

## **SECRETARY REPORT AGM NOVEMBER 2022**

Well we got back on track this season and I must thank my fellow Committee members and the Secretaries and Delegates, Area Secretaries and Selectors for their patience and support. We tried our very best to get Ladies out on the green and playing as much competitive Bowls as we could. Many thanks again to Anneyce who has done a great job in supporting me and as Bowls Leicestershire chair and all the Officers who do a great job in keeping the County going.

I feel I must say that this year I have been saddened that there has been some unkindness to some Officers and I would like the delegates to remind the players of the circumstances of how some of us took over these jobs. Basically no one else wanted to do them. The Officers do these positions to keep Ladies bowling in Leicestershire alive and give up a large proportion of their time so if you feel something needs saying please ask your players to be kind and positive in the way things are said. If anyone feels something needs a change then let us know. We are open to new ideas.

All the players who qualified in the County Competitions were entered for the Leamington Finals and I thank all that went along to support them including our Previous Presidents and our IPP Sandra . Thank you Sandra for the support you gave to those who were playing. Success was mixed with our triples , Senior fours and Junior pairs getting to the final stages of competitions.

It was disappointing that our Johns and Walker Cup Teams didn't reach the Regional Finals of the competition. Better Luck next year.

Our congratulations also go to Jamie –Lea Winch for winning the gold medal in the triples at the Commonwealth games and Helen Lewis-Wall for Managing the Disability Bowls team.

The Selection Committee have done a great job in trying to get all the players who required a County game and wild cards into a County match with the reduced amount of matches available.

We again had falling numbers entering the County competitions. Not a surprise really in the circumstances. Please encourage your members to enter this year and you should have all received the forms to enter.

Yet again I have to report that we have not got a President, senior vice president or a junior vice president for next year and would welcome anyone who is interested to speak to one of the Officers. If no one comes forward we have therefore decided to ask the Past County Presidents to again divide the games up and each officiate at some of the games.

As always if anyone else can think of anything else I should be doing please tell me.

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