

BOWLS SURREY NEWSLETTER

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Hello again. Well it's the end of February and fingers crossed you have all been affiliated to your clubs and entered all the competitions that you want. For those of you that are eligible you should have applied for any County Matches that you wish to play in. Its not long now until the start of the 2022 season and I hope that you are all as excited as I am. Less than 2 months to go ... See you on the greens ... Charlotte

Colin Homes (BS Administrator) has the for past couple of months been asking for all club secretaries to send him through a copy of the club Constitution. PLEASE DO NOT DELAY any further. Please can you all ensure that your **Constitution** is sent through to him asap at bowlssurreya@yahoo.com

As things are now getting back to normal the SCWBA Executive have decided to hold two Council meetings in April.

Monday 4th April at Southey BC 7pm

Tuesday 5th April at Stoke Park BC at 11am.

We have done this to ensure that everyone who wishes to attend has a choice.

At this meeting there will be the usual business discussed in April but there will also be a huge amount of information which clubs will find useful and helpful going forward into the season and the County reps hopefully will be able to answer any questions you may have.

Please let any member of the Executive know which meeting your club wishes to attend so that we can keep an eye on numbers at both venues.

We look forward to seeing you in early April.

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Bowls' Big Weekend
Recruitment is key for our sport to grow and every club is responsible for its own recruitment ... however Bowls England are trying to help by creating BBW. BE are hoping that this year will be even bigger and better. The dates for your Club Diary are Friday 27th to Sunday 29th May 2022 ... SIGN UP NOW ONLINE TO REGISTER YOUR CLUB

BOWLS ENGLAND AWARDS NIGHT ROUND UP

The Athena Theatre in Leicester was the venue for the inaugural Bowls England Awards Night held this month. Over 350 guests from across the bowls world attended the event to recognise all the incredible people in our sport and over 40 attendees from Surrey.

Players, Clubs, County Associations, volunteers and coaches were among those who had their dedication celebrated across the evening. It was a night to reward success, highlight great work, and to honour all those that help make our sport great.

As we went through the 16 awards presented, there were some incredible reminders of the remarkable stories this sport throws up. From the touching moments of the Greenkeeper of the Year, to the inspirational awards of Unsung Hero and Certificate of Merit, the rich tapestry of bowls was on full display.

Surrey had 3 nominees short listed. The **Milford Ladies Triple** who were nominated in the Team of the year Category along with **West Wimbledon BC** and **Barrie DuSys** (Addlestone Victory Park BC) were both short listed in the Story of the Year award. Barrie DuSys was announced the **Winner of the Story of the Year** category to huge applause from everyone in the area especially those of us from Surrey that were in attendance.

Who Will Your Club Nominate New Year?

Umpires Corner Last months question - **Does the marker have to measure?**

As per the Laws of the Sport The marker must: 42.2.14 measure any disputed shot or shots when asked to do so by either player. If the players are not satisfied with the marker's decision, the marker must ask the umpire to do the measuring.

If the Controlling Body has not appointed an umpire, the marker must choose a competent neutral person to act as the umpire. The umpire's decision is final. Both players can measure the shot themselves before asking the Marker, but once an 'umpire' has been called no one can measure except the appointed umpire.

This months question - On a trial end, can a player bowl with different bowls?

Have you registered a **Club Activator** for your club with Bowls England. They would like every club to register one so that they can communicate directly with clubs. This means you will get information straight from them. Register one now!