

Vardre Bowling Club

VBC News



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There is a lot to cover in this issue so, although it's not like me, I will try to be as brief as I can, so here we go!



The one thing that all members should do when they are at the club is checkout the notice board. All sorts of useful info is on there and there certainly is at the moment. Ignore your bowling experience or inexperience, do you want to play in league games next season? If you do put your name on the list on the notice board. You will see that we intend to join the Thursday evening league next season so if that's better for you than the others, or you want to play then as well. **Put your name down!**

The list of nominations will be on the board imminently and this is your chance to take a more active role in the club, if you want to. Every position, except the President and Vice President is up for grabs. Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary, Team Captains, Vice Captains and Social Sub Group members etc. can be yours if you want it. Get someone to nominate and second it and you are nearly there. There is no one in our club that is not capable of carrying out any of the positions. **Please get involved.**

All the nominations will be put to our next **AGM** which will be held on **Friday 25th November**. Seemingly boring but really important decisions are made and discussed here; the Constitution, the make up of the Committee and how we develop, entertain, and protect our members. More details will follow but it's a date for your diary. **We would like you to attend**



We are getting some good constructive feedback from the members who have responded to the **Club Survey** but quite a lot of you have not yet given us your views. Please help us to get better by returning your thoughts about our club, to **Ian Wilson** by **23rd September**.

Data Protection

We hold information on you (but not your darkest secrets) and it's important that you know where and how it's stored and used. We are in the process of formulating a Club Data Protection Policy and it will be ready for the forthcoming AGM. We would not give your details



to any outside body. Only members can use your contact details as long as it's for bowling related issues. If, however, you object to any of your contacts details being given out for any reason, you must tell us.

Conwy Bowls Festival

A big thanks to everyone who help us host the games played at our green during the Conwy Bowls Festival. Tea and coffee makers, cake bakers and measurers all worked their socks off on three separate occasions and earned the club over £230. Fantastic. That wasn't soft soap, honestly!, but we have another event coming up on **Sunday, 11th September at 2pm** when we will be hosting the preliminary rounds of the Colwyn and Llandudno Presidents Day. If you can help, please come along. Come along anyway.



The Alpha and Hornby competitions are coming to an end and we are hoping that the finals will be held on **Thursday 29th September**. This date will be confirmed to you again later.

The Thursday prior to this, on the **22nd September** we will hold the last club competition of the season.. The '**Closing Fours**' is a doubles match and you can enter by adding your name to the notice on the notice board. It's open to every member so please join in. As usual, be at the club before 1,30pm. If the game cannot be completed on the day it will carry over to the Finals Day on the 29th.

We have had some great successes this season. The Wednesday evening 'B' team were runners up in their League Cup Final. It looks like the Wednesday 'A' team are going to top their league and move into the leagues 'A' Division and the Tuesday 'B' team are also expecting great things. Congratulations to them all

Finishing there, oh no, Carol B, who not only organised the annual Ladies Rose Bowl won it as well. She played Shan, a past Rose Bowl winner on more than one occasion, in a nail biting final, which I might add was their forth game of the day. The match finished 21 : 20 to Carol. Most people were exhausted just watching. A credit to club, well done to everyone, especially Carol.

Well done also to the 'Guys' who just beat the Girls by just 10 points in the **Guys Vs Girls** competition a couple of weeks ago. Some say it was a 4.4 draw and who am I to argue, just a guy! Anyway it was an enjoyable day ably organised by Gay, not Guy.



Because of additional autumn work that has to be done on the green due to the hot and dry conditions, we have to tell you that **the green will close on Sunday, 9th October at 5pm** when the gates will close and put an end to all our fun. But don't forget that the winter bowling green at Craig Y Don will probably open again in October until March. More information on that when we get it.



Monday, 10th October will see the Maintenance team start that autumn work so a big thanks to them for their time and effort throughout the year. If you want to help in some way have a word with Ian/Dave L /Tommy.

Another group to thank while I'm at it are the unsung hero's who keep our clubhouse clean and tidy, When have you ever visited the clubhouse and its been a mess? Never in my opinion, so thanks.

It doesn't happen very often, sadly, but if a wheelchair user wants to get into our club we now have a wooden ramp hung up next to the little green gate on the right as you come in. If this is put against the kerb it will allow the wheelchair user much easier access to our entrance. It's been tried and tested and is wheelie good.. Well done Tommy, again.

Oh No! Please don't tell me I'm sat here in my shorts thinking about Christmas. Unfortunately I am. Just a quickie though. We always go out for Christmas Lunch and I am pleased that a couple of suggestions have already been made about where we might go. If you know of any little gems that we could try, let me know. It's depressing I know but like Fred Pontin used to say, 'Book Early'



Slowly but surely we are increasing our membership and donations in this scheme. Anyone who, by now, doesn't know what this on-line shopping fundraising scheme is about, get in touch and I will give you the details



Don't forget to keep an eye on the clubs website on vandrebowlingclub.com to keep up to date with other news and useful information on all sorts of things. Diane has a quirky sense of humour that will make you smile as well as keep you up to date.

Quote of the Month

“Whatever you do, always give 100%. Unless you're donating blood.”