## 2025 Johns Trophy/Walker Cup Message

Dear All

We have started to plan for this year's Johns and Walker Cup matches. The Johns Trophy, will continue to be League Based. We will be playing 3 games in the Johns. I'm hoping not to change the teams too much, so everyone will feel part of a team and be able to enhance the rink relationship.

This year will see the new format for the Amy Rose and the Walker Cup. The format will be Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours. To be played over one weekend. We have also agreed to join with Bedfordshire for the Amy Rose. I am hoping to organise a get together for Amy Rose players.

If you are competitive and relish the challenge, and more than anything enjoy performing at the highest level for Hertfordshire, Please fill in the nomination form and return to me by 5<sup>th</sup> April. We will have a squad of 28, for the Johns and 14 for the Walker Cup, which does mean we will have 4 Reserve's. I will expect the reserves to come to all games and be part of the team.

Hertfordshire have also approved the wearing of **Maroon** below the waist for the Walker Cup and John's Trophy, you will be able to order these yourself from Aceit.

I'm more than happy to listen to thoughts and ideas that players may have, you can ring me on 07747868887 or email me.

We will be having trials on the 10<sup>th</sup> May and 25<sup>th</sup> May at Welwyn & Dist BC, 9.00 til 12.30pm, which will allow time after a short game for a get together. We hope to have some coaching sessions at the trials.

We do not have any selectors appointed this year, but I am hoping I will have some support from some very experienced bowlers. If anyone would like to put themselves forward to become a selector, it would be great to have someone from each division. Please apply to Natalie Chalcraft.

See you all soon

Ann O'Hare

**Team Manager**