

SPORT

CYCLING

New club with ambitions for top-flight

A NEW cycling outfit, the London Irish Cycling Club, will be wheeling its way onto the track before the end of the year.

It is the brainchild of two cyclists of Irish extraction, Gerry McManus of Malvern Avenue, South Harrow, who has been appointed general secretary, and John Kavanagh, the club chairman and racing secretary.

"The intention is to develop a successful cycling club that will include a top-flight racing team," Gerry explained.

"Between the two of us we have experience of road racing, track racing and time trialling and we will be delighted to assist any newcomers to the sport.

"We decided that with London Irish rugby and athletics clubs already established it was time for cycling to carry the flag."

The pair are quick to point out that anyone can join, but the intention is to form a club around individuals with pride in their Irish heritage.

They will be affiliating to the British Cycling Federation which boasts a team of coaches and regu-

lar training sessions, both on and off the bike, at a new circuit currently being built near Hayes.

"This off-road circuit will provide an excellent opportunity for 12 to 16 year-olds to experience road racing in safety," said John Kavanagh.

"We also aim to have a keen social section for weekend runs around the north and west of London.

Anyone who is interested in taking up cycling or cycle racing with the London Irish Cycling Club can call Gerry McManus on 0181 422 7951 or John Kavanagh on 01923 675059.

YOUTH SOCCER



Adrian led side to victory

PINNER Albion's Adrian Smith, pictured, led the Harrow Youth league under 17 representative team to victory last Wednesday.

Against a Brookhouse XI they won 2-1 with goals from Dean Butler and Joe Curtis.

The squad was: Michael Kalli, Dean Butler (Princes Park); Ishmail Downes, Daniel Norris (Sudbury Court); James Hodges, Steve O'Carroll (Harrow Town); Robert Lemming, Darren Gallagher (Celtic); Jamie Tifford (Hendon); Joe Curtis (West Hendon); Daniel Barry (Greenford Celtic); Adam Smith, Geoff Thompson (Pinner Albion), Neil Lampton (Twyynholm)

Nearly one hundred years of football

WITH THE CENTENARY of Wealdstone FC fast approaching in 1999, the club has announced that a special book to commemorate the event is to be published.

The club would very much like to hear from anybody who would be able to loan any old photographs, articles or programmes etc.

The club also wants to hear from anybody with any personal recollections, as well as details about ex-players.

If you think you can help in any way, please contact Layne Patterson at the club office on 381 1671.

Edgware squander chances and points

Forced to settle for a draw despite turning the screw

Edgware Tn 1, Egham Tn 1
EDGWARE'S recent run of disappointing displays continued with this hard-earned draw against Surrey side Egham who had not managed as much as a point from six previous away fixtures this season.

The home side made a promising start with Danny Kiby looking bright on the wing.

However it was defender Paul McCluskey who came closest to opening the scoring, narrowly missing with a fine volley from a punched clearance from keeper Dyson.

Lindo and Newing combined well to give Newing a scoring opportunity but Dyson saved well on 15 minutes.

Suddenly Edgware gave the impression

that it was to be another "one of those days." Completely against the run of play Egham went ahead on 17 minutes.

An Andy Carter goal kick was hopefully returned from the half-way line and into the path of Bere who took the ball in his stride to volley home just inside the post from 20 yards.

This unexpected reward did much for the visitors confidence while Edgware combined to waste chances and indeed could have gone further behind when Wicks sent a header against the post and D Howell shot narrowly over.

The first half ended in total frustration for the home side and it showed with Brennan and McCluskey booked for late tackles and even Jason Dale dismissed

from the dugout.

Edgware continued to be more creative after the break but without managing the equaliser.

Newing and Lindo again combined well but Lindo went close with headers which should have found the net before Lindo was guilty of the miss of the match, volleying wide from point blank range after a good Newing cross.

After 75 minutes Mark Ivers came on for Whytock and Damien Pett for Finnerty and at last Edgware threw everybody into attack.

With just five minutes to go the pressure paid off. Newing's cross from a short corner looked goalbound but Lindo nipped in on the line to make sure.

With the score at 1-1, Edgware pressed hard for the three points but either side could have stolen the game in the final stages.

Latty fed Newing after a good run but the big striker could only steer the ball wide when it seemed easier to hit the target from close range.

Mark Ivers had a point blank header well saved by the impressive Dyson but with Howell also missing when left unmarked the points were shared.

Frankly neither side could have complained about the result.

Edgware: Carter, Whytock, Mangan, McCluskey, Finnerty, Shanahan, Latty, Brennan, Lindo, Newing, Kirby. Subs: Lyons, Ivers, Pett



Action from the Edgware versus Egham 1-1 Icis League Div 2 draw

BOWLS

Century's mixed bag at end of season

CENTURY Bowls Club crashed out of the Deany Cup losing 56-106 to Mansfield.

In one of a number of end of season friendlies, Century lost to Chesham 118-128

Century skips first: T Cox 15, R Clement 23; I Field 9, B Wright 36; R Robinson 11, D Wise 32; T Pope 25, R Harris 16; G Hunter-Rowe 36, K Patrick 8; G Young 22, L Smethurst 13.

However, Century enjoyed a convincing victory over North Greenford 150-67. Century skips

first: P Twomey 39, I Cornell 14; T Cox 26, S Jenner 13; L Leach 30, B Williams 17; F Tavener 35, L Brown 10; I Bostock 20, G Lynn 13.

They scored another win, this time against Nortwood 139-120. Century skips first: J Clarke 10, E Harvey 29; N Caffney 33, M Fisher 13; F Tavener 16, D Watson 24; R Hunt 38, N Harvey 14; C McCarthy 22, P Barton 14; M Wright 20, D Bach 26.

Century Ladies narrowly lost to Mansfield

Ladies 77-88. Century skips first: S Talbot 11, E Walling ton 28; I Bostock 30, J Wainwright 8; R Cockman 22, B Allen 25; J Lovejoy 14, D Whyte 22.

Herts Ladies visited Century's ground and narrowly win - by just two points - 120-122pts.

Century skips first: I Bridges 20, P Brits 18; L Leach 23, M Simmons 12; J Lovejoy 20, A Horland 25, F Tavener 25, I Lloyd 16; J Fletcher 11, J Tebbott 28; I Bostock 21, M Dunkley 23.

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