



Tenterden Bowls Club.

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June 2025 Newsletter

We have made a very promising start to the season in both the Weald and Mermaid leagues, managing to have victories over some of our usually strong opponents (check out the league tables in the clubhouse and on line). Thank you to all those who have made themselves available for all the matches including the friendlies.

Sometimes there have more players offering to play than are needed, so at times you may be disappointed not to be chosen but don't let that deter you from signing up as you'll definitely be selected for future games as this is a very busy time of year with friendlies, tournaments and league matches in full swing, so please make sure you keep an eye on the Fixtures book and the outside noticeboard. The 2 most important dates coming up are:

6^{th} July 2025 – Mermaid Fling at Staplecross – all day event 24^{th} July – Selling Cup at our home ground – from 5pm in place of our Club Night

You will find the sign up sheets on the outside notice board this week so make sure you add your name quickly so that Geoff and Judith can make selections in good time. We are hoping to send 2 triples teams to Staplecross and to select a good number to enter the Selling Cup.

We offer a full tea and cake for the Selling cup so if you are available to volunteer with the catering please speak to Judith ASAP.

The Green is playing well despite the dry weather so thanks to Derrick and his team particularly the grounds team who have done an amazing job while Derrick has been away on holiday. The green is being watered twice per week but we could do with a good few downpours to really bring the green back to its very best! Rain dance anybody?!!

Spider game – We will be restarting the **Spider Game this Thursday at 5.30** so please arrive on time and remember to bring with you £1 to enter. £5 goes to the winner and the rest is donated to one of our charity, Bowls England Visually Impaired Teams Fund.

Tea and fees: Just recently we have been short of money collected at tea time so here's a reminder to bring £3.50 with you to pay for teas and raffle at our home games. Can we ask that the Skips check at the table that £13.50 is collected from each table before handing the Raffle cup money to the day's captain. Many thanks.

It's probably a good idea to bring extra cash to buy your opposing player a soft drink from the fridge or ice creams from the freezer at the end of play. We are always offered a drink by our opposing teams when we play away but it seems we are not as a generous when they visit us. We are in danger of getting a reputation for being 'stingy' so please let's up our game on this score. Thank you.

Postcards – We have been given a large batch of beautifully painted poastcards of St. Mildred's Church painted by a lady artist from Biddenden. You'll find them in a box in the clubhouse for a donation of 20p each which we will collect for our charity.

Enjoy the next few months of play, especially if we continue to have fine weather and let's hope we can continue to stay near the top of the league tables.

Best wishes

Vicki & Sue

P.S. I will be away in Australia from 26th June to 30th August so Sue, Judith and Geoff will be your main contacts during that time (you may get a grumpy answer from me if you call at 3am in the morning Ozzie time as I'll be 9 hours ahead of UK!!) Thank you, Vicki