

# SOLE BAY V CHEDGRAVE BC A very friendly encounter!!

On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January, twenty enthusiastic bowlers arrived from Chedgrave Bowls Club. We knew it was going to be a fun afternoon when a long queue immediately formed at the Bar. Fortunately, Robert used all his bar steward skills to deliver all the orders and thus making sure a riot was avoided.

Four rinks of four players then battled over18 ends. Considering many of the visitors had very little experience of playing indoors, a very enjoyable afternoon ensued with lots of laughter, banter and encouragement filling the arena. A great atmosphere!!

Highlight of the afternoon was undoubtedly the tea and homemade cakes which seemed to go down very well.

# SOLE BAY BOWLS CLUB AGM WEDNESDAY $15^{TH}$ FEBRUARY

Starts at 7.00 pm

Nomination forms, Agenda and Reports are on display next to drinks cabinet for your information.

### MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT MEETINGS

In case you are not aware, the intriguing minutes of our monthly Management Meetings are displayed on the notice-board outside Robert's office.

If you take them down for a closer inspection, please return them afterwards to the notice-board.

# OPEN DAY - INDOOR BOWLS Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> January

Following an article in the Southwold Gazette about Our Club, 8 people braved a monsoon to experience indoor bowls.

They joined our new regular and very popular Saturday Roll Up which starts at 10.00 am. and finishes at 12.00 pm.



# **SOLE BAY - WINTER LEAGUES**

As Spring approaches, we are now entering the final stages of our winter league matches. Whilst we have enthusiastically ventured out on dark nights to compete in a variety of leagues, we owe a great deal of thanks to Peter Wenham who collates all these results and then posts LeagueTables on the notice board. Brilliant effort!!

The latest tables (Up to 4<sup>th</sup> February) are now displayed in the Clubhouse. Highlights below:

**Aussie Pairs** – Balaria, Northern Territory and Victoria have opened up a gap from the rest but are due to play each other soon.

**Sole Bay League** - Reydon and Kessingland are dominating this league.

Planet League – Mercury and Jupiter are in a different universe!!

**Football League** – Chelsea, big spenders Reydon Town and Liverpool lead the way.

**Car League** – Mazda, Bugatti and Honda lead the way.

# A REMINDER!

It is not too late to enter a team

# SOLE BAY TO HOST TWO TOURNAMENTS IN MARCH

Play Starts at 10.00 am Spectators welcome

Food, Bar, Coffee & Teas available all day. Raffle

#### An Open Triples Indoor Bowls Tournament Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March

#### FIRST PRIZE - £90 SECOND PRIZE - £50 THIRD PRIZE - £35

The tournament format will be triples (3 players, 3 bowls each).

Entry fee £15 per team. Entries limited to the first16 teams entered.

Entry forms and rules can be found on notice board.

Team's Registration form and entry fee to Office by 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023.



#### AJ TROPHY - SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MARCH AN ADULT/JUNIOR 3 WOOD PAIRS COMPETITION

This Adult/Junior competition is sponsored by Graham and Bridget Denny Entry Forms on Noticeboard or via Office.

#### **NEW YEAR SOCIAL**

Another Social Evening triumph started the New Year with a bang.

From a collection of five gently bubbling slow cookers, a delicious Chicken Chasseur was merged with Mashed Potatoes (skilfully peeled by Bob) and mixed vegetables. This masterpiece was followed up by an exquisite homemade Apple Crumble & Custard or a fabulous Fruit Flan or both!! A culinary triumph! Well done, Maureen, Linda W, Pam and team.

35 well-fed customers then waddled back into the Bowls Arena to complete a Linda Coe /Janet Wood tricky quiz. Somehow 35 people manage to squeeze into 4 teams and the fun/arguments began. A mixture of quiz questions based on events of 2022 and a variety of marathon rounds saw the quiz end with only 6 points between the 4 teams. Winners won tubes of smarties and the 4<sup>th</sup> team went home with lemons! If the excitement wasn't enough, a sheet was removed from a trestle table to reveal the 200 prizes from the New Year Draw.

Big thank you to all who supported the draw and the Club made about £100 on it. Linda Coe and Jan Batten spent hours finding 200 prizes, organising the draw and then numbering the prizes. They are stars!! Most prizes have now been collected. Colin continues to distribute the remaining few.

Rita having successfully mugged everyone for Raffle tickets, then oversaw the share-out of prizes including the mysterious bottle of blue liquid. (What was it??)

Bar closed at 10.30 pm (Not a drop of red wine left!!). The end of a very long day. Roll Up/Open Day in the morning followed by the Social in the evening. Well done to all those who stayed the course!





# BINGO NIGHT SOCIAL

Just a note for all those that may not yet know or have yet to sign up, we have a great night ahead of Bingo. We would love to see you all there. By supporting these events, we help to keep the club Alive and healthy for all to enjoy for years to come.

#### **Rink maintenance**

It has been noted that some grit has been found on the indoor carpet. To counter this we need to hoover the carpet more regularly. John Block is looking for help to assist on perhaps a roll up morning starting at 9.00 am. It should be done by 10.00 am. Please contact John to be on rota.