**BROADWAY BOWLING CLUB**

**SECRETARY’S REPORT 2021**

The Concorde Leagues did not run this year due to the reluctance of some Clubs to take part because of COVID. However, because 5 clubs were willing to take part in a Mini League we were able to enjoy competitive bowling. The results will be in the Coalition Captains’ Reports. Viv did an excellent job arranging this despite matches being cancelled and re-arranged and some Clubs being unable to field teams.

The Club has again had an excellent year in competitions both at National and County levels, the results of which are in the Chairman’s

Report.

The Club competitions were well supported and the results are below :-

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| COMPETITION | WINNER | RUNNER UP |
| Open Singles Championship | Joan Parfitt | Den Hall |
| Men's Open Singles | George Gavin | Pete Smith |
| Men’s Singles Handicap | Roger Ashby | Den Hall |
| Men’s Two Wood Singles | Den Hall | George Gavin |
| Ladies Two Wood Singles | Joan Parfitt | Viv Hall |
| Ladies’ Open Singles | Joan Parfitt | Sue Davies |
| Ladies Handicap Singles | Debbie Seward | Jean Pitt |
| Novice Singles | Sandie Cruickshank | Jean Pitt |
| Dorothy Beale Singles | Debbie Seward | Trish Emms |
| Triples Handicap  (Cotes Shield) | Viv Hall  Dave Turner  Mark Riley | Pam Hinchliffe  Dave Leroy  Roger Ashby |
| Pairs | Viv Hall  Sue Davies | Pete Smith  Trish Emms |
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Finals Day took place in fine and sunny weather with lots of spectators and thanks go to Viv for her organisation, the participants and not forgetting the markers.

President’s Day was a light-hearted competition which was well supported with hot dogs enthusiastically consumed afterwards. Thanks go to George and John for arranging the teams and Viv for the hot-dogs.

We were lucky to be able to welcome new members this year mainly through the Bowls England week-end and thanks go to Viv and her helpers for taking them under her wing and arranging roll-ups on Tuesday and Friday afternoons where they have come on tremendously.

Club Nights were well attended this year and enabled our new and old members to get to bowl together and thanks go to Jack for his organisation. This year’s winner was Lavinia Gleave, Runner-Up Dave Turner and best newcomer Barry Panton. We all enjoyed socialising inside and outside of the Clubhouse.

Vale Triples (Mixed) run by John Mears came 8th with some very close matches, and we hope that more of the new members will nominate for next year. Thanks go to John who is stepping down from this role after 5 years.

All of the above would not have taken place without the care lavished on the Green by Dennis Hall and his mowing team of Sue Davies, Norman Brooke and John Hinchliffe. The banks and car park were mown by Michael Aubrey. They have done an excellent job despite the wet weather earlier in the season. We hope that the work carried out by Aeriation Traction will improve the drainage on the green, due to compaction, as we do not want rinks to close due to being too wet to play on.

The gardens surrounding the green have been tended by Viv, Den, Norman, Sue Davies, Lee and Carole Collis, Sue Close, Tony and Lavinia Gleave and Nadine and have given us lots of colour throughout the season, for which we thank them.

Bar Staff have been difficult to recruit at times this year, so we do thank those who have stepped up to provide us with this facility as some of them have foregone playing in matches to provide this service to us all.

Maurice has again been a stalwart of the bar, and please try his pickled eggs and onions!!!!

Social skittles on a Friday afternoon has been enthusiastically welcomed by new and older members and thanks go to Paul Raymont and his helpers for agreeing to run this.

Our winter skittles league on Friday evenings organised by Joan Parfitt and Sue Close is up and running, and it was a pleasure to see the Clubhouse buzzing with members playing darts and table tennis alongside the skittles, with of course the bar being open.

A message for our male members, please let me have your County entries and fees before the AGM or on the AGM evening so that entries can be sent to the County.

Quiz Night on 30th October is sold-out. We will not be running the hugely successful Bingo Night this year as it would be difficult to control the numbers. Race Night on 5th February has been provisionally booked.

Nadine Simpkin

Secretary

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