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Harperbury Bowls Club

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Pictures from the month



Big News!!!

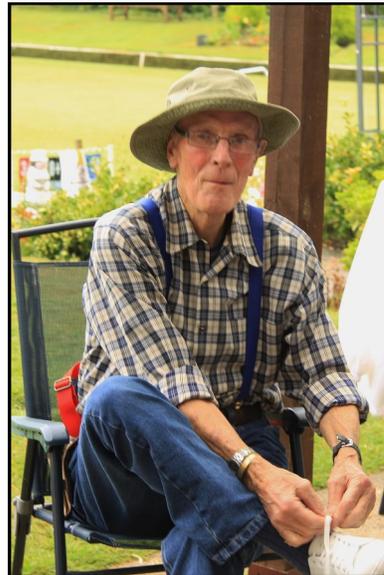
Congrats JUDY WEST Ladies Capt.

Judy won the County Unbadged Singles this month. Well done Judy!

For those watching I am told it was a bit nerve wracking ! Great win.



The winner of the fancy dress Country and Western club night was...



ALAN BURNETT as picked by our club photographer Ron Gray. The weather tried to spoil it but we managed a few ends, supper and a bit of line dancing!



More club pictures inside.....

Club News

A coaching session on marking and measuring was organised for the club members on TUES 26th July. It was a very informative session and members new and experienced learnt some stuff!

We thought it would be good to share the information we learnt especially as the Coach let me have a copy of his notes!

- ◆ **Modern marking** - it is a skill acquired by practice especially around time management.

Top Tips - *Get the players together on the first end and ask them to do the score board when it is up their end to save you walking back and then going up the green to the other end. If it is obvious which woods are shot at the end of an end take a few steps up the green to the other end so that you can set off up the green once the players have agreed on the score.*

Answer the bowlers questions - you are the bowlers 'eyes' at the head. The days of one word answers are past. EG - 'Am I holding shot?' 'No you are 2 down' 'Am I holding shot?' 'I am not sure it is a measure' 'Ok which one do you fancy' 'I fancy the blue wood' If you are not sure say so however you can't say which one you favour unless you are asked but you must say first that you are not sure and it is a measure.

- ◆ **Responsibilities of the marker:-**

- Ensure the game is played in line with the laws of sport of bowls --
- Centre the jack at least 23 m from the front of the mat.
- Answer specific questions from the player on the mat (in possession)
- Mark all touchers as they come to rest before the next bowl is bowled.
- Remove 'dead' woods from the rink with players agreement. Each wood should be on the rink within the rink markers and be at least 14m distance from the mat to be in play.
- Mark the position of the jack and touchers in the ditch
- Measure if asked, never offer. Players can measure themselves if they prefer or if they want to after you have measured if close.
- Do not move bowls or jack until players have agreed shots scored. The players can take the bowls out of the head once shots agreed.
- If players don't agree call the umpire.
- Centre the mat BEFORE the jack is bowled.
- Mark on the score card an identifying feature of each players woods so that you can recognise them easily.
- Have on your person -- Score card, pen, pencil, wedges, chalk spray, measure. The umpires kit should be close by with extra equipment.

Top tips: *When centring the jack don't look at the bowler until you have moved the jack to your estimate of the centre, then look at the player for the final tweaks.*

If the jack is felt to be less than the 23 M required the players can challenge or the marker can . It should then be measured. The tape measure goes under the front of the mat and is pulled out to 23 M.

If the jack needs to be centred using the 2m stick as it is close the end of the rink the jack is placed to the side of the front of the stick - NOT at the front of the stick.

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Where to stand:-

- ◆ The best place to stand is 2 paces back from the jack and one pace to left or right. After each wood is delivered move to the head so that you can see if a toucher and so that you know what is going on and then move back. If the bowler on the mat (in possession) asks a question you can answer without going back to the head.
- ◆ Keep still when a player is on the mat preparing to bowl.
- ◆ Remain on the green at all times even if the jack is ditched.
- ◆ Do not have conversations with others whilst on the green marking.
- ◆ Try and be accurate with your distances when asked.

Top Tips:-

If a player is firing move to the front of the head. This is the best position for safety and to spot a toucher and see where it ends up.

Be aware of the activity of other rinks . You have the right to stop any bowl or neutral object from another rink that is likely to disturb the head on your rink.

Completion of the end:-

- ◆ Keep away whilst players decide the result. Both players must agree. The player who is conceding the shot is the one that can move the bowls once a shot is agreed.
- ◆ If asked to measure ask the players which bowls you are measuring.
- ◆ Wedge ALL bowls not standing square on their side face.
- ◆ Impose the 30 second rule if there are bowls that could fall in and affect the result - The 30 seconds start as the final bowl comes to rest NOT as the bowlers arrive at the head. The 30 second rule basically means that the players have 30 seconds after the final bowl comes to rest to ask the marker to put a wedge under any bowls they feel could fall over and affect the score. Once the 30 seconds has passed and shots agreed it does not matter if any woods 'fall in'. If the marker is asked to measure they put wedges under all the bowls that are not standing square on their side face.
- ◆ Measure if asked, never offer. Players can measure themselves if they prefer or if they want to after you have measured if close.
- ◆ Do not move bowls or jack until players have agreed shots scored. The players can take the bowls out of the head once shots agreed.
- ◆ Enter score on score and update score board if at your end. If other end ask the player who lost the end to do the board.
- ◆ Players to sign the score card at the end of the game.

It was a VERY informative session and I would recommend it if you ever get the chance. We are not experts now but feel we are better prepared to confidently mark a game. We were all surprised how many of us hadn't actually been marking as per the rules and regs. Well if members have never been shown/told why would we know? We learn by what we see, or do our best and guess!

From the committee.....

Dress Code

The committee would like to remind members about the club dress code. It should be smart casual for roll ups please.

Members are reminded that Jeans and jeggings are not part of the bowls dress code for friendly games, interclub comps, district and county club games it should be grey or white trousers depending on whether weekend or weekday, shorts or 3/4 's suitable for bowls (not jeans) with either a white polo shirt, club shirt or white blouse/shirt with a collar. Your compliance with the above would be appreciated.

Property Maintenance experience

The club is in need of some TLC as you have no doubt noticed. The committee are looking for quotes from people experienced in property maintenance and decorating. Are you interested? Do you have a family member or friend that might be interested? Give Les Roberts a ring 01727 823405 for more info or to arrange a meeting to discuss what needs doing.

Did you know.. When you have a cuppa it would help if you washed, dried and put away your cups.

Did you know.. The poster for the next club night is up? The chocolate drive with supper on 30th Aug.

Did you know... The poster for the quiz night on FRI 9th Sept is on the social board now. We can only take 8 teams.

Did you know.. More members are finding their way into the kitchen to wash up. Lovely jubbly.

Did you know.. There are only 9 more friendly games left this season



Captains Log.....

Nice to see the new bowlers putting their names down for Friendlies and getting 'match practice'. Keep t up all you newbies.

With regard to the Bowls calendar we have two big events coming up. The first is the **Martin Daley Gala** on Saturday 20th August. This event consists of named teams of Triples, both external and internal. Good luck to all entrants and if you haven't entered a team, please attend and support the day.

The second event is **The Bill Thorne** Triples Trophy day to be held on 3rd September. The event is held in honour of Bill who was an active member of Harperbury until he sadly passed away in 2006 (has it really been 10 years). Members of Bill's family, including his widow, Sheila, attend the day and some of them even have a bash at bowling in an attempt to win the Trophy.

The sheet is up in the Club so please put your name down and participate in what is an excellent Club event. All members who put their names down WILL play on the day. There is a meal supplied which will be either fish or chicken and chips and the cost of the day will be in the region of £7.50p per person.

CLUB FUN NIGHTS.....

TUES 30th AUG - - Chocolate Drive and Supper

TUES 20th SEPT - Bowls and supper.

Next season there will be a 'league' running on Club nights. Info to follow next year.

Have you enjoyed the organised club nights? Let us know.....

More club pictures.....



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Shame about the weather but what another great night - Yee haw!!



Singing in the kitchen—Stand by your man!!!

Top Rinks

13th July Kings Langley - lost 70—74

Sue S Keith W Dave T

16th July De Havilland - Won 75—59

Barbara A Robbie R John A

20th July - Datchworth Won 88-56

Shirley I Dave G George T

23rd July Harpenden

Ken K Danny A Allen N Sue A

30th July Borehamwood Won 100 - 64

Lou H Danny A Bob Y Les R

31st July Potters Bar

Mary H Peter F Tim A Ken K

6th August Potten End

Jean W Mo W Dave G Sue A

7th August Harpenden lost 56 - 74

Jan T Allen N Keith F

13th August Hatfield 105 -88

Martin Daly Triples Gala

Sat 20th AUG

Harperbury Bowls Club

This is our gala and is a massive part of our income. It is also a great day!

As always your help is needed to make the day a success:-

- ⇒ Everyone pray for a nice day.
- ⇒ Cakes needed for the tea and cake stall. Bring on the Friday or by 9.30 on Saturday please.
- ⇒ Raffle prizes on the day please. If you are not coming please leave in the ladies cloak room on the Thurs or Fri before.
- ⇒ If you coming bring a chair.
- ⇒ Help needed on the cake stall during the day.
- ⇒ Help needed to wash up after each lunch sitting
- ⇒ Help needed in the bar, clearing glasses and washing them up.

If you can help with any of the above—please let us know (Deb, John , Sheila)

Kitchen—Sheila, Joyce, Deb, Mo & Hilary

Tea stall 9.30—4 —Mary H, Deb + 2

Bar—Sue and John + 2

Running day—Dave T Andy T and Jim T

Raffle—Hilary and Mo Plummer.



Calling all bakers—AGAIN..



Some GREAT cakes were made/brought for the Men's District presidents gala helping us to raise funds for the club - Thank you.

We need your help again!

Cakes are needed for the tea and cake stall at our gala on 20th August. If you can help please bring cakes etc on the Friday or on Saturday morning please.

