

# **SOMERSET BOWLS ASSOCIATION**

## **REPORT FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - NOVEMBER 2019**

### **MEMBER WITHOUT PORTFOLIO**

#### **WEBSITE**

The job entails tackling the many and varied tasks required to maintain the flow of information to our readers, though the medium of our website, related to all SBA activities. We have an excellent working relationship with Carn Gerrish Creative, the designers, maintainers and technical authority for the website.

Specific topics and areas targeted for improvement in the last 12 months included:-

1. Introduce a **Download** feature to assist in electronic distribution of our forms and documents
2. Introduce a **Facebook** account for SBA – this is completed under the leadership of our Development Manager supported by our Performance Manager and Treasurer.
3. Monitor access issues and reliability of our **Competitions page OneDrive**. We have a plan to address some residual problems – detailed decisions are pending input from our new Competitions Manager.
4. Maintain training in website operation and information management.
5. Provide timely reports of **National Finals participation** (*Our Man In Leamington*) – all Somerset participation reported promptly at 2019 event.
6. I am indebted to David Wederell for continuing to deal with the SBA Archiving activity.

#### **LUNCHEON AND PRESENTATION EVENT**

Congratulations to Don Bridges - assisted by our Presidents, for organising another sell-out event.

#### **GREENS ADVISOR**

Thanks to Colin Westlake, our clubs' greenkeepers were able to learn of new machinery, ideas and techniques in Turf Management.

#### **PRESIDENTS' TOURS**

I have a watching brief on any SBA Presidential Tours. Dave Bishop/Ailsa Midwinter's 2019 Tour to Cornwall was another great success and the 2020 Presidents' Tour to Wales is well subscribed with exciting plans in place. We are considering the optimum ways of protecting tourers payments against various supply failures which are felt to be more likely in our current financial climate.

Ken Leamon – November 2019.