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Dear member,

Here we are again so the song goes. Mother Nature is starting to wake up from its winter's hibernation. The sun is getting warmer and the grass is growing. That only means one thing the summer bowling season is almost upon us. How did you winter? Well I hope. For those who wanted a break from bowling during the winter the time has come to hunt for your bowls bag to make sure all is in good order and for those who ventured indoors for that other game it is time to bring out your outdoor woods if you have them.

Let's get that nasty subject mentioned first. Subs! Once again Chris will man a table in the Clubroom from every Sunday lunchtime starting from the 2nd April to receive your membership renewals. The good news is that the AGM agreed to keep the subscriptions unchanged for another year. Chris and myself want to update our membership records. So he will ask all members to complete a form with your up to date details for our database. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

As always we kick off our season with the Les Newman Memorial Cup competition between the President's and the Captain's teams on Saturday the 22^{nd} April. So get your name posted on the team sheet in good time. Our new Entertainment Sec, Tina, has arranged an evening of live entertainment with food for our usual price of £10 per ticket. Details can be obtained on our notice board or our new website arranged by Tina. It's worth a look to see what the Club is doing if you can't visit the Clubhouse before the start of the season.

The season will then start in earnest a few weeks later with the Men's and Ladies leagues commencing along with our usual weekend games throughout the summer. The Club is entered in the League knockout competitions and Phil your new Competition Secretary has already posted the entry forms for the Club competitions. So get you name entered soon. He has advocated that insufficient entries in any event will result in the competition being withdrawn. So lets support them. Despite not having the anniversary games this year this summer will still be a busy one. The one big day of the year will be our Open Day dated 4th June. So if you are considering entering a team submit it to either Bill or Chris. If you are not then your help on the day would be most appreciated even if you can only be on hand for a couple of hours.

Away from the green Tina and the Cambridgeshire Royals are joining forces to formulate a full entertainment program. At the time of drafting this newsletter the program had not been finalised. So check the notice boards, table menu holders and our web site in due course for the details.

With this wakeup call I hope to see you soon.

Regards.

Mick P.