## DOWNTON BOWLING CLUB

The end of September brings closure to our outdoor bowling season.

The flagship weekend of the Year is the Club Finals held in September. Successes included Martin Scammell winning the Novice Cup, in his first year.

Triples Champions were Dawn Jones, Paul Bromage and Colin Morris. Dawn did well as she also won the Ladies Pairs with Rosemary Foster. The equivalent Men's Pairs had Dave Galpin and Gordon Emm victorious. A mixed Pairs final was played leading to a win by Lynda Hale and Steve Allen. Singles champions were Alan Waters, and Marie Clarke.

One of the very last matches to be played has become a tradition- Downton Bowling Club v Downton Football Club. This match highlights so many wonderful aspects about the game. First and foremost, there is a lot of banter, laughter and fun. Secondly it shows that anyone can learn how to play the game in one afternoon: the Football Club bowlers are quick learners and soon became respected opposition. Lastly it is a game that nurtures competitiveness in the right spirit. Many thanks to The Robins for such an enjoyable afternoon.

Our indoor shortmat bowls has started for the winter, with encouraging numbers playing in the Sherwood Room on Thursday afternoons (2:15 start). All are welcome to play. Telephone Mike on 01725 513359.

We had a delightful Presentation Dinner to round off the year. This dinner included a special Cup Presentation to Downton BC for winning the Mixed Triples League Knockout Cup. A major success for Downton over Six other Wiltshire teams.



Special Gues tJoan Ford Presenting The Harold Ford Cup To Steve Allen L-R Joan Ford, Dawn Jones, Rod Hall, Steve Allen, Alan Waters, Marie Clarke, Ivan Buss

Downton Bowling would also like to thank our community minded sponsors for supporting us this year. They are C.JOHNSTON(Carpenter and builder), ASG LANDSCAPING, LOVER REPAIR CAFE, ABACUS TOTAL GLAZING and AJ BASS OPTICIANS. The Club wishes them and everyone a very Merry and Healthy Christmas.