

### **Bill Hatto – Under 25's Home County Match Report.**

The first 2023 Bill Hatto group game for the Hampshire Under 25's was played at Gerrards Cross against Buckinghamshire. This was a good start to the campaign winning 63 shots to 51 and gaining 8 points out of 10.

The final group game was hosted by Banister Park against Oxon. Again, the team pushed through a win of 77 shots to 51, winning 8 points out of ten.

The final of the 2023 Bill Hatto Under 25's trophy was against Sussex on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September hosted by Alton Social Bowls Club. The club provided us with a good green, food and drink throughout the day and parasols to shade under from the hot sun.

There was very little in the scores throughout the match with Sussex making a late rally when it looked as if we were going to have a comfortable win. This made for an exciting atmosphere, which had both Counties having plenty of support from 'vocal' parents and supporters. Hampshire came out triumphant with the final score being 62 shots to 59.

I would like to thank Allan Leppard and all of the parents and families who have continually supported the team throughout the season and wish my successor all the best for future campaigns.

The future looks bright for Bowls Hampshire.

Paul May, Under 25 Hampshire Manager