

Absent Friends.

Good morning all, hope you and yours are keeping safe and well. Unfortunately, we have some sad news to impart regarding the loss of four members in recent months.

Edna Davidson

Some of you will already know that Edna Davidson passed away on February 24th and we hope to be able to show our respects to her, as we have done for others, by respectfully standing at the roadside in club uniform and applauding her memory. The funeral will take place on Wednesday April 7th at 10.45 at Gorleston crematorium. Several club members have already committed to paying their respects and a few have been invited to the actual funeral, so the club will be represented. Those of you who wish to take part in showing respect should know that the cortege will leave the Co-op funeral establishment in Northgate Street at around 10.00am and we should be there at 9.50 or so. Please ensure social distancing and wearing of masks as appropriate to current regulations.

Edna joined the club at the inception of the Ladies section in 1977 and played every year until her health stopped her. She was a stalwart of the Ladies teams and could be relied upon to join in the club competitions, friendly games, social events and more recently, the Club Tour.

Our club President John Symonds has composed a dissertation which includes his memories of Edna, her history and achievements, that we will post on the club notice boards when we get back to using the facility.

David Bailey

David passed away in December after a year of illness which culminated in him contracting Covid-19 while in hospital.

Unfortunately, the funeral was scheduled on the day we were all locked down in January so we were limited to sending a condolence card from the club and a socially distanced visit from the Club Chairman to his widow Penny to pass on our respects and condolences.

Alan Benson-Nutt

Alan has left the area and returned to Hertfordshire in order to have his wife Mary closer to her family, as she is suffering from vascular dementia. We have spoken to Alan and given him and Mary our best wishes and passed on our thanks to them both for their support of the club. Alan was a fine player and a frequent name on our honours board.

Stan Ridpath

Stan and his wife Linda have left the area and moved to Northamptonshire to be closer to their family. I passed on our thanks to them both for the Quiz Nights and their support in our social events as well as Stan's reliability in team availability. They will be missed.

Should you need any further information regarding any of the above, please don't hesitate to contact me.

