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This season has been most enjoyable – although the ladies didn't win so many County titles this year, it was great to see how well we did with a lot of new faces included in our teams

We won the County double rink with half the team having never played in it before and they all did us proud.

Rachel won the County two woods and also qualified for Leamington in the senior singles and National champion of champions

And Alison, Jo H, Margaret and myself were very happy to win the County senior fours and reach the National final where we were runners up to Surrey - A great experience.

John Boon flew the flag for Polegrove in the men's County competitions by winning the Champion of Champions title and was awarded his County badge – well done John

Sue Cooper, Alison Watt and Jo Hearsom were all also awarded their ladies Sussex county badges

It was encouraging to see some different players playing County competitions and I hope there will be even more Polegrove entries next year, men and ladies

The ladies once again won the local league comfortably - It would be great to see more men putting their names down for the league, we need you! It's disappointing to lose points because we are unable to field a full team

The Bexhill open went well with Polegrove supporting the event with lots of entries and of course our mammoth stint in the kitchen. Margaret and I appreciated the help that was given to us during the week, we could always do with more help! - it's a profitable week and really helps to boost the club funds – well done to Rachel who once again won the singles and the pairs this year

We held our open triples competition in May which was well supported and enjoyed by those who took part - we will be holding it again next May

Peter Copper, Julian and Rosamund Wood won the Sidley open triples competition in June

And we also had the honour of hosting a men's county match which is another way to boost our funds

Our club competitions continue to be well supported and it's good to see the newer bowlers taking part. Please continue to support the competitions although next year

we will have to increase the entry fees slightly to £2 to cover the costs of engraving and salvers at the end of the season

I was involved with quite a few club afternoons – it was great to see how well supported the afternoons were and also the Tuesday and Thursday afternoon sessions that always welcome new members

Our fund raising committee continue to raise funds by holding monthly quizzes and Bingo evenings - we owe them a big thank you – come along and support them, they are great fun - I'm sure you'll enjoy it

Thanks to all those who help the club in various ways, all the committee who give up their time and work hard all season – and those who help with maintenance, gardening, cleaning, the website, coaching, marking competitions and to Peter who umpires for us when he can. And also a big thanks to Ray who does so much to help me, on the computer, liaising with the green keepers and behind the bar.

Let's hope for a successful season next year