

Tenterden Bowls Club

News Letter May 2022

Hello everyone,

I hope you are all keeping well and warming up for the season that is now underway. I know you'll agree that the green is looking fabulous and bowling well thanks to Derrick and his merry band of volunteers. Our visitors are commenting on what a fabulous green we have so we should be very proud to welcome other clubs here. The surrounds are also looking beautiful thanks to Mary.

You would be very welcome to come along any Thursday morning to help maintain the green and the surrounds as well as keeping the clubhouse clean – there's always jobs to be done!

A club clock, donated by our President Jenny Crickmore-Porter, has been installed by Derrick and it is the crowning glory for our newly refurbished clubhouse. Thank you Jenny. New photos and video of the Clubhouse will be updated on the website very soon.

External Matches - remember to sign up your availability to play in external matches on the sheets displayed on the noticeboard next to the disabled toilets. The Weald league selections are posted on the noticeboard in the Clubhouse so please check when you come. All of these matches are updated regularly on the website so please use this facility whenever you can.

We give a warm welcome to our new members and look forward to seeing them playing some games soon – it's the best way to improve your skills so please sign up for matches.

Internal Competitions - The draw for these competitions took place last week and are now displayed inside the clubhouse. Please ensure you arrange your matches well within the deadline dates, which creep up on us quicker than we realise! This will avoid a scramble for rinks and markers

Booking rinks for roll ups and competitions – While Derrick is away on holiday in Europe for 2 weeks please email or WhatsApp him to book a rink.

School Car Park - The car park is open to us during evening and weekend matches (when the school is not in session) and on Club Nights. Please display your parking ticket when you are in the car park. Remember this facility is not to be used for shopping expeditions!

We hosted a visit from the **Leidsche Netherlands Cricket Tour** team on Sunday 15^{th} May which was a successful and enjoyable afternoon. We exchanged gifts and they donated £100 to club funds. We are looking forward to a return visit next year. Thanks to everyone who helped on the day.

Dates for Your diaries.

- Can you make a note in your diaries and the Fixtures book that the game with Iden originally planned for Sunday 5th June (Queen's Jubilee Day) has now been re arranged to be played on Saturday 13th August.
- Thursday Night is Club night (5.30 7.30pm) We continue to get a good turnout for our Club Night despite the changeable weather! A good chance to practice your bowling and take turns to play Lead, 2nd and Skip.

3. Sunday 3rd July 2022 – Please contact Judith if you are able to help in any way with this important fundraising event. Anything from baking cakes, helping to get lunch together, organising raffle contributions to making the club look welcoming. We will need all hands on deck in the run up to the day and on the day itself.

100 club draw 1. Carol James 2. Brian Cochrane

See you on the green.

Vicki Hall & Sue Addis