# NEWSLETTER September 2019



Well folks, the end of our bowling season is drawing nigh and all our reflections about past bowling match near misses or bad luck stories suddenly fade into the category of 'Pie in the Sky' as we overshadow them by celebrating all our more successful triumphs. For most of the season we've been in the pink while most of our troubles have flowed down the sink. In the round we've generally all got on with each other without the help of an official referee.

Now to introduce this edition (with a further hint at limerick rhyme) "There's a lot to fit in, 'wi' nowt taken out', so here's all the news, 'wi' what it's about'.

 First off is the Winter Indoor Short Mat Bowling held at Weobley Village Hall. The complete schedule is split into two periods as follows: FIRST PERIOD – 7 October 2019 to 16 December 2019. 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm. SECOND PERIOD – These dates etc. will be announced in due course.

So, come along, let your hair down and enjoy yourself. As the Tele. advert says "Your Worth It".

- 2. The Club is holding an 'EVENING OF ENTERTAINMENT' at Weobley Village Hall on Saturday 16 November 2019. The stage will be taken by Mr. Paul Ray who is a Comedian and Magician. This Entertainer is absolutely brilliant and he'll have you puzzling and laughing all the way through the evening. This is definitely **not** an event to miss, so pencil this date into your diaries, Saturday 16 November 2019. Our Concert Secretary Diane Rice will be supplying all the necessary details and tickets a little nearer the time.
- 3. Another important day for you to pencil in your diaries is the ever-popular CHRISTMAS BINGO spectacular event on Monday 9 December 2019. All the details are in the capable hands of our present Club President Christine Tilbury. Christine will be sending out all the details/ tickets a little nearer the time, so keep a look-out. In the meantime, all prize or other monetary donations by members would be very welcome indeed. So, if you would like to help out in this direction, please contact Christine or Diane Rice and they will take care of your generosity.
- 4. Your Fixtures Secretary Pat Brenner has your committee's approval to publish, 'an open statement of clarification', originally addressed to your committee, to all the Club's Membership, as follows:

## STATEMENT TO WEOBLEY BOWLING CLUB COMMITTEE

#### 8 August 2019.

There appears to be a rumour circulating around the Club that I am retiring from my position as Club Fixtures Secretary. I have no idea how this rumour started, or who started it, however I have no intention of retiring from this position at this time. For the foreseeable future I shall continue to honour my commitment to the job for as long as the committee and our membership wish me to do so. It is my intention to make the wider club membership aware of my standpoint by publishing this statement in the next Club Newsletter.

Patricia Brenner. Fixtures Secretary.

(NB. Editor is impartial)

5. Please note that the Tarmac League will be holding the following functions at our Club House as follows:

League Presentation Evening - Wednesday 18 September 2019 @ 6.00 pm League AGM. – Sunday 13 October 2019 @10.30 am Continued.....

6. Here are the results of the Mens National Fours and Ladies National Triples at the Royal Learnington Spa Championship Finals earlier this month.

**Mens National Fours:** Clive Handscombe (Skip), David Sheppard, Alan Rudland & Glyn Perry. Results: Sidley Martlets (Sussex) - 26. Weobley (Herefordshire) - 9

**Ladies National Triples:** Brenda Havard (Skip), Christine Tilbury and Sally Stenning Results: Gorleston Links (Norfolk) - 17. Weobley (Herefordshire) - 9

Full Credit to both Weobley Qualifying Teams in beating all their previous County opponents. They fought their way to represent Herefordshire in the 2019 National Championships at Royal Learnington Spa, and that's no mean feat.

- Something else to Celebrate! Our incredibly talented Mens league team have succeeded in coming top of the Second Division. Really well-done boys. This of course means a well-earned elevation into the <u>First Division</u> next year.
- 8. We all love the shear quality of our superb bowling green surface and as we all know, it's the best green in the world. It didn't happen by magic and we keep it this way by a lot of hard work, shared between our green maintenance contractors Avonmore and our dedicated lawn maintenance team. All these endeavours have to be expertly managed, and have been, by our Green Manager, Guy Sandford. Guy has over the years, devoted a lot of time and effort in his pursuit of excellence and has decided to hand over the reins for others to continue along the path of his successful formula of management. We thank guy for his unstinting diligence in achieving the superb green which we've all always prayed for in the past. Many thanks Guy from all the Membership, you should be presented with a gong (nudge, nudge...wink wink).

# 9. NOTICE OF THE CLUB'S AGM.

This is to be held at the Club House on 15 October 2019 @ 7.00 pm.

One of the main functions of the AGM is to elect the Officers who form your Club Committee for 2020. A list has been posted on the Club's Notice Board for nominations to be entered for these Officers. Nominations must carry a proposer and a seconder. More than one person can be nominated for each of the Officers positions listed. Should there be more than one person nominated for any one position, then a vote ballot would be carried out by the members present to determine the serving officer that would fill the post.

- Our Annual Presentation Lunch this year is to be held at Weobley Village Hall on Sunday 13 October 2019
  @ 12.30 pm for 1.00 pm. Kim Hendrickson is distributing all the tickets, so if you haven't booked yet, please contact Kim on 01544 318083 ASAP.
- 11. As you all know, our Club Captain Tony Stokes has suffered some unfortunate health problems this year along with his good lady wife Joan. Tony has been unable to carry out his duties as he would have wished to and we all greatly sympathise with both his and Joan's misfortunes. As the result of their present predicament they have decided to move closer to their family in the north and we all wish them both well. We also give our thanks to our Vice Captain, Glyn Perry who stepped into the breach to keep things on the move.

## 12. CLOSING OF THE GREEN - SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2019 @ 2.00 PM

In keeping with tradition, we always hold a barbeque to mark the end of our bowling season, and this year is no exception. It's a great day and a chance to relax and perhaps do a fair amount of chin wagging, laughing, eating and of course drinking. The foods always great, but for catering purposes, we need to know the numbers who will attend. A list has been posted on the Club's Notice Board (I know, another list!), so please enter your names as soon as you can so that the caterers aren't working in the dark.

