

# COWPLAIN BOWLS

## NEWSLETTER

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# Holbrook Cup

Final: 7<sup>th</sup> September

Against: Billingshurst

The Holbrook Cup is a Three Counties Cup competition comprising clubs from Hampshire, Surrey and Sussex. It is organised by Stedham Bowls Club and is a knock out competition with the final being held at Stedham.

Our team of players were: Brian Franklin, Jane Franklin, Mike Hyland, Roger Gray, Robin Loscombe, Susan Loscombe, Terry James, Kevin Ford and Peter Little.

The final was played on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September, the opponents were Billingshurst who, it was fair to say were hot favourites, however Cowplain eventually won the match by the narrowest of margins...Cowplain 86 shots Billingshurst 85 shots.

As a footnote, in the semi final Cowplain also scored a Hotshot in the very first end!

Well done Team.





## SUPERSTARS – September 6<sup>th</sup> 2024

Organised by Peter Crowley.

This event was held on Friday afternoon and we were all expecting a sunny day similar to that of 2023. Unfortunately the rain began first thing in the morning and continued throughout the whole day.

This however did not deter from the pure enjoyment and fun of the event. With wet weather gear, sou'westers and wellies we were all separated up into teams. The games were set out to five stations Putting, Bean Bag throw, coconut shy, hoops and last but not least bowling to a bullseye.

Whilst scores were added up we all enjoyed a buffet which members had contributed to. The food was brilliant and atmosphere good.

Beneath are some pictures. A big thank you to Peter for his organisation of another successful event.









The best picture of the afternoon



In 2nd. place - Pauline, Len and Jeff.





## CAPTAINS AND PRESIDENTS – 21<sup>st</sup> September 2024

This was held on the above date and the weather was kind to us. A list of teams were put up in the Club House prior to this. Pete Parry (Presidents) and Kevin Ford (Captains) ran the games and started the event off.

The games were played over 14 ends.

Meanwhile Elaine Cromey had been busy the day before making curry and rice for the meal after. The chicken curry came with white rice, poppadoms and chutneys. If ever a person could cook Elaine is the one. Our thanks Elaine once again for an outstanding meal.

The Captains were the winners overall.

## BRASS MONKEYS

Organised by Chris Tucker

The list for these events both mixed pairs and singles has been on the board in the club house. Entries closed on the 28<sup>th</sup> September.

Good luck to all who have entered. Results will be given at the end of the games.

## WINTER TRIPLES – HYLAND GAMES

The list is in the club house for this event. Please put your names down if you wish to participate.

## LADIES FRIENDLY FLOODLIT TRIPLES



For the first time the ladies have been invited to play against Hayling Island under floodlight. We are three teams and looking forward to the challenge on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 6 pm.

## REFLEX

Now the season has finished we are pleased to say that Cowplain finished as runners up in this league. Only missing out on the title by ten points. Well done to all to all of you who played during the season, all forty nine players!

## WINTER CARPET LEAGUE – STARTS 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

The regular Winter Carpet league is nearly upon us, with our first scheduled match taking place on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November. Please keep an eye on the noticeboard as the name sheet will be up shortly. These matches consist of six mixed triples played over 16 ends and are always great fun during the winter season.

## The Dales Trophy

The annual Dales Trophy match is very nearly with us. This match will take place on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October at Cowplain. Like the Winter Carpet League this match will consist of six mixed triples, however slightly longer format, played over 18 ends. We currently are the holders of this trophy as we won last seasons match at Gosport so we will be keen to retain it this season.

## COWPLAIN BOWLS CALENDAR 2025

We hope to have printed a calendar for our Bowls Club. A photographer has been chosen and members have offered to take part. More news to follow.

