



August 2026 Newsletter

I hope that you are all well and coping with the continued heatwave. The club have only suffered two cancellations for the weather (or football – England were playing one evening!!!!) which is better than many clubs I have heard from who have had numerous games that haven't gone ahead. We are now entering the final third of the outdoor season which still gives you all an opportunity in playing in another 12 friendlies, so please keep your eyes open for the nomination sheets as they appear, especially any of the new members who want to progress at bowling. Please remember that you will always be paired with at least one experienced player who will offer you tips and advice. Our game at Droitwich on Sunday 9th August is one not to be missed with music provided from the band stand next door whilst we play – so please put your name down and come along and have a great afternoon.

County Finals weekend – Having hosted the finals weekend on Saturday 25th July, the Club would like to thank all those members that came along and helped put on a fantastic show of hospitality that earned the club in the region of £500 profit. This was helped enormously by the weather and some 120 spectators and players who came to watch and play in some fantastic bowling. We are also hosting the Ladies Fours County final (postponed from 25th July) on 11th August. At the same time we are also hosting the County Mixed Fours semi-finals between Chester Road & Barbourne and Pershore & Malvern Victoria. All games start at 6.15pm so if you would like to see some excellent bowling, please come along and support the club, the bar will be open. Our final County fixture for this year is on 9th September when we will be hosting a Worcestershire men's County friendly match – further details to follow as well as asking for helpers on the day.

100 Club – Winners for July were Peter Smith and Iris Smith.

Club Competitions – The mixed pairs was a closely fought competition and with Judith M and Chris A eventually winning from Geri & Alan S. There are only 2 tournaments left, the Men's singles and the mixed triples, all games should be completed over the next 3 weeks.

Vale, Interberga & Friendlies – The Vale team is still doing well and is currently lying in joint 4th place, 12pts behind Bredon Yellow who are in 3rd. Unfortunately our Interberga team are not doing quite so well and are currently in 7th place. As for the friendly matches, Inkberrow BC are still playing well with a success rate just above 50%, we have won more games than we have lost!!!!!!

County Internal Competitions – Ian Humphray narrowly lost his first round match in the Champion of Champions competition against John Martin of Littleton 21-16. Len Phillips and I lost our Vets Pairs match against a Worcester duo 19-16. Ian Humphray, Chris Angel and Richard Long teamed together to play in the Reg Russell triples narrowly losing to a team from Chester Road 19-17. Finally our mixed 4's team of Kay & Andy Merrick, Liz Yeates and I were well beaten in the quarter-finals by a quartet from Pershore 22-9. That's it for this year's internal County tournaments, but if you would like to join in next year, please let me know you are interested by the end of the year, which is the closing date for entries.

As some of you may have heard, Len Phillips, Geri Slater and Chris Angel took part in the Aston Somerville gala at the weekend and came a very credible 2nd – well done to Geri, Len & Chris – keeping the Inkberrow flag flying in the County.