# Margate Bowling Club Newsletter

#### March 2023

On the 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023 the AGM was held and this was well attended.

At the end of March 2023, the greenkeeper gave the go ahead to start bowling. Roll ups have been set up and the Open Day on the 25<sup>th</sup> March was well attended with 42 members signing on for this year. A buffet lunch was provided and the bar was open.

Rolls up have been organised on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 12.30 for a 1pm start These have been well attended and there has been excellent couching provided by Mr B Chalkley for the new bowlers.

## Matches/selection sheets

Selection sheets are now up for the friendlies and the men's combinations leagues and the pink ladies' matches.

#### In-house competitions

We are having five competitions this year: ② Men's & ladies' championships ② Yard of the jack ② 100 up ② mixed pairs all organised by C Smith with help from Mr C Rose. This year there will be a £1.50 entry fee for each competition. The match schedules are on the notice board in the Club and there is a list for all members wishing to take part to pop their name on for selection.

## Support our Club

Just a reminder that you can support our Club by buying tickets for the Thanet Community Lotto. which has a weekly draw with a jackpot of £25,000. For every £1 ticket sold, 50 pence goes to us. You can find out more via the "Support our Club" page on our website. You can also enrol if you're not on the internet, by phoning TDC's lotto hotline on 01843 610101. Once you're set up, your numbers will be played automatically every week. We are already raising over £180 a year for the Club through the lotto – with your help, we can increase that. Another way to support the club is via easyfundraising.com. More details (and an explanatory video) are on our website.

#### **Functions**

We had a lovely Coronation Party at the club on the 5<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm with live entertainment and food and a very good time was had by all who attended.

### Quiz Nights

Our Quiz nights have been well attended and the Quiz Master Mr Ray Pond is doing a grand job of setting the questions and next quiz is at 7 pm on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Dates of quizzes this year are as follows (all take place on a Friday): 21<sup>st</sup> July, 18<sup>th</sup> August, 15<sup>th</sup> September and the 20<sup>th</sup> October.

## **Polling Station**

Our club is used as a polling station whenever there's a local government or national election. On those days, the Club is off limits for bowling. This year, we have council elections on Thursday 23rd May.

On Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> June we had a summer party and the live entertainment was provided by Nock Kelly (Duck Soup) and all who attended had a super time with plenty of food, drink, dancing and singing along.

#### Christmas Party

Nick Kelly has been booked again on the  $2^{nd}$  December 2023 for our Christmas Party and tickets will be going on sale soon.

## Newsletter/contact details

Hope you've found this newsletter useful. If you have any ideas for items to include in the next one, please contact Helen on 07950170602, or email <a href="mailto:helendowner0408@outlook.com">helendowner0408@outlook.com</a> Our website is <a href="mailto:www.margatebowlingclubuk.com">www.margatebowlingclubuk.com</a> We also have a Facebook page - "Margate Bowling Club" set by Jenny Milligan and this has more news of future events and results from played matches as well as all the latest news from Margate Bowling Club – please feel free to join this page.