

St Martins Bowling Club

September Newsletter

We have quickly come to the end of August and with the end of the bowls season in sight we look back on what has been a busy month. This month members have been busy battling it out in club competitions up until the final stages. We are looking forward to a fun and exciting club finals weekend! We have been fighting in the last few tarmac games hopefully doing enough to win the league again! We have also had the National Finals in Leamington Spa, where we have had 4 ladies who have represented the county and our club. We could not be prouder of their achievements and performances at the nationals. Heading into the final few weeks of the season, there is still so much to get involved with! Keep your eyes peeled for our next social event! Keri x



Our ladies at the National Finals

It all started with a very warm couple of days. Temperatures of 36 degrees at one stage. They faced hydration breaks and battled against the ever-increasing heat which made the greens run very quick.

Keri and Jaz were up first in the Junior Pairs. The girls played Norfolk and after a good battle they won their first game 16-13, putting them in the last 16. They then faced a pair from Leicestershire. The girls fought hard but unfortunately, it was the end of the road for them. This was Keri's third game of the day in elevated temperatures.

In between the 2 junior pairs games we then saw Keri and Sandra J in the 2 Wood Singles. Both played well! Keri unfortunately lost. Sandra had a much closer game needing 2 on the last 2 ends to win! Unfortunately, only picking up 1 on the 20th end! A fantastic effort from both.

The next day we had Jo and Sandra J in the Ladies Senior Pairs last 16. The girls played a great game and had a brilliant comeback. A brilliant bowl from Sandra to take out the oppositions bowl picking up a handful. They were needing 1 on the last end. They were holding game, but their opposition came in with their last bowl for shot!

Next up we had the Amy Rose Bowl (under 25s) Quarter final. Keri and Jaz joined Warwickshire in a Triples and Pairs format after qualifying at the regional event earlier in the year. The Girls played well but unfortunately, it ended at the Quarter Final stage.

We then went onto the Junior Singles where Keri faced a young girl from Devon. Keri had a Cracking game winning 21-2 after just 10 ends. Putting her in the last 16. The next day she faced a girl from Yorkshire, although putting up a good fight on a tricky rink Keri unfortunately lost.

To finish off the ladies run at the Nationals, Keri started her Ladies singles Campaign. In her first game she played a lady from the Isle of White. It was a back-and-forth game, but Keri eventually came out on top winning 21-19. She then faced a tough opponent from Oxfordshire. Keri knew this was going to be a tough game and went 12-4 down at 10 ends. She was then 17-8 down when she picked up a 2 to get to double figures. It then went to 19-13 down at 18 ends. Keri dug deep and pulled off a great couple of ends making it 20-19 up. She then dropped a 1 to make it 20 all. Her opposition was holding game, and Keri had one bowl to come! What a bowl it was. Keri Won 21-20, putting her in the last 16. The next day the conditions had changed with some rain overnight. However, Keri put up yet another impressive performance, playing some brilliant bowls. Unfortunately, she lost 21-18.

We are enormously proud of everyone's achievements at the Nationals and each and everyone of you have represented the county and the club well!

After a great win at Bulmers St Martins have won the Tarmac league with a game in hand for the 5th season in a row! Well bowled everyone who has been involved in all the games!

The Men's league has now finished, and both teams have finished in 3rd place in their divisions.

The Martins (division 1) finished in 3rd on 49 points. Ross Titans in 2nd on 63 points and topping division 1 was Eastnor on 65 points!

The Swifts (division 3) finished in 3rd on 49 points. Ross Trojans in 2nd on 50 points and then topping division 3 was Bulmers on 67 points.

A big well done to all the men who have played in these games!

In the annual Men V Woman match in memory of Steve Mason, the women came out on top. Well done ladies!



End of Season
QUIZ
&
BINGO
ST MARTINS BOWLING CLUB
SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER
★ Arrive 6pm Eyes down at 6.30pm

£10 £10 INCLUDES BINGO BOOK AND LIGHT BUFFET

RAFFLE TICKETS
£1 PER STRIP

BAR WILL BE OPEN!

PLEASE BRING A RAFFLE PRIZE

Come and enjoy fun sociable eve

Dates for your Diary's

Saturday 26th September 6pm bingo and quiz

Sunday 4th October County lunch 12pm (Speak to Jan for tickets)

Wednesday 21st October 12pm Ladies' county lunch

Friday 23rd October 7pm Club dinner Burghill golf club



