

St. Albans & District Bowling Association

President's Invitation Match Report

Sunday 22nd January 2023 Hatfield Bowls Club

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The President's Invitation Shield Match was played between the President's team and the winners of the Bob Vise (Welwyn & District), the winners of the Jones Cup (Welwyn Garden City), the Triples League (Hemel Hempstead) and the Club Rink League (Harpenden) 2022 Competitions.

Despite the very cold conditions outside the competition inside was very competitive but very sporting and friendly.

The Top rink for the President's side was: Ivan Coleman, Nigel Dickenson, Peter Stokes and Alan Harman who each received their top rink prizes from President Terry Atkinson. He was presiding over his last match as President before handing over at the AGM on Wednesday 25th January.

The contest for the winning competing club ended up as a tussle between two Clubs: Hemel Hempstead who ended up with plus 7 shots and the overall winners Welwyn & District with plus 10 shots.

The President awarded the Welwyn & District team (Martin Reeve, Peter Bowyer, Len Tye and Paddy Jones) with the President's Invitation Shield, a memento for the Club to keep, and each player also received one of his top rink prizes.

We look forward to the winners of our four Club Competitions in 2023 playing for the President's Invitation Shield at Hatfield IBC again in 2024.

Michael J Woodhams
SADB Secretary and League Secretary

