

BOWLS SURREY NEWSLETTER

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It's almost July and congratulations to those of you that are still playing in the County Competitions. The quarter finals, semi finals and finals days for both men and women are approaching so why not go along and watch some great bowling. Charlotte

Volunteering at Bowls England is an exciting opportunity and a great way to be part of the Bowls England team during the BE National Finals 2022.

The National Finals is the melting pot where players across the country compete for glory. Our volunteers will undertake a variety of roles to ensure that players, spectators and other key stakeholders enjoy a memorable experience. Potential roles include media, scoring, hospitality and customer service, and relevant training will be provided where required. Volunteers are required to be flexible with the roles, as we may require your contribution across different areas for the successful delivery of the event.

Applications are now open for volunteering at the **Bowls England National Finals 2022**. The closing date for the application is the 27th of July 2022.

SUPPORTERS WANTED Middleton Cup on 9th July 11am At Bromley BC Vs Sussex Men	SUPPORTERS WANTED Johns Trophy on 9th July 1.30pm At Bannister Park BC Vs Sussex Ladies
SUPPORTERS WANTED Balcomb Trophy on 10th July 11am At Croydon BC Vs Berkshire Men	SUPPORTERS WANTED Walker Cup on 3rd July 1.30pm At Reading BC Vs Berkshire Ladies

Administrators News

Discipline Panel

Bowls Surrey is seeking to recruit a group of volunteers to be available to sit on the above Panels as and when required. Full details of what is involved and what skills are required have been sent to club secretaries and will be posted on the SCBA and SCWBA websites.

Club Constitutions

I would first like to thank clubs for engaging in this important exercise. This was a mammoth task to check over 100 constitutions. There were five main areas of concern, they are: Affiliations – Discipline – Equality and Diversity – Safeguarding – Exceptional Circumstances. Clubs are now busy updating their documents in readiness to put to their AGM's. We were pleased to receive positive feedback from clubs and it's good to know that at the end of the day Surrey's clubs will be legally secure.

Bowls Surrey Questionnaire

Once again thanks to the 101 clubs who responded. Because of other pressing work we haven't been able to carry out a full analysis of the data, but I can report some of the more interesting results. 95% of clubs are mixed – 86% clubs run recruitment campaigns, with 52% signing up for Bowls England 'Bowls' Big Weekend – 56% of clubs prefer a face to face AGM – 76% clubs would prefer the county to have one organisation – we asked clubs if they preferred one combined area meeting 30 with 36 preferring each area to have its own meeting, as you will have gathered not all clubs answered this question – 87% clubs have their own websites and 59% of clubs are interested in setting up their own matches using the County Match System.

Gill Platt has been awarded the honour of carrying the **Queens Commonwealth Baton**. The Queen's Baton Relay is set to travel through Wales over a total of 5 days, before it's final destination into England, culminating at the Opening Ceremony for Birmingham 2022 on 28 July 2022. Gill's section is at 12.48pm from Queens Avenue, Aldershot GU11 2JL, and finishes at Queens Avenue Aldershot. It is in the Aldershot Garrison Stadium around the athletics track. **Huge Congratulations and Good Luck Gill**