

FRESSINGFIELD BOWLS CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE FRESSINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

My name is Richard Mattinson and I am the Secretary of the Bowls Club and have been with the club for twenty years. I am sorry but I am giving a very small report on what has happened with the bowls club over the last year as with the majority of the country due to the Covid-19 pandemic and has meant that the country games have been in lockdown which has affected our club in the use of our green and any matches.

Back to March 2020 and we learnt from the government that we were to isolate and by the middle to end of march we were informed by Suffolk County Bowls ass, that all games for 2020 were being cancelled and all that it implies. For us it meant no membership or games money coming in and that included our own funding Tournament which is normally held at the beginning of June. Lucky for us we have over the years built up a healthy working account created and thanks to all the funding our club has done.

Thanks must go to 4 or 5 of our members who have been looking after the green through out the last 12 months and the green is in good condition and of Couse, we have been able to purchase moss killer and fertiliser to treat the green.

We are hoping to be able to open our green this year on May 18th and have our open day on 22nd May for any new people to come along and have a go at bowling.

Our membership at the moment is 26 however we will lose 3 or 4 due to age and moving away. We do have the name and details of 5 to 6 new people who would like to come and try bowls, so fingers crossed we could be staying the same or even being better of with our numbers. Things are looking very positive for us providing there is no hick-ups with the government's roadmap.

Here ends the report.