

HELMSLEY BOWLING CLUB COMPETITION AND TROPHY HISTORY.

THE MILL SCUTT CUP This solid silver cup was presented by Mr Alfred Agar who lived in the bungalow at Mill Scutt, hence the name, in 1956 it was the first ever trophy played for by members of Helmsley Bowling Club. It is played for in a handicap competition.

THE FRANK KAY MEMORIAL TROPHY This trophy was presented in 1971 by the family of a member, Frank Kay, who died whilst quite young. It is played for as a 21 end competition and is open to any member of the club.

THE PAIRS COMPETITION CUP This cup was presented by a member who lived in Harome and was first played for in 1975. The cup became unusable and Mr Ron Czernick who then played at Helmsley replaced it by the present cup in 2000. It is also known as "The Candlelight Cup" as it was originally played for as a 21 end competition for pairs and quite often it was quite dark before the competition ended. To ensure a finish in daylight the ends have been reduced to 18 and it is now played with names of skips and others drawn out of two hats.

THE GENTS CHAMPIONSHIP – ALSO KNOWN AS "THE FARMERS CUP" This cup was presented by John Leckenby and Geoff Russell. It is played for as a singles competition to first to 21 shots. The winner qualifies to play against the champion of other clubs the following year and if successful go on to play at the Men's National Championships at Leamington Spa.

THE GARY FORD/PAUL DEAVES MEMORIAL TROPHY – THE NON-WINNERS CUP Gary and Paul were two local lads killed in a car crash, and the trophy was presented by Paul's father who was a keen football fan but who liked watching bowls games over the gate. It was first played for in 1993 by players who have not won a singles trophy at Helmsley Bowling Club.

THE LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP This trophy was presented by Pat and Mick Wilson in 1987. Pat was a prominent member of the club until they moved to York. Mick did a lot of work for the club and one of the flower tubs is dedicated to his memory. The winner of this competition qualifies to play against champions of other clubs the following year and if successful go on to play at the Womens National Championships at Leamington Spa.

THE GEORGE OTTERBURN MEMORIAL TRIPLES TROPHY This trophy was presented by the family of George Otterburn in 2000 and is a competition for players of veterans age. George was a prominent member of the club who played in all the leagues but who enjoyed the Veterans league as he grew older.

THE GEORGE GIBBS CUP This cup was presented by George Gibbs in 2010 and is played for as a two wood singles competition.