

What discipline do you prefer to play & why.?

This depends on what I am playing in. My favourite position is lead in County as you always know you have good players coming after you. I feel I can put teams under pressure from the front. However as at Northiam this season we lost our established skips, so I took on that mantle & enjoyed it.

Where is the best place you have played ? What made it so good ? Where do you like to play in Hertfordshire & why ?

The best place has been Daventry. For the very fair mats & facilities.

But for mats alone Guildford have fast mats which seem to suit my game. I have a few in Hertfordshire. Northiam mats are very fair. I love the mats at Ware.. Because they are very fast .

If a new player comes to your club , what 3 tips would you like to teach them ?

Try to find the correct grip that suits you. Try not to grip tight. Keep your arm "fluid" to attain the follow through.



Ahead of next season (when we finally get there!) What are your goals ?

It is the same as Ken, to win the County singles, but I know it is not being played to go forward to National entry this season. Finish off last seasons League with a title.

But overall to be as lucky as last season in having such good team members . I should be saying.

"just to get back to play "

What improvements would you like to see made in the way Hertfordshire develops, organises & manages its players and teams, which you would lead to our County side be more competitive ?

I have been told by lots of established team members that the County has done better in the past couple of years than in the past. So I think it would be nice to progress with what we already have in place. I have watched players games flourish within the County squad. I am not saying do not be ambitious. To that end Roy Duke has had some advertising literature printed to try to draw in some new clubs. I have been lucky to be in the County Squad for the past two years. I can only speak from my own experience. My typical County Match Day starts with Ken telling us what he expects of us & encouraging us too.. Alan Hare then does a great job of "rallying the troops" with his pre match talk. Brian Fowler is always available to talk game tactics. Then if you are lucky, like me to be in Brian McGiverns triples team, we have a 15 minute team talk before our games. This is particularly useful when we have a newer player with us, I can confirm what is wanted from Brian's instructions. And this season we had a welcome addition to the team with Paul keeping scores & statistics. Not to mention keeping his beady eye on us.. The enthusiasm within the county was very noticeable when we travelled to Bristol to play Cornwall.

Have you played that perfect game yet or are you still waiting for it ? Still waiting. Doubt there is a perfect game, but we can all try to attain as near as possible. If you had to pick and choose a famous person to start playing bowls, who would you like to see and why ? I really have no opinion on this one..

Thank you Jeff

BBC News....

Next weeks leaked COVID guidance. You cant meet with another person from outside your family with an A or an R in their name unless it's a Wednesday. family members are ok unless its the third Monday after pancake Tuesday. people under 5 foot 11 aren't allowed to go to a pub unless they have brown hair. cat owners are exempt from the above unless the cat is ginger. obviously.

