

Standard SPORT

Sheddens keep it in the family

A FATHER and son team has won the Dundonald Croquet Club 2008 Pairs Shield.

There was an excellent turnout for the event, and after a series of close heats, the semi-finals saw Douglas and John Sheddens face spectator favourites Ronnie Zorget and Steven Easton.

The Sheddens dominated the first three hoops, but Zorget and Easton kept the crowds cheering as they took back the remaining three to leave a seventh hoop decider.

Easton overshot a blocking stroke and left the hoop wide open for Douglas Sheddens to dramatically claim the first place in the final.

Meanwhile, rank outsiders Brian McQuiston and Gordon Edgar clawed their way through the group stages and grew in confidence up as they chalked up the victories through the knock-outs.

The grand final saw the Sheddens

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repeating their earlier performance by dominating the game early.

McQuiston and Edgar then bravely fought the family duo back to three hoops each with the victory to be decided by the seventh hoop.

McQuiston took the advantage with a well placed ball to the front of the hoop.

However, the Sheddens showed their quality as they removed McQuiston's ball and strategically placed theirs by the jaws of the hoop.

The victory was soon theirs as they smashed home the winning stroke. The Sheddens family's domination of the game continues.

The next meeting will be the summer singles medal this Saturday, August 16, from 3pm (weather permitting). Non-members are welcome to enter at £5 per person.



LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON: Douglas Sheddens and John Sheddens.

Keith leads Harriers home at Dundonald

A LARGE number of athletes from Kilmarnock Harriers made the short trip to the village of Dundonald last Wednesday to compete in the 10.5K road

miles, with a much safer start and finish.

Harriers made up a quarter of the 87 runners in the field with the in-form Keith Haining winning the race in a time of 32.27

(37th, 45.08), Richard Skillen (47th, 46.49), Susan Beattie (48th, 46.58), Stephen Chard (57th, 48.29), Liz McDerment (59th, 48.35), Steven Harrison (64th, 49.38), Lorna Sloan (69th, 51.22), Joann Graham

race is classed as a category A long race, with 17 miles of running and over 7000ft of actual climbing.

The race route covers some of the roughest ground in England and even in August can

All runners need to be at the start at 6.50pm for a 7pm sharp start.

Those who need transport to the start should be at the Craigie Inn no later than