



# RUSH



## Longman Cup Pendle vs Kenilworth

On Saturday July 1st, at a superbly appointed sporting club in Kenilworth, the Pendle & Craven team were greeted by the home team Captain, Cliff Daniel, to play on 2 immaculately tended Courts, play being started at approximately 10 : 30am, after a welcome cup of tea/ coffee had been consumed.

A relative newcomer to the Association game, but experienced Golfer, Libby Dixon, demonstrated her ball hitting ability & hoop running skill, to overwhelm her opposition in both her games ,which were against Mervyn

Harvey and John Leader. The fast improving Paul Dowdall, also beat Mervyn and also prevailed against Captain Cliff Daniel, plus 8. All these singles games finished, well within the 3 ¼ hour time limit in double banked conditions.

By contrast, the Doubles and the two afternoon singles, played on the Court in front of the pavilion, were decided on time, at the end of 3 ¼ hours. Catherine Parnell and Robin Delves overcame Cliff Daniel and Ray Clipson , plus. 5. T. In the afternoon singles Catherine conquered John Leader plus 13 T., having been in receipt of 3 Bisques, whilst , in the other singles, both Ray and Robin were off Handicap 10, so there were no Bisques and both are OCTOGENARIANS. This was a close run thing, but PENDLE were just able to complete a clean sweep.



A superb day was concluded with further kind hospitality when tea, cake and buns were consumed to fortify the PENDLE team for a 3 hour plus journey home.

Robin Delves.

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## The Pennine Cup 2017

### North West beat North East 5-4 at Pendle CC on 2nd July

The NW team, including players from Fylde, Chester, and Westmoreland, retained the trophy they won the last time it was contested in 2014. For various reasons the Pennine Cup did not take place since then, so it was good to revive it. We were unable to entice any players from the Yorkshire Fed to take part this time.

The format again consisted of three Advanced Doubles in the morning, followed by three Adv Singles and three HC Singles in the afternoon (double-banked).

Many thanks are owed to Pendle & Craven for making three lawns available and setting out equipment. Also worth noting that the sun came out!

NW Federation: Mark Lloyd (0), Peter Wilson (½), Liz Wilson (1½), David Lloyd (8), Paul Dowdell (10) & Betty Bates (12).

Croquet North: Derek Watts (½), Phil Errington (1), Charles Waterfield (2), Roger Staples (3), Nigel Roberts (11) & John Fitzpatrick (16).

Results (NW names first):

Advanced Singles:

Mark Lloyd beat Derek Watts +15  
Peter Wilson beat Phil Errington +8  
Liz Wilson lost to Charles Waterfield -8

Handicap Singles:

David Lloyd lost to Roger Staples -9  
Paul Dowdell beat Nigel Roberts +24  
Betty Bates beat John Fitzpatrick +9



Advanced Doubles:

Peter & David lost to Roger & Derek -13  
Mark & Paul lost to Phil & Nigel -6t  
Liz & Betty beat Charles & John +2t

Report by Charles Waterfield

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## 4<sup>th</sup>- 7<sup>th</sup> July. Pendle Mid Week Tournament

Eighteen competitors turned up to challenge for the various trophies. The manager, Liz Wilson, also took on the catering and provided DIY pick and mix sandwiches with fruit and yogurt for lunch which seemed very popular. Four competitors vied for the Pendle Rose Bowl (A Class Adv) which was won by Paul Rigge (3/3).



Five completed for the David Jenkinson Trophy (B class Adv), the trophy going to Andy Brandwood (3/4). The C class Pennine Trophy, was won by Robin Delves on 4 wins out of 4. The D class won by Dave Williamson (3/3) who earned himself a handicap reduction to 18. After the classes were fought for and won a Handicap Egyptian Contest kicked in for the Irish Cup. Some players had 20 ½ bisques against Paul Rigge and he managed to frighten these players into defeat but fared less well against the B Class players – notably David Gillett (6) and Terry Vernazza (3) who both won +26 DTC (with Paul not even taking croquet). The game against Terry lasted 57 minutes and won Terry the Egyptian Cup for the fastest game. The “Final” of the Egyptian was played in the last round of the Tournament and featured Terry Vernazza (3) against Dave Williamson (20). Terry came out the victor (one of only two losses for Dave) to take the Irish Cup.



Running alongside was a double competition. There was a little swapping of partners before the event as the suave Andrew Killick “dumped his allocated partner having chatted up one of the Huddersfield Ladies and persuaded her into competing with him. It turned out to be a winning partnership so congratulations to Andrew Killick and Denise Hoyle the new holders of The Woodlands Doubles Trophy.

Another notable performance came from Libby Dixon who came 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and was awarded a handicap drop to 18. And special manager’s curvy smiley banana award to Steve Skelton who smiled through many defeats (close run too!)

Handicap Changes  
Dave Williamson 22 to 18  
Libby Dixon 22 to 18  
Terry Vernazza 3 to 2 ½

Liz Wilson

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## Upcoming Events

12<sup>th</sup> July Pendle Tykes at home against Chester Centurions. Team Maggie, Keith and Libby.

15<sup>th</sup> July Murphy Shield. Pendle vs Belsay Hall. Team Libby, Paul, Keith and Will.

15<sup>th</sup> July W/E Handicap League Pendle vs Crake Valley

16<sup>th</sup> Advanced B Pendle vs Southport

20<sup>th</sup> July Pendle Tykes vs Bowden Sinners away. Team Dave, Libby, Keith. Reserve Will

22<sup>nd</sup> July W/E Handicap League Pendle vs Fylde away.

23<sup>rd</sup> July EPL Pendle away

26<sup>th</sup> July Midweek Pendle away to Chester

29<sup>th</sup> July Advanced B Pendle away to Chester

Can all team captains or tournament managers please send reports for inclusion in Rush.

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## Mowing Rota

Taken from draft sent out by Robert 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

10<sup>th</sup> Roger

11<sup>th</sup> Libby

14<sup>th</sup> Peter

17<sup>th</sup> Garry

19<sup>th</sup> Robert

21<sup>st</sup> Libby

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If you are unable to mow when specified from the rota due to commitments or weather can you please let everybody know so that we can adjust the rota as necessary.

Thanks Robert

### National Club Events

**Mary Rose** Pendle vs Pinchbeck following Colchester giving W/O  
This quarter final match to be played by 14<sup>th</sup> August

**Longman Cup** Pendle vs Tyneside  
Match to be played before 14<sup>th</sup> August

**Murphy Shield** Pendle vs Belsay Hall Croquet Club  
Match to be played at Pendle on 15<sup>th</sup> July.