

**Liz Illger:** Joan and I worked out how many steps it takes to play a county match (3000-3500) so I try to do this every day, usually I am doing more like 4 - 5k, once I topped 6000. Joan has been busy painting her fencing, doing lots of bending. I have also had a disaster, but luckily no one was hurt, next door's caravan went up in flames, got under the eaves in my double garage, the firemen managed to get the cars out, but the roof felting had melted on them, rafters badly burnt and all stored boxes etc fell down. Luckily it was not near my house, the insurance companies are on the case now, my car has been written off, the contents have been assessed, on Monday they come to assess the building, the other car has separate insurance cover has been taken away for storage. The fire was at lunchtime so no one was hurt.

#### **Roy & Sue Mills:**

Here's one of Sue practicing at home.

(mmm... Better watch out when we get back to bowling!)



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## **And Finally...**

"In life, winning and losing will both happen.  
What is never acceptable is quitting."

-- Magic Johnson



# **Just Roll Up**

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## **COVID-19 Extra**

As we're likely to be in lockdown for the foreseeable future our Newsletter will be published more often so that we may all keep in touch. Please keep me updated with anything of interest to our members - i.e. **YOU**. So welcome to this first 'extra' edition.

## **Sunderland Tour**

George Teasdale has spoken to me to say that, with regret, he will be unable to continue organising the Sunderland Tour in future. He had already decided that this would be his last year arranging it before the Corona virus restrictions brought an untimely halt to this year's trip.

I am sure that everyone who has been to Sunderland will agree that George has done a superb job of organising the annual event. He took over from Joan Mather a few years ago but I had not realised that he had also done it for some years in the past.

Of course, this means that the Club is looking for a volunteer to take over the job. I am certain there must be someone who can do it. George has compiled a file of all the contacts and all that needs to be done etc and is willing to act as a sounding board for his successor. Anyone who is interested is welcome to contact George on 01777 707565 to find out more.

Well done, George. Your hard work and cheerful efforts are much appreciated - and you do speak the language, after all.

**Val Brodie**

## Chris Bromley

Chris joined our club in 1970 and is our longest serving member. To celebrate his "Golden Jubilee" Chris had planned a number of events at the club during the season. The first of these was to have been today, Saturday 25th April. The plan was that after the afternoon's match Chris would provide a buffet for members to enjoy. However, as we all know, such celebrations cannot now take place. However, to mark the date Glen has produced hamper containing a mini-buffet and given it to Chris as a token of appreciation.



Let's hope that the current restrictions are lifted before the end of the season allowing Chris the opportunity to put his plans, at least in part, into action. In the meantime best wishes to Chris and congratulations on reaching this milestone.

## What are you doing?

Here are some replies to my recent request to share what you've been up to lately.

**Margaret Walker:** Doing fence painting to keep busy.

**Liz & Dave Brammer:** Well we were a bit fed up as we should have been in Malta this week so we thought what would we be doing there? Sitting in the sun having a Gin and Tonic why not?



**Pete & Marion Betts:** Is it time for boules or walkies?

(don't understand this one as they don't have a dog!)



**Kath & Charlie Fletcher:** Not skittles but boules and croquet, lots of long walks in the fields. Garden up to date, cupboards sorted. Betty and Tom Pritchard send regards to those who know them, Betty managing short walks.

**Jim Dukes:** I have found one thing that's keeping me occupied and that's building a balsawood flying model of a WW1 biplane for Charlie, construction is going well but after a break of over fifty years from building my last one I have found my fingers are not as nimble as they once were but I do have more patience than I had back then.



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