

## It was a long wait

In February Roger and Jackie Gunton, new to Retford, came along and joined the club. Roger signed up as a bowler and Jackie as an associate with a view to coming to our coaching sessions in May. Both paid up for the new season but then along came lockdown!



Roger had previously played that other kind of bowls in his teenage years but had never played "proper" bowls. So finally he got to try his hand at our version of the game four months later! I'm sure we all welcome our newest members and look forward to meeting them as things open up in the future.

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## And Finally...



# Just Roll Up

Newsletter for Retford Bowling Green  
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## We're (even more) Open!

The green has now been open for nearly a month. In the first two weeks there were in excess of 40 bowling members who have enjoyed the opportunity to play. That represents something like 46% of the 91 members who have renewed, which is very encouraging.

From 24 June we can now bowl in pairs and spectators can also come, provided they are booked in. (This is to limit numbers and know who is present for tracking). As ever our prime concern is our members - their ability to come and enjoy the game balanced with health and safety. So any relaxation of lockdown rules will come slowly and carefully. Please be patient!

## That Mystery Plant



Thanks to Sylvia Boon and Shirley Pickersgill for identifying it as the Mole Plant or Caper Spurge, *Euphorbia Lathyris*. The *Euphorbia* genus includes common garden varieties and weeds but also cactus like varieties and the well known Poinsettia and Crown of Thorns plants.

## Member Updates

**Helen Worth:** A very big thank you to everyone who has donated bedding and buttons. This week I will be sending in 5 sets of scrubs, 6 washbags, 20 masks and 175 mask extenders all made from your donations. Spot your buttons and bedding in the picture. Thank you to Kath Fletcher who brought her sheet made into 4 washbags ready to go, I know Shirley is beavering away at home with some masks and Val Sly with Christine Parker's help has made the mask extenders. Thank you all.



Helen (01777 709933)

**Norma Taylor** is knitting for premature babies and "babies born asleep" for neo-natal units in Sheffield, Nottingham, Doncaster and, of course, Bassetlaw. She is knitting blankets, bonnets, cannula mittens and baby/mummy huggies. These latter are small knitted squares for when baby is in an incubator and cannot be hugged by mum. Mum hugs the "huggie" which is then placed by the baby so that it gets to know the scent of it's mother.

Once again we have an appeal, this time for suitable oddments of wool. Norma can be contacted on 01777862576.



## Lock-down Hair

Here are a couple "before and afters"



Marion Betts



Norma Taylor



Val Sly's Covid hairnotcut



Who lives behind haircut like this?