



# Harperbury Bowls Club Newsletter 1955 - 2021

## AUG 2021



*Members are reminded of the club ethos of respecting the right of all club members to participate in club activities free from harassment, abuse and intimidation.*

### FINALS DAY PROGRAM

Well, where did that season go? Can you believe finals day is here already! Well done to all those that are playing in finals over the weekend of Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. As 3 members are in more than one final the finals have been split over the whole weekend. Your support would be appreciated for the finalists if you can make it. There will be a lunch available on the Saturday of homemade soup and a roll and cheese and biscuits to pre order for £1.50 and on the Sunday the finals will start at 2pm with a cream tea (pre- ordered) provided by the Club President (Sheila). **Sheila also needs markers for the singles games if you can help please let her know.**

#### SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPT

10 AM

#### CLUB PAIRS

Mark S & Duncan L

V

Keith W & Tim A

#### LADIES KELLY

Deb T V Jan T

2PM ISH

#### HOLGATE PAIRS

Deb T & Keith W

V

Gillian C & Jenny G

#### TWO WOODS

Dave G V Tim A

#### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

John A V Duncan L

#### SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPT – 2PM

#### MENS KELLY

John A V Keith F

#### CLUB MIXED PAIRS

Deb T & Peter C

V

Sheila R & Tim A

#### BUTLER HANDICAP

Keith W V Ron F

## District Finals Day

The St Albans and District Finals weekend is Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Sept for the men – North Mymms and Sun 12<sup>th</sup> for the ladies at Batchwood. Kevin Speck is flying the Harperbury flag in the Champions of Champions against Nick Muir. We were in a few St Albans and district semi finals – Tim in the men's singles, Deb in the officers singles and Deb, Jenny and Jan in the ladies triples. Congrats to all that made it to the semi's.



Aaron was flying the club flag at the Watford & District finals at Herts Watford recently and after a close game became the under 25yrs men's singles champion.

Congrats Aaron.

## Bucks Fizz Breakfast.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept see's our popular Bucks Fizz breakfast. A nice cooked breakfast with a glass of bucks fizz or orange juice. The breakfast will consist of a fried egg, sausages, bacon, baked beans and toast, tea and coffee.

At 10.15 the Sylvia Reed trophy competition will start. It is a chocolate Drive which basically means everyone bowling will take some chocolate home. Everyone has their own score card and will play in a drawn triple for 4 ends x 3 sessions. The scores on the card continue through each game and at the end of the competition the scores will be taken away from each other and the player with the highest + number will win. Sounds complicated but it really isn't. So, for example if after 3 sessions you score card totals looks like this:-

Deb	players	Deb	Players
13	10	7	17
Deb has +3		Deb has – 10	

The poster is up in the club for names for either breakfast and bowls, just breakfast or just bowls.

## LADIES V GENTS

This is the last game of the season before the green is 'put to bed'. We usually end up with lots of men and not so many ladies so please ladies put your names down if you can help us out. Associate members are welcome to play as well. It will depend on numbers as to whether rinks or triples. The team sheet is up in the club. Your last chance to bowl outdoors this season.

## INDOOR GAMES

The lists are up for the indoor fixtures before Christmas.

## Last call for the Presentation Lunch – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov

We have 43 names so far for the lunch. FRI 26th NOV 12.30 arrival for a 1.30 lunch. It will be two courses at £18.

We thought we would start the Christmas season off early this year as we missed out SO much last year and have roast turkey with a vegetarian roast option followed by profiter rolls, choc sauce and cream or a fruit salad. I need to know if anyone going for the vegetarian option or fruit salad option please. If you can put a V for vegetarian option and FS for fruit salad that will help me.

The sheet is up on the social board in the club by the door if you want to add your name. Payment will be by 1st Nov please.

## GAMES AFTERNOON

MONDAY 27<sup>th</sup> Sept sees the start of the winter games afternoon at the club with tea and cake. The idea being to bring members together over the closed season for a game of rumikub, sequence, domino's, cards etc.

It is not designed to replace the whist sessions but to accompany it. The session will start at 2pm and it is anticipated it will run for a couple of hours. These might be games you have not played before but don't worry you will soon pick them up. After the first session a decision will be made as to how often they will run.

## WHIST

The whist team are keen to get it going again but are thinking of moving it to an afternoon with some members preferring not to drive on the dark nights etc. So we need to ask all whist players which they would prefer:-

- A) An afternoon 2.30 – 5pm or 3pm – 5.30 possibly a Thurs    B) Stay with evenings 6.45pm

If you play whist and have a preference please let me know and I will pass the info on to help the team decide what the plan is.

## Winter program

The committee have a few ideas for the winter months and Jan will be holding her walks and lunches again so the committee will be releasing a program of activities etc once it is finalised.

One of our new members, John Morley is a bit of an artist with a sense of humour. Here are a couple of John's drawings.



## Captains Report.



Well that season went quick! A massive thank you to everyone that has supported me as club captain and Keith as vice captain this season. Our friendly games are our 'bread and butter' and we have had our 'regulars' supporting them so thanks again. The last few outside games have been picked and are up the club and the pre-Christmas indoor games are up for selection as well. Another massive thank you to Sue and the green team for their hard work and support with the green and Tim for keeping the grass under control. If you have been looking after a flower bed or the hanging baskets – good job! The club has looked amazing this year. Your hard work is really appreciated.

## More Pics from our gala day and Captains Charity Night.



Captains  
Charity Night  
raised £205



The weather was SO kind to us on Saturday night!

We were up and dancing to Kevin and his group for most of the night. Even though there were major tech issues with Kevin's mic we still felt the rock 'n roll vibes on the patio.

The evening was a great success, the fish and chips were delish and we had a fabulous raffle.

Thank you so much if you were one of the 50 odd that joined us. A great amount of money raised for a charity close to my heart.

# Martin Daly Gala

Our gala was a big success (even though we didn't have any bread pudding this year!) and saw 18 triples battle it out throughout the day.

The winning team for the second time was Aarons team with Herts Watford and these fellas as runners up.



Marilyn from Hatfield won nearest the jack. The first time she has ever won it and Marilyn has been bowling for a good few years.



As with all gala's the team work was amazing. From all the advertising and organisation stuff, to recruiting and contacting the teams, sorting the tea stall, running the bar, the buffett lunch, organising the raffle and the scoring, checking and running the day. Well done to all those involved.

