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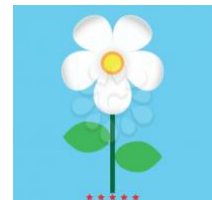


You may have seen this poster on the noticeboard in the clubhouse and the message is clear, we need your help, financially as well as physically. We are not just asking you to put your hand in your pocket, even though you can if you wish, but your support in contributing in some way to the events we will be holding, and it is so important. As was said last month, because of the cost of the irrigation system we will be installing, it

cannot be covered totally by a grant and therefore the club must find the shortfall. The grant application will be submitted in the middle of April, and a planning application has also been submitted. The amount of time and effort all this has taken has been tremendous and your contribution will be the icing on the cake. Throughout this newsletter will be details of upcoming events so we hope that you will all do your best to make this a great year and recognise what the club can achieve if we all work together. The irrigation project will benefit all members. It's reasonable that there is an expectation that all members will contribute to fund raising' or similar.

Flower Power

Bit by bit we are starting to see the fruits of some members labours as plants are beginning to grow in borders and freshly painted planters. John B, Shan, Nigel, Carol John F and others have put in many hours to brighten up our green. Thanks to them but they are not finished yet, so help if you can.



Social Activities



The Social Group will be meeting to look at how we all can help in our fundraising efforts. If you have any fun ideas, please let us know. We need as many of them as possible to try to make this a gamechanging year,

One of the bigger events we will be holding is a **Race Night**. This will happen and will, probably, be held at the Llandudno Junction Community Centre (Hotpoint Club). These nights are great fun and we hope that every member will do their best to come along and bring friends or relatives with them. The centre can accommodate 120 people, so that is our target. There will be a buffet and a lot of fun.

Before that, however, on **Sunday, 5th July** we will be holding our Charity Day in the clubhouse. Raffle and tombola prizes are needed so anything nice that you no longer

want and we can use would be great. We'll give you more details about that as soon as possible

COMPETITIONS

The Opening Fours was played on Thursday 2nd April. 18 players took part and after several rounds the final will be between Bob and Bunty and Deb and Tom C. It will be played on Easter Monday at 1.00pm. Well done to them. If you haven't seen it yet, the application notice for the **Ladies v Gents** is on the noticeboard. The competition is on **Thursday 16th April** so if you want to play, please make sure your name is put down. There are more men's names down at the moment. Sylvia and Gay will run the event.

Colwyn Festival

This will be held starting on **26th July with the final on 31st July**. We will be hosting some games and will need your help. However, please check out the noticeboard before that as we are **hosting some league events shortly** and your help is needed, either on the green or to help with refreshments.

Club Website vardrebowlingclub.com

Check out the QR code. Hold the camera on your phone, show it these squiggles and 'voilà'. Click on the Vardre BC bar and you are there. A great source of information from Diane.



We have 87 paid up members but remember if you haven't paid your club membership, please arrange to do so as soon as possible. League games are starting soon and if you have not paid you will not be selected to play. It's the same cost as last year. £70 for league players and £65 for non-league players.

Our sponsorship through the **Banner Scheme** has not been as successful this year. If you know any local business that might be interested in joining our scheme, please let one of the Committee know so that we can follow it up.

If you need to replace your bowling **clothing kit**, Details are on the noticeboard.

The committee is to consider adopting a rule that all league players **must play in our club kit colours**. Those who do not, cannot play. More details soon

Our electric **awning** on the clubhouse has broken and it looks like it cannot be repaired. We have been given a large parasol which we might be able to use on occasions when it's not windy but we will still need to give some thought to a proper replacement. We look at this as we expect the sun and warm weather will eventually return.

If you want to join our clubs **WhatsApp Chat Group**, please contact our secretary, Elaine.

In order that we become more inclusive, we now have a **Welsh Language Policy**, and this will be available shortly.

Friendlies will start on **Thursday 23rd April at 2pm**. Details will be on the noticeboard soon. Our first game is at home against Eirias Park.

.Easyfunding is a scheme that started at the club some years ago, but lack of interest gave it a back seat. Our current situation calls for as much help as we can get. Register at easyfunding.org.uk. Any problems please contact Diane or Mark Ball.



**“I like long walks,
especially when
they are taken by
people who annoy
me.”**

What happened around this date in

- **1976** Steve Wozniak and Steve Jobs found Apple Computer in the garage of Jobs' parents' house in Cupertino, California

- **1977** Fleetwood Mac's "Rumours" album goes to No. 1 and stays atop the charts for 31 weeks
- **1986** World oil prices dip below \$10 a barrel, the first price fall since 1977
