Newsletter 2 Ipswich Croquet Club February 2020

Welcome to Newsletter 2.

Sadly, Fran Rousham has resigned as Chairman of the ICC committee with immediate effect. She bravely stepped in to take up the chairmanship again after Duncan's sudden resignation last year, and was indeed planning to step down at the AGM in March.

She will still see everyone on the lawns, and hopefully continue to be our friendly frontline face to members and visitors alike.

Kevin Knights is planning to step down as our treasurer at the AGM. He has served the club for many years, and hopefully he will continue to play in competitions and lead the very local league and inter club competitions in the future.

Date for diary:

The AGM is planned **for Sunday 29**th **March 2020** in the morning, with a special general meeting held beforehand to agree some changes to the constitution.

Please make a note in your diary as we need as many of you as possible to attend. If the weather is fair there can be croquet after the meeting or you may want to have Sunday lunch at the golf club.

Valerie Harding writes:

"Sunday Tournaments are going well, and we have good numbers. January 12th which was managed by Celia, had ten players. The winner was Paul Homer. January 26th, again had ten, and this was managed by Martin French. Simon Draper was the winner.

We can still take more players . Please don't think you're not good enough. Although some are very competitive there is a friendly atmosphere, helped by lunch at the Golf Club. The next one (handicap) is on February 9th, followed by February 23rd (level play). If you cannot get to the Club to put your name down please email me or telephone 01449 258438. Valerie"

Bring your friends to try out croquet and perhaps feel encouraged to join us. We would like more members to enjoy croquet.

Short croquet.

Please see letter below. It looks quite fun and I was wondering if there is anyone interested to learn short croquet and perhaps take part in the competition below. David Wicks is happy to teach us and perhaps other AC players will join him. Let us know if you are interested.



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National Short Croquet Inter-Club Competition

The CA is keen to encourage the development of Short Croquet as a bridge to the full game of Association. To this end we are proposing a series of matches, possibly at National Trust properties (reviving a very enjoyable event organised in the 1980/90s by Judy and Tom Anderson).

This would be for club teams of four, of any handicap, and the team winning would go through to a national final. There are details of this on page 21 of December's Gazette.

At present I am gauging levels of interest so would be grateful if you would let me know if your club is interested in participating.

Happy New Year

Jonathan Toye

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