



It was a nice sunny afternoon when we played our return fixture to **Heathervale**, Captain of the Day was Mike Davies and he returned with a comfortable win of 72-48. Yet another match with two rinks tied for top rink, David Hunton, Jill Walker and Dave Perry – and Delphine Palmowski, Alan Little and Derek Keogh, both with plus nine.

We had our annual 6-rink bash against **Chertsey** at home, always a nice fixture with many friendly faces. The good news was the sun was shining, but unfortunately we only managed a win on one rink, giving top rink to Delphine Palmowski, Joyce Marshall, Chris Morrison and Robert Eckford. It shows that as a club we need to raise our game. Final score 86-114.

What a good way to end the season, as usual we played **Cippenham** who came to Staines, the storm clouds parted and we had a sunny day. It was billed as a 4-triple, then went to 5-triple, and then back to a 4-triple, but the final score was two rinks each, however Staines took the points 66-61. Final top rink of the season went to Jane Billins, Derek Goodway and Joyce Marshall.

The final event of the season was our **End of Season Drive** where we had 21 hardy members turn out to support the event. There was a little rain but not enough to stop the show. We played Australian pairs changing after four ends, and the winner at the end was a surprised looking Arthur Billins. You had to be in it to win it Arthur.

The outdoor season has now finished. We have completed all our Centenary fixtures and I think they all went extremely well. So it is congratulation to all members who supported the club and participated in these events.  
 The Short mat social season has now started with the Monday night Club, and Friday afternoon sessions.  
 The weekend social events are listed in the club house, and this will take us through to the start of next season.  
 Two important events to come, the Annual Dinner and prize giving at the Pack Horse Hotel, who kindly gave us the venue free of charge as it is our Centenary year.  
 This is followed by our AGM on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – all members are expected to attend.

On a final note, during the year you may have noticed James Shanks making a video of the clubs centenary year. This video is now available and will be on our web site. For anyone who would like their own copy, please speak to Eric and let him know what format you would like, ie DVD or USB. James had given this video to the club free of charge and we thank him for this.

One final reminder, we have requested for the last two years that all members wear the correct bowls clothes as detailed in our fixtures book. For those who do not, please make an effort for next year.

We look forward to seeing all members again next season to start a new era and head into our second centenary. I would like to thank you all for reading these newsletters and wish you all a Merry Christmas.

