



Sixpenny Handley Bowls Club



President's Message

I have now obtained a copy of the **winning team photo** which has been reproduced for this issue of the bulletin. I will arrange to have a copy framed to be hung in the clubhouse. We are starting to make ground in the higher division of the men's league so well done to all involved. Who knows we may have another photo at the end of the season! You can also view the full size **Div 3 Winners 2018** photo on Flickr via our Photo Gallery page under the 2018 section.

It has been a very busy month with league games and friendlies. **Patrons Day** went well with a good result from us. As always the visitors were very pleased with the day and on leaving offered to help financially with any project we may have underway. You may have noticed that we now have a new set of mats which we the Patrons will be making a contribution towards.

I must mention **Paul's** play which went exceedingly well with the cast receiving two curtain calls and resounding applause at its close.

Finally on your behalf I would like to thank **Bob Keech** for all that he did during his time as President. I can only imagine the hard work and dedication it took for him and his team not only to secure the funding but also the building of our great new clubhouse. We will miss him and **Maxine** both as players and supporters of all club activities. We wish them well for the future.

Ron

CLUB PRACTICE DAYS

Sundays at 2.30pm and Wednesday evenings from 6.00pm
when no league or friendly matches are taking place

OUTDOOR BOWLING MATCH FIXTURES 2019

DORSET MEN'S DIVISION 2 EAST

Monday 3 June AWAY at 6.00pm against Poole Park B
Monday 10 June HOME at 6.00pm against Broadstone Wessex A
Monday 24 June HOME at 6.00pm against Wimborne A

WESTBROOK MIXED TRIPLES

Wednesday 12 June HOME at 6.30pm against Tisbury
Thursday 13 June HOME at 6.30pm against Salisbury
Friday 14 June AWAY at 6.30pm against Alderbury
Wednesday 19 June AWAY at 2.30pm against Mere
Wednesday 26 June HOME at 6.30pm against Downton

FRIENDLY MATCHES

Sunday 9 June HOME at 2.00pm against Cullompton

INTERNAL COMPETITIONS

The 2019 Internal Competitions preliminary rounds are available to view on our Competitions page. Results will be published on the notice board and on our website in the usual way throughout the season.

We wish all our competitors the very best of luck.



Social Calendar

Hi everyone

By the time you read this we will either have had Open Day or about to have it. I am sure we will have had a good day and we would have said our goodbyes to **Bob** and **Maxine**, I would like to thank them for their continued support for the social side of our club especially Max with her Presidents Lunch quizzes and her expert dice rolling skills on Race Nights. They will be greatly missed but we wish them all the best in their new life in Suffolk.

Because bowls takes up so much time during the summer months I have not arranged any social events for June but **Patsy** will be hosting a **Pimms afternoon** in the clubhouse for the **Big Session** which benefits the club financially so I hope some of you may pay her a visit. I'm sure she could do with some help if anyone fancies lending a hand cutting up fruit.

Val

Match against Dorset Youth Academy

We have been asked to host a match against some of the youngsters from the Dorset Youth Academy on the afternoon of

Sunday 4th August

As we are hoping to start our own youth section, this will be an excellent opportunity to get inspired, for make no mistake, some of these young players will be very talented. It will also be interesting for the youngsters themselves to play on our artificial surface.



There is a sheet on the notice board if you are interested in playing. The academy would like to field up to 5 mixed triples teams, so please sign up as soon as you can so that I know we will be able to accommodate that number of teams.

Paul

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Minutes of the Committee Meeting Wednesday 3rd April 2019 @ 7.30 pm

Present; Ron Jermyn Colin Chambers, Pat Hoddy, Pat Oxford, Val Martin, Stella Olsen, Ann & David Adams, Sue Mercer

1. Apologies; None

2. Minutes; Minutes from Wednesday 14th February 2019 Committee meeting signed as correct by **RJ**. Proposed by **Pat Oxford** and seconded by **Pat Hoddy**

3. Matters arising; None

4. Reports:

President's report; RJ all as per bulletin, RJ also thanked those members who have volunteered to join the committee.

Secretaries report; CC. Dales have repaired the mat with new aluminium grippers, However they were unable to stretch the mat as the temperature was too cold, they have offered to return when the weather is warmer, we are to let them know when we are ready for this to take place. The proposed youth academy for the club has been put on hold until next season, this will give us time to enrol three members onto the Coach Bowls level 1 course as this is needed as a minimum to enable coaching of new members and younger players. In view of the difficulty in attracting new members I have obtained free of charge leaflets from Bowls England "Play Bowls The Sport for All" these I hope to distribute to households in the village, also The Bowls Development Alliance (BDA) is inviting clubs affiliated to Bowls England to join its Club Development Programme-with funding of up to £500 available to each club that signs up, the programme offers support and guidance to help clubs to sustain and grow their membership etc. This is an area we will be looking at in the near future

Match Secretary; PO & SM. Welcome to Sue who joins the committee as Fixtures Secretary. PO has completed all the league fixtures for the season other than the friendlies, which Sue has agreed to take on.

Social Secretaries report; VM Open day is on 13th April 2019 – 1.30pm. Open Day to attract new members is 1st June 2019 with raffle prize 2.00 pm start. President's day on the 12th August with BBQ, the Presidents charity will be the Air Ambulance. This years Presentation lunch will be at Rushmore on Sunday 24th November 2019 12.30 for 1.00pm start.

Green Keepers report: DA is looking for help with the green maintenance

5. Any other business. G.O. has volunteered to take on the captaincy of the Westbrook League for the coming season. Parish Council to take on the responsibility of hedge cutting to the frontage of the bowls club-someone will be in contact. **C.C** to contact men's league secretary to obtain the score cards we need for this season, also to enquire if we won a trophy for coming top in league div 3 last season.

The date for the next meeting is Tuesday 7th May 2019 7.00pm in Clubhouse