



June 2025 Newsletter

Open Day – This year's Open Day was a great success with 11 new members joining from 23 guests who came to the event on the day, with another 2 or 3 possibly joining. On behalf of the committee I would like to thank all those members that helped out on the day and a very big welcome to our new members. I wish you the very best and all the success at bowling and hope that you enjoy playing this sport as much as all those people that you will meet over the next few years.

Social Events – It is with great disappointment and much sadness that I have to inform you all that we had to cancel our last social event – the Bingo evening – due to lack of support. This club will only survive if we can make a success of the monthly social evenings supported by your good selves, family and friends. The next social event is a guided walk around Inkberrow hosted by Paul Cotton. This is on a Friday and will start from the Bowls Club following the Friday roll up. The walk should last about 45 minutes, but good walking shoes is recommended. Cost for the walk will be £5 per head including a light supper on returning to the Club, assuming that you can all get past the Bulls Head!!!! On 18th July, by popular demand we have the return of the Ukelele players, including our very own John Bradley. Further information will follow later in the month. If you would like to attend either of these events, please let me know or add your name to the list on the Club noticeboard.

IBC results & the "green" – We have received many very positive comments from literally every club that has visited Inkberrow, possibly except those that have suffered defeat at the hands of our bowlers!!! Congratulations to Paul Cotton, Michael Chappell and the green team for producing an excellent playing surface, long may it continue.

It is with great delight that I have to report the Inkberrow are top of the Vale league after beating the league leaders Pershore 10-0. This is I believe a first and although there are 13 matches left, this last result augurs well for the rest of the season. Unfortunately the Interberga team have not had quite the success that the Vale team have had and are currently just below mid table. With regard to the friendly fixtures, Inkberrow have played 13 matches winning 7 games which is a fantastic performance. Many of our newer bowlers are now playing friendlies, which gives the best opportunity of improving your game, keep it up.

The Club have this year started to enter some teams in the Worcestershire County competitions. A team of 16 gents travelled to Gilt Edge on Sunday 31st May to play Lilleshall in the Vernon Turner trophy, the equivalent to the football version of the FA Cup. Having given our best, we unfortunately came second losing by nearly 100 points. Len Phillips and yours truly played in the 1st round of the County Veterans (Over 65) Pairs tournament and were victorious over a Hewell team 24-21. The next round of this competition will be played at Inkberrow in a couple of weeks time, I will let you know the date and time shortly.

Inkberrow have been chosen to host the semi-finals of the County Under 25's tournament, to be played on Monday 16th June starting at 6.15pm. Finally, Ian Humphray is playing in the Champion of Champions tournament against Moz Pullin of Bredon at Bredon on 23rd June at 6.15pm – please show your support to all our players and the Club at all of these matches.

100 Club – the 100 Club winners for May were Chris Roberts and Steve Morris – congratulations!!!!