

Waterlooville Bowling Club

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From the Chairperson. Hello Everyone

It is that time of year again when the Annual General Meeting is approaching. Hopefully you have all got the date in your diaries **Thursday 15 February at 2pm** in the clubhouse.

Why should you come to the AGM?

- The committee is elected to guide the club though the next 12 months. If you are not there to vote, then don't complain at decisions made.
- Reports are made from the various officers on how the past year has gone. If you are not there you will not know what has been happening and it will be Chinese whispers which is not good.
- Do you have questions about the club? If you are not there you can't ask them!
- Do you think that because you are not a full member you cannot attend? Yes you can !! But only full members can vote.

The moral of this story is **ATTEND THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF WATERLOOVILLE BOWLING CLUB - THURSDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2pm** and show your support of the club.

See you there.

Jackie

WHATS BEEN HAPPENING

🎉 Hold onto your hats, Waterlooville Crew! 🎉

Get ready to rumble because our season's games are about to blast off into the stratosphere! But hey, it's not all fun and games until you join the party! We need your superhero cape-wearing, game-winning, cheerleading selves to make this season the stuff of legends!

So, what's the deal? Throw your name in the hat and let's turn Waterlooville into the ultimate powerhouse! Trust us, it's way more fun than watching paint dry!

Oh, and guess what? By popular demand (and a sprinkle of fairy dust), the FIXTURE BOOK is en route! Get ready to bookmark those game days, circle them in glitter, or whatever floats your boat!

Strap in, folks, because we're about to embark on the rollercoaster ride of the century! Get your game face on and let's rock this season like there's no tomorrow!

Winter Friday Triples

Friday Triples finish on 2nd Feb but we will carry on for the next three Friday's weather permitting and play the three matches we have missed due to bad weather. The teams will be those players that should have played on those days. Mike.

CARPET LEAGUE

Only a couple more games to be played please check the notice board for details and add your name if able to play.

Friendly Reminder from Rob Speight! 🜬

Hey there, fellow bowlers!

Remember to utilize the rink diary for scheduling your games. This little eBook holds the key to avoiding any scheduling mishaps and ensuring smooth sailing on the green.

Now, I know we're all eager to get our bowls rolling, but here's the deal – the rink diary always takes precedence over individual preferences. Trust me, you wouldn't want to miss out on your preferred time slot, would you?

So, let's keep things organized and avoid any disappointment. Let's give that rink diary the respect it deserves! See you on the green!

CLUB FIXTURES AND GAMES

🏅 Short Mat Triples Showdown: Almost Victorious! 🏅

Last week, Keith, Angela, and Richard took the short mat triples competition by storm! They dominated the competition, leaving a trail of defeated opponents in their wake.

But it was in the final match where the tension peaked. Our trio fought tooth and nail, displaying incredible teamwork and skill. However, victory slipped through their fingers by the narrowest of margins.

Let's raise a cheer for their fantastic performance and unwavering spirit! Here's to our almost champions – you're winners in our hearts! Linda



CLUB	HOME/AWAY	DAY	DATE	TIME
EMSWORTH	HOME	Monday	13/05/2024	5.30p
PURBROOK HEATH	HOME	Monday	20/05/2024	5.30p
PURBROOK HEATH	AWAY	Monday	03/06/2024	5.30p
COWPLAIN	HOME	Monday	10/06/2024	5.30p
LEIGH PARK	HOME	Monday	17/06/2024	5.30p
COWPLAIN	AWAY	Monday	24/06/2024	5.30p
BEDHAMPTON	HOME	Monday	01/07/2024	5.30p
LEIGH PARK	AWAY	Monday	08/07/2024	5.30p
EMSWORTH	AWAY	Thursday	11/07/2024	5.30p
DENMEAD	AWAY	Monday	15/07/2024	5.30p
BEDHAMPTON	AWAY	Monday	22/07/2024	5.30p
DENMEAD	HOME	Monday	29/07/2024	5.30p
GAS SOCIAL	AWAY	Monday	12/08/2024	5.30p
GAS SOCIAL	HOME	Monday	19/08/2024	5.30pt

Summer Reflex – running from April through to August. Please add your name to the list to play.



JUNIOR SECTION and COACHING

Junior Section Update, Mark Edwards

From January 2024 the Juniors have had coached sessions every other Sunday between 10.30 and 12.00 on rinks 1 and 2 which have been block booked on the rink diary.

Both the 'Juniors' (Nancy and Isaac) have now attended Bannister Park on the 13th and 27th January (See photo) where they have had the chance to familiarise themselves with bowling on a different type of surface (indoor carpet – much faster!). The sessions have included a technical aspect and a game of 7 ends with 3 bowls each. Both Nancy and Isaac, although only having played a game of this length and type for the first time, came away with both draws and a win, so well done to them both. This will hopefully give them the encouragement and confidence they need, when playing in the upcoming National competition at Banister Park on Sunday the 18th February.

John and I will continue over the coming weeks to work with both 'Juniors' on the four areas of technical ability and types of shot they will be marked on and to give them more match practice in time for this competition. I will update everyone in the March newsletter as to how they got on at this Nationally recognised Bowls event.



Coaching Update, Mark Edwards

Currently I am busy arranging some 1:1 specialist coaching to gain exposure with working and supporting bowlers that have a varying level of 'Visual Impairment'. I have been lucky enough to make contact with the English National Coach, who coaches for 'Visual Impairment Bowls England' (VIBE), and has coached and supported bowlers at the Commonwealth games, he has kindly agreed to work with me.

I am hopeful that within the next 2 months I will have been able to attend and assist at an organised event up country, once again I will update everyone in the next Newsletter on my progress.

I will finish with the same message as always "Please feel free to contact me if any of you would like any form of 1:1 or small group bowls coaching".

SOCIAL EVENTS COMING UP

🎉 Mark Your Calendars! 🎉

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1 STARTS AT 2PM

WEDNESDAY 21ST FEB & 6TH MARCH

TIME TO WIN THE GRAND PRIZE

Entry £2 to include Tea and Cake

Hey everyone!

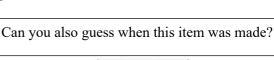
Guess what's just around the corner? That's right – our highly anticipated shuffleboard evening with a scrumptious Fish & Chip Supper! Get ready to shuffle and munch your way to victory on **February 17th.**

Now's the time to brush up on your shuffleboard skills because it's all about to go down. Will you be crowned the ultimate champion, or perhaps lead your team to victory?

So, grab your lucky socks, practice your shuffleboard swagger, and get hyped for a night of fun, competition, and mouth-watering treats!



Can you guess what these







Suggestions or articles for Newsletter? Send to Viv - bob.robertson37@yahoo.com or leave in club. Always check dates etc on notice board, editor cannot take blame for mistakes in newsletter!!

The raffle will be drawn on y 2nd March during the coffee which starts at 10 30 am along and enjoy a slice of cake cuppa with friends

You've got to be in it to win it! G

Great first Hobby Club get-together...hope to see you at our next one.

Keep a look out for the dates for our next Hobby Club

It was lovely to see such a good turnout for our first Hobby Club on Wednesday 31st of January.

Many thanks to everyone who came and shared their interests...we all had fun and enjoyed learning about our different hobbies, there will be many more to learn about and enjoy in the coming months.



It was great to meet up with Jackie (after much babysitting!!), who gave us a fascinating talk on Genealogy and showed us all of her hard work that she has undertaken in tracing her family trees.

Jackie also bought along and showed us some of her lovely cross stitch patterns.







Sue showed us some of her really colourful and intricate Diamond Painting pictures.

These were great, and I am definitely going to have a go.

Last, but not least, we had an informative and very interesting talk from John about his First Day Covers of Stamps. He also chatted about some fantastic autographs that he has collected over the years.

John also bought in a few of his 'collectables' he has sourced over several years...check out some teasers at the end!

Maggie, Tracey, Jean and Linda also gave us a quick chat about their hobbies too...there will be more to follow on these over the next few months.



Please come and join us soon and share your interesting hobbies and skills.

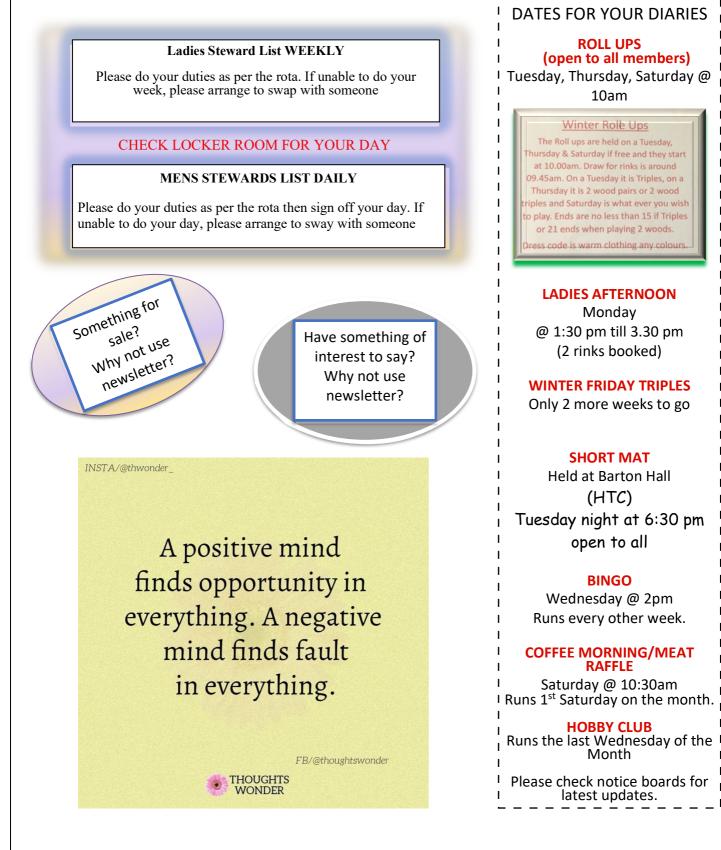
...and there will be cake too!! - Sara Edmiston

CLUB ACTIVITIES & DUTIES

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JUST FOR YOU

Bowlers' Holiday Recommendations: Share Your Adventures!

Are you tired of the same old routine and in dire need of a getaway? Are you craving new culinary experiences to tantalize your taste buds? Look no further! We're calling on all our bowling community members to share their favourite holiday destinations and dining experiences. Whether it's a serene beach retreat, an adventurous mountain hike, or a cosy city escape, your recommendations could be just what someone needs to plan their next unforgettable vacation.

Share the highlights of your trip, from the breath-taking sights to the delicious meals you indulged in. Don't shy away from sharing the mishaps and disasters too; sometimes those make for the most entertaining stories and valuable lessons learned.

Feel free to include photos to give everyone a glimpse into your holiday paradise. Whether it's a stunning sunset, a mouth-watering dish, or a funny moment with friends or family, visuals can truly bring your experiences to life.

Let's come together as a community and inspire each other to explore new horizons, taste new flavours, and create cherished memories. Your recommendation might just be the spark someone needs to embark on their next great adventure!

Submit your holiday recommendations and stories to **bob.robertson37@yahoo.com** We can't wait to hear about your travels!

Happy bowling and happy travels!

Calling All Foodie Bowlers: Share Your Dining Delights!

Hungry for something delicious? Know a local gem for a satisfying meal? Share your favourite dining spots with us! Whether it's a cosy cafe, a family-owned restaurant, or a trendy eatery, we want to hear about it. Let's support local businesses and discover hidden culinary treasures together. Share your recommendations below!

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HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOUR TICKETS YET??

For £1 a week you have the opportunity to win up to £25,000. Lots of smaller prizes. 50p of your £1 comes back to the club.

Join online <u>www.havantlottery.co.uk</u> and make sure you choose Waterlooville Bowling Club as your good cause.or Phone 023 9319 0011

SUPPORT YOUR CLUB

Just for laughs

"Move over TV stars, there's new celebrities in town a Forget the glitz and glamour, Where's Wilkins takes the spotlight in our newsletter! Who needs Hollywood when you've got the ultimate hideand-seek champions? Can you spot them before the paparazzi do?"





"Picture this: a lively bowls social, the sun shining, laughter filling the air, and our nimble-fingered bingo caller at the helm. But wait... are those balls meant to be on the floor? ⁽²⁾ Cue the conspiracy theories! Could this be the secret to why some of us never seem to win? Are the balls staging a rebellion, rolling away from our lucky numbers? Or perhaps they're just trying to trip up the competition! Either way, we're onto you, sneaky balls! Stay tuned as we investigate this floor-rolling phenomenon and uncover the truth behind our elusive wins... or losses!