

# BEGBROOK GREEN BOWLING CLUB

## WINTER 2011 NEWSLETTER

### Introduction

The President, Chairman and Committee would like to thank all members for your support in the 2011 season. Without this support it would be very difficult to run our friendly Club. We wish you all well over the winter season and look forward to meeting you again in 2012.

### Committee Members

President - Reg Buston, Chairman - Dave Rydon, Treasurer - Ken Maynard, Club & Membership Secretary - Colin Dark, Club Captain - Pete Thoburn, Club Vice Captain and Ladies Captain - Ann Boaden, Fixture Secretary - Ken Willcox, Mid Week Captain - Dave Wall, League A Team Captain - Dave Allen, League B Team Captain - Mike Cole, Social Secretary - Denise Rydon, Ladies Rep & Social Secretary. - Jan Brookshaw, Gloucestershire Deaf Rep. - Geoff Plant & Helen Featherstone, Committee Members - Roy Hale, Mike Hazell & Ann Nash. Contact information can be found on the 2011 Fixtures list. Your Committee meets throughout the winter to deal with Club business but would welcome any feedback.

### Club Cup Competition

Congratulations to all 2011 Cup winners, who are:  
President's Cup - Dave Broom/Ann Marten/Colin Smith  
Club Triples - Roy Hale/Keith Hamblin/Ann Nash  
Singles - John Philpotts  
Pairs - Ann Boaden/Pete Thoburn  
2 Bowl Pairs - Mike Cole/Pete Dyte  
Ladies - Ann Boaden  
Novices - Russell Ayling  
Livewire - Pete Dyte  
Men v ladies - Winners Men

### Gloucestershire Deaf

Congratulations to all 2011 Cup Competition winners, who are:  
Ladies Singles - Debbie Holwell  
Men's Singles - Geoff Plant  
Pairs - Hal Draper /Martin Holwell  
Triples - Russell Ayling/John Philpotts/Geoff Plant

We want to say a big thank you to Hal Draper for his hard work dealing with the competition this whole season and let us hope he will continue next year as competition secretary. And a big thank you to Helen Featherstone for her hard work liaising emails this whole season and it will be a pleasure that she continues again next year.

We enjoyed ourselves at Ayr Bowling last August Bank Holiday but we all did not get through to the finals, hopefully we will be better next year at Belfast if we are going.

### Proposed Clubhouse

At the time of writing, things are looking very positive regarding the installation of a building before the start of next season. This would comprise of a small kitchen area, unisex toilet and general area plus some storage. Further information should be available at the AGM.

### 'A' league Team

Well done and congratulations to Dave Allen and all members of the 'A' Team who won the Bristol & District league 4<sup>th</sup> Division title. This is a great success for the Club and we all wish them the very best for next season in Division 3.

### Thank you

Our thanks goes to Dave Rydon, Pete Thoburn & Ann Boaden who have agreed to stand again (as Chairman, Club Captain & Ladies Captain respectively) at the AGM. Special thanks go to Pete Thoburn's wife Angela for her help and support. Thanks also go to Dave Wall for his hard work in his first season as Mid-Week Captain and to Mike Cole for his running of the 'B' Team.

### Congratulations

To Ann Boaden who received her Colts badge from the Gloucestershire Bowling Association for playing for the county (the first Begbrook lady to so).

### Livewire

Thanks to all who supported our club night and Livewire this year over the 24 evenings played, you raised £417.00 for club funds, well done.

### **Availability Sheets**

Thank you all for your support with the Availability Schedules and Sheets. It has worked very well this season and will be used for the 2012 season. Thank you goes to Ken Willcox for producing the Availability Sheets and the Club Captain Pete Thoburn, Ann Boaden, Dave Wall and other Match day captains for their hard work in arranging the lists.

### **Match days Stewards**

Thank you to all members who assisted in setting up and taking down the rinks on match days. This was of great help and was very much appreciated by the Match Day Captains and Committee.

### **2012 Dress Code**

**Dress code for 2012 - Your committee has over the years discussed improvements to the clubs dress code**

**Blue blazers were thought to be old fashioned and expensive as a result nothing changed.**

**This year the Ladies league players decided to improve the team's image in purchasing Bottle green shower proof fleece jackets embroidered with the club logo.**

**This was discussed at committee and it was agreed that this would be a good move to improve the club image as a whole.**

**As a result the club dress code for the 2012 season would include the wearing of a Club Jacket to all leagues and friendly club matches samples will be available at the forthcoming AGM (Agenda item 16 refers) and orders can be placed at £25.00 each.**

### **Refreshments**

Your continued help and support with the refreshments the season has been very much appreciated by the Committee.

### **Website**

Thanks goes to Greg Marsh, for his work on maintaining the Club Web site. If you have any article for the website or any other suggestions, please pass them on to Greg or a Club Committee member. The web site address is as follows:

[www.begbrookgreenbc.org.uk](http://www.begbrookgreenbc.org.uk)

### **Dates for Your Diary**

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| Beetle Drive                  | Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2011 at 7:30pm  | <b>Tickets £2.00 each from Ken or Denise</b> |
| 2011 AGM                      | Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2011 at 7.00pm  |  |
| Wine tasting                  | Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November 2011 at 7:30pm | <b>Tickets £4.00 each from Ken or Denise</b> |
| Social & Presentation Evening | Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2011 at 7.30pm  | <b>Tickets £8.00 each from Ken Maynard</b>   |
| Quiz Night                    | Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2012 at 7:30pm  | <b>Free to all members</b>                   |

### **New Members**

On behalf of the President, Chairman, Committee and all members we hope the new members to the club enjoyed their first season and that we will see you all back in 2012.

### **Green Maintenance & Garden**

The Green has played very well this season and we had many favourable comments from visiting teams. We, the Club, have expressed our thanks to Bristol City Council and special thanks go to the Grounds man Dave Woodey. We send our thanks to Keith and Val Hamblin and other members for the hard work, watering, weeding and general upkeep of the garden areas which has been a picture this season.

### **Changing Rooms**

It has been commented upon that Pete Dyte has been preparing the men's and ladies changing prior to commencement of home fixtures. The President, Chairman, Committee and all members would like to thank Pete for his kind action.

### **Hot Shots**

Two rinks this season scored a maximum 8, the home match to Willmott Park on the 17<sup>th</sup> July 2011 and the away match to Kingswood & Hanham on the 4<sup>th</sup> September 2011. Well done to you all.

### **Torquay 2012**

The dates Torquay 2012 is 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> February 2012. Contact Dave Allen if interested.

### **Finally**

Our best wishes to Bill Brookshaw for his up and coming operation and all members hope to see Bill on the Green in 2012.

### **Club Fax**

The Club Secretary now has a Fax machine and the number is **01454 856180**. This is the Club secretaries' home number so please use it for club matters only.