

The Pioneers



Yeung Ching Lena *AYPF*

Yeung Ching Lena, one of the founding members of the Ladies Lawn Bowls Association of Hong Kong, has been a committed veteran in promoting and supporting the sport of lawn bowls in Hong Kong for over four decades. Many times she represented Hong Kong at the World and Commonwealth Championships and was the winner of World Bowls Gold / Silver Medals in 1981 and Pacific Championships Gold Medal in 1991. In 1997, Lena was awarded the Badge Of Honor by the Queen of England and she was also recipient of the Hong Kong Bank Distinguish Service Award of Coaching in 1999 and was the National Best Coach of the years 1994, 1995, 1996 and 2009.

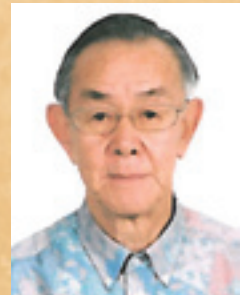
Lena now enjoys coaching the team of SAPDHK – the blind and disable, which she helped found in 1980 and to win a Gold Medal in the International Paralympic in 1988. She is also head coach of AYFP (the Association of Yunnan Fellowship Provincials) lawn bowls team and continues to contribute to bringing new comers to this wonderful sport.

Francis H. C. Hoh *CdeR*

Francis bowled his first wood on 1st July 1969 at Club de Recreio, where he was one of the first few Chinese players to join the Club. He has been playing bowls in the League for 41 years from lead to skip, and has won a few championships. He has appeared in the Classic Singles in 1993 and was 1st Runner Up in Shatin Cup mixed triples in the same year. He also achieved the same result in Novice Triples in 1999.



Then



Now

Mong Sik Yeung *CdeR*

A well established and active member of Club de Recreio, S.Y., as we know him in Hong Kong, began his bowling career in 1969 and is an accurate and reliable draw bowler. He has won a number of club competitions and has appeared in four national finals, winning the Rothman Pairs in 1973, the Mixed Triples in respectively 1975 and 1987, the National Fours in 1984, and the National Mixed Rinks in 1985. He has also participated in many major events, including the Hong Kong International Classic Pairs in 1983, The Hong Kong International Bowls Classics in 1984 and 1985, and the Hongkong Bank International Bowls Classic in 1988. He is married with two sons and a daughter, and as well as bowls he enjoys horse-racing and traveling.

Age: 83

Achievements:

- National Mixed Triple Champion 1987
- National Mixed Rinks Champion 1985
- National Fours Champion 1984
- National Mixed Triples Champion 1975
- National Rothmans Pairs Champion 1973





Arthur George Barnett *HKCC*

Date started the sport: late 70s

All-round HKCC sportsman, 80 year old Arthur Barnett, took to the Club green in the late seventies and has played regularly in League, Social and Club Championship matches ever since. In 2010, he is still turning out for the league teams.



1998 winner of the Club's prestigious John Young husband Trophy, an all-day Knock-Out Singles Competition.

HKCC "A" team – 1982 – Arthur, back row, first left.

Ken Wallis *HKPBC*

Ken Wallis, a well-known Hong Kong international footballer and all round sportsman, has been active in lawn bowls since the 1960s. He represented Hong Kong at World and Commonwealth championships and was a Commonwealth games singles bronze medalist in 1994.

To promote the sport, he reckoned that a sustainable mechanism to recruit new players was essential. So in 1986, he introduced an annual lawn bowls competition open to Units/Divisions within the Hong Kong Police Force and contributed a trophy for the propose, named the 'Wallis' Trophy. Through this annual event, many keen and outstanding players had been attracted to the sport and the Police Lawn Bowls Club had been gaining strength to strength with some outstanding achievements since late 1990s.

For many years he was President of the Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association and in this capacity did much to promote the sport.



RHKP Bowls Club 'A' Team

Back Row					
George YIM	Spang CHAN	Peter English	Ted Common	Sandy Chalmers	Ian Rose
Front Row					
Ken Wallis	Ian Tyzzer	Jock Brown	T.K. LEUNG	SIF Fok-poh	

Circa 1975

Ian Tyzzer *HKPBC*

Mr. Ian Tyzzer was a dedicated lawn bowler since late 1960s and had represented the Club in league and national competitions. Over the years, he had offered training to new bowlers and induced them to sportsmanship. He had always been a strong supporter to the Club. After retirement from the Hong Kong Police Force, Mr. Tyzzer is now residing in Vancouver and remains active in lawn-bowling and umpiring.



Noorie Razack *ILBC*

Date started the sport: 1960

One of the Chinese pioneers in this sport. He had been a member of several local lawn bowls clubs but in the past seven years, he is a member of the ILBC. After winning many trophies in the early days, he was then devoted to provide training to many new comers. He was the first Chinese Chief Coach of the Craigenower Cricket Club (CCC) and Chief Coach of HKLBA.

A. K. Suffiad, M.B.E. *IRC*

Mr. A.K. Suffiad, M.B.E. who is still in good health at the ripe old age of 96. He had played Lawn Bowls, Cricket and Tennis for IRC in pre-war and post-war years.



A. Ulla, M.B.E. *IRC*

Mr. A. Ulla, M.B.E., the current Vice President of IRC who is about 79 years old, is among the longest serving Lawn Bowls Convenors of IRC from 1967 to 1980. In whose time IRC made the history of having three teams in the First Division of Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association. He was also the Vice-President of the HKLBA in 1981.

Ronnie Ng *KCC*

Date started the sport: In the early sixties

Ronnie took up Lawn Bowls at the Kowloon Cricket Club in the early sixties and has been a keen and active bowler ever since. He represents KCC in League Games and friendly meetings with other clubs, both local and overseas. He plays primarily for the enjoyment of the game, but at the young age of 93 uses bowls as his recreational exercise.



Joseph & Josephine Lee KCC

Joseph Lee (March 1920) Josephine Lee (May 1924)

Date started the sport: In early seventies

During the time since they started playing Lawn Bowls, both Joseph and Josephine have been keen bowlers. They have represented KCC in league games and friendly meetings with other clubs, both local and overseas. Notably Australia (1981-3) and Canada (1984-6). Although retired for over 30 years, they continue to enjoy the game for recreation purposes and social activities.

Joseph still drives to the Club during the weekends to provide his support to Club teams!



Luk Hee USRC

Age: 86

Date started the sport : 1984

Luk Hee joined the local sports club to play badminton in 1973. In 1984 he started playing lawn bowls and has been winning numerous club, league and national titles in lawn bowls competitions since then.

His first national championship was won in 1986 at age 61, when he played as skip in the National Mixed Fours Competition. In 1992, he won all the singles games during the Winter League. In 2002, he and partner Angela Chau together won the Mixed 2-4-2 Pairs open tournament. In the 2004 National Knock-out Singles competition, he was among the contestants that entered the semi-finals.

At an age of 86 now, Luk Hee is still customarily enjoying cold shower daily throughout the year, and remains active in sports including his favourites - badminton and swimming. In March 2010, he joined USRC where he continued to enjoy regular lawn bowling, fitness exercises, swimming, etc.



Winners of National Mixed Fours Competition 1986 Cynthia Antunes, Luk Hee (with the Scott Trophy), Peter Ho and Angela Chau with some of their delighted supporters.



Angela Chau, Luk Hee – Winners of Mixed 2-4-2 Pairs 2002