Match reports 2021

West End v Mayford Hall Home 9 June Lost 44 - 47

The West End v Mayford Hall fixture had to be reduced to three Triples due to a lack of West End players. The match was played at West End with two of the three home triples winning by 1 shot each, whilst the remaining home triple lost by 5 shots. Everyone stayed for post-match drinks and said how they were looking forward to the return fixture on the 5 September.

West End v Burpham Home 31 May Won 74 - 47

We had a very pleasant afternoon in the sun yesterday with our annual Spring Bank Holiday home game against Burpham.

All our rinks played well with three winning and one narrow loss. Our top rink was Tina Barefield, Jan Bonny and John Phillips with an excellent 25-7 win.

West End v Ottershaw Home 22 May Won 75 – 54

This was a thoroughly enjoyable match with much banter evident across all rinks.

The match was made up of four Triples with two very closely contested games with Bernard Shambrook, Jenny Putley and Brian Barefield winning 18 - 16 and Linda Maryan, Bob Cole and Colleen Shambrook being edged out at the very end of the game losing 14 - 16.

There were two good wins with Marilyn Humphreys, Ivor Powell and Gordon Putley winning 22 – 10 and Tina Barefield, Roger Dixon and Graham Baker winning 21 – 12.

The real winner on the day was the weather as following many anxious looks out of the window during the morning and a light shower as we were about to start the game we all managed to stay largely dry.

Well done to all for a good team performance.

West End v Woking Park Away 19 May Won 68 - 54

The rain thankfully stopped and we had a pleasant, sunny evening at Woking Park. The fixture was reduced to 4 Triples, with West End winning on every Rink. Two Rinks produced a +5 shot result so a special mention for Brian B, Ivor and Simon, together with Angela, Colleen and John. Well done to everyone on a great result.

West End v Windsor Great Park Away 12 May Won 68 - 36

For several of our team members this was their first opportunity to play at this idyllic location in the Queens Garden.

Before we actually started the game the landing of a magnificent Red Kite, which had been circling the green for some time possibly looking for its supper, in the middle of rink 4 was a interesting prelude to a most enjoyable evening playing against the good company of the Windsor Great Park team.

The Green bowled very well at a good pace and nobody had a problem reaching any length jack.

Our team on rink 2, Bernard Shambrook, Peter Gale and Kevin Woodley had very tight game and with the game on 16-16 after 17 ends and holding 2 for a win, Windsor just pinched the final end with one shot to give a final score of 16 - 17 to Windsor

The game on rink 4 with Vic Patterson, Ken Dacombe and Trevor Lofty was also tight until the 14th end when a trail of the jack gave us 6 shots and proved the point of making sure you have bowls at the back, the match finished with a win for West End 21-13

A strong performance by Ivor Powell, Simon Booth and Graham Baker on rink 6 gave West End a comfortable win of 26 - 6. It was good to see Ivor and Simon, two of our newer bowls, performing well as a team with decisive direction from Graham.

West End v Chertsey Home 1 May Lost 52 - 80

This was our second friendly game of the 2021 season played under all the difficulties of Bowls England Covid guide lines. I am pleased to say that in spite of some little confusions at beginning all went well.

Chertsey brought a strong squad and, considering that for some of our team members this was their first real game since September 2019, it was not perhaps unexpected that Chertsey were able to come away with a win. Of particular note for West End was a solid performance by Bernard Shambrook, Jenny Putley and Gordon Putley winning their game 17-8.

Many thanks to all our team members for their efforts.

West End v Windlesham Home 25 April Won 84 - 60

The first 'Friendly' match of 2021 was bowled in bright sunshine at home against local rivals Windlesham. COVID regulations meant that the match was restricted to four Triples with full sanitisation procedures in place. The result was a win for West End by 24 shots, winning two rinks by a wide margin, a draw on one rink and a loss on the remaining rink. The Bar was open all afternoon and everyone stayed after the game for drinks and a social chat. The Windlesham players made a point of complimenting the Club on its practical approach to bowling during COVID and on having an enjoyable afternoon. One point to note is that due to sanitisation procedures it is recommended that there are four Green Stewards in future matches.