

## Dr Corvid agony uncle. Bowls problems solved

Dr Corvid will answer your bowls problems on this page but will not enter into any correspondence. All advice is taken at your own risk. Please forward your problems to the editor. We will of course change names and places to avoid any chance of recognition.

This enquiry was forwarded to the editor last week.

Dear Dr Corvid,

I am concerned about my partner who is a keen bowler. Most of the time he is very analytical about what he is doing, weighing up the pros and cons of his next action. Everything has its place and is usually listed on a spreadsheet somewhere. In total contradiction, he is also forgetful. He is always popping back for his measure or his cloth and more than once for his shoes. I have, however noticed that he never forgets his wallet, quite often when he returns from bowls it is fuller than when he left! Now every time he gets home from a bowling event, I must help him go through his bag to make sure he has returned with everything. As much as he is "Treasured" by me and most of his county mates it is a bit wearing, when I have to send him all the way back to Oxford to collect his shoes- and I don't mean his Brogues, I mean his bowling shoes. Dr Corvid should I be worried.

Dr Corvid Replies,

The problem with bowls is that for some people it is such an addictive game, once they start playing all other thoughts leave their brain and they concentrate on the game in hand. This usually goes alongside a competitive streak where all the odds are assessed before each bowl is played. The required concentration coupled with remembering who owes what and is my wallet safe? make all thoughts of personal possessions become secondary. The medical term for this condition is called 'Losing One's Marbles'. In some cases, to compensate, it does result in the patient repeatedly acquiring more marbles (or in this case bowls) until they have enough to cover all previous losses.

Another problem will be answered in the next edition.

1. Half of us are going to come out of this quarantine as amazing cooks. The other half with a drinking problem
2. I used to spin that toilet paper like I was on Wheel of Fortune, now I turn it like I'm cracking a safe
3. I need to practise social distancing with the refrigerator
4. Every few days, try your jeans on just to make sure they still fit. Pajamas will have you believe all is well in the kingdom.
5. I don't think anyone expected when we changed the clocks, we'd go from Standard Time to the Twilight Zone
6. This morning, I saw my neighbour talking to her cat again. It was obvious she thought her cat understood her. When I got back into the house, I told my dog and we both laughed.
7. My body has absorbed so much soap and disinfectant lately that when I pee, it cleans the toilet.
8. I'm so excited it's time to take out the garbage. What should I wear?
9. I hope the weather is good tomorrow for my trip to "Puerto Backyarda" cos I'm getting real tired of "Los Livingroom"
10. Classified ad:  
Single man with toilet paper seeks woman with hand sanitizer for good clean fun

I don't think the therapist is supposed to say "wow," that many times in your first session but here we are.

I can highly recommend some of the National theatre live productions on youtube . I think you can still see One man and Two governors with James Corden . Also Bosch on Amazon prime . Lyn

My doctor said now that I'm older I need to install a bar in the shower

