



Waterlooville Bowling Club

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**Back in Lockdown,
so here is the
Covid times
again!!
But fortnightly
unless articles
forthcoming!
Articles needed!!**



From the President

This is not the start of a New Year that we had hoped for!

Sadly we had no alternative but to shut the club down as we moved into Tier 4 and then the new lockdown. The risk to members in vulnerable categories was too great.

Thanks to government grants received through Havant Borough Council and careful management of our resources the club is financially sound - but loss of income is a concern. We will be reviewing annual membership fees and our financial situation in time for the AGM (which may have to take place remotely on Zoom).

Realistically I do not see us being able to return to bowling before April - by which time many of us will hopefully have been vaccinated and able to return to a degree of normality.

Our thoughts and best wishes are with those members and their families who have suffered Covid or are recovering from it. We hope you get well soon

In the meantime STAY AT HOME - STAY SAFE and we look forward to welcoming you all back in the spring.

Paul

The following test was developed as a mental age assesment by the School of Psychiatry at Harvard University

Take your time and see if you can read each line aloud without a mistake. The average person over 50 years of age cannot do it.

1. This is this cat.
2. This is is cat.
3. This is how cat.
4. This is to cat.
5. This is keep cat.
6. This is an cat.
7. This is old cat.
8. This is person cat.
9. This is busy Cat.
10. This is for cat.
11. This is fourty cat.
12. This is seconds cat.

Now go back and read the third word in each line from the top down. I bet you can't resist passing this on.

Maintenance and Extension

By 19th December, Paul and I had fitted the Cubical screens in the new toilets (just in time for the club to be placed into tier 4, effectively closing the club to members. This now completes the extension apart from the touching up of minor damage to paintwork, suffered during the laying of the floor coverings. Six paving slabs to be laid at the end of the Veranda and the Bar will hopefully be completed by the spring 2021.

I know you are itching to see the new amenities, just as much as we would like to show them off, but we must be patient and adhere to the rules. Hopefully, once we have all been vaccinated, and things start to return to normal, we can get together and enjoy our sport once more.

Mike Freeman

Bowls world championship from Potters starts Friday 8th 10am on You Tube for a week
Then on BBC 2 from Monday 18th for finals week

Derek

Hi Everyone,

Now that 2020 is behind us and it looks like things might get more serious before they get better in 2021, there are a few more positive things to look forward to and plan for in the coming months.

The P and D, County and Bowls England have begun stirring and are sending out their preseason requests for loads of administration information. County Cup Competitions entries have to be in by the end of January, together with Club details for the County and Bowls England Year Books.

Mens P and D have asked that we plan for a normal season in regard to the number of teams we wish to enter in each of the leagues. They will amend any instructions as things develop, as to the type of leagues, number of teams etc. These details are required by the end of February. P and D Competition Entries are not normally asked for until Mid March.

Mike has provisionally booked the Hall for our AGM in early March. More details later. We have to submit all playing details of members and their affiliation fees by early May (approx £1000) with P and D fees a little later (£400). Barry Penter usually goes to a Reflex fixture meeting in January, but no calling notice has been received.

Ladies have their own arrangements and deadlines within the Ladies P and D.

It is hoped to hold an official opening of the new Club Extension in late April (Covid Permitting) and the Committee, with suggestions from members will be starting to plan this event. Once restrictions are eased. Volunteers will be needed both inside to clean and outside to clean, and refresh paintwork and spruce up the flowerbeds etc.

Please stay safe and healthy and see you on the green soon.

Derek.

Hi Team

Happy New Year to you all, I hope you are keeping well.

Very disappointing for all you club members to have a new club house, new carpet but being unable to use it. Made even worse by being made to stay at home.

A challenge to all you gentlemen out there - how about somebody taking over the "club captains" job. "Why?" because as things stand at the moment and looking to the future much of my time is going to be taken up with running our home. Saying that, I intend to carry on bowling and get Gina there as well, that's my goal.

Thanks guys please give it some thought.

Keep Safe

Richard



Our Captain
So
distinguished!

BEWARE

Scams happening now:

- Coming to house offering vaccine for a payment.
- Email tells recipients they are "eligible to apply for your vaccine" with a link to a bogus NHS website, trading standards officers have warned.

That, in turn, asks for personal information and - crucially - bank details "for verification". It has NHS logos. **BEWARE**

How did you spend Xmas and New year?

Paul Todd We had a quiet Christmas and New Year's celebrations Both my wife and I drank and ate too much and are now suffering the consequences by exercising in our garden. We were very lucky we were able to keep in touch with our family all over Christmas via Face Time.

Phil Sanders I spent New Years Eve watching the tele with a gin and tonic for company although I thought the fireworks were good. Best wishes and hope it's not too long before we can get together again.