Pairs Winner Kath, Tracy Pairs Runner-up Sue B, Pat

Triples Winner Kath, Marion, Jemima Triples Runner-up Alex, Julie, Sue B

Fours Runner-up Mandy, Julie, Caroline, Pat

Interclub Triples Runner-up Marion Julie, Sylvia, Mandy, Sue J, Lynda

Gill May Trophy Winners

Alex, Julie, Grace, Sue B



There will be a run on silver polish down at Robert Dyas (other shops are available) when all these trophies have been presented.



Gill May Trophy Team P&D Triples Final

In the A league the Black team finished 3rd and the Red team came 5th. Must do better next year – on the top spot is the aim of the game, we did not get relegated so that's all good.

MP Ladies



RD 2 woods

Meanwhile back at the Club our finals were played over several days.

Singles Sue B Runner-up Carla
Consolation singles Lynda Runner-up Molly
Drawn Pairs Kath, Cam-tu Runner-up Marion, Jo
Rhona Darling 2 Wood Sue J Runner-up Alex



Cons Singles

In the Drawn Pairs Kath took on Cam-tu as her substitute partner as Val was indisposed. This proved to be an interesting game with some unladylike instructions from skip Kath to novice Cam-tu - "give it a headache", "kill", "bash", "hit Marion". Even Jo got in on the act during the last end when holding 2 for a win – "Trip Kath Up". No tripping took place and the final score was Kath and Cam-tu 15, Marion and Jo 14. It was a back and forth game eliciting lots of **oohs**, **arghs** and **aaws** from the very entertained spectators.

Note to self: must add new phrases to the New Bowlers' Handbook



Jemima's President's Day was enjoyed by old friends, guests and members.

A generous sum of £270 was raised to sponsor another Guide Dog









Our current Guide Dog Moose has progressed to Guide Dog Training School and has formed a strong bond with his fosterers and his Trainer Zoey

We shall look forward to further updates from Lynda



There were several other events at Milton Park enjoyed during the season including the pre-season friendlies against Milton and Priory, Priory Open Triples, the MPBC 100th Anniversary, Jim Taylor Triples and, of course, a new fun game of Ozzie Pairs. Many thanks to Roger for organising the Quiz Night and raising loads of money for The Rowans – marvellous.

Now for the exciting stuff or Dates for Your Diary

AGM 0930 on Saturday 7 October 2023 at the Pavilion and don't forget your cheque book (if you can find it)

Presentation Evening Friday 15 December 2023 at VIBC

Informal Evening 7pm Friday 23 February 2024 at VIBC



Greens Open Saturday 13 April 2024 at Milton Park

A Few More Photos and Info



Family



Guest Speaker



Old Friends



Cheers



What's occurring here



End of Day

Useful Websites

www.miltonparkladies.co.uk (not always up to date but I try)

www.miltonparkbowling association.com

www.pandwba.co.uk Portsmouth & District Womens Bowls Association

www,bowlshampshire.com County (BH) www.bowlsengland.com National

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