



PONELAND BOWLING CLUB

SUMMER/AUTUMN NEWSLETTER



Closing Day took place on Saturday 21st September. The weather during the season was wonderful – the only match re-arrangements were for the football world cup!

It was a very successful season for the ladies' section; they retained the North East League title for a second year in a row and won the Collins & Shipley League A for the first time in 11 years. Our over 55 ladies won the county senior rinks competition and went on to represent Northumberland County in the National Finals held at Leamington Spa. Liz Emmerson got to the final of the county 2 wood singles but, unfortunately, illness prevented her from playing in the final and also going to Leamington Spa. Our ladies got to the Double Rinks final but were beaten in the final by Benfield.

Although the men's section was less successful, they did manage to stay in their current leagues. The men were 7th in Division 1 of the Clegg league, 4th in Division 3 of the Knight league and 5th in Division 1 of the Nines league.

The club was also 2nd in the Public Utilities mixed league.

The club AGM was held on Friday 26th October 2018.

FINANCES

Main items affecting the results this year; -

Spend on the green and related equipment £6,800 – 2 sides of the green were repaired, and grass cutters repaired.

Subscription Income down by nearly £1K.

Total membership has fallen from 162 last year to 148 this year -a decrease of 14. Equivalent figures for full members are 138 (75 women, 63 men) to 121 (63 women, 58 men) – a decrease of 17 (12 women, 5 men).

This year's figures include 10 new members – 6 men and 4 women. It has been wonderful to see most of these participating in rollups, competitions and leagues.

Appointment of Officers

The following were elected: -

Chairman	Peter Kilmister
Club Secretary	Dave Kirk
Treasurer	Jean Barras

The other members of the GPC for the upcoming year are: -

Ladies President	Jean Ramsay
Ladies Vice President	Olive Driver
Ladies Secretary	Allison Storey
Men's President	Peter Dodds
Men's Secretary	Bob Liddle
Green Ranger	to be run by a committee

SOCIAL

Members have been sent a list of all the winter social events – it is also on the website. Upcoming events are a coffee morning on Thursday 8th November and the beetle drive on Thursday 15th November. Please come and support the club.