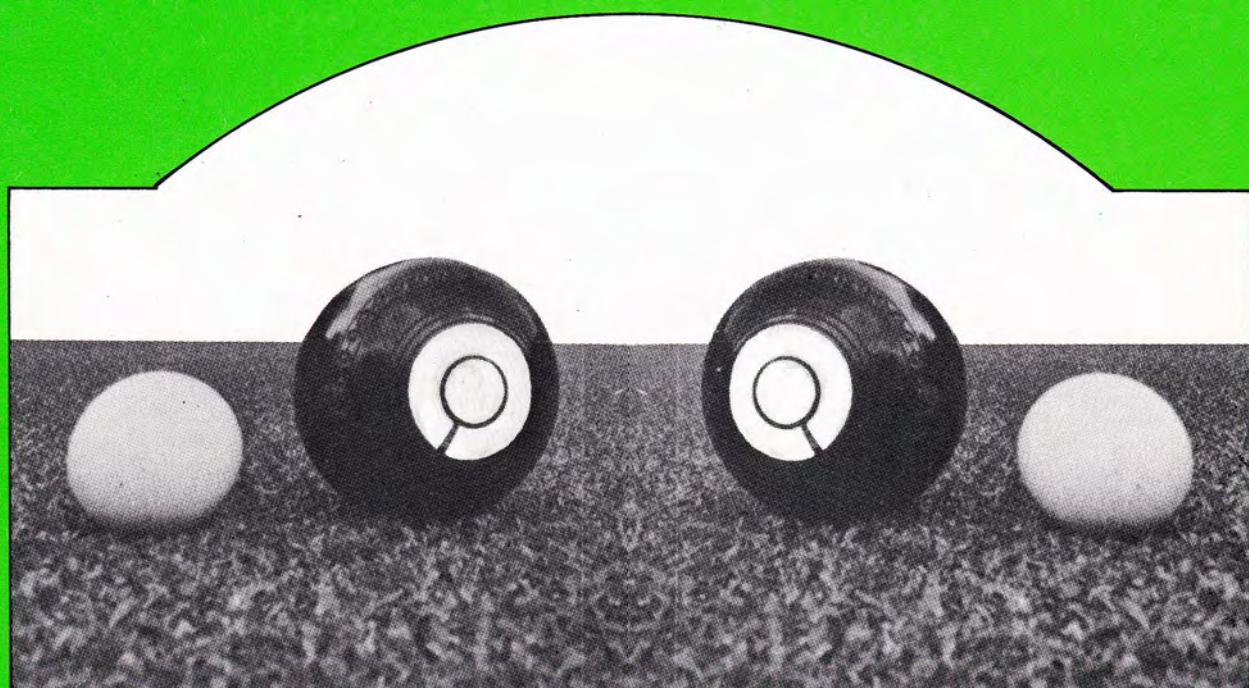


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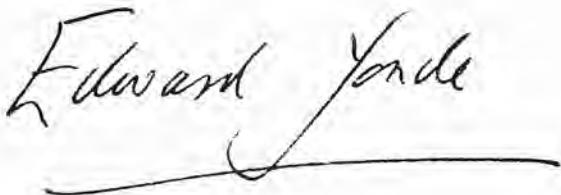
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I send my best wishes to all Hong Kong bowlers who have taken part in the various competitions at international, national and club levels and to all supporters of Lawn Bowls in Hong Kong. I wish the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association continued success in the future.



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# THE LADIES LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG LIMITED

## ANNUAL REPORT



At writing, the Ladies of our Association can enjoy the knowledge that another year of interesting activities and competitions is successfully drawing to a close.

Our League season offered the opportunity for new and more seasoned bowlers to compete with and against one another, to make new acquaintances and to re-new friendships. Congratulations to everyone who participated and especially to the winners of each division:

First Division:	Craigengower Cricket Club
Second Division:	Kowloon Cricket Club
Third Division:	Kowloon Cricket Club

Sincere thanks to Shirley Turner and to her Sub-Committee for ensuring that venues, schedules and results were organised efficiently.

Earlier in the year, consideration was given to the possibility of changing the League season because so many clubs lost numerous players during the summer months. The decision was made to start the League in March on a trial basis and we hope that this will provide for a more consistent competition.

Again we extend our appreciation to the Colony Competitions Sub-Committee, chaired by Eve Duncan. As these games continue throughout the year, the organisation is a full-time job and particularly difficult when it comes to arranging for suitable greens. All of the competitions were most enjoyable owing to Eve's efficiency and to the good sportsmanship and skill of the competitors; our thanks to all and our congratulations to the winners.

One of the highlights of this year was the Commonwealth Games in which the Ladies were invited to participate for the first time. The Triples Team representing Hong Kong consisted of Linda King, Merle Walker and Rae O'Donnell and we congratulate them on their selection and on their performance on the fast and difficult Brisbane greens. We hope that consideration will be given to including more Bowls events for Ladies in future Commonwealth Games.

One of the most rewarding experiences of the year was our Association's participation in the FESPIC Games for the Disabled during which we hosted and organised Lawn Bowls for the Blind. This event is covered in more detail in a later report.

It is satisfying to report that our financial position is sound and this is because of the enthusiastic participation by all of our members and friends in our fund-raising events and activities. The audited accounts will be laid before the Annual General Meeting.

As is often the situation in Hong Kong, we have had to say good-bye to several long-standing members and we wish them well, hoping that they go with happy memories of their time with us. At the same time, we welcome the new members who have taken up our sport and we wish them many hours of enjoyment.

As always, our thanks go to the H.K.L.B.A. for their continued support and co-operation throughout the year.

The Association is indebted to the Presidents, Committees and Members of all Clubs who have so generously allowed us to use their facilities, to the members of the General Committee for their hard work and to all of the Association members for their interest and support.

We look forward to the 1983-84 season and to the new events which are in the planning stages and we wish all our bowlers continued success.

**Sandi Zakoske**  
Hon. Secretary

# HONG KONG LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION

## ANNUAL REPORT



After the very successful 1981 season, in which we staged the International Pairs, the past year, by comparison, has been a quiet one. The main event of the year was undoubtedly, the Commonwealth Games in Brisbane, whilst O.K. Dallah and David Tso participated, individually, in overseas tournaments, evidence again of Hong Kong's respected position in the bowls world. Whilst success, in terms of medals, was not forthcoming, we must take the philosophical view and work towards success in future events by learning from any mistakes.

At home, the second year of the split season ended with CCC 'A' retaining their Championship after a very close competition, and my congratulations go out also to KCC 'B' and HKFC 'C' for their success in the 2nd and 3rd Division respectively. The league was run as efficiently as I have seen it and my thanks to the Sub-Committee for their fine accomplishment.

National Competitions, never the easiest of portfolios, were affected by the weather and, to a certain extent, by the absence of Commonwealth Games representatives, but the Sub-Committee is to be congratulated again for bringing them all to a successful conclusion.

S.C. Lo is to be thanked for his continued service to the Association and, along with Tiny Conway, making a welcome return to health, has continued his enthusiastic organisation of the bowls at Victoria Park, introducing many newcomers to our game. Both are to be applauded for their efforts in this direction which may see the appearance of a new bowling club on the scene next year.

Before I conclude, a word on the future and, firstly to the exciting prospect of Hong Kong hosting the 1992 World Bowls. Although a very ambitious objective with considerable doubt in some peoples minds, basically for financial and political reasons, that this is a viable venture, the Association has two years to show the I.B.B. that it can be done and, I trust, all members will lend their full support and assistance to ensure success. Secondly, it is hoped that later this year we can stage our second International Tournament giving us more experience at organising such events whilst on the domestic front, a somewhat disturbing doubt exists over the future of greens at HKERC, HKPSRC, POC and HUD. This may be fractionally compensated by the appearance of the new club from Victoria Park.

Finally, I would like to thank all Officers and Members of the General Committee for their assistance over the year and especially to the hardworking Ball Committee, including the Ladies, for making this evening possible.

K. G. Wallis  
Hon. Secretary

## XIITH COMMONWEALTH GAMES — BRISBANE 1982

### LAWN BOWLS TEAM MANAGER'S REPORT

The team left Hong Kong on Wednesday 15th September in order to have a week's trial matches in Newcastle prior to reaching Brisbane. We were scheduled to be picked up by the Newcastle officials at the flight's first stop in Brisbane but due to a petrol tanker drivers' strike we ended up in Sydney first and then followed a series of shuttle trips between Sydney/Brisbane/Sydney eventually reaching Newcastle late on Thursday afternoon.

We were put up at the Tudor Inn Motel which had excellent accommodation. There was one day of practice on the Friday when we visited the Wallsend Club, three test matches on Saturday, Sunday and Tuesday at the Mayfield, Newcastle South and Swansea Clubs. Monday was spent looking at the Hunter Valley wine fields whilst Wednesday was used for further practice at the Newbold Club. We departed for Brisbane on Thursday 23rd September.

The hospitality of the Newcastle people has to be experienced to be believed, it is impossible to describe it adequately in words. The green speeds were slower than expected, Newcastle just having had its first rain in six months so that although good games were played, the bowlers did not obtain the anticipated experience on faster greens.

On the first full day in Brisbane, Friday 24th September, we were scheduled to have the only practice at the venue club, Moorooka, and at this stage it played nowhere near as fast as it did in the actual Games. Thursday 30th saw the Opening Ceremony of the Commonwealth Games with the time in between being spent at various host clubs around Brisbane. Again the hospitality was of an exceedingly high standard.

All the bowlers and shooters, with some archers, were housed at the Mt. Gravatt Adult Education Centre, some little distance away from the main village at the Mt. Griffith University. In some ways this detracted slightly from the atmosphere of the Games when normally all competitors are within the same village complex, but the standard of accommodation at Mt. Gravatt appeared to be better and the catering nearly as good.

The Club House and ground facilities at Moorooka were exceedingly good, most of the technical comments made in the report concerning the 'Mini-Games' held the previous year having been noted and acted upon.

The greens themselves were playing a lot faster than anything experienced in Newcastle or at any of the other clubs around Brisbane and the Hong Kong team took a long time to settle down to the increased pace.

In the Singles, Hong Kong failed to show the 'Mini-Games' form and won only two out of twelve games, but was unfortunate to lose four games by only one or two shots.

The Pairs won seven and drew one game out of 14 games and ended up in 8th position. They both played well and the margin was relatively small. The Gold and Silver Medals went to Scotland and Wales, each with 11 wins and one draw and the Bronze to Australia with 10 wins and one draw.

The Fours started badly losing their first eight games but then settled down well to win their final games straight, including the second placed Northern Ireland.



The Ladies in the Triples managed to win nine out of 15 games coming a very creditable 7th in their first Commonwealth Games. It is difficult, if not impossible to say what may have happened if the greens were more to our liking — all one can say is that the whole team dedicated themselves to playing their best for Hong Kong and that is all you can ask of them. I was proud to be associated with all the team as both on and off the green they were extremely fine ambassadors for Hong Kong. In fact Hong Kong may feel proud that to date we have produced teams which have been asked back to overseas tournaments time and time again as all of them have displayed the true spirit of International sportsmanship in all of their ventures away from Hong Kong.

Geoff Murphy  
Team Manager

*The Ladies — Linda King, Rae O'Donnell,  
Merle Walker,  
Helen Wong (Manager).*

Country	Singles		Pairs		Fours		Triples	
	Score*	Postn	Score*	Postn	Score*	Postn	Score*	Postn
Australia	9-21	2	15-34	3	11-25	1	17-14	4
Botswana	21-15	14	24-20	13	19-21	12	22-15	8
Canada	9-21	7	36-15	12	10-26	6	15-6	15
England	14-21	6	16-17	4	16-17	8	11-23	3
Fiji	19-21	8	31-12	11	19-26	10	19-16	14
Hong Kong	—	12	—	8	—	11	—	7
Jersey	—	—	15-25	9	—	—	—	—
Kenya	—	—	29-7	15	—	—	17-19	16
New Zealand	10-21	3	19-16	6	14-27	2	12-26	2
Northern Ireland	18-21	5	16-19	5	23-15	3	13-14	6
Papua/ New Guniea	21-20	13	20-18	7	18-22	9	20-16	12
Scotland	7-21	1	13-30	1	25-20	5	25-13	11
Swaziland	20-21	11	—	—	26-15	14	27-18	10
Wales	—	—	17-17	2	16-20	4	24-23	9
Western Samoa	—	—	—	—	—	—	19-13	13
Zambia	20-21	10	19-25	14	21-13	13	14-24	5
Zimbabwe	8-21	4	19-14	10	21-15	7	13-19	1



The men – C.S. Dang, Geoff Murphy (Manager), M.B. Hassan Jnr, Philip Chok, O.K. Dallah, Edwin Chok, George Souza Jnr.

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'72 WORLD BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIPS—  
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'73 LADIES' WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS—  
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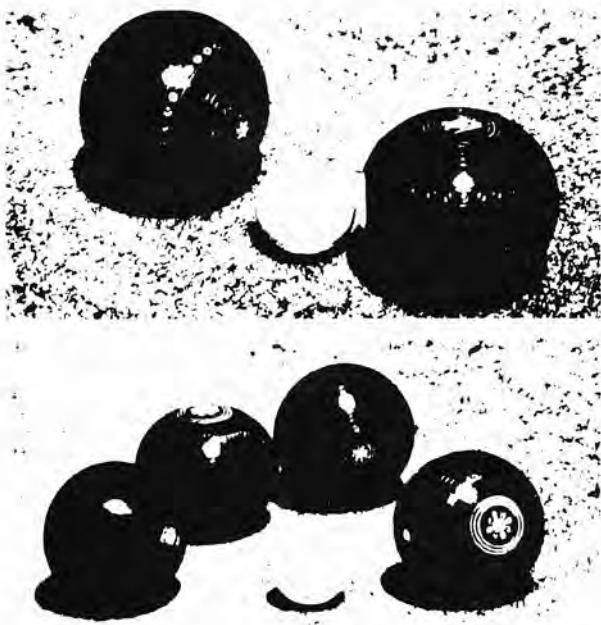
'75 AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL  
CHAMPIONSHIPS—SYDNEY

'76 WORLD BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIPS—  
JOHANNESBURG R.S.A.

'77 LADIES' WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS—  
WORTHING ENGLAND

'78 COMMONWEALTH CHAMPIONSHIPS,  
EDMONTON, CANADA

'80 WORLD BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIPS—  
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# THE PRESIDENTS



Once more the L.L.B.A. has had a very interesting year. The hardworking Sub-Committees who organized our Colony and League Competitions must be thanked for their efforts to get the events completed on schedule as well as all members who made the competitions a success by their participation. Congratulations to all winners in Colony and League Games!

The 12th Commonwealth Games were held in Brisbane, Australia, in October and for the first time, lady bowlers were invited to take part in a Triples event. Our team did very well to finish with 18 points, just 4 points behind the Silver and Bronze Medallists who were equal on 22 points. The ladies who were chosen to represent Hong Kong were very pleased to be among the first women bowlers competing in Commonwealth Games. My thanks to Mr. Geoff Murphy, President of the H.K.L.B.A. for all his help before and during the games.

Then in November, the L.L.B.A. had the privilege of organizing the competitions for Blind Bowlers in the FESPIC Games. Our Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Sandi Zakske, together with her Sub-Committee and other very willing members of the Association, must be congratulated for making these events such a success.

Thanks to all the Clubs who willingly loaned their greens for our competitions and to the Fah Wongs for their hard work in preparing those greens.

To the Executive and General Committee and members who supported the Association, I say thank you all for making 1982 another memorable year.

Rae O'Donnell  
President



As we come to the end of another bowling season it gives me the greatest of pleasure to be able to have the opportunity of expressing my very sincere thanks to all the Officers and Members of your General Committee who have worked so hard throughout the year in order to achieve success. Our activities do not just happen, they have to be made to happen, and it is the members of the General Committee and the various Sub-Committees who carry this responsibility – and this year have carried it well.

I would like to congratulate the winners of the Championships and League and I must also thank those Clubs who have taken on the work of hosting a fairly large number of International touring teams throughout the year. With the split League Season we now have more and more teams entering the League, with many more bowlers taking part in regular League matches, such that, if this carries on we shall have to form a Fourth Division. This can only be for the overall good of lawn bowls in Hong Kong and coupled with the excellent work being done in the coaching courses at Victoria Park will mean that lawn bowls in Hong Kong must flourish. My thanks also must go to those dedicated people running these coaching courses.

On the International scene we did not obtain the success which we desired but some very valuable lessons have been gained and we shall have to be patient and wait until 1984 before we can attempt to re-establish Hong Kong's bowlers at the top of world competition.

With my good wishes to you all for the 1983 season – win or lose may you continue to enjoy the friendship of bowls.

Geoff Murphy  
President



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# FESPI

## 'Accept us for our Abilities, Not our Disabilities'

Where's the jack? Do we lie? How short is that last wood? Which wood is shot?

These are common enough questions during any bowls game. Most of us who have bowled any length of time know how elusive that small, white jack can be even though we can see it against our vivid greens. Few of us, however, until an enlightening week last November, had ever imagined that it would be possible to bowl at all, much less with deadly accuracy, if we could not see it — nor the woods, nor the players, nor the green for that matter.

During that first week in November, Hong Kong hosted the 3rd FESPI Games (Far East & South Pacific Games for the Disabled). This was Hong Kong's first experience with organising such an event and coincided with the official opening of the impressive Jubilee Sport Centre, Shatin, which was the venue for most of the events. The competitions involved 541 disabled sportsmen representing 24 countries. The number of entries from each country varied from Australia's 116 to Tonga's one.

Disabilities included Amputees, Cerebral Palsy, Blind, Paraplegic and Tetraplegic. Those of us who were fortunate enough to attend the opening ceremony would find it difficult to express the emotions felt as each team, in uniform with flags flying, many in wheel chairs and on crutches, made its way round the track, to proudly dip the country's flag in salute to the Duke and Duchess of Kent, to the Governor and Lady Youde and to all the guests in attendance. As dusk fell a huge, orange harvest moon rose from behind Shatin's violet hills to highlight an amputee runner carrying the flame which would burn for the duration of the games. As one can imagine, the organisational details for the week to follow, ranging from accommodation and meals for all competitors and helpers to wheelchair and prosthetic repairshops to paperclips and staplers, were extensive and our congratulations go to all those involved in the planning and running of the games — most especially for the spirit and enthusiasm that were so apparent throughout.

But on to the competitions which included Archery, Athletics, Swimming, Table Tennis, Air Rifle, Basketball, Fencing, Weight Lifting . . . and Lawn Bowls.

Originally, the intention of the FESPI Committee was not to include Lawn Bowls as an event because only two countries had expressed interest, there was no suitable venue in Shatin and there was no-one to organise the competitions. However, several members of the LLBA felt that we would be interested in hosting Lawn Bowls for the Blind and, with the support of our Association, a committee was formed, plans started and the challenge accepted. And a challenge it definitely was.

Although Blind Bowling has existed in Sydney, Australia for 21 years, to our knowledge, other Australian states and other countries, with possible exceptions, have followed suit only within the past five to eight years. Generally, separate Blind Bowling Clubs have been established, but recently blind bowlers have begun to play successfully against sighted bowlers in regular club competitions which has proved to be an enriching experience for the blind and sighted alike. In fact, one of the Australian competitors plays three in a sighted team in League. There are no blind bowlers in Hong Kong and none of us involved in planning had seen blind bowlers play. However, we gathered as much material as possible from past games for the disabled which consisted of rules and green requirements with additional helpful suggestions from Dr. Patricia Downie, Australian Blind Sports Federation and H.L. Kilpatrick, Western Australia Blind Bowling Club.



The Aussie Party.



Singles Winner: G. Pascoe with helper.



The HK Ladies who helped.

and to his committee for providing the greens and to Ann Wong, Manageress, for her help with many details.

Each bowler was allowed a sighted helper who placed the mat, always two yards from the ditch, advised the player the length of the jack and where each bowl came to rest using the clock method, and assisted with the strategy of the game. Although the rules state that only one helper is allowed with no audible aids, the Indonesians and Japanese kept acquiring many more helpers and used loud clapping to guide the bowler. Often our markers had to make their way through a grand crowd on the rink to measure and to try to keep control of the game. But all this was taken in good part and the excitement was contagious.

Our Officials acted as markers which meant a sighted bowler standing at the jack end in both Singles and Pairs. The marker, after delivery, placed the jack on the centre string and advised the helper how far it had travelled. Then she signalled where each wood rested in relation to the jack, answered any questions and measured at the finish of each end.

The clock system seemed complicated at first although it was really quite simple as long as the marker remembered that it was the time looking from the mat end, so upside down to the marker. The jack represented the pivot point of the hands. If a bowl came to rest a yard to the right of the jack and level with it, the marker indicated one yard at 3 o'clock; if in line with the jack, but heavy, two yards at 12 o'clock, etc.

The competition was limited to Singles and Pairs and out of an original entry of 22 participants from 5 countries, after withdrawals, we ended with 19 bowlers representing Japan, Australia and Indonesia. Games were to 21 shots or 2 hours for Singles, and 2 hours for Pairs. Individuals entered in Categories A and B could not play against each other nor men against women, so we had fewer entries in each Category than we would have liked.

Our volunteer officials, Eve Duncan, Shirley Turner, Audrey Davey, Helen Young, Ivy Kennedy and Rae O'Donnell cannot be given thanks enough for their hard work before and during the competition as organisers, markers and good-will ambassadors – to Eve, especially, for competently doing the draws, recording results and dealing, patiently for the most part, with overly enthusiastic team managers. Haruko Corley provided invaluable assistance translating for the Japanese team and eventually doing a bit of coaching. Thanks, too, to Ken Wallis, Elmo d'Souza and Geoff Murphy who were our Official Umpires.

The first day of play dawned bright and sunny with players and helpers arriving by bus from Shatin at 9:00 a.m. for the Singles Competitions. The Japanese and Indonesians surprised us by having no woods, but were very particular about the size of the ones we provided. Luckily, the KBGC had a wide selection, especially in sizes 1 and 2, and eventually everyone found a set that suited.

As the games began, it was obvious that the Australians were by far the most experienced with two of their players having bowled for a number of years before losing their sight. They also had quality training facilities at their disposal and had received experienced coaching. The standard of play was excellent by any standards.

The players from the other two countries were much less experienced and the Indonesians had even played on barely cleared canefields. As the next FESPIC Games will be held in Indonesia, the team manager busily sketched and photographed the greens and took measurements as they had not seen such facilities before. Another indication of the lack of experience was that in the Pairs, they did not know to alternate play with the Leads going first and the Skips following. Even after an explanation, they tended to change the Leads to Skips and vice-versa at will as the game progressed. However, it was amazing to see how much each player improved in such a very short time.

Audrey Davey had organised a delicious buffet lunch, so we were all able to sit down and get to know one another. Special thanks go to Linda Brindle and Margaret Lambert for non-stop serving of drinks on all three days of play. The cost of drinks and lunch was borne by the HKLBA, LLBA and KBGC and we thank all three organisations for their generosity.

The competitions were organised as follows: Three different categories of blindness could compete; being Category A = totally blind; B = under 5% sight; C = under 10% sight. In this year's games only A and B competed.

The greens were set out with an unused rink between each used for play to overcome any confusion caused by calling between marker and helper. A string, white for 4.57 metres at both ends, was placed up the centre of the rink from ditch to ditch to line up the jack and as a guide for the partially sighted. Metre distances were marked at each end between flag and ditch to use when signalling the distance of the jack. Our thanks to Colin Davey and Bill Zakske for providing the equipment and to Audrey Davey and Linda Brindle for dashing down in the early morning to set up the rinks, using chalk and white shoe polish most creatively. After initial doubts (written all over his face), even KBGC's No. 1 Fah Wong joined in the enthusiasm. Our thanks go too, to Ray Dewhurst, President, KBGC,

We originally had two entrants for Paraplegic Carpet Bowls (Class C1-severely disabled), but because one had not arrived in Hong Kong, Shirley Turner played against N. Nkao, Japan. Although she won, she was 'disqualified' for being, more or less, ablebodied, and the Gold Medal went to Nkao. Our thanks to Shirley.

Everyone was back in force on the following Friday for the Pairs competition. In order to enlarge the competition, we confirmed that it was correct to allow Mixed Pairs – e.g. one Cat. A with one Cat. B (not male/female) to compete in Cat. B – which allowed the Australian teams to enter and we accepted a late entry from Indonesia. Unfortunately, the afternoon finals were rained off, but everyone happily returned Saturday morning for these matches and for the Medal presentation in the KBGC Clubhouse. The medals were most impressive and all the players were very excited about receiving this recognition. In fact they all had such a great time that we could not get them to leave. Norm Hunter even gave some of our 'dart' experts a lesson in how it should be done.

The only real problem we encountered was a certain lack of communication because we were the only sport being played away from the Jubilee Sport Centre, which raised the suggestion that bowling greens, both indoor and out, be included in the complex. The only disappointment we found was that more of our bowlers were not able to come and watch, but we do thank those individuals who did and know that they, like ourselves, went away amazed and inspired by the experience.

The Closing Ceremony for the FESPIG Games took place on Sunday, again with all competitors ringing the track and with bands, dancers and parachutists entertaining. The FESPIG flag was lowered and presented to the next hosts, Indonesia, until the games in four years' time, and the flame which had burnt throughout the week was extinguished.

We know now that it is truly possible for the blind to play lawn bowls and to play as well as sighted bowlers. Perhaps the most exciting outcome of these games is the fact that plans are in hand to train some of Hong Kong's blind sportsmen and sportswomen to play the game and we welcome anyone who would be interested in participating in this programme.

After ten minutes of watching any of the competitions that took place during this week, observers forgot that these were handicapped sportsmen and were impressed with the competitive spirit, good sportsmanship and extremely high standard of skill displayed – were impressed by the abilities, not the disabilities.

Sandi Zakoške

#### RESULTS:

<u>SINGLES:</u>	Class A: Male –	Gold – T. Whitehouse, Australia Silver – Y. Paeran Setyo, Indonesia
	Female –	Gold – G. Pascoe, Australia Silver – Wagian, Indonesia Bronze – Siti Kasiamah, Indonesia
	Class B: Male –	Gold – N. Hunter, Australia Silver – T. Ishikawa, Japan Bronze – T. Suzuki, Japan Bronze – Abdul Hadi, Indonesia
	Female –	Gold – J. Cotter, Australia Silver – K. Sasaki, Japan
<u>PAIRS:</u>	Class A: Male –	Gold – A. Soenyoto, Y. Paeran Setyo, Indonesia Silver – K. Abe, K. Sakoh, Japan Bronze – K. Yoshino, T. Yamakawa, Japan
	Class B: Male –	Gold – T. Whitehouse, N. Hunter, Australia Silver – Y. Hasegawa, K. Miyagi, Japan Bronze – T. Ishikawa, T. Numakure, Japan
	Female –	Gold – G. Pascoe, J. Cotter, Australia Silver – N. Kamiya, K. Sasaki, Japan

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# Old Mans Game? ‘Out of the mouths of Babes and Sucklings. — ’

The majority of bowlers in Hong Kong are middle-aged or older and will have similar reasons for taking up the sport.

There are the people who will begin to bowl because it looks easy, if you touch the white thing you’re winning – or so it seems because everyone claps when you do. Of course, the game is time-consuming and can be used to one’s advantage.

To take my father as an example, he took up bowling for two reasons, the first being it gets him out of the daily chores. Wednesday practice nights and Saturday league matches serve as a reason to be frequently late arriving home.

The second reason he took up bowls has a story behind it which he has never told anyone and to date still denies, but now it can be told – quite simply, I beat him at squash, the next day he took up bowls.

So there are a few reasons why the older generation might take up bowls. But, why would a teenager take up bowls, you might ask yourself (or you might not). Older people have their ideas, although most are wrong. For instance, an older member of our Bowls Section was having a friendly roll-up on a Sunday afternoon, and he turned to me and said ‘Why do you play bowls? Do your parents force you?’ (I won’t answer that.) If you want to know why youngsters like myself take up bowls, don’t ask me; I don’t know for sure. I think partly to keep a watchful eye on the old folks, but there might be other reasons.

For example, some youngsters might start bowling simply because it is considered an old man’s game and to try to prove otherwise. I thought it might be worth asking other youngsters why they started to bowl and get the truth ‘out of the mouths of babes and sucklings . . .’.

Did you know how many young people play lawn bowls in Hong Kong? You might be surprised. I know and have played against many and even more to the point how high a standard that some of Hong Kong’s youngsters play. In the last few years, Hong Kong has seen such players as Gary Dang, Tommy Rozario, Noel Kennedy, Laurence Parker, John Zakske, myself (couldn’t resist mentioning myself then) and Mark McMahon (pronounced as it isn’t spelt) making an impact on the bowls scene.



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Take a few of the above and look at what's happened. In 1975, at the age of 11, Gary Dang began to bowl and had to wait a mere two years before he collected a national trophy. In 1977, he was runner-up in the junior singles and in the following year, he repeated the feat. In 1977, he also shared in winning the national mixed triples. In 1979, he won the junior singles and to cap this achievement in 1980, he won the national singles at the age of 16. His opponent in the final was another brilliant 16-year-old Tommy Rozario. Still in 1980, Gary was in the team that won the International Fours and repeated this win in 1981. His greatest performance though was in 1981 when he was selected to represent Hong Kong in the Embassy World Indoor Bowls Championships in Glasgow, Scotland. Gary achieved a remarkable 4th place against some of the great names in bowls. Gary is now studying in Canada and for the moment is lost to Hong Kong bowls, but I'm sure he will be back. So I couldn't contact Gary and ask him why he plays bowls.

Another young bowler with a fine record is Tommy Rozario with junior, national and Club titles to his name, I couldn't contact Tommy either because he also is studying abroad. Noel Kennedy is another of the 'kids' with many fine performances in national and league competitions who has made an impact on the bowls scene, as has John Zkoske.

The latest youngster to appear on the scene and making his presence felt is Mark McMahon who at the age of 13 has already won two national junior singles finals and shared last year in the mixed fours national trophy with gold medallist, Linda King and his parents, Bill and Rosemary. Mark is currently champion of his Club USRC and played well in the 1982 champion of champions competition.

I still haven't got any reasons why youngsters play bowls. Noel Kennedy plays soccer; I play squash and others play other sports. Strangely, very few girls play bowls — what a pity — but certainly, the young boys are keeping up with the oldies. We all have one thing in common — parents who bowl and some who have themselves fine bowling records past and present (and future they would all say), Ivy and Joe Kennedy, C.S. and Mrs. C.S. Dang, Bill and Rosemary McMahon, Naty and Gus Rozario, Bill and Sandi Zkoske (all of whom will pay dearly for this mention) are all bowlers of distinction and some of this skill must have rubbed off on their kids. Can't you persuade your daughters to take up bowls? Even my mum has just shared in a national win, so something might rub off on me. And there are more youngsters on the way. Young Billy Cosgriff, John Hayes and Paul Pickford are already on the green in Hong Kong Football Club and two have been blooded in the Second Division (and won). In other clubs, there is the same story, bowls is obviously an attraction for youngsters, but I don't know why. Perhaps the next time you see one, you could ask him and tell me; I'll be interested.

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LEAGUE SUB-COMMITTEE

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Runner-up	Mrs. B. Silva

### **PAIRS – TIGER CUP**

Winner	Mrs. B. Silva, Mrs. M. Azevedo
Runners-up	Mrs. S. Thomas, Mrs. C. Smith

### **TRIPLES – MARY BUCHANAN SHIELD**

Winners	Mrs. L. King, Mrs. I. Silva, Mrs. H. Wong
Runners-up	Mrs. H. Corley, Mrs. B. Howell, Mrs. R. O'Donnell

### **RINKS – JEAN BANKS 'CHAMPAGNE' TROPHY**

Winners	Mrs. N. Rozario, Mrs. V. Cheung, Mrs. I. Silva, Mrs. H. Wong
Runners-up	Mrs. A. Davey, Mrs. M. Walker, Mrs. J. Bosley, Mrs. P. Paterson

### **AUSTRALIAN PAIRS – PETER KURUNERU CUP**

Winners	Mrs. C. Smith, Mrs. P. Paterson
Runners-up	Mrs. M. Cawley, Mrs. S. Thomas

### **INTERNATIONAL – GUY WALKER CUP**

Winners	SCOTLAND	Mrs. M. Adair, Mrs. M. Lambert
Runners-up	MALAYSIA	Mrs. I. Hughes, Mrs. R. McMahon
		Mrs. L. Hassan, Mrs. M. Gunawan
		Mrs. M. Cosgriff, Mrs. P. Hussain

### **KNOCK-OUT SINGLES – 'REBS' TROPHY**

Winners	Mrs. J. Humphreys
Runner-up	Mrs. K. Deans
PLATE	
Winner	Mrs. N. Rozario
Runner-up	Mrs. H. Young

### **MIXED TRIPLES – HELEN SAUL TROPHY**

Winners	J.M. Hassan, A.M. Wahab, M. Ramchand
Runners-up	L. Mitchell, G. Young, M. Walker

### **CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS – 'HELEN' CHALLENGE TROPHY**

Winner	Mrs. L. King
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### **RINKS WAPPENSCHAW – WONG TROPHY**

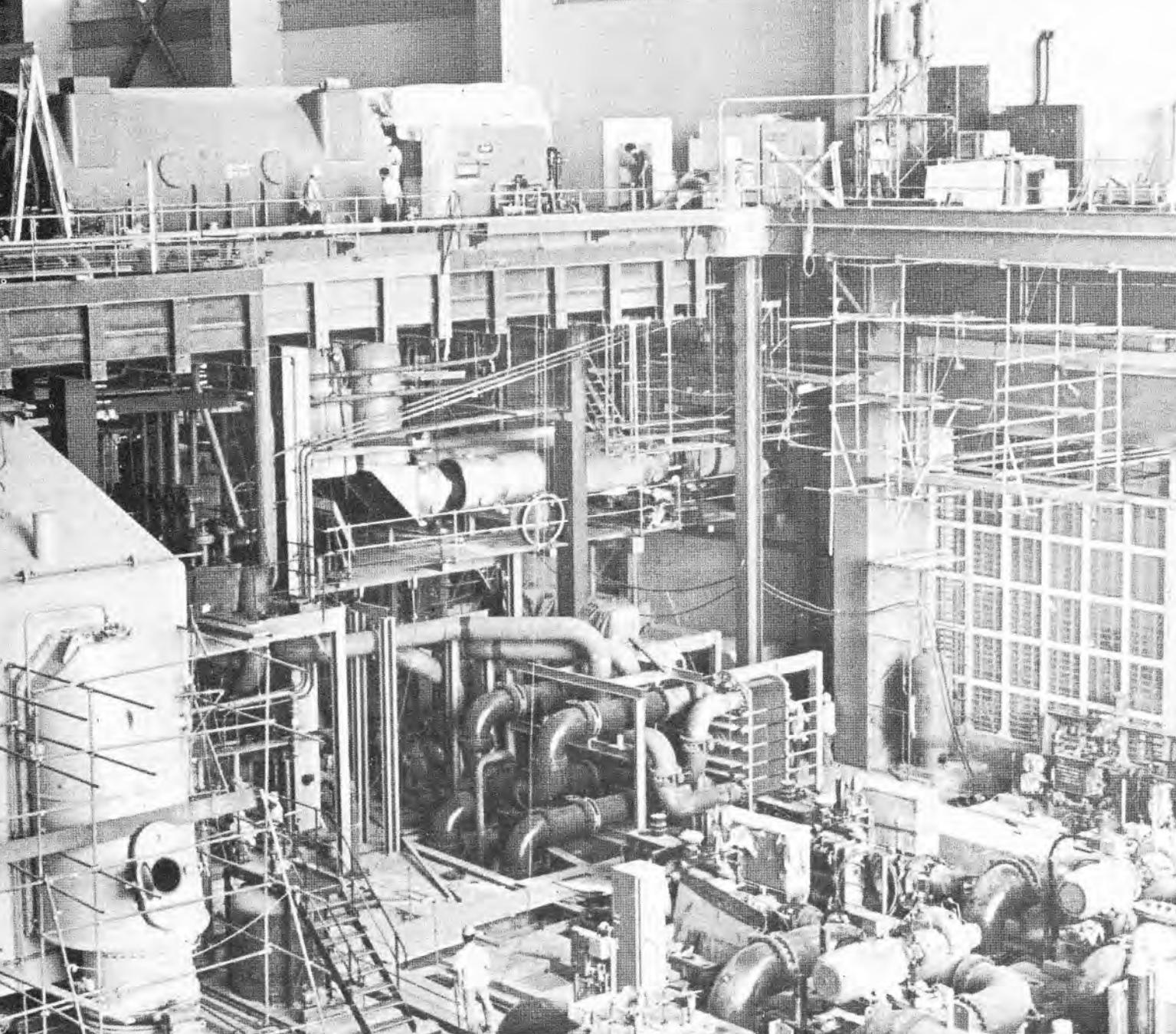
Winners	Mrs. M. Walker, Mrs. N. Woo, Mrs. R. McMahon, Mrs. E. Duncan
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### **SADICK SHIELD**

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# LADIES FIRST DIVISION 1982

**WINNERS: Craigengower Cricket Club**



*Back Row: J. Chok, I. Silva and R. Chan.  
Front Row: H. Wong and N. Woo.*

1st Division	W	L	D	Pts
CCC	9	4	1	19
USRC	8	5	1	17
KCC	8	6	—	16
KBGC 'R'	7	7	—	14
HKPSRC	7	7	—	14
REC	6	8	—	12
IRC	5	8	1	11
KBGC 'Y'	4	9	1	9

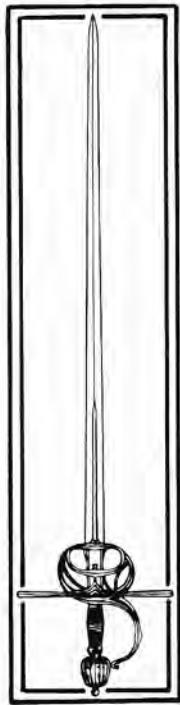
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# LADIES SECOND DIVISION 1982

## WINNERS: Kowloon Cricket Club



Tina Su, Jenny Wallis, Sylvia Slater, Jane Leung and Lynn D'Souza.

2nd Division	W	L	D	Pts
KCC	12	2	—	24
HKFC 'W'	9	5	—	18
KBGC 'B'	8	5	1	17
POC	7	6	1	15
KBGC 'G'	6	6	2	14
HKPSRC	5	8	1	11
HKFC 'B'	3	10	1	7
USRC	3	11	—	6

# LADIES THIRD DIVISION 1982

**WINNERS: Kowloon Cricket Club Red**



*Mary Ware, Monica Wong, Mary Hearder and Pola Yu.*

3rd Division	W	L	D	Pts
KCC 'R'	12	5	1	25
KCC 'W'	12	6	—	24
KCC 'G'	11	7	—	22
HKFC	9	7	2	20
IRC	9	8	1	19
HKCC	9	8	1	19
KBGC	8	10	—	16
REC	7	10	1	15
FC	5	13	—	10
POC	5	13	—	10

# HONG KONG LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION

## 1982 Kent National League

The 1982 Kent National League attracted a total of 35 entries from Member Clubs, comprising 10 teams in the first Division, 10 teams in the Second Division and 15 teams in the Third Division. This was one of the largest number of entries received in recent years and the reason for it can be attributed partly to the General Committee's decision to schedule the League with a split season and partly to the fine efforts of 'Tiny' Conway and S.C. Lo at Victoria Park. With the large entry in the Third Division, the General Committee further decided to split the division into two sub-divisions with the winners in each sub-division gaining promotion to the Second Division.

The First Division League Championship was not decided until after the last game was played when CCC-A managed to retain the title by the narrow margin of one point over IRC-A. It should be pointed out however that at different stages of the Championship, no less than 5 teams had headed the league table and that in the final league standings there was a margin of 15 points only between the first and the sixth team. The title could well have gone to any one of these six teams. At the other end of the league table, we find further proof of how difficult it is for any Club to endeavour to maintain a second team in the First Division.

In the Second Division KCC-B ran away with the League Championship title. Their only possible regret was not having been able to maintain an unbeaten record. IRC-B, who had the rare distinction of beating KCC-B, will also be playing in First Division next season. Despite a gallant effort to retain their Second Division status, HUD find themselves back in Third Division. CLBC, who decided to afford bowlers from Victoria Park an opportunity to play in the League, should also find life easier in Third Division next season.

HKFC-C and KCC-C both emerged as clear winners of the two sub-divisions in the Third Division. Although much was expected from the play-off, it turned out to be a one-sided affair with HKFC-C winning both matches comfortably and claiming the Third Division League Championship title.

In conclusion I would like to thank all convenors for the co-operation and support they have extened to the league sub-committee throughout the season.

Philip Chok

1982 Kent National League  
Final League Standings

### Division I

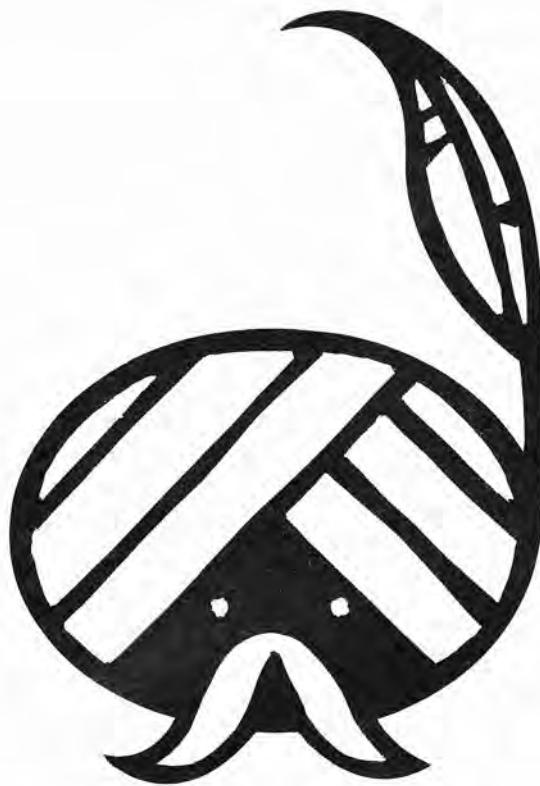
### Division IIIA

Team	W	L	SA	Pts	Team	W	L	SA	Pts
CCC-A	12	6	+228	113	HKFC-C	12	2	+312	115
IRC-A	11	7	+137	112	IRC-C	10	4	+157.75	93
REC-A	12	6	+100	110	REC-C	8	6	+71	81
KCC-A	11	7	+140	103	HKCC-B	8	6	+12	74
USRC-A	11	7	+14	103	FC-B	8	6	-15.75	71
KBGC-A	9	9	+91	98	KBGC-D	5	9	-13.25	49
HKFC-A	10	8	+22	90	HKERC	3	13	-288	37
FC-A	8	10	-76	82	KCC-D	2	12	-253.75	30
CCC-B	3	15	-206	54					
REC-B	3	15	-450	35					

### Division II

### Division IIIB

Team	W	L	SA	Pts	Team	W	L	SA	Pts
KCC-B	17	1	+485.25	159	KCC-C	11	1	+313	106
IRC-B	14	4	+337	131	CCC-C	8	4	+91	69
HKFC-B	13	5	+129	114	HKFC-D	7	5	+37	68
HKPSRC-A	10	8	+160	110	USRC-B	5	7	-27	54
KBGC-B	10	8	+188	105	HKCC-A	5	7	-64	51
CSDSA	7	11	+129.75	76	FC-C	4	8	-126	41
KBGC-C	7	11	+0.75	73	HKPSRC-B	2	10	-224	31
POC	5	13	-164	63					
HUD	6	12	-284	55					
CLBC	1	17	-721.75	14					



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# LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION

WINNERS: CCC 'A'



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*J. Kwan, M. Wu, A. Chok, D. Chan, M.H. Kan, C.K. Chung, L.N. Silva, K.C. Tso, S. Lau.*

*Front Row:*

*B.K. Koh, P.S. Ng, P. Chok, E. Chok, G.A. Souza Jr., D. Tso, G.A. Souza, R. Tay*



*Jack Johnson.*



*Jack Lam.*



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# LEAGUE SECOND DIVISION

WINNERS: KCC 'B'



*Back Row:*

*L. Cooper, R. Carpenter, R. McDougall, B. Angle, G. Hamet, S. Ramchand, A. Maslowicz, R. Hedges.*

*Front Row:*

*H. Ross, J. Schlaepfer, D. Davenport, G. Howell, C.C. Chen.*

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# LEAGUE THIRD DIVISION

WINNERS: HKFC 'C'

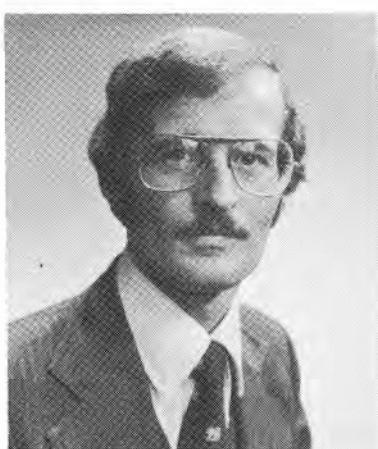


*Back Row:*

*E. Hornsby, D. Jennings, M. Lawson, C. Jarvis, S. Andrews, A. Reeve, J. Baillie and J. Smith.*

*Front Row:*

*R. Lakoon, F. Golder, A. Nichols and B. Porteous.*



*A. Robertson.*



*Jim Viney.*

# H. K. L. B. A. NATIONAL COMPETITIONS 1982

Without a doubt 1982 will be remembered as George Souza Jr.'s year. George has had remarkable success and I believe achieved a first ever accomplishment of winning all singles titles in the same year. George also won the triples title with Philip and Edwin Chok and was runner-up in the pairs with M.H. Kan and the losing skip in the final of the International Fours.

When Ken Wallis suggested a Bowler of the Year award I did not realise just how much work was involved recording and keeping statistics on all competition entrants. This award includes the five major competitions namely, National Singles, Knock-out Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours, and a system of points are awarded for each round successfully reached. As the season progressed however it became obvious that the Bowler of the Year could be found, namely George Souza Jr. without recourse to my book-keeping. Nevertheless I maintained these records and I believe some interesting statistics have arisen. For instance a total number of 1152 entries have been received for all competitions from about 280 bowlers. Kowloon Bowling Green Club and Kowloon Cricket Club had over 200 entries and clubs with over 100 entries were Hong Kong Football Club, Craigengower Cricket Club, Filipino Club and Club de Recreio. At the other end of the scale no entries were received from Hong Kong Electric and less than 10 from CLBC, HKCC, HUD, POC and CSDSA.

The competitions programme progressed steadily with very little delay encountered due to inclement weather this year. The Singles and Fours competitions were disrupted because of absence of Commonwealth bowlers but I am sure that everyone would agree that delay for this reason is right and proper. Programming the premier competitions outside the league break and avoiding International events proves difficult and there are times when flexibility is required. A special note, of thanks is due for co-operation by those affected in this year's competitions.

The season was not altogether without a few gripes and complaints although the sub-committee was only required to invigilate one official complaint which was amicably settled. The rules on substitution and replacements do need tightening as well as rearranged venues although again no official complaints have been received. Quite a major problem has been provision of markers for singles competitions and in this respect I would like to thank KCC, KBGC and HKFC whose greens have been used extensively for National Competitions this year. The subject of greens does merit some comment although not altogether in regard to the National Competitions. The standard of greens at some clubs is getting worse and I am oft moaned at for scheduling some competitive games at these clubs. The availability of greens to meet a very tight competition programme does mean that for the early rounds of popular competitions all possible greens must be used. Playing surfaces do need constant attention and there is a general need to upgrade these facilities. Hopefully the introduction of HKLBA official green keeper coaching should give some improvement in the not too distant future.

The National Competitions sub-committee has, at the request of the Association, reviewed the current competitions with possible pruning in mind. However the number of entries to even the smaller competitions has indicated that the pruning should not occur for next season. An annual review should, however, be carried out by members of the sub-committee. It is hoped to introduce a new winter competition for clubs teams and more detail on this competition should be available later this year.

In conclusion, I would like to congratulate all competitions winners and thank all competitors and clubs for their co-operation in the 1982 National Competitions programme. I would also like to thank the National Competitions sub-committee: – George Souza Jr., Cyril Jarvis and Bob Worrell and also the HKLLBA competitions secretary, Eve Duncan for all the assistance and advice that has been given.

R.D. Hayes

### BOWLER OF THE YEAR

Name	Club	Triples	Pairs	Fours	Singles	KO Singles	Total
G.A. Souza Jr.	CCC	30	20	2	30	30	112
D. Overman	USRC	1	30	0	4	10	45
M.B. Hassan Jr.	IRC	10	10	20	3	0	43
D. Tso	CCC	10	10	20	1	0	43
P. Chok	CCC	30	2	1	0	2	35
B. McMahon	USRC	0	30	0	2	2	34
C. Coelho	FC	1	1	30	0	0	32
B. Cosgriff	HKFC	20	0	10	2	0	32
K. Tonissen	HKFC	20	0	10	1	0	31
E. Chok	CCC	30	0	1	0	0	31
J.J. Collaco	C de R	0	0	30	1	0	31
P.S. Hui	C de R	0	0	30	0	0	30
A. Fernandes	C de R	1	1	20	2	1	25
R. Lakoon	HKFC	20	0	1	1	2	24
K. Wallis	KCC	0	0	0	3	20	23
M.H. Kan	CCC	2	20	0	0	0	22
K.A. Yuen	CCC	0	0	20	2	0	22
M. Wu	CCC	0	0	20	2	0	22
P. Smith	KCC	10	10	2	0	0	22
D. Ho	HKPSRC	0	1	0	20	0	21
M. Randall	C de R	0	3	0	2	10	15
T. Blair	HKFC	0	1	10	1	3	15
G. Souza	KCC	10	0	2	2	0	14
H. Tso	CCC	10	0	0	0	3	13
E. Remedios	KCC	0	10	3	0	0	13
P. Chan	KBGC	1	0	2	10	0	13
B.H. Hassan	IRC	0	1	10	1	0	12
S.M. Hassan	IRC	0	1	10	1	0	12
B. Douglass	HKFC	0	1	10	1	0	12
J. Armitage	KCC	0	1	0	10	1	11
S. Kadir	IRC	0	1	10	0	0	11
A.M. Wahab	IRC	0	1	10	0	0	11

### Club Standings

Club	Points	Entries	Average/Entry
CCC	331	35	9.45
USRC	89	10	8.9
C de R	124	22	5.64
IRC	102	21	4.86
HKFC	148	35	4.23
HKPSRC	34	10	3.4
KCC	117	38	3.07
FC	67	29	2.31
KBGC	76	34	1.83
HUD	2	2	1.0
CLBC	0	5	0

# HONG KONG LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION RESULTS OF 1982 COMPETITIONS

<b>BOWLER OF THE YEAR</b>	Mr. G.A. Souza Jr.
<b>SINGLES – BRADBURY CHALLENGE CUP</b>	
Winner	Mr. G.A. Souza Jr.
Runner-up	Mr. D. Ho
<b>PAIRS – KCC TROPHY FOR THE R.B. MARSHALL PAIRS</b>	
Winners	Mr. W. McMahon, Mr. D. Overman
Runners-up	Mr. M.H. Kan, Mr. G.A. Souza Jr.
<b>TRIPLES – ROBERT TAY TROPHY FOR THE ERIC LIDDELL TRIPLES</b>	
Winners	Mr. P. Chok, Mr. E. Chok, Mr. G.A. Souza Jr.
Runners-up	Mr. R. Lakoon, Mr. K. Tonissen, Mr. W. Cosgriff
<b>FOURS – OMAR MEMORIAL TROPHY</b>	
Winners	Mr. P.S. Hui, Mr. J. Collaco,
Runners-up	Mr. M. Randall, Mr. C. Coelho Mr. M. Wu, Mr. K.A. Yuen, Mr. M.B. Hassan Jr., Mr. David Tso
<b>MIXED PAIRS – HETHERINGTON TROPHY</b>	
Winners	Mrs. J. Chok, Mr. P. Chok
Runners-up	Mrs. L. D'Souza, Mr. E. D'Souza
<b>ROTHMANS PAIRS – ROTHMANS GOLD CUP</b>	
Winners	Mr. H. Ardley, Mr. M. Ferguson
Runners-up	Mr. B. Marshall, Mr. A. Cawley
<b>MIXED FOURS – SCOTT TROPHY</b>	
Winners	Mrs. S. Armitage, Mrs. E. Giles
Runners-up	Mr. J. Armitage, Mr. P. O'Dea Mrs. L. King, Mrs. R. McMahon Mr. M. McMahon, Mr. W. McMahon
<b>INTER-HONG PAIRS – HUD TROPHY FOR THE ATIENZA INTER-HONG PAIRS</b>	
Winners	Mr. S. Yip, Mr. J. Fung
Runners-up	Mr. C. Cheng, Mr. C. Brindle
<b>JUNIOR SINGLES – LINO MARQUES TROPHY</b>	
Winner	Mark McMahon
Runner-up	Godfrey Kwong
Plate winner	Patrick Wong
Runner-up	Stephen Naish
<b>KNOCK-OUT SINGLES – GEOFF MURPHY TROPHY FOR THE W. RUSSELL AND G. NORMAN KO SINGLES</b>	
Winner	Mr. G.A. Souza Jr.
Runner-up	Mr. K. Wallis
<b>FAH WONG'S SINGLES – BOTHELHO 'HO YEH' CUP</b>	
Winner	Mr. Lui Po (K.B.G.C.)
Runner	Mr. Lo Kwok (H.K.F.C.)
<b>CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS – CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS TROPHY</b>	
Winner	Mr. G.A. Souza Jr.
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Winner	ENGLAND
Runners-up	Mr. K. Kittridge, Mr. J. Armitage, Mr. K. Wallis, Mr. D. Overman
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# SINGLES

## LADIES



LENA SADICK

Lena Sadick of Indian Recreation Club captured her second National Singles title when she defeated defending champion Bea Silva of the Hong Kong Police Sports and Recreation Club by 21-15 at the Hong Kong Football Club.

Sadick throughout had the edge on her opponent with her better control of green and weight and wider variety of shots. After a slow start, Sadick was slightly ahead most of the way in a drawing duel that never actually reached a really high standard. Sadick went into an early lead of 9-4 after eight heads, but Silva fought back to narrow the deficit to 8-9. Sadick however began to find her touch and increased her lead to 12-8. Silva fought back again gamely and the score on the 19th head was 16-15 in Sadick's favour. On the 20th head, Sadick drew three superb shots to lead 19-15 and finished the match on the 21st head with another good brace of shots.

## MEN



GEORGE SOUZA JR.

The final played at the Hong Kong Football Club produced an excellent display of bowls. George Souza Jr. beat Danny Ho after trailing 10-3 on the eighth head. Danny remained ahead until the nineteenth head when overtaken by George. The score was levelled 15-15 on the twentieth head but then George managed six shots on the next three heads to run out the champion 21-15.

In the semi-finals George defeated Pat Chan and Danny beat John Armitage.



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# PAIRS

## LADIES

WINNERS: Bea Silva and Maisie Azevedo

At the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, the Hong Kong Police Sports and Recreation pair, Bea Silva and Maisie Azevedo, defeated the KBGC pair of Sue Thomas and Cecilia Smith 22-18 in an exciting game. Silva and Azevedo started slowly, then took two successive threes to move into a 6-2 lead after 4 heads. Thomas and Smith refused to give in and came back winning five of the next six ends to move into what looked like a winning position at 13-8 after 11 ends. But Silva and Azevedo began to find direction and length and edged ahead 14-13 after 14 ends. Two counts of three to Silva and Azevedo on the 17th and 19th ends clinched the game and despite getting back two successive twos on the last two ends, Silva and Azevedo came through by 4 shots.



*Bea Silva and Maisie Azevedo.*

## MENS

WINNERS: Bill McMahon and Dave Overman

Bill McMahon and Dave Overman of United Services Recreation Club gave their club their first ever premier national bowls title when they defeated CCC's M.H. Kan and George Souza Jr. at the Hong Kong Football Club.

Bill McMahon bowled superbly at lead with Dave either consolidating or playing successful heavy shots when necessary. The USRC pair built up a substantial lead which their opponents could not reduce and the final score was 29-8.

In the semi-finals the USRC team defeated David Tso and M.B. Hassan Jr. while the CCC pair beat the reigning champions Pete Smith and Eddie Remedios.



*Dave Overman and Bill McMahon.*



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# TRIPLES

## LADIES

WINNERS: Linda King, Irene Silva and Helen Wong



H. Wong, L. King and I. Silva.

## MENS

WINNERS: P. Chok, E. Chok and G. Souza Jr.



The winners with the runners up and G. Murphy who presented the trophy

The USRC/CCC combination of Linda King, Irene Silva and Helen Wong had a fine victory over the KCC trio of Haruko Corley, Bev Howell and Rae O'Donnell at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club by a score of 25-14. The score does not give a true indication of the game as both teams produced a high standard of bowls throughout the exciting 18 head game.

The KCC trio started very well and went into an early 7-1 lead after the fourth head. The USRC/CCC combination fought back well and levelled the scores at 7-7 after seven ends. By the 11th end, Helen Wong's girls had moved into a 13-9 lead and then almost clinched victory on the 14th when with the score at 13-12, Wong took out an opponent's shot wood and stayed for a count of four to widen the lead to 17-12. Hard as the KCC team fought, it was not possible to cut back the deficit and the game finished 25-14 to the Wong, Silva and King team. This is Wong's tenth national triples title.

The final of the triples was played at Kowloon Bowling Green Club when the formidable Craigengower Cricket Club three – Edwin Chok, Philip Chok and George Souza Jr. defeated Hong Kong Football Club's – Ran Lakoon, Bill Cosgriff and Keith Tonissen.

The Football Club were unable to maintain the high standard of bowls which was displayed in earlier rounds and therefore the final was a very one sided affair. The game was conceded on the sixteenth head with the score standing at 27-5.

In the semi-finals the CCC team defeated Tso Hung, M.B. Hassan Jr. and David Tso while the Football Club team beat KCC's Pete Smith, Elmo D'Souza and Gerry Souza.

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# FOURS

## LADIES

WINNERS: V. Cheung, N. Rozario, H. Wong and I. Silva



In a very exciting and tense match, the Recreo/Craigengower Cricket Club combination of N. Rozario, V. Cheung, I. Silva and H. Wong defeated the Kowloon Bowling Green Club four of Audrey Davey, Merle Walker, Jan Bosley and Pam Paterson by one shot 19-18 at Hong Kong Football Club. The game was a low scoring one where fortunes swung from one team to the other.

The KBGC four began steadily taking six shots from the first four heads, but were pulled back by the Recreo/CCC team to 6-6 by the 6th head. KBGC four then won the next three heads in succession to lead 11-6 only to lose the following four heads to trail 11-14. In this fluctuating match, the Paterson four came back again with 4 shots in three ends to lead 15-14 and thereafter the game see-sawed with a two to the Wong four on the 20th followed by a single to Paterson on the 21st for the Wong team to come through by one shot.

An exciting finish to an exciting game and another national title to Wong.

## MENS

WINNERS: P.S. Hui, J. Collaco, M. Randall and C. Coelho

The fours competitions was subject to delay while waiting for our Commonwealth bowlers to return and also because of inclement weather. The final was eventually played at Kowloon Bowling Green Club in December, some three months after the competition was started.

Winners were the combined Recreo/Filipino Club four — P.S. Hui, Jock Collaco, Malcolm Randall and Caesar Coelho who defeated the strong CCC/IRC combination — Michael Wu, K.A. Yuen, M.B. Hassan Jr. and David Tso.

The final was a very one-sided affair and Caesar Coelho's team held a good lead throughout the game. The score was 20-10 after the twentieth head and the last head was not played.

Chi Chi Fernandes was an original member of the winning team but unfortunately unable to play in the final as he had an injured back.

In the semi-finals, Caesar Coelho's team defeated the IRC team — B.M. Hassan, S. Kadir, S.M. Hassan and A.M. Wahab and David Tso's team beat the HKFC team — Tom Blair, Bill Cosgriff, Keith Tonissen and Brian Douglass.





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# CHAMPION - OF - CHAMPIONS

## LADIES

WINNER: Linda King



Playing two or three singles matches in a day for three weekends, eleven champions played to the limits of their ability and stamina for the honour of being designated Champion of Champions. After the second day's play, the title contenders were Sandi Zakske, Elvie Chok, Lena Sadick, Joan Humphreys and Linda King, any one of whom looked capable of winning. When the round robin entered the final day, it was still possible for a winner to emerge from Humphreys, Rozario and King. King and Humphreys played what turned out to be the crucial game and Humphreys, playing very well, ran into a convincing lead of 17-6 and it looked as if she would win and with only one game to play after could clinch the title. But King fought back and actually took the lead at 20-18 only for Humphreys to be lying two and being short with her third wood to win the match. At 20-20 therefore Humphreys put her first wood on the jack, but King, showing the stuff champions are made of, took the shot with her first wood and won a truly superb match. Runner-up Rozario won her last two games, but lost out on shots and Humphreys filled third place.

### LADIES CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS COMPETITION 1982

#### STANDINGS AFTER ROUND 11

FINAL ROUND	SHOTS						POINTS	USRC
	P	W	L	FOR	AGAINST	DIF		
1. L. King	10	9	1	203	123	+80	18	USRC
2. N. Rozario	10	9	1	203	137	+66	18	C de R
3. J. Humphreys	10	8	2	205	136	+69	16	KO Singles
4. L. Sadick	10	6	4	183	137	+46	12	Colony Singles
5. E. Chok	10	6	4	163	149	+14	12	HKPSRC
6. S. Zakske	10	5	5	174	148	+26	10	KBGC
7. M. Abbas	10	3	7	141	181	-40	6	IRC
8. S. Turner	10	3	7	117	194	-77	6	HKFC
9. L. Smith	10	2	8	162	196	-34	4	POC
10. T. Huen	10	2	8	113	181	-68	4	FC
11. P. Wood	10	2	8	111	200	-89	4	HKCC



Back Row: Alan Cawley, David Tso, John McNie, Tso Hung, Calvin Cheng, Chi Chi Fernandes, John Stewart, George Souza Jr., and Lionel Hewa.  
Front Row: Danny Ho, Mark McMahon, Reggie Leung and David Abbas.

## MENS

### WINNER: George Souza Jr.

A very interesting and closely fought series of games produced some excellent bowls from all competitors.

The eventual winner, George Souza Jr. losing only two games was only sure of victory on the last round when David Tso lost to Danny Ho by 21-18. If David had won his final game then the championship would have been his.

The Competition ran very smoothly and with the exception of one bad morning all clubs provided markers when requested.

A very deserving winner George was presented with the Champion of Champions trophy by Geoff Murphy.



#### Final Position

Name	Club	Games		Shots			Diff'ce
		P1'd	Won	For	Against		
<b>CCC</b>							
1. George Souza Jr.	Nat. & KO	12	10	231	148	+83	
2. David Tso	81 Champ						
3. Alan Cawley	KBGC	12	9	230	172	+58	
4. Danny Ho	HKPSRC	12	8	209	189	+20	
5. Tso Hung	CSDSA	12	8	211	194	+17	
6. Lionel Hewa	KCC	12	7	219	184	+35	
7. Chi Chi Fernandes	C de R	12	6	232	206	+26	
8. Mark McMahon	USRC	12	6	202	207	-5	
9. David Abbas	IRC	12	5	195	209	-14	
10. John Stewart	HKFC	12	5	190	214	-24	
11. Calvin Cheng	HUD	12	3	181	233	-52	
12. Reggie Leung	CLBC	12	1	143	246	-103	
13. John McNie	HKCC	12	1	126	238	-112	

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# KNOCK-OUT SINGLES

## LADIES

WINNER: Joan Humphreys



*K. Deans and J. Humphreys.*

The holder of the Knock-out Singles championship came through a long gruelling day in lawn bowls equivalent to the decathlon to retain her title with a convincing 21-13 victory over surprise finalist Kay Deans. Humphreys took a long time to settle in the final and Deans was looking a possible winner when the game entered the 13th head with a 9-8 score line in Deans' favour. Humphreys then struck with a 4 to lead 12-8. Deans fought back to reduce the deficit to 1 and then took the lead 13-12 on the 15th head. Humphrey's consistency and strength began to pay off and she reeled off 4.1.3.1 on the next four ends to finish the match and once again to become the Knock-out Singles Champion.

In the Irene Souza gold plate competition, N. Rozario defeated H. Young 21-12.

## MENS

WINNER: G. Souza Jr.



*G. Souza and K. Wallis.*

The one-day Knock-out Singles tournament attracted 72 competitors and was played on the Kowloon Bowling Green Club and Kowloon Cricket Club greens.

After a very gruelling day commencing at 8:30 am the final played at about 7:30 pm saw Ken Wallis against George Souza Jr.

George built up an early lead 10-3 but Ken reduced this to a single deficit 10-9. George managed a three on the next head but Ken fought back to one-behind again. However some excellent draw bowling from George increased his lead and the final ends ran out to a 21-13 victory for George.

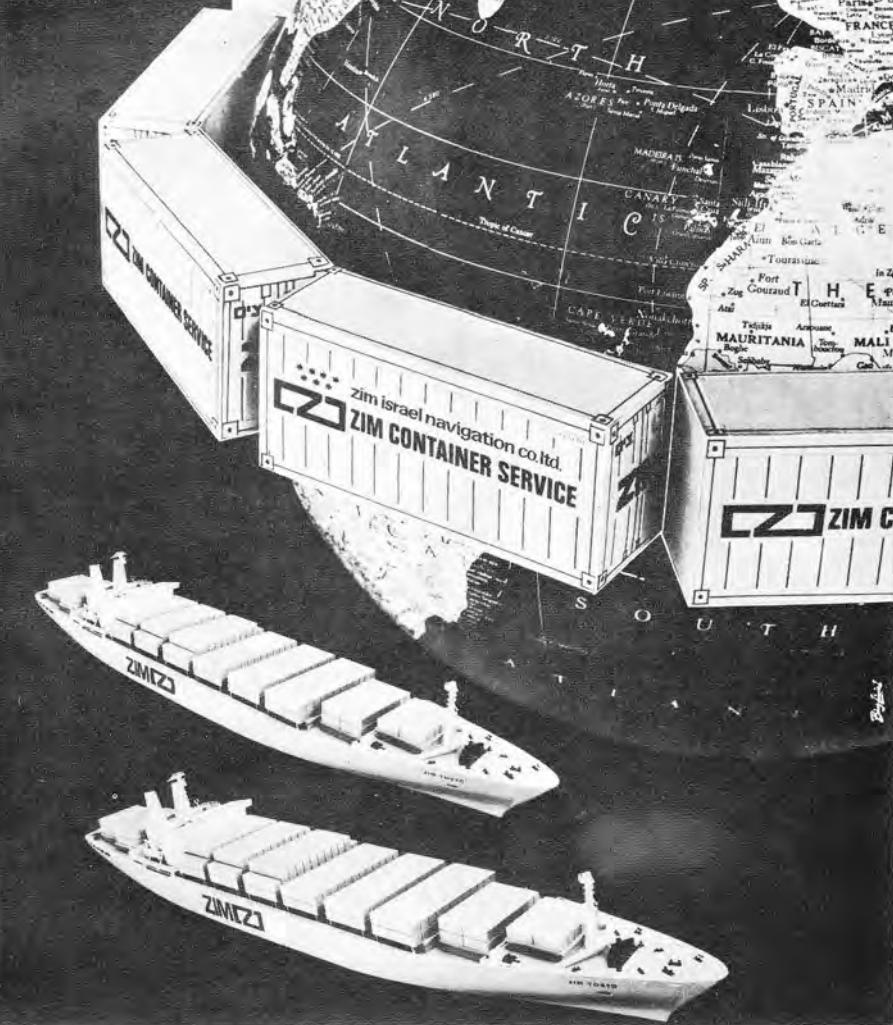
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# MIXED PAIRS

Winners; J. Chok and P. Chok



Jenny and Philip Chok.

Philip and Jenny Chok of Craigengower Cricket Club defeated KCC's Lynn and Elmo D'Souza in the final at Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

The lead changed on several of the early heads before some good drawing by Jenny and consolidation by Philip saw the CCC pair draw ahead to victory on the twentieth head. With the score at 23-11 the last head was not played.

In the semi-finals the Chok's defeated Bev Howell and John Armitage while the D'Souza's beat Virginia Cheng and Gerry Souza.

# MIXED FOURS

WINNERS: S. Armitage, J. Armitage, P. O'Dea and E. Giles



S. Armitage, J. Armitage, P. O'Dea and E. Giles.

The final played at the Hong Kong Football Club produced one of the most exciting finishes in any of the 1982 competitions. Eventual winners from KCC — Sheila and John Armitage, Edith Giles and Pat O'Dea beat the reigning champions from USRC — Linda King, Mark, Rosemary and Bill McMahon by just one shot, (23-22).

An early lead by the KCC four of 20-6 at the twelfth head was cut to 20-17 at the seventeenth with some spirited bowling from the USRC four. At the last head the score was 23-20 to the KCC four but with the last wood to come from Pat O'Dea a count of three shots to the USRC four looked as though the score would be tied and an extra head required.

Pat needed to draw third shot to win the game but instead was heavy and hit a side toucher to deflect the jack back towards a possible count of four or five to the USRC four. However luck was with him and the jack travelled just far enough to score only two shots for USRC and therefore victory to the KCC four concluding a very interesting and closely fought game.

In the semi-finals the KCC team beat Eva Ho, K.M. Wong, Lena Sadick, Ian Ho and the USRC team beat Pat Hussain, L. Hussain, Tiger Hussain and Gerry Souza. The Scott trophy was presented to the winners by Geoff Murphy.

# **INTERNATIONAL FOURS**

## **LADIES**



At Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Scotland represented by May Adair, Margaret Lambert, Isobel Hughes and Rosemary McMahon defeated a Malaysian four of L. Hassen, M. Gunawan, M. Cosgriff and P. Hussain by 20 shots to 11. The climax of the international series saw two of the less fancied teams reaching the final. The Malaysian team was completed by kiwi reserve Marilyn Cosgriff and fought very well in the early stages. Very few shots were given away by either side and after 9 heads, the score was 5-5! At this point, Scotland began to pick up shots and a 4 on the 12th put them into a 11-6 lead. From this point until the 18th head, Scotland dominated and continued to go further ahead. Despite a late Malaysian rally which picked up 4 shots in two ends, Scotland came through with a convincing 20-11 win.

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# WONG WAPPENSCHAW TROPHY

WINNERS: M. Walker, N. Woo, R. McMahon and E. Duncan



N. Woo, E. Duncan, M. Walker and R. McMahon.

Mr. Wong of Filipino Club donated a new trophy for competition over 2 days of Chinese New Year and the inaugural competition was played in 1982 at Kowloon Cricket Club with a large entry.

The object of the competition is to select the teams by ballot and play several fours matches on a round robin basis. A very exciting two days saw three teams in contention until the very last game when skip Eve Duncan took out an opponent's shot and stayed to give her team the required points to win the tournament. The winning rink of Merle Walker, Nora Woo, Rosemary McMahon and Eve Duncan completed 7 wins from 9 games and finished with 15 points.

# PETER KURUNERU PAIRS

WINNERS: C. Smith and P. Paterson



Peter presenting the trophy to C. Smith and P. Paterson after their win over M. Cawley and S. Thomas at K.C.C.

# MENS



## ROTHMAN PAIRS

WINNERS: H. Ardley and M. Ferguson

Bad weather delayed the final of the Rothmans pairs on several occasions but it was eventually played at Craigengower Cricket Club under floodlights. The reigning champions from Kowloon Bowling Green Club — Barry Marshall and Alan Cawley were defeated by the on-form Hong Kong Football Club pair — Mike Ferguson and Hugh Ardley.

The Football Club team outdrew their opponents and were also able to play into the head when necessary. They stormed away to a 16-5 lead on the fifteenth head. Although the KBGC team staged a late recovery to reduce the score to 16-10 on the eighteenth a loss of a single and three gave victory to Hugh and Mike without needing to play the last head.

In the semi-finals the Football Club pair defeated Noel Kennedy and Danny Ho while the KGBFC team beat M.H. Kan and Edwin Chok.

The prizes were donated by Rothmans and trophies presented by Mr. and Mrs. Young, the General Manager of Tobacco Exporters International.

## INTERNATIONAL FOURS

Honours went to England in the 1982 final when they defeated Portugal at Kowloon Cricket Club. The English team — Keith Kittridge, John Armitage, Ken Wallis and Dave Overman took an early lead which was maintained throughout the twenty-one heads. A late challenge by Portugal's Jock Collaco, E.M. Rosario, P.J. Tonnochy and George Souza Jr. reduced the deficit to two shots on the twentieth head but they conceded a single and therefore victory to the English on the last head.

In previous rounds England defeated Macau, China and Wales while Portugal beat Hong Kong, Pakistan and Malaysia. Teams from Scotland, Eire, Australia, New Zealand and Ireland also participated.



## INTER-HONG PAIRS

After what is now normal controversy associated with this competition in the earlier rounds the final was played at Kowloon Cricket Club.

Stephen Yip and John Fung representing Y.C. Fung & Co. defeated the Worldwide Shipping Agency Pair — Calvin Cheng and Clive Brindle. An exciting finish was seen by a fairly good crowd of spectators. Calvin and Clive staged a good fight back from 17-11 down at the sixteenth head to only one behind going into the last head. However they were unable to maintain their impetus and finally conceded the last head by one shot and therefore victory to Stephen and John.

In the semi-finals Stephen and John defeated the police pair John Sheppard and Ken Wallis while Clive and Calvin beat K. Wong and Casar Coelho of Legal Motors (HK) Co.

The HUD trophy was presented by HKLBA Chief Umpire and Chairman of Selectors, Bill Bolton.



# MIXED TRIPLES

WINNERS: A.M. Wahab, Marie Ramchand and J.M. Hassan



*A.M. Wahab (left), Marie Ramchand and J.M. Hassan with the trophy after winning the Colony Mixed Triples lawn bowls title.*

A superbly drawn shot by skip Marie Ramchand of Recreio enabled her and her front bowlers, J.M. Hassan and A.M. Wahab, both of Indian Recreation Club, to clinch the Colony Mixed Triples lawn bowls title.

Playing against the defending champions, L. Mitchell, G. Young and Merle Walker, in the final at the KBGC green, Ramchand's trio were trailing 12-13 on the last end and were lying one shot when Ramchand with her second wood drew another shot within two inches of the jack to take a brace and win the match 14-13.

Earlier, Ramchand's trio, sparked by brilliant drawing by their lead-off man, Hassan, led 11-4 after 11 ends, only to see Walker and her team-mates stage a tremendous fightback to level the scores at 12-12 after a five on the 15th end. The 16th end was dead-heated and a single on the 17th put Walker's three 13-12 up to set the stage for the thrilling finale.

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# JUNIOR SINGLES

WINNER: M. McMahon

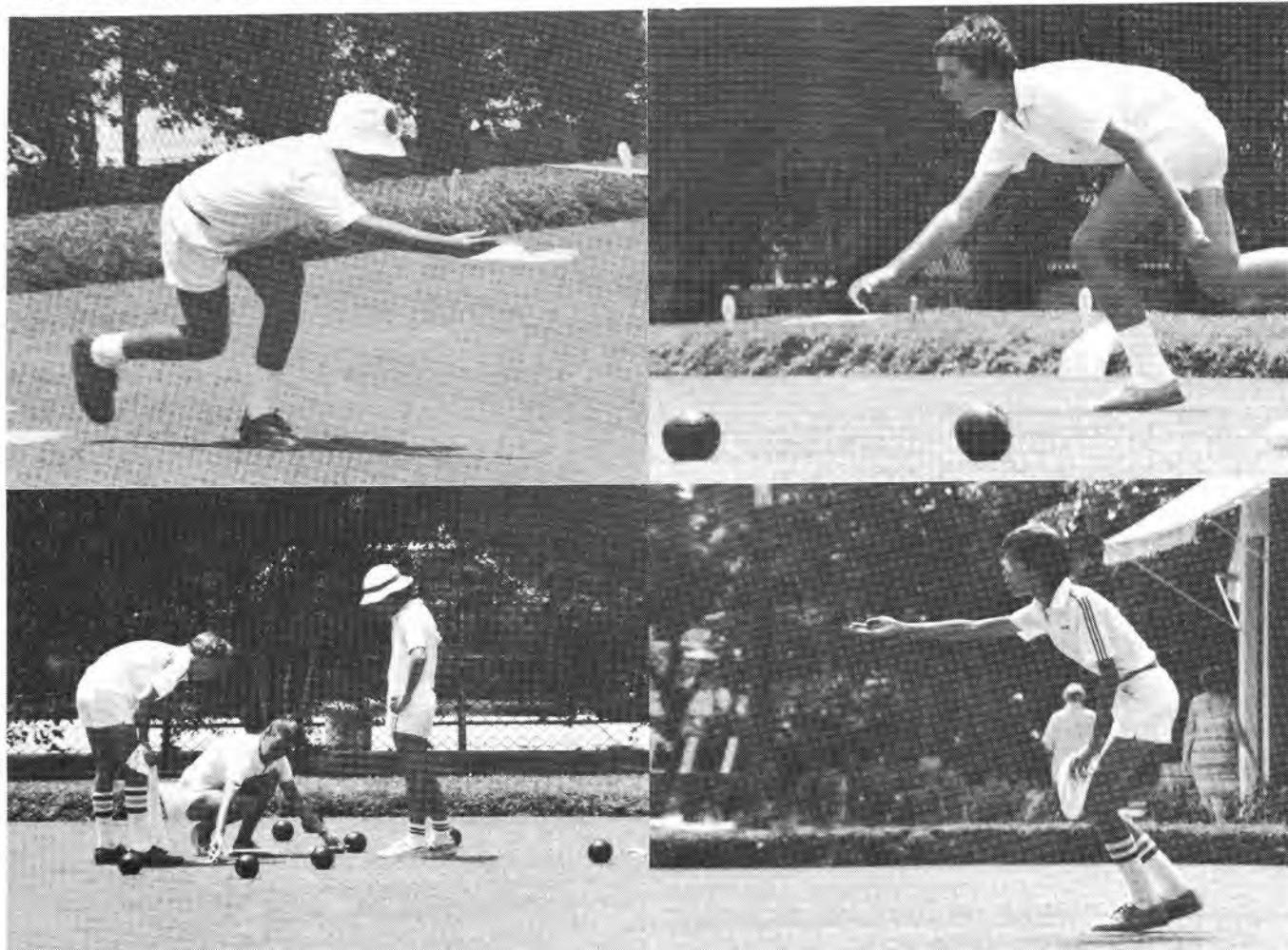


Roger Hayes presenting the trophy to Mark.

A very disappointing entry of only eleven young bowlers was seen at the Kowloon Bowling Green. Rescheduling of this competition in 1983 may hopefully see a better turn-out next time.

Notwithstanding the small numbers there was an excellent display of bowling ability and sportsmanship. The eventual winner was not surprisingly last year's champion Mark McMahon who has been playing first division bowls with USRC. Mark defeated Godfrey Kwong from Filipino Club. In the Plate, Patrick Wong from Filipino Club beat Stephen Naish from Hong Kong Football Club in a very closely fought game.

All competitors enjoyed their day as did the small number of spectators and parents present. A special note of thanks is due to all those who assisted as markers during the day.



# FAH WONG SINGLES

This year's competition held at Kowloon Bowling Green Club attracted seventeen entrants. The eventual winner was Lui Po from Kowloon Bowling Green Club and he defeated Hong Kong Football Club's Lo Kwok.

A good crowd of spectators were rewarded by some good bowling. Lui Po looked every inch the Champion throughout all his games. He was a previous winner two years ago.

The Fah Wongs trophy was presented by Wyndson Ho and prizes were also donated by Martell Far East Trading, East Asiatic Co. Ltd. and Jack and Eve Duncan.



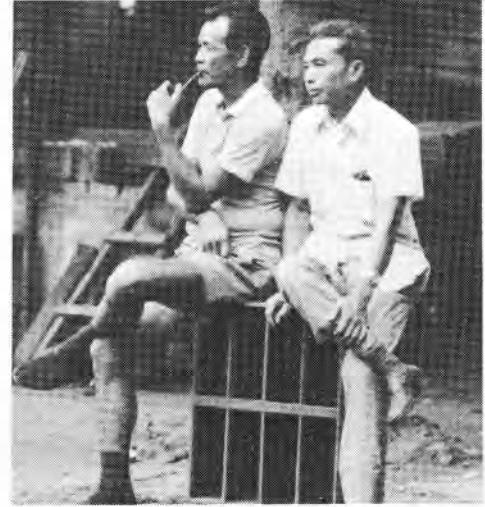
*The Champion receiving the trophy from Roger Hayes.*



*Well tried Lo Kwok.*



*Dearly beloved.*



*He's no Fah Wrong!*



*I demand a recount.*



*What are the odds on Lui Po.*

# VICTORIA PARK YEAR 2

## The Urban Council's Victoria Park Bowling Green

Bowlers will recall that June 1981 saw the fulfillment of efforts by the Urban Council and the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association in promoting the game of Lawn Bowls amongst the local population with the introduction of training courses for beginning bowlers at the Victoria Park Bowling Green on 28th June 1981. A total of 201 new bowlers (24 courses) had completed the training by 31st December, 1981. During the twelve months of the current calendar year, 1982, 56 courses with 448 trainees will have been completed. Arrangements have been made to undertake a further 4 courses up until 31st March 1983. (The HKLBA and the Urban Council have planned and arranged 60 new courses for 480 participants for the whole of the financial year, 1st April 1983 to 31st March 1984).

Between April and June this year a very successful competition for new bowlers, the Urban Council Mixed Fours Competition was jointly promoted and sponsored by the Urban Council and the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association. A shield was donated by the Urban Council for winners of this competition with prizes for the First, Second and Third Runners-up and Plate Winners. Twelve teams took part and the finals were played on 27th June 1982.

The Urban Council Shield was presented to the winning four, Anges LAM, YUEN Wai-tak, LAU Pak-chau and LEE Ying-wei, by Urban Councillor, Mr. Walter M. Sulke. The President of the HKLBA, Mr. G.H. Murphy and the First Vice-President, Mr. N. Ulla presented the prizes to the Runners-up and Plate Winners.

The competition was very efficiently organized by Mr. S.C. Lo. The Umpires, (for the occasion), were Messrs. Noorie/Razack and George Tipe. The overall co-ordinator was Mr. D.O. Conway.

Following the Chinese New Year, in February 1983, another competition – for pairs this time – will be held for the trainees who have participated in and completed one of the training courses. It is anticipated that at least 40 pairs will take part in the competition. It is proposed to hold another "Mixed Fours Competition" during June and July, a "Mixed Triples" during October/November and the "Pairs Competition" during January/March 1984.

Many of the new bowlers who completed the training course at Victoria Park have joined a number of bowling clubs here. These bowlers have continued to progress in skill and one of them Mr. Reggie K.C. Leung, a young new bowler of age 25, became the Club Champion of the Chinese Lawn Bowls Association and did extremely well in the National Champion of Champions Competition just recently concluded.

As a matter of interest, plans are well advanced for the formation of a new Bowls club, the Victoria Lawn Bowls Club, with the Victoria Park as its home green.

The Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association records its sincere appreciation to the Urban Council for sponsorship and provision of the facilities at Victoria Park and to the Urban Services Department for its efforts in the upkeep and improvement of the Green.

D.O. Conway

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# OBITUARY

## Robert Paterson

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club and the Lawn Bowls Association sadly lost one of its longest standing members with the passing of Robert (Bob) Paterson.

Bob represented the Club for many years and he will be greatly missed by all of the members of KBGC and visiting players for his support and his friendship. Our sympathies go out to Pam and Fiona in their sad loss.

In memory of Bob Paterson, Pam has presented a trophy to the KBGC for mixed pairs. We shall always remember him for his kindness and fellowship.

## Peter George

The United Services Recreation Club and the Lawn Bowls Association sadly lost one of its most popular bowlers with the sudden death of Peter George.

Peter played for sixteen years in all divisions of the league and displayed on the green many qualities in the best traditions of lawn bowls. Our sympathies go out to Maureen and all his family in their bereavement.

Peter's many friends in the bowling community should feel privileged to have known and spent so many happy hours with such a man. The example of sportsmanship he set on the green and the companionship he offered will always be remembered. He will be sorely missed.

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Also our gratitude to Mr. A de O-Sales for his continued support of lawn bowls.

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