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BOWLING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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As our season comes to a close we look back on mixed fortunes for the club. In the North West Kent League we came top of Division 7 (we were top of Division 8 last year) and move up to the next level next year. In the NWK Knock Out Competition we reached the last 8 out of 64 teams. A very creditable effort by Woodcroft.

Despite good results in the LX League in previous years we did not do so well this year. West Wickham won the competition and Metropolitan Police were second. Jim Frid reports that Hayes Common will be replaced by Orpington Bowls Club in next year's fixture. Congratulations go to Eltham Bowls Club who won the Ron Ault Cup.

In the PCL League we failed to reach the top of the table although Ken Gilbert reports that the difference in points between our wins and our losses is getting smaller compared with previous years!! Better luck next year. Bromley won the competition with Metropolitan Police coming second.

INTERNAL COMPETITIONS

Congratulations to **Brendan Hunter** who won the Championship Cup this year. Noel Quirke was the 'runner up'.

Other results are as follows:-

	<u>WINNER</u>	<u>RUNNER UP</u>
PAIRS	Barry Crick Michael Seage	Noel Quirke Charlie Shanks
TRIPLES	Paul Seage PeterStyles Michael Seage	Dennis Carroll Nick Carter John Parr
HANDICAP	Alan Bell	Brendan Hunter
JUBILEE	Jim Tremain	John Yeardley
2 WOODS	Brendan Hunter	Duncan Wood
MIXED PAIRS	Pauline Gilbert Ken Gilbert	Julia Cleary Noel Quirke

THURSDAY NIGHT UMBRELLA Duncan Wood

MONDAY AFTERNOON TRIPLES Nick Carter Keith Barton Alan Attle Brendan Hunter

At the time of writing the Rae Ferguson Trophy and Bob Wardroper Cup have yet to be completed.

KENT COMPETITIONS

Members who want to compete in the Kent County Competitions should put in their entry forms as soon as possible. (See notice board)

Ken Gilbert has been informed that Kent County Bowling Association would like our club to host the Kent Pairs Quarter and Semi Finals on 20th. July 2016. (We hosted the Division 1 Competitions in 2013 and 2015) This is a very prestigious event and is a compliment to the state of our green. Congratulations go to Paul Seage, Charlie Shanks, and their helpers for their efforts in ensuring we have one of the best greens in the area. The event is expected to attract spectators from all over the County.

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PRESIDENT'S DAY

Mother Nature decided that on Monday 31st. August she would dump a load of rain on our event!! All the games had to be cancelled but Jim Frid, ably assisted by Charlie Shanks, swiftly rearranged the catering arrangements. As a result we all sat down to an early meal. Our thanks go to all those who attended, despite the weather. It proved to be a very convivial afternoon.

SHIRTS

Charlie has some spare shirts in stock. If anyone would like a second Bowls Club shirt please give Charlie a call. The cost is £18.50.

HONORARY SECRETARY DIVISION 1 KCBA

Congratulations to Andy Smith who has been elected as Honorary Secretary for Division 1. He takes over from Gerry Goulder who sadly passed away a few months ago after many faithful years of service .

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

AGM

Please note that our AGM will be on Sunday 11th. October at 12 noon. Please come along. This is an occasion when members can air their views and vote for their committee members. Why not consider becoming a committee member yourself? The nomination sheet is on the notice board. As previously stated the AGM will now be held every autumn instead of every spring.

PRESENTATION NIGHT

Presentation Night is on Friday 16th. October at 7pm. There will be a three course meal and presentation of trophies, glassware and other prizes. Cost will be £10 per head. Please add your name to the list on the notice board or give your name to any of the committee members. We have to let the caterers know numbers attending at least a week before the event.

There will be a raffle and any donations received for the raffle will be gratefully received.

NOBODY'S DARLING

Up and down, walking walking,
Often measuring, sometimes chalking;
Shifting mats - keeping score,
thirty ends, maybe more;
Aching back - tired of limb,
Cheers for others, none for him,
Night draws on, darker, darker,
No one cares for he's the marker!