## **Kensington Gardens Bowls Club's Report For 2023**

Thanks to Lowestoft Town Council allowing free use of the greens at Kensington Gardens, the club was able to attract 43 people to our "You're Better Bowling" scheme, which introduces participants to lawn bowls in all it's various forms. With the LTC's contunuing support, we will continue this scheme in 2023, & hopefully beyond.

The club was also able to attract bowlers to our free casual club games, held on Wednesday evenings & Sunday mornings. These also will continue during 2023.

Thanks to a generous donation of £2,000, the club will be able to offer the younger people of Lowestoft the chance to play lawn bowls free of charge. I am in the progress of buying bowls of a size suitable for this age group, & will be running our "You're Better Bowling Younger" scheme for families on Saturday afternoon. The aim is to attract those aged 16 & below.

Due to the First Light Festival being held on the green it is in a very poor state, so I have had to put the idea of holding a County Bowls Final on the green at Kensington Gardens on hold. By agreement this year the festival will be held on the west green, so I hope with some loving care the east green will improve to allow me to progress with this idea. I also hope the idea of a bowls festival to rival that held in Great Yarmouth will be possible as the green is improved.

The club is grateful to LTC for the provision of such a wonderful place to play bowls, Kensington Gardens.