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THE ST IPPOLYTS BOWLER

Apologies for the delay in producing this newsletter, hopefully you have been kept well informed via the numerous e-mails you have received througout the season.

NEW MEMBERS

A warm welcome to following new members who have joined us this year: Stephanie Beechey, John & Susan Brown, Lin Johnstone, James Kerr, Paul Moodey, Robert Orchard and Robert Ritchie.

DURING THE CLOSE SEASON

A start was made on replacing the green edging (two sides completed) - thank you Keith Bounsall and the team for all their hard work.

Thank you Helen & Damian for repainting the changing rooms.

We had a well attended Race Night at the beginning of April - thank you Tony for arranging.

NEW SCOREBOARDS

Our new scoreboards, dedicated to Bert & Betty Saich, were unveiled in the presence of some of their family members at the Vicar's Cup in April. The old scoreboards have been sold to a club in Scotland

ON THE GREEN

In the SML we have won 9 and lost 4 - currently 3rd in the league.

We meet Baldock in the Final of the S&DML Knockout Trophy - 2x3 home & away - from 10.00am on Sunday 13th August.

We are 4th in the Men's County League having played all 5 matches.

In the Ladies County League we are 5^{th} with 2 matches, both at home, to play.

Morning roll ups resumed on Wednesday 10th May.

Our first Turn Up & Play evening session was well attended and we hope to have more soon. Thank you Deborah for organising.

We hosted the annual NHWBA v L&D Men's event on Tuesday 1^{st} August. Thank you to everyone who took part and to those who helped with the catering.

The Ladies v Gents match postponed from earlier in the season has been rescheduled for the afternoon of Sunday 3^{rd} September, followed by a tea-time barbecue by Trevor.

A reminder that Club Finals Weekend is 9/10th September. Please ensure outstanding matches are played ASAP.

FUND RAISING

Janet Godfrey has supplied some Football Scratch Cards for use at Friendly and League matches instead of a raffle. It's £1 a go, with the chance to win £10.

BONUS BALL

Bonus Ball stakes are due by the following dates for the remainder of this year: 2nd September & 11th November.

We have spare numbers available - please see Celia if you wish to

join, or increase you current allocation.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We are hosting a coffee morning on Friday 29th September.

PROPOSED NEW CLUBHOUSE

Meetings are ongoing with the Parish Council regarding their proposals. You will be kept informed of any developments.

MIXED FIXTURES

August

Sat 5th Letchworth GC home SML - POSTPONED

Sun 6th Shefford home Friendly 2.30pm

Tue 8th Barton-le-Clay away Friendly 2.00pm

Sat 12th Datchworth away SML 2.30pm

Sun 13th Baldock home/away Knockout Final 10.00am

Thu 17th North Herts Vets home Friendly 2.00pm

Sun 20th Aston away SML 2.30pm

Mon 21st Shephalbury away Friendly 2.00pm

Thu 24th Welwyn GC away Friendly 2.00pm

Sat 26th Howard Garden home SML 2.00pm

Sun 27th Letchworth GC away SML 2.00pm

September

Sat 2nd Holwell home SML 2.30pm

Sun 3rd Ladies v Gents 2.00pm - followed by BBQ

Thu 7th Stotfold away Friendly 2.00pm

Sat 9th & Sun 10th Club Finals Weekend

Sat 16th Langford home Friendly 2.00pm

Sun 17th Club Finals reserve day

Wed 20th Henlow away Friendly (3x3) 2.00pm

Sat 23thAston home SML 2.00pm

Sun 24th President v Captains 2.00pm

Sat 30th Green Maintenance weekend

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2023

September

Sun 3rd Ladies v Gents 2pm, followed by BBQ 5pm (approx) Sat 9th & Sun 10th Club Finals Day (reserve day Sun 17th) Fri 29th MacMillan Coffee Morning

November

Saturday 4thth Presentation Evening Sunday 12th AGM 2pm for 2.30pm start

December

Sun 10th Pre-Christmas Gathering 2-4pm

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