



## BRIDGEWATER BOWLING CLUB NEWSLETTER SPRING 2020



Dear Member

The season is fast approaching, and the feedback we had from our first newsletter was good so we thought we would give you an update on what's happened over the winter and what's to come in the new season.

Our AGM was held on 16<sup>th</sup> January in the clubhouse with 20 members attending. The club took the opportunity to present both Ray Foster and Fred Stokes with a memento from the club to thank them for all their hard work as Bar Manager & Treasurer over the years. The committee structure and captains for this year are listed below. We have 54 members at BBC, and we will be entering the same number of teams in the Whitchurch and Market Drayton leagues as we did last year. We are entering a new team into the Market Drayton Seniors league (over 60's). This team will play on a Wednesday afternoon and will be captained by Rose Lloyd. If you are eligible and would like to play for the club in this league, please let Rose Lloyd know. In the Winter League played at the District the team finished in the top half of the table, well done to all those who turned out on cold wet nights for the club.

In terms of social events, the quiz night is on the April 4<sup>th</sup>. Everybody is welcome teams of 4, cost £6 per person to include a hot supper. A hog roast is being organised on 4th July, more information on this is further down the newsletter. There will also be a race night scheduled for 12<sup>th</sup> September. Please support your club in any way you can at these events. Finally, following feedback that we have had regarding the club information being on the notice board inside the club and not being able to see it only on match nights, we have also been busy over the winter and created a web site for the club. We intend to use this for a lot of our communication, so please take a look and give us your feedback. Details about the site are below. I think that's all from me...happy reading, and I look forward to seeing you all at the club soon.

Ian Price

Club Chairman

### 2020 Committee

**President** – Ray Foster

**Chairman** – Ian Price

**Secretary** – Isobel Jones

**Treasurer** – Graham Sayers

**Committee** – Doris Stokes, Di Foster, Allan Shaw, Barrie Haycocks, Richard Proudlove, Chris Sayers ..... plus the team captains & grounds committee (optional)

### 2020 Team Captains

#### Whitchurch League

A team –TBC

Harriers – Ian Price

C team – Peter Williams

#### Market Drayton League

A team – Julian Willis

B team – Isobel Jones

C team – Ruth Penlington

#### Barlows Over 60's

Isobel Jones

#### Market Drayton Over 60's (New for 2020)

Rose Lloyd/Ruth Penlington

### 2020 Club Membership subscriptions – now due before 1<sup>st</sup> April

**Full Member**—£25

**Over 60's**—£20

**Junior**—£5

**Social**—£10

#### Payment Methods

1. By cash or cheque, to your Captain, the Treasurer or pay over the bar.
2. Via online banking to Bridgewater Bowling Club sort code: 20-77-85 Acct no. 60204056 Please put your name as the reference

### Sponsorship

A small club like ours relies on income from external sources. We have a number of sponsors, but we are always looking for more. Cost is £50 for the season, which includes the opportunity to advertise via a banner at the club which we will create for you if you don't already have one. Contact Graham Sayers for details. (07774 145836)

### Bridgewater Bowling Club Web site

As mentioned above the club now have a web site. [www.spanglefish.com/bridgewaterbowlingclub](http://www.spanglefish.com/bridgewaterbowlingclub) or google Bridgewater Bowling Club. We hope you find this useful; all club information will be posted on here, in particular the calendar will be used for all events. We would welcome any feedback or ideas for additional information. Please contact Graham or Chris Sayers

**First matches in Market Drayton league Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April (A & B teams) Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April (C team)**  
**First matches Whitchurch League - Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup> (1<sup>st</sup> team & Harriers) Thursday April 23<sup>rd</sup> (C team)**  
**Barlows League Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April Market Drayton Vets Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April**



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### Greens update & Winter work

Over the winter our greens team have been busy making sure we are in good condition for the start of the season. They have Hollow tined and carried out a deep scarify on the big green and have followed the treatment plan on the small green. They have also engaged with a company from Ellesmere (Spunhill), who will be advising us throughout the season and taking soil samples to ensure the greens remain in tip top condition. Our pavilion also had 2 coats of preservative paint.

Moving indoors to the clubhouse, the cool room floor has had a coat of paint in preparation for delivery of a new chiller cabinet, and the bar also has a new more sophisticated till which will aid stock control and ordering in the future.

### Upcoming dates of bowling events at the club :

British Crown Green Ladies Club Championships – Sunday April 26th start 10.00am

County Senior Merit Qualifier - Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May start 6:00p.m.

County Veterans Qualifier - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June start 1:00p.m.

### HOG ROAST 4<sup>th</sup> JULY



This year we thought we would run a summer event which we hope you will all support. See the attached flyer for details. £10 / ticket limited to 100. Tickets are available from your captains or behind the bar. Please book early to avoid disappointment. Bring your friends and family along. We are also looking to run a fun bowls event on the evening for all to join in. Woods will be provided just bring some flat shoes.

### Coaching

As mentioned previously Bridgewater have 5 qualified coaches among the membership. Whether you just want some advice or want to introduce a beginner to the game of bowls, all will be welcome. Sessions will be running:

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April 11am – 1.30pm at Bridgewater  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April Tilstock bowling club.

These sessions are open to all.....



### Bonus Ball

To help the club funds we run a bonus ball competition during the season by supporting the Health lottery. If you would like a bonus ball please contact Di Foster. Cost £1/week, prize for winner £20

### Dates for your dairy 2020

April 4<sup>th</sup> - Quiz night including food

4<sup>th</sup> July - Hog Roast plus Gin & Fizz & fun bowls

12<sup>th</sup> September - Race night including Fish & Chip Supper

Bring your friends & family along to the social events.  
Everybody is welcome 😊

**Weather Permitting Greens will open Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

**Good luck to you all and our teams for the 2020 season**