

## HB NEWSLETTER

**Postponement of AGM 9<sup>th</sup> January 1921:** At a recent meeting of the Executive it was decided because of the current situation to postpone the AGM from January 9<sup>th</sup> until later in 2021. Please pass on this information to your delegates. The Divisions will be similarly postponing their meetings. All of the Executive will stay in their current positions until the AGM. However there may be some vacancies then and we would welcome any fresh blood! .

**Rules & Constitution** Our Constitution is specific about the dates of Council and AGM so we will need to update it to give more flexibility should it be required in the future. The Executive is currently revising the appropriate sections and once completed all the Rules & Constitution will be available on the Website. The approval of any changes made will be sought either at the postponed AGM or at a Special General Meeting.

**Council Grant:** Some Councils have been making a Grant based on business rates, as they did in the Spring. The amount this time is £1334 for the recent four weeks close down, based on a rateable value of £15000. Whilst clubs are closed for bowling, many open for social reasons during a normal winter and you should be made aware of this money. The recent move to Tier 4 for all of Hertfordshire will mean that no clubs can open so the Grant may be extended.

**Bowls England:** Dates for your Club Diary: **Club Open Days May 29-31<sup>st</sup>** BE will be coordinating National Open days during the Bank Holiday weekend. National media publicity is being planned by BE and guidance, flyers etc will be available to your club. We would like your club to earmark one of the days to encourage families, clubs & people of any age in your town to have a try at Bowls – some people may not even know you are behind that high hedge!

**Please let me know your chosen day. If your club has had success with Open Days in the past please pass on your tips to me so I can share with you all.**

**If you think you have or know of someone who has good organisational skills and wants to be involved in Bowls at the highest level then BE are advertising some new posts.**

**(Latest BE emails to follow)**

**County Competitions:** Most clubs have now entered in the competitions. However there are some notable exceptions. Post can be erratic at this time of the year and coupled with not being able to have post delivered to my house some may have gone astray. **If you have sent me Competition Forms and have not received an acknowledgement then please contact me asap.**

On **Behalf of the County Executive** I send to you all our **Very Best Wishes for as good a Festive Christmas as possible** and for a **Happy & Healthy 2021**. We hope to see you on the bowling greens next summer.

Kind regards  
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