

LATEST NEWS HISTORY

WEEK 6th April - 1st May

It was a very keen set of bowlers who took to the greens in the opening week of the season. Many had plied their skills on the Indoor greens (and had done very well there), but most would admit that it was the outdoor game that gave the most satisfaction.

A very full programme of matches for Goring Manor should ensure that all players will get as many games as they wish. The season opened with a Club Match where a Chairman's team took on a Captain's team. Both teams won on 2 rinks and the 5th rink was drawn. However, by virtue of having scored more points overall, the Chairman's team were the winners. In the drawn match, the Chairman, Chris Wood, was up against the Captain, Derek King, and at half way led by 13 shots to 1. However, the second half turned round completely and the Captain's team, skippered by Kevin Pearce, stormed back to earn a 14 all draw. The other winning skips for the Chairman were Harvey McGarry (top rink) and Wendy Davies, and for the Captain were Mick Mayes and Tommy Tsoi. Players and wives provided scones and cream as well as cakes to make it a very pleasant opening day.

In the week there were 3 friendly matches. The first was at Portslade, whose artificial surface did not suit Goring and consequently the game was lost. The rink of Margaret Walker, John Bussell and skip Trevor Pannell did manage a good win.

The next day brought another away match, this time at Marine Gardens. Winning on 3 rinks out of 4, Goring ran out a comfortable 78 shots to 61 winners. Top rink went to Jimmy Wan, Chris Wood, Don Nice and skip Basil Taylor. Skips Dave Crockett and Kevin Pearce also won.

The final match was at home to East Preston. Winning on 5 out of 6 rinks gave Manor a victory of 99 shots to 72. Top rink went to Brenda Pannell, Mick Mayes and skip Kevin Pearce. Skips Frank Tsang, Derek King, Stuart Andrews and Dave Norgrove also won.

In the coming weeks, as well as a whole load of matches, the club will be working towards the Big Bowls Weekend starting on Friday 27th May as part of a national campaign to bring people into playing bowls. Having said that, anyone wishing to have a go at bowls does not need to wait till then. Simply ring Derek on 07979 603826 or Trevor on 07584 433997 who will arrange for them to have a roll up any morning, afternoon or evening.

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WEEK 6th Jun - 12th Jun

In a weather-affected week, Goring Manor produced three excellent results in league matches. In the first match, Goring Spitfires were at home to Maltravers in the Brodie Tray. The Spitfires won on 3 of the 4 rinks and with an overall shot advantage of 77 to 52, ran out 8 points to 2 winners on the day. Top rink went to Jimmy Wan, John Steel, Pete Treagust and skip Wendy Davies. Skips Frank Tsang and Stuart Andrews also won.

Friday brought the Hurricanes' turn to be at home, this time to Worthing in the Brodie Tray. Both teams won on 2 rinks, but thanks to 2 resounding wins by the Hurricanes, the overall shot score was 78 to 45 to claim a victory by 6 points to 4. Top rink went to the pairing of Mick Mayes and skip Tommy Tsoi who won by 20 shots, followed closely by Janice Sebastiano, Tom Fisher and skip Don Nice who won by 19 points.

Saturday brought Worthing back to Goring Manor, this time for a first division match in the West Sussex Bowls League. In a keenly competitive match, Goring won on 3 of the 4 rinks and took the shot score by a mere 79 to 74 to gain an impressive 8 points to 2 win. Top rink went to Derek King, Basil Holding, Dave Crockett and skip Frank Tsang. The same shot difference was recorded by Luigi Sebastiano, Peter Coles, Dave Norgrove and skip Harvey McGarry.

The photo shows Goring's Dave Crockett and Basil Holding studying the head.



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WEEK 13th Jun - 19th Jun

A week of mixed fortunes ends well for Goring Manor.

Monday brought a Brodie Tray match for Goring Spitfires at home to Marine Gardens. The Spitfires won on 3 rinks which earned an overall shot score of 85 to 61 to run out 8 points to 2 winners. Top rink for The Spitfires was Jimmy Wan, Keith Goodson, Dave Norgrove and skip Wendy Davies. Skips Frank Tsang and David Crockett also won.

A friendly match at home to Billingshurst on Wednesday saw The Manor lose on 3 rinks out of 4 yet only lose the match by an overall shot score of 65 to 69, showing how tight the games were. Top rink went to Jim Short, Peter Coles and skip Gill Basford.

The Spitfire's were in action again in the Brodie Tray on Thursday, this time against Worthing Pavilion. One rink was won, 2 lost and the 4th was discounted for using an incorrect scoring method. In the end, the Spitfires were pipped by 52 shots to 55 and lost the match by 2 points to 6. The winning and top rink went to Chris Allan, Trevor Pannell and skip Yvonne Woodcock.

Another friendly on Friday, at home to Arundel, brought another defeat. This time Goring won on one rink, drew on one and lost the other two. The overall shot deficit was 41 shots to 55. Top rink went to John Impett, Jean Meneely and skip Gill Basford. Skip Pete Treagust drew.

Saturday had Goring at home again against Marine Gardens, this time in the Stracey Shield. Goring won on 3 rinks and produced an overall shot score of 82 to 69 to gain an 8 points to 2 victory. Top rink went to Rosemary Suter, Dave Norgrove, Chris Wood and skip Frank Tsang. Skip's Stuart Andrews and Harvey McGarry also won.

Sunday morning found Goring at home once again in a division one match of the West Sussex Bowls League. Norfolk A from Littlehampton were the opponents. A close competition throughout ended with Goring winning on 3 of the 4 rinks and by an overall shot score of 80 to 71, to gain an impressive 8 points to 2 win. Top rink went to Doug Hunt, Luigi Sebastiano, Mick Mayes and skip Stuart Andrews. Skip's Tommy Tsoi and Frank Tsang also won.

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WEEK 15th Aug - 21st Aug

It's an unfortunate sign of the times when clubs have to cancel friendly matches because of a lack of players. This has happened to Goring Manor twice this week.

The first match played was a PC Cup semi-final away to Pavilion. Although Goring lost comprehensively on this occasion, they can still hold their heads high in having reached this far in the competition.

Next was a Stracey Shield match at Tarring Priory. Goring won on 3 rinks and took the overall shot points by 79 to 67 to win the match by 8 points to 2. Top rink went to Yvonne Woodcock, Trevor Pannell, Don Nice and skip Tommy Tsoi. Skips Harvey McGarry and Wendy Davies also won. Wendy's rink did particularly well to win the last 5 ends to snatch a win by 1 shot.

Goring Spitfires then travelled to Marine Gardens for a Brodie Tray match. The Spitfires won on 3 rinks and picked up the extra 2 points with an aggregate of 89 shots to 44, to win the match 8 points to 2. Top rink went to John Impett, Rod Smith, Pete Treagust and skip Stuart Andrews. Skips Bas Holding and Wendy Davies also won.

On Saturday morning, four of Goring's ladies travelled to Burgess Hill to compete in the semi final of the prestigious County-wide Gladys Rowland Cup. A close run affair saw Goring Ladies run out winners and progress to the final.

On the same day, Goring held another of its internal round robin events which had proved to be popular with the members. The victors and prize winners were Margaret Walker, John Steele and Pete Treagust. The games were followed by a fish and chip tea in the clubroom.

The last game of the week was at home to Chichester in the West Sussex Bowls League. The team from Chichester proved to be too strong for the Manor. Goring's only winning rink was that of Chris Allan, Trevor Pannell, Bas Holding and skip Tommy Tsoi. The rink skipped by Basil Taylor had a valiant late rally but succumbed to one shot in the end."

The photo shows Pete Treagust in the foreground.

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WEEK 22nd Aug - 28th Aug

A bitter-sweet week for Goring Manor started with a Brodie Tray match between Goring Hurricanes and Goring Spitfires. As usual, the match was played in the best of spirits but with the usual edge of competition between the 2 home based teams. This time the Hurricanes were winners by 8 points to 2 by virtue of winning on 3 rinks and having a superior overall score. Top rink for the Hurricanes went to Gill Basford and skip Basil Taylor. Skips Tommy Tsoi and Kevin Pearce also won. Skip Dave Norgrove's rink won for the Spitfires.

The 'sweet' part of the week came when Goring travelled to Pavilion for a Stracey Shield match. In a tight match, Goring won on three rinks but failed to gain the extra 2 aggregate points. However, this still meant that Goring were overall winners by 6 points to 4. These 6 points ensured that Goring Manor became the Stracey League Champions for the second time in 3 years. Top rink on the day went to Yvonne Woodcock, Derek King, Basil Holding and skip Tommy Tsoi. Skips Basil Taylor and Wendy Davies also won.

On Friday, Goring Spitfires were at home to Tarring Priory in the Brodie Tray. The Spitfires won on 3 rinks and notched up an overall shot score of 93 to 55 to run out 8 points to 2 winners. Top rink overwhelmingly went to Chris Allan and skip Wendy Davies with a 36 shots to 11 win. Skips Stuart Andrews and Peter Treagust also won.

The 'bitter' part of the week came when Goring went to Pavilion again this time to play the Bulls in both team's final game of the season in Division 1 of the West Sussex Bowls League. Both teams were on level points at the bottom of the table. Goring needed to win to go ahead of the Bulls. However, this was not to be. Goring only managed to win on one rink although tantalisingly only lost by 1 shot on another and by 2 shots on a third. The overall shots points went to Goring by 83 shots to 72 thanks to a commanding win by Jimmy Wan, Derek King, David Crockett and skip Frank Tsang by 32 shots to 10. The Bulls were victorious by 6 points to 4 and confined Goring to the bottom spot. Bowls can be a cruel game.

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The photo shows Jimmy Wan perfectly in mid-delivery.

