

RSCC Newsletter April 2026



Date	Event
April	
Wed 1 st	Singles v Middlesbrough (A)
Tues 28 th	Friendly v Bishop Monkton (A)
May	
Thurs 7 th	Friendly v Dales (H)
Wed 13 th	<i>YF League match v Ben Rhydding (A)</i>
Mon 18 th	Friendly v Middlesbrough (H)
Mon 25 th	<i>YF League match v Sheffield (H)</i>
Tues 26 th	Friendly v Pendle (H)
Thurs 28 th	RSCC Doubles

“Croquet, this way, the season is about to begin.” The 7th of April was our first Club Afternoon. Whilst the grass is much shorter than in the picture above and the lawns are looking rather fine, we shall only be able to use Court 1 at the moment. There has been a lot of rain, you may have noticed, and Courts 2 and 3 would cut up rather badly if used right now, and they would be spoiled for the rest of the season.

Having said that, a lot of work has been put in to prepare the courts for the coming season. Ted put in a lot of work levelling out some areas of Court 2 and we owe a big thankyou to Liz and Michael for all the work they have put in. Reg, the Cricket Club groundsman has also been a great help to us.

By our opening day, Reg had rolled and mowed all of court 1 and some of court 2. 10 members came when the weather could not have been kinder and found court 1 surprisingly playable, considering the awfully wet months of the recent past. 10 members playing on one court brings difficulties, but everyone was glad to be back on court and just got on with it.



As you can see from the calendar, there isn't a great deal happening in April; just one Friendly v Bishop Monkton. Robert has asked that anyone interested in playing in this Friendly, or any Friendly come to that, please would you put your names down on the booking system. If you have difficulties with the booking system, please let Sue or me know.



The Singles v Middlesbrough did take place but only three of us were able to go. It was Middlesbrough's first time out; the courts had been marked out but the grass was needing a closer cut, so the surface wasn't quite up to the usual high standard. The idea of the meeting was to give some of the Middlesbrough players some experience of playing in

singles competition and despite the small number of players from RSCC, I think the end was achieved and people enjoyed the experience, even though it was rather cold.

Andrea has asked me to remind you folks with green cards to bring them along so that she can review your handicap. This is very important if you are entering any competitions, either on your own account or in the Federation League.

That's about all for now folks. Here's to an enjoyable season's croquet

Best wishes to you all

Roger

