



A Team

2011 Men's Premier League

Despite the teams efforts in the second half it would appear we may have to settle for 2nd place in the Premier League unless both Police and KBGC-A have a disastrous last two games.

Unfortunately we fell foul of GLBC in Shatin, where once again the combination of the home green advantage and a couple of very good bowls by GLBC at crucial times meant we came away with no points at all. At one time with just two ends to go, one rink looked like it would gain a valuable two points to give us a chance of still winning the league but unfortunately it wasn't to be, and then just to seal the fate we dropped 4 points to IRC away which leaves us in 3rd place with two home games to go against Taipo and VLBC. We are just one point behind Police and 11 points behind KBGC-A.

We will of course be fighting to the end. KBGC will play IRC away this week and Police will be at home against HKFC. The last game will see KBGC play Police, so if we can win both of our games, who

knows... unlikely, but something to wish for.

On the whole, it's been a good performance from the team with a couple of silly banana skins tripping us up on the way. We can hold our heads high, knowing we are still producing a team that can compete at the highest level in Hong Kong, and we will be back to fight another year.

Having said this, we need to encourage and nurture new talents to be able to sustain this high level and invest in the greens equipment to ensure we stay competitive.

See you on the greens.

Andy Daws
A Team Captain

B Team

It is almost the end of the summer league games. I would therefore like to take this opportunity to thank all B Team members for their support and effort during the season. I hope we shall keep our good team spirit and strive for the best results for the Club!

Patrick
B Team Captain

C Team

After struggling for the full season, the C Team has finally settled down and starts playing well. The team managed a 6:2 win over CCC at their turf, and scored a 8:0 win against the Jockey Club at home last week. These good wins have put us within reach of the three other bottom teams, who are only two to three points above us. The next two games will be crucial to us – to win both games will ensure a place in the same division for the team next year.

My special thanks to Dave Downs who brought the right chemistry back to the team, and has raised the spirit of the team both on and off the green.

D Team

We have had mixed results during the latter part of the second half of the season. After several good victories, we had some disappointing results with two defeats. This could be attributed to several players not being available. We still have two matches remaining. Let's hope we get a satisfactory result and improve our league standing.

Abbas

CONVENOR'S COLUMN

Green closed

The lawn bowls green (both top and bottom) will be closed from 5 November to 13 November for World Champion of Champion.

World Champion of Champion

KCC will be one of the venues for the World Champion of Champion starting from 6 November 2011 to 13 November 2011.

Mixed Fours League

KCC has entered 4 sides for the Mixed Fours League and the game starts from 26 November 2011 and finishes 25 February 2012.

Mixed Classic Pairs

3 teams (Jimmy Chiu & Venus Ngai, Andy Daws & Linda Robertson, Timmy Kwong & Maggie Lam) from KCC will be playing for the Mixed Classic Pairs from 14 November 2011 to 20 November 2011.

Lawn bowls tracksuit

The tracksuit will be available by end November 2011.

Lawn Bowls Section AGM

Lawn Bowls Section AGM will be held on 22 November 2011 at Fincher Room at 7pm. All members who played for KCC this year are welcome to attend. Please join us and support the Section.



Les Hill Trophy

Despite the fact that this tournament has not been held for several years, we had 16 bowlers participating in this traditional Les Hill Trophy this year. As usual, the format of this game was Handicap Singles, the first round winner played for Cup and the loser played for the Plate.

Congratulations to the winners:

Winner of the Cup – Venus Ngai

Winner of the Plate – David Leung

I trust Leung's family have set the record for a couple winning the Cup & Plate for Les Hill Trophy. Not too long ago, during the Ching Ming Festival this year, they won the first runners-up for the Tai Mo Shek Cup/Ching Ming Plate tournament. Well done, David and Venus!

Also, many thanks to Cliff for organising the fixture and presenting the trophy to the winners.



Ladies' Premier League 2011

When the second half of the Premier League began on 20 August, our Ladies'-A (1st Division) were lying in 3rd place. Unfortunately, they lost the opening three games against SBSC-A (2:6) at ALC, HKFC-B (1:7) at home and GLBC-A (2:6) at SLY to slip to 4th place with 48 points.

The HKFC-B match was particularly disappointing for KCC as our ladies were leading until the skies opened and the game had to be stopped for an hour. On resumption of play, Elizabeth and Anna's scores went south... Elizabeth Cormack's rink drew while Anna Hamet's rink went down by just 2 shots!

Fortunately, the 4th game at CCC (in Happy Valley) yielded happier results and our ladies came home with 6 points thanks to Elizabeth and Mona Li's rinks. At home against KBGC-A, Celena Kwok and Sonia Chan's rinks brought in 4 points for a draw. In the 7th game, both Elizabeth and Sonia's rinks won comfortably against FC-A (at home) to put Ladies'-A in 5th position with 66 points. With only two games remaining until the league ends on 22 October, Ladies'-A are hoping to improve their standing.

Ladies'-B (3rd division) began the second half of the Premier League tied for 7th place with 27 points. With only eight teams in their division, this spelled doom and relegation. They did not fare well in the first three matches against SBSC-B, CCC-B and CSD-A – taking only 2 points each outing – with Cellina Sheck and Linda Robertson's rinks picking up the points. However, in the 4th game against KBGC-B at home the Bs came back with determination to take 6 points. This win was followed closely the week after when at home they picked up full 8 points against GBLBC-A. Well done Linda R, Cellina and Lily Chan's rinks.

Ladies'-B have inched their way to 6th place in the league ladder (42 points) with the last game still to be played on Saturday, 15 October, against TPLBC-A at the notoriously heavy Tai Po greens. We wish them all the best as they are still not clear of the woods and may face relegation.

Ladies' Lawnbowls Section AGM

The Ladies' AGM will be held on Saturday, 12 November 2011.

2011 Classics 2-4-2

(14 to 20 November)

KCC will be represented this year by three pairs:

- Maggie Lam and Timmy Kwong
- Venus Ngai and Jimmy Chiu
- Linda Robertson and Andy Daws

We wish them every success.

Monica Wong (1934 – 2011)

In closing, we remember fondly our teammate Monica Wong. Monica passed away peacefully on the morning of Saturday, 8 October, after a brave fight against cancer. She was a familiar face to many on the lawn bowls green, having played for KCC since before the 1980s and was a steady lead in the A Team until recently. Monica had the distinction of winning the 1st Division Premier League twice, alongside teammates Elizabeth Cormack and Anna Hamet. Off the green and especially on rainy Saturdays, Monica would be at mahjong with her mates. We will miss her dearly, RIP.

Daphne Gohel

Hong Kong Cancer Fund 16th Annual Stride for a Cure

Once again, KCC is putting a team together for the annual Cancer Fund Stride for a Cure. This year's event takes place on **Sunday, 27 November** in Tai Tam Country Park. We have a full complement of 60 walkers which is again a fantastic achievement.

Last year's team raised over \$400,000 for this very worthy cause. Many of our team members, drawn from both members and staff, are cancer survivors, and others have friends or family who have suffered from this dreadful disease.

The General Committee has sanctioned this as a KCC fund-raising event and we would encourage all members to support the team by making a donation. Sponsorship forms are available at the Front Desk,



or through our dedicated KCC sponsorship webpage:

<http://www.cancer-fund.org/diy/view.aspx?pid=5&lang=EN>

Donations can easily be made through

your KCC account, and any donation over \$100 is tax-deductible.

We look forward to seeing all the walkers on the 27 November.

Gayle & Rob Gill