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THE ST IPPOLYTS BOWLER

Hopefully you have been kept well informed via the numerous e-mails you have received since the start of the season.

A warm welcome to following new members who have joined us so far this year: John (Jake) Franklin, Andrew Hunter & Malcolm Parker.

Unfortunately Keith Fincham and Darcy Wood have moved on to another club and Keith Bounsall is taking a year out and hopes to be with us next season. Also Stephanie Beechy and Robert Ritchie left for pastures new.

We had great pleasure at the AGM in affording Life Membership to Ken & Barbara King and Gwen Leonards in recognition of their service and dedication to the club spanning many years. Jeff Clark accepted the position of Club President and Colin Childs was appointed Club Chairman.

ON THE GREEN

We have made a good start to the season. In the SML we have won 6 and lost 2 - currently 3rd in the league. Stevenage Town gave away their home game to us.

We meet Baldock in the First Round of the S&DML Knockout Trophy - 2x3 home & away - at 6pm Wednesday 26th June.

The men take on Letchworth Garden City in the First Round of the Cairns Cup - 2x2 home & away - at 6pm Friday 28th June

We top the Men's and Ladies Club Leagues, both with a 100% win rate - albeit we have only played 2 and 1 matches respectively.

The Ladies v Gents match was won by the Ladies.

Unfortunately the weather was against us when it came to the Vicar's Cup and Turn Up and Play sessions. The first TUP went ahead as planned, the second was cancelled and on the third occasion we were unable to get on the green so met up for a chat and refreshments. Future Evening Turn Up & Play sessions are scheduled for 27th June, 25th July, 30th August and 13th September.

We host the annual NHWBA v L&D Men's event on 30th July. Help will be required with the catering.

CLUB COMPETITIONS

A reminder to all competitors to adhere as far as possible to the round play by dates. Saturday 22nd June has been set aside for completion of the early rounds and Triples Day is Saturday 6th July,

BONUS BALL

We have spare numbers available - please see Celia if you wish to join, or increase your current allocation.

OPEN HOUSE AFTERNOON

A Turn Up & Play Session followed by a Barbecue (sausages) has been arranged for the afternoon of Sunday 23rd June. Family and Friends also welcome.

PROPOSED NEW CLUBHOUSE

It is understood that funding for the proposed new clubhouse has been directed elsewhere, we await official confirmation from the Parish Council.

ADVERTISING OF OUR CLUB

Peter has kindly supplied the club with new banners and posters. If you could display, or know somewhere to display, a poster please speak to Peter or Brian. Car stickers are also available.

FIXTURES SECRETARY

The club is in urgent need of someone to take on the role of Fixtures Secretary from Chris Richardson. Preparation of next season's fixtures needs to commence in the autumn.

This is a very important role, without which the club cannot function.

FIXTURES/RESULTS

May

Sun 5th Three Horseshoes home SML L48-52

Sun 12th Howard Garden away SML W57-51

Sun 19th Riverain away SML W49-39

Sat 25^h Baldock home SML W47-46

June

Sat 1st Stevenage Town away WO received 4 points

Sat 8th Knebworth away SML L37-49

Sun 9th Holwell home SML W76-31

Sat 15th Datchworth away SML W71-34

Sun 16th Riverain home SML W62-30

Mon 17th Letchworth Con Club Jubilee League 6pm

Wed 26th Baldock home/away 1st Round SML Knockout

Fri 28th Letchworth GC home/away 1st Round Cairns Cup

Sat 29th Knebworth home SML 2pm

Sun 30th Whitethorn home SML 2pm

July

Mon 1st Stevenage Town Jubilee League 6pm

Thu 4th Hitchin Town home Friendly 2pm

Sun 7th Royston away SML 2pm* (*2.30pm on Royston website)

Sun 14th Three Horseshoes away SML 2.30pm
Mon 15th Shephalbury Jubilee League 6pm
Thu 18th Stotfold away Friendly 2pm
Sat 20th Baldock away SML 2.30pm
Sun 21st Co-op Luton away Friendly 2.30pm
Mon 22nd Hitchin Town Jubilee League 6pm
Tue 23rd St Andrews home Friendly 2pm
Sat 27th Aston away SML 2.30pm
Sun 28th Stevenage Town home SML 2.30pm
Tue 30th Hosting NHWBA v L&D 2.30pm

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