Buckfastleigh Bowling Club Newsletter – February 2024

<u>Memberships</u>

We offer a range of membership packages to both new and experienced bowlers. We are an inclusive Club and welcome applications from all walks of society. Our fees are as follows:

Full Member:	£85
F/T Employed Member:	£25 + £2 Green Fee
Associate Member:	£40
Juniors (U18):	£15
Juniors (U12):	Free
New Bowlers:	Free for 1 st year
Social Member:	£12.50

Indoor Cleaning

The Clubhouse and Changing Rooms will be cleaned on Monday 26 February from 10:30am – 3pm. Sue and Ann would appreciate help from Members please!

The late Vic Manfield. One of our Club's finest bowlers.

We run a memorial day for him each year. This year it's on 31^{st} August.





Vacancies

The Club urgently requires the following positions to be filled:

- * Chairman
- * Vice Chairman
- * Club Captain

We currently have 6 members forming the Club's Executive Committee. It is unfair to expect all of the necessary tasks to be undertaken by so few members. Please, please consider helping out YOUR Club.

Spring Meeting

The Spring Meeting will be held on 8th March at 7pm in the Clubhouse, at which you can pay your 2024 subs. Fish and Chips will be available by pre-order. A quiz will also held. Prior to the meeting there will be a Special General Meeting to approve the amended Constitution.

Please let Sue know as soon as possible if you would like Fish and Chips. The cost is £6.55 and it would help if you could bring the correct money on the night. Secretary:Sue HeyesTreasurer:Tom BowdenGreen Manager:Ham Sampford

YOUR COMMITTEE Chairman: Vacant Captain: Vacant Safeguarding:Terry HumphriesMen's Rep:Andy BowenLadies Rep:Ann Pedrick

Committee Meetings

The minutes of all of Committee meetings are available online on our website and also in the Clubhouse. Some important recent decisions are:

The new wall just inside the entrance will be rendered (like the Clubhouse) and coping stones will be added to aid drainage. It will also be backfilled as appropriate.

Not only will Club Nights continue on Monday evenings, we will also have Club Afternoons on Fridays, starting at 2pm.

The existing ramps into the Clubhouse are being replaced by disabled steps and a portable ramp.

A new sprayer for the Green has been purchased.





Raffles

At Friendly matches this year we will reintroduce raffles. Could all Members please dig out any unwanted gifts and bring them along to the Spring Meeting for raffle prizes.

We are also looking for a volunteer to run the raffle at each match.

Big Bowls Weekend

Back for its fourth year with over three million people watching Bowls' Big Weekend on national television last year, and over 560 clubs on board, bowls will be taking over England from 24th – 27th May for the 2024 event.

You can keep up to date with all the latest news by going to our website at www.buckfastleighbowlsclub.co.uk or go to our FaceBook page. Or join our WhatsApp group "Buckfastleigh BC News"

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