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THE ST IPPOLYTS BOWLER

Welcome to our final newsletter of the year.

ON THE GREEN

2022 was a very good season for the club:

We won the Stevenage & District Mixed League winning 13 matches with a shots total of 1052. Points total 79.

We were runners up to Baldock in the S&D Knockout Competition.

The men came second in the Men's County League.

The Ladies were runners up in the North Herts League and came third in the County League. They also won the NH Ladies Fours Competition and the Two Wood Triples which we hosted.

We hosted the annual NHWBA v L&D Men's event in August. Thank you to everyone who assisted on the day.

Colin Davidson & Kevin Stollery picked up three Hot Shot awards, Janet Godfrey received two awards, and Deborah Howard & Keith Fincham both won a Hot Shot.

There is still time (until 11th December) to enter the Herts County competitions, the deadline for L&D competitions is end of January.

CLUB COMPETITIONS

Results were as follows:

	Winner(s)	Runner(s) Up
Men's Singles	Terry Godden	Paul Owen
Ladies Singles	Celia Farley	Deborah Howard
Franklin Singles	Damian Southall	John Farley
Open Singles	Terry Godden	n/a
Yardstick	Paul Owen	n/a
Handicap Singles	Helen Southall	Damian Southhall
Pairs	Tony Pateman/ Kevin Stollery	Deborah Howard/ Terry Godden
Don Pateman Two Wood Pairs	Brian Impey/ Trevor Upchurch	Kevin Stollery/ Barbara King
Triples	Shirley Hughes/ Deborah Howard/ Kevin Stollery	Colin Childs/ Trevor Upchurch Barbara King

Please see "Gallery - Presentaton Evening 2022" on the website for pictures taken at the Presentation Evening. Thank you to everyone who made the evening such a success.

GREEN EDGING

Work has started in preparation of replacing the green edging. Thank you to everybody who has helped with removal of the old edging. We now await suitable weather conditions to lay the new material. Thanks go to Keith Bounsall for organising the work and procuring the materials.

SCOREBOARDS

New scoreboards, paid for by Betty Saich's family, dedicated to Bert & Betty have arrived. We hope to unveil them at the Vicar's Cup on 22nd April, in the presence of members of Betty's family.

MATTERS ARISING FROM AGM

Commencing 2023 season rink fees will rise from £2.50 to £3.

The following Committee member changes were agreed:

Colin Childs appointed Chairman, he will continue as Men's Captain.

Peter Belton will be our Club Captain and Deborah Howard has joined the Fundraising Team.

Clubs may now choose to play in their own club colours, subject to them being registered with the County and Bowls England. This means we will play in black trousers/shorts with club shirt, instead of whites, in the SML and instead of greys in friendlies and other matches and competitions.

BONUS BALL

Please contact Celia if you wish to join, or increase your current allocation.

Bonus Ball stakes are due by the following dates :

3rd December, 4th February, 15th April, 24th June, 2nd September & 11th November.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We raised £410. Thanks to Barbara King, everyone involved and supported this event.

PRE-CHRISTMAS GATHERING

An opportunity to exchange Christmas cards and have a festive drink, this takes place from 2 to 4pm on Sunday 11th December.

If you have items for the Christmas Hamper, please bring them with you, or leave them at the clubhouse beforehand.

TED PAY

On a sad note, Ted Pay passed away in July. The club has made a donation in Ted's memory to Prostate Cancer UK.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2022

December

Sun 11th Pre-Christmas Gathering 2-4

2023

April

Sat 1st (tbc) Race Night/Pre-Season meeting

Sat 22nd Vicar's Cup

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