

And you are?

Jeanette Gayler

Are you into any other sport?

No

How long have you played Bowls?

30 years ago attended a Girlguiding event for leaders, which was called a dabble day and bowls was one of the 3 things to try.

What does the sport give you? Can you explain what the sports gives you and many others?

Fun, friendship and exercise. Great way of meeting people taking part in a sport where everyone is friendly as well as competitive.

What is the one piece of advise you would give anyone looking to step in the game?

Concentration

If you look back what are you most proud of?

Being Captain etc of the county to win the Consolation plate in the ICC competition in 2006. Entering the trials for the England ladies team and being selected for the inaugural matches both here and in Northern Ireland 2011/12

What would you say is the most frustrating part of short mat bowls?

Not always being able to play a perfect shot

Name three characteristics that you think a good player should have?

Patience, concentration and wanting to win

What discipline do you prefer to play and why?

I have always enjoyed pairs as you need all skills to draw and to fire and all shots in between. But I enjoy playing all disciplines, in any position.

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

Melton Mobrai, space for viewing, good food and warm welcome. I enjoy Elm Court with the space at the ends of the mats, with tea and coffee as and when you want it.

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

Listen to advice, ask questions but mostly have fun

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

To still play for county and help us win an ICC trophy and get place/s at the Nationals.

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

County squad days at Elm Court so everyone is familiar with the mats, also on these days to play different disciplines and mix and match players to see how they perform, also ask players preferences regarding positions and the mat they have.

Have you played that perfect game yet or are you still waiting for it?

Winning the County singles was close to being perfect, but always room for getting better!!

Thank you Jeanette and Jeff. We will ask more players to give their answers in the next newsletter

