

Second New Members' Competition

Despite some variable and testing weather conditions, another 10 of our new members played a three woods singles competition on September 10th. As in the previous new members' competition in August, each of the 10 bowlers played three, 7 ends, matches in the morning. The four bowlers with most points progressed to the semi-finals (9 ends) and the winners of those contested the final (11 ends).

Paul Quarry topped the group stage table with 5 points (two wins and a draw) and four other players - Andrew Herbert, Darren Lewis, Gerry Davies and Roger Parkinson - each got 4 points. Unfortunately, Darren had the worst shot difference and so did not progress to the semi-finals. Gerry Davies and Andrew Herbert won their semi-final matches, by 9-3 and 9-6 respectively. In what proved to be an exceptionally close final, Andrew Herbert beat Gerry Davies by 8 shots to 7, winning the tournament with the very last shot of the final.

Many congratulations to Andrew on his triumph and well done to all the others players for making the competition such an enjoyable and memorable one. Despite the weather conditions, the tournament was played in a great spirit and the players got to know each other much better. Many thanks to the different markers: Jan Berry, Eileen Boddington, Ian Broxton, John Eagle, Bryn Owen, Iain Russell and Peter Stuart. Thanks also to John Davies for taking some great photos, some of which are included with this report.

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