



## **Tenterden Bowls Club Newsletter 7th April 2021**

We hope you are all well and looking forward to increasing freedom! I trust bowlers are ready to start bowling on Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Preparation for Open Day**

To prepare the green we need some help please. This is

1. To prepare the surrounds, put carpets in the ditches etc.
2. To clean the club house and toilets.

Please contact Judith if you are able to help on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> in the morning.

### **Open Day**

Normally on open day any member can expect to just turn up and have a game. However we can only use 3 rinks due to the restrictions. Therefore if you are wanting to play on the open day Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April please will you contact Judith so that we can ensure we comply with Bowls England's Covid restrictions. Phone 01580 762200 or email [judithpickford@gmail.com](mailto:judithpickford@gmail.com)

There will be no refreshments so bring your own drink. Unfortunately because we are limited to having only 24 people in the green area, there will not be room for spectators except over the hedge!

### **The New Clubhouse**

Phil has written to the council and sent them his revised drawings to comply with their request for a porch and solar panels. They have told us they would prefer us to defer starting the new build until September. We are hoping to have another meeting with councillors soon. We are only £5,000 short on our building fund which is great, thanks mainly to Geoff. The monies have to be spent by March 2022.

### **Club Funds**

Also we are lacking running costs due to not having visiting teams and our rent being increased to £500 when the new lease is agreed. We decided raffles were a more fun way to help than asking for green fees.

We are going to have a raffle on Open day so please bring anything small for this and of course some money! We also propose to have a raffle every Thursday evening.

If anyone has any other ideas of how to raise funds please speak to one of the committee.

### **Tuition**

Andrea will be available to help new members on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, possibly helped by Judith.

**Fixtures**

The committee decided that the fixture book for away clubs will not start before June 21<sup>st</sup> due to Covid restrictions on car share etc.

Best wishes to you all, keep well Judith and Terry