

## PARKSIDE BOWLING CLUB JULY 2025 NEWSLETTER

## Dear Member

We start this newsletter with news that Howard and Laraine Roe will be moving to Nottingham shortly. We have also said goodbye to Wendy Fleat who has moved to Swanage to be closer to her family. We wish them all well and thank them for their valuable contributions to Parkside Club.

On the bowling green, John Foskett, Barry Jeffs, Angie and George Alexander reached the final of the Hyde Abbey Open Fours. After winning several group matches, they overcame a deficit in the semi-final against Alton Social before a narrow defeat in the final against hosts, Hyde Abbey.

The recent friendly against Folland at Hamble on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July ended with a narrow victory for the host club. The friendly against Fleming Park, with 8 ends played on the grass green and 8 ends played on the carpet, resulted in a comfortable win for Parkside. The afternoon was very enjoyable and a return match may be arranged for later in the season.

The Marlin Trophy played earlier this month was won by Barry Jeffs and Mick Boyle. An excellent achievement for Mick as this is his first trophy. Barry, however, is a serial trophy winner.

Unfortunately, President's Day this year was cancelled. The President's charity is Dementia Support and the Club has already raised over £1000 for our local Eastleigh Dementia group. If any member would like to donate, then President Ken still has the charity box and would welcome any small donations.

Parkside continue to perform well in the Southampton and District leagues. The Tuesday Combination Triples have now completed all matches and are currently second in the league table. Promotion is dependent upon the result of the forthcoming Meon Valley match against County. The Thursday Championship Fours team are also very close to promotion into Championship One. The Wednesday Mixed Triples league is up and running with our team performing well.

We welcomed a number of new members recently and it is important that we continue to welcome new members into the Club. Please help our new members to become involved in Club activities and encourage them to play next season perhaps in friendlies and league matches.

The regular roll ups held on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons are in full swing. Please arrive for registration purposes before 1:20pm for a 1:30pm prompt start.

A vacancy has arisen on the Committee with the resignation of Julia Burton. We thank Julia for her valuable contribution whilst on the Committee.

Although the AGM is a few months away, please consider putting yourself forward for the vacancies on the Committee created by Julia and Howard stepping down. Also, our current president, Ken, has served since 2020 and really wishes to be replaced.

Would you like to become a bowls coach? If so, there is an opportunity for coaching courses. Please contact Charlie Bumstead for more information.

If you have any items for future newsletters, please send to kennethprior59@gmail.com