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LADIES LEAGUE

HBC Maroon 3 v Sawtry 2

Very close game again. 40 to 39 points. Bonus point was all on the last shot. **Lynne**

Hemingford W 5 - Houghton & Wyton 0

Hemingford W 3 - White Hart 2

Fantastic result last week winning all 5 points with one rink just winning by one shot on the last end!

This week the opposite happened, and one rink lost by one shot on the last end, but we had the most shots overall so won the game 3-2. **Jacky**

HAYWARD LEAGUE

Somersham v HBC Kite

Postponed

HBC Buzzards REST WEEK



FRIENDLY v ESSEX VICE PRESIDENTS

In high temperatures, 48 gallant bowlers took to the green for this friendly match and friendly it was. Our visitors were great people, full of fun and excellent company. 10 ends were played before a well-earned sortie to the air-conditioned CP Room for a cream tea plus homemade cakes (thank you Sarah, Julie and Sue). Another 6 ends before it was bar time, socializing, presentations & a fun, free raffle. Sincere thanks to the 24 HBC members who played; I hope that despite the heat you enjoyed yourselves. Thanks to Mitch, Kevin, Merv, Roger, Jenny, Ken & Stuart for setting up, cleaning, organizing furniture etc. in the morning, Pam for helping with teas and to those who packed away afterwards. Your help was greatly appreciated; the event would not have happened without you. It was so rewarding and very touching when a number of the tour group said their thanks as they were leaving which included comments that we were the most welcoming and hospitable club they had ever visited in all their years of touring. Indeed, at one venue last year, although they were given a cup of tea half-way they were only allowed to take one biscuit! All photos from the friendly can be found on our website: www.hemingfordbowls.co.uk I am so delighted that we have pulled off a friendly match. Could this be the start of more in the future?

COMPETITION

Who Is This?

Prize for first

entry.

Last weeks

winner:

Norman

Chapman



As a thank you, the tour group donated £50 which we will be donating to Prostate Cancer UK

OVER 60s LEAGUE

HBC A 2 v Papworth 5

Another very warm afternoon and close games on all rinks with the final points tally being 49-52. 1 rink won on the last end, 1 lost on the last end and the other rink lost by 4 points. Some very good bowling. **Merv**

POSTPONED

Potton v HBC B

HBC C v Eaton Socon C

Fenstanton Blue v HBC D

MEN'S LEAGUE

Papworth 7 v HBC A 0

A hard game against tough opposition.

POSTPONED

HBC B v Eynesbury

Sawtry C v HBC C



HELP NEEDED ON 11 JULY WHEN WE HOST THE LADIES COUNTY SEMI FINALS

If you can offer any time, please contact Nicky.

DISCUSSION TOPIC!

How much of a match gets slowed down by measuring, second-guessing, re-checking, and waiting for everyone to be satisfied with the call? Some players see it as part of the tradition. Others see it as one of the biggest it is worth talking about because the issue is not only accuracy; it's also flow, momentum, player experience and how the sport feels when a good end suddenly turns into minutes of standing around. A close finish should feel exciting but sometimes the measuring process takes so long that it drains the energy out of the moment instead of adding to it. Question: how much time do you think is lost because of measuring and has it ever ruined the flow of a game for you? No answers to me but it is something to consider.

To everyone who says:

"You spend FOUR hours chasing a tiny white ball?" the answer is simple:

"YES", and we love it because bowls is not really about the jack, it's about the laughs when someone bowls the wrong bias, the excuses about the wind, the green, and that "suspicious leaf"; the friendly battles and bragging rights, the cold drink after a hard-fought game and the friendships that keep us coming back.

You arrive to play a game; you leave with stories that will be told in the clubhouse and somehow, after a few hours of concentration, strategy, and questionable bowls, we all say: "that was great!"



Hopefully, leagues will get back to normal next week with the change in temperature. Captains, please let Gareth know of any re-arranged dates in order that Bowlr can be updated. The weekly 'What's On' is taken from the Bowlr calendar so is only accurate if the data is correct. Thank you.