



# VENTNOR BOWLING CLUB

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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Colin Beavis w/e September 12<sup>th</sup> 2021

### BRITISH LEGION FRIENDLY Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> 2021



After a "COVID" gap last year, our annual friendly game against the Ventnor Royal British Legion resumed at Mitchell Avenue last Sunday. Playing for the "**BARRY CROAD MEMORIAL SHIELD**", on a bright, sunny afternoon, the Legion players were looking for revenge for previous years when the Bowling Club have always managed to win.

*This trophy (pictured, left) was presented by the Legion a few years ago, to be competed for each year, in memory of Barry Croad – a former top bowler at*

*Ventnor and a member of the Ventnor Branch of the Royal British Legion.*

This is the sixth time that this has been played for, with the Bowling Club winning it for the sixth year running. Top rink for the Bowling Club was **Peter Venables, Lance Nash & Glen Cox**, who won 26-5 and the top rink for the Legion was **Alan Dormer & Paul Palmer** assisted by Bowling Club members, Vicky & Kevin Watts (who played half a game each as they were also on Bar duty) who had a very close game, losing by only 15 shots to 12. Afterwards, the players enjoyed a drink at the bar during which they thanked Club Captain, John Milmo for organizing the afternoon. As always, the match score was insignificant, as the real winners were everyone who took part. *A very enjoyable afternoon.*

*Due to Covid restrictions earlier in the season, the traditional return match (of Petanque, of course) which would normally have taken place, by now at the Legion, is still being negotiated.*



### TOURIST MATCHES:

#### FAREHAM BOWLING CLUB – Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>

Last Saturday was a perfect day for bowls, again – dry, mostly sunny and not too hot. Ventnor Club President, **John Walker** welcomed the tourists from just across the water in Hampshire, for, surprisingly, their first visit to Ventnor. President John presented them, at the end of the game, with a framed picture in commemoration of their visit. He also donated a Ventnor Bowling Club enamel badge to be attached to Gordon Bennetts hat! Gordon is the Fareham "mascot" presented, each day, to the skip of their highest losing rink. The photo shows losing skip, Barry (left) receiving Gordon from his captain-of-the-day.

Their losing score of 23-9 was enough to swing the overall match score in Ventnor's favour, emerging victorious by 94 shots to 88. This was the third consecutive tourist match win in the last week. Ventnor's top winning rink was rink 3 – **George Gray, Paul Marfleet, Ted West & skip, Colin Beavis.**



### FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

**TOURIST MATCH – Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 1.30pm. "Bowlers on Tour" – 7 rinks mixed triples.**

**TOURIST MATCH – Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Sussex County Presidents' Tour" – 6 rinks men.**

**The Annual end-of-season mens' meeting** will be held on Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am in the Clubhouse.

**The Closing of the Green** will be on September 26<sup>th</sup> at 2pm.

**The Annual General Meeting** is on Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> October at 10am, in the Clubhouse.

**The Annual Dinner & Presentation Evening** will be held on November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 in the Regency Suite at the Shanklin Conservative Club. Menu and choice selections are on the noticeboard. Please indicate your preferences as soon as possible.

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