

31 August 2021

~ Good luck this afternoon to Daniel Taylor as he plays his first match in the Round of 16 of the Men's National Champion of Champion's Singles at Leamington. His first game is at 4.30pm against Middlesex. Update - the match was delayed by an hour because Bowls England decided to play all the 2 Bowl rounds in one day and this inevitably overran but this didn't affect Daniel and he went on to win his match by 21 shots to 15 to reach the Quarter Final. He will now play that tomorrow morning at 11.30am against Nottinghamshire

30 August 2021

 \sim We will arrange food for Finals Weekend but this will need to be ordered in advance. There is a form up on the main noticeboard for names and choices

28 August 2021

- \sim Congratulations to our Aldershot and District Men's Competition winners today. In the morning session Leo May won the Singles, Harrison Ash won the Under 40 Singles and Carl Taylor won the Secretary Singles. This afternoon Leo May and Sam Selby won the Pairs
- ~ The Lottery Bonus Ball this evening was number 41 which gives an eighth win for Tony and Kay Edwards

27 August 2021

 \sim Good luck to our Men's Aldershot and District Competitors in the finals tomorrow at West End. In the morning session we have Leo May playing in the Singles, Carl Taylor playing in the Secretary Singles and Harrison Ash playing against Sam Selby in the Under 40 Singles. In the afternoon Carl Taylor and Chris Cranham play against Sam Selby and Leo May in the Pairs

26 August 2021

- \sim Sadly it was not to be for Sam Selby, Chris Cranham, Leo May and Jim Marsland in the Men's National Fours at Leamington as they were defeated this afternoon in the first round
- \sim More disappointment as our Stan Hardman team were defeated in the semi final of the league knockout, losing to Alton Social this afternoon by 46 shots to 54 and 3 points to 4

25 August 2021

~ This morning at Leamington Chris Cranham, Leo May and Jim Marsland played a very strong Devon team in the quarter final of the Men's Triples Championship. Unfortunately, in a very tight match, they were frustratingly defeated by a single shot. Hopefully they will go a couple of rounds further tomorrow when, along with Sam Selby, they start their campaign in the Men's Fours Championship

24 August 2021

 \sim A good day for the Chris Cranham, Leo May and Jim Marsland at Leamington in the Men's National Triples. After being given a bye into the first round they played Cambridgeshire and in a close match won through by 17 shots to 15. In the second round this afternoon they were always in command and won through with an end to spare. That puts them into the quarter final which they will play tomorrow morning against Devon



23 August 2021

~ Good luck today to Jan Allen and Sarah Bowen who play their first round match in the Women's Pairs at Leamington. Update - unfortunately they were defeated by Oxfordshire

21 August 2021

- \sim Good luck at Leamington today for Jan Allen, Karen Cranham and Sarah Bowen in the Women's Triples. They were due to start in the Preliminary Round at 9.30am but their opposition has had to pull out due to Covid and they progress to the 1st Round which they will play at 12.30pm. Unfortunately they were defeated in the first round by a team from Berkshire
- ~ The Lottery Bonus Ball this evening was number 51 which gives a third win for Chris Cranham

20 August 2021

~ The following team has been selected:

Stan Hardman Semi Final - against Alton Social at Whitchurch - 2.00pm Tuesday 26 August

Ann Guerin, Graham Nicholson, John Guerin Ken Eichen (Captain), Carol Eichen, Dave Green Stuart Bale, Mike French, Frankie Brandon

19 August 2021

 \sim Well done to our Stan Hardman team who defeated Basingstoke Town in the quarter final of the knockout stage at Hook this afternoon. We won on two rinks and are now through to the semi final which will be played at Whitchurch next Thursday 26 August

18 August 2021

~ The Bowls England Championships start at Leamington tomorrow morning and we have a good number of competitors in various Competitions across the next few weeks. We wish them all the best of luck and I am sure they would all welcome any support if you are able to go and watch. A list of the times and dates they are all playing their first matches can be found via clicking *this link*

If you do decide to go to Leamington please be aware that you have to buy a ticket, details of which can be found via the Bowls England website

17 August 2021

- ~ Congratulations to Jan Allen, Sue Dyson and Allyson Flint who won the Bowls Hampshire Women's Benevolent County Triples title at Banister Park today
- \sim The final Blackwater Valley Ladies League table has been received and shows us finishing the season in 3^{rd} place which is the highest position for many seasons. We ended on 29.5 points and just 4 points behind Mytchett and 5 points behind Pyestock. Well done to all the ladies who took part throughout the season



16 August 2021

~ The following team has been selected:

Bowls Hampshire County Mixed Top Club Area Final - against Oakley at Howard Park - 10.00am Sunday 5 September

Men's Singles - Ian Taylor Ladies' Singles - Allyson Flint Pairs - Sam Selby, Donna Taylor Triples - Bill Dickie, Harrison Ash (Captain), Sue Dyson Fours - Ann Guerin, Sarah Knight, Carl Taylor, Daniel Taylor

15 August 2021

 \sim Our reign as Men's County Club Champions came to an end this afternoon. After a quick start against Alexandra in the morning semi final we led by 20 shots before being pulled back but a good last few ends saw us win by 82 shots to 70. In the final we faced Atherley who took an early lead which we were never able to reduce and we eventually conceded the match by 53 shots to 77

14 August 2021

- ~ Tonight's Lottery Bonus Ball was number 58, the same as last Saturday, so that is a fifth win for Tam McClure
- ~ Good luck today to all our teams taking part in the Bowls Hampshire Championship finals at Banister Park. We have Jan Allen and Sarah Bowen in the Women's Pairs, Jan Allen, Karen Cranham and Sarah Bowen in the Women's Triples, Chris Cranham, Leo May and Jim Marsland in the Men's Triples and Sam Selby, Chris Cranham, Leo May and Jim Marsland in the Men's Fours. Update congratulations to the men who won both finals to claim the county title. Sadly it wasn't a full sweep as the ladies were defeated in their finals but all now have Leamington places later this month

13 August 2021

~ For the third consecutive evening one of our Women's Club teams went out of a competition. This time it was in the North Hampshire Gazette Cup where we lost on all three triples at home to Farnborough Gate

12 August 2021

- \sim In the final match of the Stan Hardman League this afternoon we needed to avoid defeat against Pyestock to qualify for the knockout stages but started badly with a player missing and losing on all three rinks at the halfway stage. A better second half though saw two triples fight back to both win and get us the win to put us in the quarter final next Thursday 19 August. In the final league table we finish 2^{nd} and two points ahead of Pyestock. In the quarter final we will be playing Basingstoke Town with the match at Hook
- ~ Congratulations to Jan Allen, Sue Dyson and Allyson Flint who have won the County Benevolent Triples for the North Area and qualify for the County semi final which they will play on Tuesday 17 August at Banister Park
- \sim A bad evening for our Bowls Hampshire Women's Thornbery Team in the area final at Alton Social as they lost narrowly to Pyestock

11 August 2021

~ Sunday's Club friendly at Odiham and North Warnborough as we do not have enough players



- \sim Not such a good night at Alton Social as our Women's National Top Club Team were beaten by Oakley in the area final, gaining just half a point in a 0.5 points to 3.5 defeat
- \sim There was also disappointment at home in the Farnham and District Ken Britton Cup as we were beaten by 13 shots to 48 by Farnborough
- \sim Congratulations to Daniel Taylor who has qualified for the Last 16 of the Men's National Champion of Champion's Singles after winning the Inter County final last evening. He will now play at Leamington on Tuesday 31 August at 4.30pm
- ~ Congratulations to Chris Cranham, Jim Marsland and Leo May who have all been selected for the Bowls Hampshire Balcomb Trophy team who will play Somerset in the semi final at Leamington on Sunday 5 September
- \sim The final Aldershot and District league Tables show the A Team top of the Premier League, the B Team at the opposite end and in Division 3 the C Team finish in fifth place
- ~ After last week's Stan Hardman League match we are now in second place on shot difference with just our postponed match against fourth placed Pyestock remaining. Finishing in second place is secure as long as win as they are just a point behind us

10 August 2021

- \sim Well done to our County Mixed Top Club team who were at Alton Social and in a very close match won through by 3 points to 2 to reach the area final where we will face Oakley on Sunday 5 September at Howard Park
- ~ This evening was the last round of matches in the Aldershot and District Men's League and it didn't end well as all three of our teams lost. In the Premier League the A team had several players missing in other competitions and suffered a narrow first loss at Farnham, losing by 38 shots to 39 and 2 points to 3. The B Team were at home to Farnborough A and picked up one point in 43 shots to 47 defeat. In Division 3 the C Team were also at home against Mytchett B and lost by 41 shots to 53 collecting one point. This was a challenging season but we fulfilled every match and thank you to all the players for their support
- ~ The County Competition finals take place on Saturday 14 August and we have several teams looking to win a County title. Good luck to them all. A copy of the programme can be found by *clicking here*

09 August 2021

 \sim Well done to our Men's County Club Championship team this evening as they won the area final against Oakley at Basingstoke Town. We have now won every area final since 2010 and got off to a good start, leading by over 20 shots at the half way stage, before being pegged back to an eight shots advantage before the heavens opened and the green flooded to end the match. We win through to the County semi final which we will play at 10.00am on Sunday 15 August at Banister Park against Alexandra from the East Area. If we will then we will defend our title the same afternoon

08 August 2021

- ~ Congratulations to Sam Selby, Chris Cranham, Leo Mayan Jim Marsland as they won their quarter final and semi final in the Last Eights of the County Fours to qualify for Leamington
- \sim Unfortunately Jan Allen, Karen Cranham, Donna Taylor and Sarah Bowen lost their quarter final of the County Fours in the Last Eights at Banister Park



~ The following team has been selected:

Bowls Hampshire Ladies' Thornbery Trophy Team - against Pyestock at Alton Social - 6.15pm Thursday 12 August

Jan Allen, Carol Eichen, Karen Cranham (Captain), Donna Taylor Ann Guerin, Frankie Brandon, Sue Dyson, Allyson Flint

07 August 2021

~ Tonight's Lottery Bonus Ball was number 58, giving a fourth win for Tam McClure

The following team has been selected:

Bowls England Women's National Top Club - against Oakley at Alton Social - 6.15pm Wednesday 11 August

Singles: Jan Allen

Pairs: Karen Cranham and Donna Taylor

Triples: Carol Eichen, Sue Dickie and Sarah Bowen

Fours: Ann Guerin, Frankie Brandon, Sue Dyson and Allyson Flint

06 August 2021

~ The following team has been selected:

Men's Bowls Hampshire County Club Championship - against Oakley at Basingstoke Town - 6.15pm Monday 9 August

Sam Selby, Mike Allen, John Stone, Jim Marsland Allen Cliff, Peter Knight, Ian Taylor, Wayne Reed Bill Dickie, Harrison Ash (Captain), Daniel Taylor, Leo May John Dickie, John Fewings, Carl Taylor, Chris Cranham

~ In yesterday's Stan Hardman match at Farnborough we won on 2 triples but lost overall by 51 shots to 54 although we actually get 4 of the 7 points awarded

05 August 2021

 \sim A good evening for both our County Club teams at home today. In the Thornbery Trophy the ladies played Oakley and won on both rinks by an overall score of 37 shots to 20 to reach the area final where we will play Pyestock. The match is on Thursday 12 August at Alton Social

Meanwhile the Men were playing Kingsclere at home in the County Club Championship and also won on all rinks. The final score was 79 shots to 49 which also puts us through to the area final on Monday 9 August when we will face Oakley at Basingstoke Town

- \sim Both Salisbury and ourselves are unable to get enough players for the planned friendly on Saturday 21 August so the match is cancelled
- \sim The final League table for the Farnham and District confirms our relegation to Division 2 after we finish in 7^{th} place on 27.5 points



- \sim In the updated Stan Hardman League table, including last week's matches, shows us in $3^{\rm rd}$ place behind Farnborough and Pyestock. Our final two matches are against those two teams so a couple of wins should see us qualify for the quarter finals
- \sim The Presentation Dinner Disco form is now up on the main notice board for food choices please try to support the evening so we can celebrate this season's successes
- ~ Once again we have had to cancel Sunday's friendly at Westfield because of a lack of players. There is a good chance that other clubs will not arrange friendlies against us in the future if we cannot get a team so please try and fill the spaces for the remaining matches this season

04 August 2021

- ~ Congratulations to Sam Selby, Chris Cranham, Leo May and Jim Marsland who won their area final in the Men's County Fours this evening at Howard Park and will now play in the Last Eights at Banister Park on Sunday 8 August
- \sim This evening's final match in the Farnham and District against Seale and Sands, the league winners, ended in a 1 point to 5 defeat by 62 shots to 80
- ~ The updated Aldershot and District League tables show that in the Premier League the A Team are 6 points ahead of Farnborough A after Old Dean once again conceded their game last evening. This means that we 'win' the league with one match still remaining but all a bit of a farce given it has only been scored on the second half of the season. Unfortunately at the other end of the table the B team cannot now catch the sixth placed team so face relegation to Division 1. In Division 3 the C Team's recent run of defeats has dropped them to 4th place
- \sim Congratulations to Jan Allen, Karen Cranham, Donna Taylor and Sarah Bowen who won their area final in the Women's County Fours last evening and have reached the Last Eights which they will play at Banister Park on Sunday 8 August

03 August 2021

- ~ Another mixed evening in the Men's Aldershot and District League with the A Team winning on all rinks and by 77 shots to 34 at home to Mytchett A in the Premier League. Unfortunately once again that was the only win with the B Team picking up a single point at Camberley A in the Premier League, losing by 42 shots to 62. In Division 3 the C Team were at home to Fleet Social B but lost on all rinks and by 50 shots to 69. Next week's matches are the final games of the season and we only have the bare minimum of players available to play
- ~ The teams selected for next week's Aldershot and District League are as below

A Team - away at Farnham - Tuesday 10 August at 6.00pm

John Dickie, John Hall, Harrison Ash (Captain), Wayne Reed Allen Cliff, Clive Brooks, Peter Knight, John Stone Bill Blessett, Del Harris, Mike Allen, Ian Taylor

B Team - home to Farnborough A - Tuesday 10 August at 6.00pm

John Fewings, Alan Shelley, Keith Dunstone, Mike French Phil Money, Martyn Flint, Graham Nicholson, John Guerin Terry Wilkinson, Ken Eichen, Phil Vincent (Captain), Jim Marsland



C Team - home to Mytchett B - Tuesday 10 August at 6.00pm

Peter Davies, Chris O'Reilly, Bill Setterfield, Neil Kelsey Dave Wilson, Terry Burton, Dave Cumes, Eric Fry Mike Wilson, Richard Brown, Jeff Smith, Dave Green (Captain)

~ The following team has been selected:

Men's Bowls Hampshire County Club Championship - home to Kingsclere - 6.15pm Thursday 5 August

Sam Selby, Allen Cliff, John Stone, Jim Marsland Mike Allen, Keith Dunstone, Ian Taylor, Wayne Reed Bill Dickie, Peter Knight, Harrison Ash (Captain), Leo May John Dickie, John Fewings, Carl Taylor, Chris Cranham

02 August 2021

 \sim A very good and comfortable win this evening for our Men's County Club Championship team at Alton, winning on all four rinks and by 97 shots to 49 overall. In the next round we are at home to Kingsclere on Thursday 5 August

01 August 2021

- \sim Congratulations to Leo May who, along with Margaret Holden from Alton Social, has reached Leamington in the National Mixed Pairs
- \sim The next round of the Ladies' National Top Club against Oakley has been agreed for 6.15pm on Wednesday 11 August. The venue has to be arranged as it will be neutral
- ~ The following team has been selected:

Bowls Hampshire Ladies' Thornbery Trophy Team - home to Oakley - 6.00pm Thursday 5 August

Jan Allen, Karen Cranham (Captain), Donna Taylor, Sarah Bowen Ann Guerin, Frankie Brandon, Sue Dyson, Allyson Flint

~ A very good day at Banister Park in the County Triples and congratulations to Chris Cranham, Leo May, Jim Marsland and Jan Allen, Karen Cranham, Sarah Bowen as both triples won their quarter finals and semi finals in the Last Eights to qualify for Leamington