

# PHYLLIS COURT CROQUET

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### **20th August - Ian Norris qualifies for All England Handicap Finals**

Norris reaches second National Final!

In what is fast becoming Ian Norris' season, he qualified for yet another National Final last week.

He had already qualified for the inaugural National B-Level Final by winning the Wrest Park (Bedford) tournament and consolidated this with further tournament wins at Hamptworth (New Forest) and now our own Smokeys' Cup at Phyllis Court.

But two days later he is at it again!

This time he qualified for the National Final of the All England Golf Croquet Handicap competition with a fine second place in the semi-final at Surbiton, playing on the same courts that two days previously had staged the World AC Finals.

And boy were those hoops tight!

Ian will not be alone at either of these National Finals, as also attending Hunstanton and Hamptworth will be 'the workers' - Frances Colman and Chris Roberts, who are tournament manager and director respectively.

### **17th August - Ian Norris wins Smokey's Cup in cliffhanger finish**

It took a dramatic last round victory by clubmate Raymond Wood to help Ian Norris to victory in 'Smokey's Cup' at PCC this afternoon.

Ian was the tournament's most consistent player and had led the way for most of the two day tournament, but a stumble to a third defeat just after lunchtime today, put David Ball of Leighton-Linslade in pole position.

A win in his last game would have ensured the title for Ball, but he had to face defending champion Raymond Wood in that crucial last game.

Wood pulled out his own best win of the tournament to deny the visitor and thereby allow Norris to win by a clear 'one win' margin.

Our President Smokey Eades attended to watch this afternoon's closing stages and present his cup to a delighted Ian, who's victory ensures that the Cup stayed in a Phyllis Court member's hands for another year.

Ball was happy with his consolation runner-up position and qualification (along with Norris) for the CA's B-Level Series National Final in October.

Norris' performance also earned him a handicap reduction down to the '2' mark and he was joined in similar celebration by Michael Wiles who moved down to '3'. Pam Mead won just under 50% of her games with a spirited second day comeback after a disappointing opener, whilst defending champion Raymond Wood blew rather 'hot and cold' all event.

The other 11 players from 8 different Clubs all enjoyed themselves and most vowed to return next season. *(For full results, scroll to bottom of this page).*



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### 14th August - Francis Colman retains the One Ball title for a third year

Frances Colman took the lovely One Ball Trophy back to her side board at Luxters farm where it is becoming a permanent feature. Today she fought a very spirited challenge from good a number of the field of 14 and had dig deeper this time round than perhaps ever before. Raghu Iyer impressed in his early games and looked to have Frances on the ropes until a slip let her in to win impressively from 1 back. Dianne Browne came through to the final and used her bisques well to keep Frances at bay, only to again be overhauled when close to a finish.

Pleaseingly, there was good support from our AC wing this time and they contributed well to this often undersubscribed tournament that at last seems to have captured some imagination.



### 12th August - Pam Mead wins first Ladies GC Championship

Pam Mead will be the first name to be inscribed on the lovely trophy donated to our Club by Rosie Richardson.

Pam finished ahead of 15 other ladies when she defeated Helena Fensome in a very close final that went to the 13th hoop.

A couple of missed clearances, so usually taken with ease by Helena, settled the match and rewarded Pam's consistent play throughout the day.

Rosie presented her trophy, which had been in her family for over 50 years, to a delighted Pam at the end of the tournament.

Also catching the eye today, was Dianne Brown (handicap 8), who got to within 'the thickness of a hoop wire' of qualifying for the final against Helena in her semi-final.

Ann Attfield was the other losing semi-finalist and further down the field it was good to see several game success for Joanna Iyer, an underdog victory by Jill Hale and a win in her first tournament for Pat Lane.

Full results here:

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### 11th August - PCC 'B' win Handicap League North and now head for the Southern Federation Final

Victory over High Wycombe saw PCC 'B' secure their league 'North title' today. But the champagne will have to be kept on ice as there is still the 'play-off' final to come against the winners of the 'South area league to decide the Federation Handicap Champions. Very well done today's team: Mike Fensome, Pam Mead, Michael Wiles and John Chalfont (and squad members Raymond Wood and Ian Norris, who played in earlier matches).

Current League Table	P	W	D	L	Pts
Phyllis Court B	5	4	0	1	8
Blewbury	5	3	1	1	7 *
Phyllis Court C	5	3	1	1	7 *
Dogmersfield	5	2	0	3	4
High Wycombe	4	1	0	3	2
Wingrave	4	0	0	4	0

### 5th August - Mary Gaynor stars for PCC 'A' lose on Isle of Wight but Ryde win League Title

Congratulations to Ryde CC who secured the SCF Golf Croquet Level League with victory over Phyllis Court 'A' today.



Mary Gaynor (4) was the toast of the team however in beating the host's Richard Harris, an accomplished '2' handicper in two straight games.

Mike Fensome (3) also pulled-off and under-dog victory against Harris but unfortunately neither Chris Robertts (0) or Helena Fenosme (1) could match these results.

Both lost their singles rubbers and could only half the doubles tie, so Ryde won comforably overall by 4.5 games to 2.5

This victory saw Ryde tied at the top of the league with last season's Champions Winchester, but an victory earlier in the season in the 'head to head' match between the pair, ensured the title for the Isle of Wight Club.

In sometimes torrential rain, Ryde's well known wonderful hospitality was not in the least bit dampened, and although our friendly team (Don Rutherford, Anne Attfield, Raghu Iyer and Joaana Iyer) came off second best too, we all had a lovely day out with our friends on the 'small island'.

Current League Table	P	W	D	L	Pts
Ryde	4	3	0	1	6
Winchester	4	3	0	1	6
<b>Phyllis Court A</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
East Dorset	4	2	0	2	4
Basingstoke	4	0	0	4	0

### **3rd August - PCC 'C' go equal top of League**

PCC 'C' beat High Wycombe yesterday to sit alongside Blewbury at the top of the SCF Handicap League North.

Ther piar drew their match 6 games each earlier in the season and also scored exactly the same number of (net) hoops in that match, and so the calculatore will have to come out to decide precidence.

However, PCC 'B' can still wi the league with a similar defeat of High wycombe on Friday this week.

# Smokey's Cup

	RW	DB	IN	AH	PM	KW	RH	MW	RR	JC	DE	SF	RJ	IS	JR	JT	hoops calc.	WINS	RANK
Raymond Wood		7	4	7	5	3	7	5	3	7	7	6	5	4	7	6		6	
David Ball	5		7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	2	6	7	6	7	7		11	2
Ian Norris	7	5		7	7	7	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	6	7	7		12	1
Andrea Huxley	6	6	1		7	7	7	7	1	7	6	7	5	4	7	7		8	7
Pam Mead	7	6	4	6		5	6	6	7	7	3	7	7	3	7	7		7	

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