



Jan 2016

Harperbury Bowls Club

1955—2016



The 2015 presentation night saw our 60th celebration year come to an end.

John as Competition secretary organised another great evening helped during the presentation part by Dave as Club Captain and Sheila as Club President.

What an amazing Celebration year we have had with lots of bowls, fun and a fair bit of success in competitions as well. The highlight being our lady captain winning the District Ladies singles.

The presentation night was well attended and needless to say there were a few sketches, a Christmas carol sing-along that saw Pat Roberts on the keyboard and a game of bingo with cards plus a lovely fish and chip supper.



Words cannot begin to explain the sketch that Emma and John did!

You really had to be there.

Another Trophy.....

On Sunday 13th December, Harperbury, together with 3 other clubs, were invited to play against the team of Presidents of St Albans and District bowling association.

Jim Terry had to drop out due to a Knee op. So the selected team was George Hoare, John Allen, Alan Burnett and Les Roberts.

Panic, panic—Alan Burnett had a problem with leaving Mary on her own so Sue offered to go and sit with Mary so that Alan could play. Problem solved.

Three clubs beat the Presidents team and Harperbury were the club with the top score of 19—13 and won the Presidents Shield, together with a plaque to be retained by the club.

Not bad for a team with an average age of 80.5 years from a club that does not play regular indoor bowls! Well done boys. Life in the old dogs yet

Editorial by John Allen.

Harperbury Indoor Results.

Harperbury V Woodside

92 - 116 to Woodside.

Top rink— Ivy Fennell, Owen Gates, John Lambe, Les Roberts.

Two more indoor fixtures remain.

Sun 7th Feb— Hatfield 2.30pm

Sun 27th Feb- Woodside 2.30pm

Mary B organising so please ring Mary or email if you can play.

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More Presentation night pictures.



Photo's curtesy of Ron Gray.

Ron and I have these on a disc and can send you copies if you want any.

Club News.

Your committee are working hard pre-season especially Sue as fixtures secretary to get the dates sorted for the 2016 season.



Sheila Roberts
Club President



Les Roberts
Club Chairman



Sue Allen
Club and fixtures Sec



Mike Booth
Club Treasurer



Dave Trollope
Club Captain



Judy West
Ladies Captain



John Allen
Competitions Sec



Aaron Langley
Assistant Comp sec



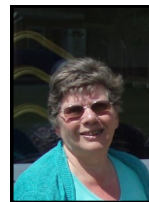
Mary Barnard
Vice Captain



Diana Tribe
Membership Sec



Debbie Trollope
Press/ social sec



Joyce Terry
District ladies Rep



Jim Terry

District Men's Rep



Mick Andrews

Watford & Dist Rep



George Hoare



Vera Hoare



Eve Richardson



Jenny Gauthier



John Hill

This season.

Warners 2016

The 2016 season starts again with a trip to Warners at Hayling Island on Friday 1st April—Monday 4th.

We have 39 members coming this year. As usual we have bowls planned for the Saturday and Sunday mornings with possible pitch and putt competition one afternoon and darts on the other one. Weather dependent. All optional of course. If members want to pootle off and explore the area that's great as well.

Our Saturday evening entertainment this year is a tribute to Frankie Valley and the 4 seasons. We will be putting a quiz out on the tables for the evening as well and of course there is the Bingo each night!

This weekend away, we believe, really sets us up for the season. Hopefully more members will be able to join us when they can in the years to come.

Warners is always mentioned in the Newsletters and there are always posters up in the club once a date is booked. Keep a look out!

Don't want you to miss out next year!



Club Shirts and fleece Jackets.

Sheila has asked anyone that wants a club polo shirt or fleece to please contact her .

Sheilarobertsbloy@yahoo.co.uk

or 01727 823405.

First weekend of bowls SAT 23rd April.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

An insight.....

from THAT [pre 1973] to THIS [post 1993]



*THE HISTORY OF THE BUILDING
and RESTORATION of*

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

AN ILLUSTRATED TALK BY GEOFF ROBERTS
[SITE SURVEYOR 1992-6] ON THE HISTORY OF
THE BUILDING AND RESTORATION OF THE
ABBEY THROUGHOUT THE CENTURIES
MANY SLIDES, DOZENS OF PHOTOGRAPHS
PIECES OF STONE AND OTHER ARTIFACTS
DISPLAYED AS A MINI EXHIBITION.

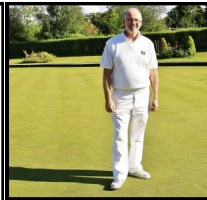
CONTACT GEOFF ROBERTS on 44079 200564

Geoff has kindly agreed to come and speak to us about Westminster Abbey. Geoff has given talks on Westminster Abbey for many years and is quite an expert having been a site surveyor.

Friday 11th March 6.45pm for 7pm.

£5 (cuppa and Cake included)

Geoff has offered his time for free so all profits to the club. There will be a poster up at the club for names so please come and support us



Captains Log.

Another season is fast approaching (how quickly the time goes) and I would just like to thank all those

people who have been hard at it (bowls related duties obviously) through the winter months either arranging / organising events or preparing the club for the 2016 season.

I have to confess that I personally haven't been doing too much during the winter that has been bowls related. I will therefore be ready and raring to go come the start of the season and hope that I can assist in making your season as enjoyable as you expect it to be.

Captain's Charity:

I have thought long and hard about what the Captain's charity should be this year and I have to go with donating money to assist in the research against cancer. This disease seems to be everywhere at the moment and if we as a club can go some small way to assist in getting the better of it, so much the better. Please be as generous as you can throughout the season. Whatever you can donate will be gratefully received.

That's all from me for now—see you in April.

Club registration social evening

WEDS 6th APRIL 7pm.

It is planned to have a finger picking buffet this year and a list will be on the notice board as to foods to bring. Please come along to get 2016 off to a great social start & register for membership and comps.

Club Quiz Nights

Raising money for the Captains charity and the club.

SAT 21st MAY

FRI 9th SEPT.

Max 8 in a team

Fish/chicken chip supper.

£10 per person.