GREAT HOLLANDS BOWLS CLUB

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CLUB NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2025

- o Thank you to all those who attended the AGM on Sunday, 9th February 2025, a very good turnout, please see the minutes which are on the Clubs website as well as a hard copy which is on the notice board in the Clubhouse.
- Membership fees are now due £130 for full members and £35 for social members, please pay these as soon as possible using the form available in the yellow folder, which is located in the trays by the front entrance door.
- It was agreed at the AGM and is in the draft minutes that the charity the club will be supporting this year with money raised via the charity jar/tin on the bar will be "The Cowshed". It's a charity that supports local people in times of need and crisis. This is on a one-time basis, but, where an ongoing need is identified, they put people in touch with relevant support organisations. There is a transparent referrals process. Professional organisation nominate individuals or families and the type of help depends on specific need at that time and is wide ranging providing them with clothing, bedding, towels, curtains, baby equipment, school uniforms & toiletries. They provide bras and offer a bra fitting service, sanitary products and prom dresses, which are all important for empowering women and girls. Overall, a compassionate and community driven charity that makes a real difference to local people in crisis.
- o Club Shirts are expected end of February, beginning of March.
- o The mens' cleaning rota has been posted in the Clubhouse this will start April 1st and continue through to the end of August, please take note of your allocations and if necessary exchange with another member – amend the list accordingly.
- o The Spring Clean weekend will take place April 5th and 6th club cleaning duties have been listed and is on the notice board, there will be more duties possibly added later, additional work is listed in the maintenance book, this is located in the Clubhouse Managers tray by the entrance doors.
- The Green it is hoped this will open on the Easter weekend, weather permitting, you will be kept informed by the Clubhouse Manager.
- The RCBBA is now up and running on the Clubs computer under "favourites", this can also be accessed on your own computer by going to the following website: www.rcbba.com/login at the bottom of the screen affiliated members login – it will ask for your email and name for verification. As at the 12/02/2025 the competitions are unfortunately not currently visible on the system.
- We are looking for volunteers to come to the Club as mentors for this coming season for any new members who may join us. Please notify the Club Captains if you are willing to put your name forward – thank you in advance.
- Request via Irene Bradley for the ladies more names are required for the teams, please contact the ladies team Captain, there are lists on the ladies notice board.
- o Instructions for the new dishwasher are on the noticeboard in the kitchen.
- Reminder that Jo is providing a roast dinner on Sunday, 23 February 2025 1pm for 1.30pm.
- Good luck to all those who are going to Bere Regis.