

Annual Parish Meeting - Report from Diptford Short Mat Bowls Club for 2024

The last few years have been most difficult due to the problems associated with Covid - 19, mainly. In order to protect the players, the stringent advice and regulations from English Short Mat Bowls Association have been followed precisely, even to closing the club on several occasions. The number of active members has reduced, and the fixtures played has certainly reduced.

However, the Club has managed to get through the difficulties still playing in the South Hams League, Knock Out and Tens, as well as members taking part in the County Competitions now mover to The Manor House Hotel at Okehampton, where members played very well to keep the name of Diptford in the County News.

Having been knocked out early from The South Hams Tens and Knock Out competitions the club battled on to complete the League. This was more than difficult as so many members were unable to take part fully due to ill health and other difficulties. Those who participated achieved tremendous individual and team success, eventually finishing fourth, out of the seven teams in the division 2 of the league.

The Club has been able to recruit some individual new members, but still has room for more to join.

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