

Special Feature

New Blood for The Wychwood Bowls Club

After over 80 years the Wychwood Bowls Club is successfully attracting new blood to an old sport, what about you? At this point people usually respond by saying: "I am

not old enough to play bowls!" Nothing could be further from the truth, as teenagers as well as parents and grandparents can participate and they all have an equal chance of winning. Age is not a barrier.

Such is the pace of life that it is little wonder families find it difficult to enjoy time *together* - bowls breaks down these barriers. It is an activity that can be played competitively or simply for enjoyment either as an individual or as a team member. It can also be played all the year round either indoors or outdoors. It is also worth noting that membership to the Wychwood club is *free*.



Bowls is not too physically demanding yet at the same time it helps to develop and maintain fitness. It also has the added advantage of enabling participants to see a range of

delightful Cotswold villages and towns and make new friends. Whenever you are near the Shaven Crown, drop in and see our bowls green as it is in an idyllic and peaceful setting.

So come on, give bowls a try. Just contact Rob Morgan on: 01993 831958 or Mike Taylor on: 01993 830065 for further information. Do not worry if you have not played before as we will train you and all that you require are trainers or similar footwear. Finally, a word of warning - once you start playing bowls you may not want to stop!

Michael Taylor

In Memory of John MacVicker

On Wednesday 31st July, starting at 6.30pm, a band of bell ringers from the surrounding area rang a quarter peel (1260 changes), on the bells of St Mary's Church Sipton, in memory of John MacVicker. John was a former Tower Captain at Sipton and was known for many years by all the ringers taking part in the quarter peel, some of whom had

been taught the basics of church bell-ringing by John

John will be much missed in the surrounding towers where he could always be relied upon to ring for weddings and special occasions.

Mike Brooks
current Tower Captain.