### PRESS RELEASE

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# Fareham Bowling Club hands over £1260.68

to Greyhound Trust Portsmouth

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Bowls Club

Fareham

Brian Shakespeare, club president for 2025 handed over cash raised by members for his chosen charity The <u>Greyhound Trust Portsmouth</u>

The charity has been going for more than 50 years run by family members now in its fourth generation. It strives to take care of and re-home retired Greyhounds.

Chris Redpath, the grandson of the original founder of the charity Greyhound Trust



Portsmouth and his daughter Katie were there to oversee the count, which totalled £1260.68.

Chris commented; "This is an unbelievable amount of money raised by members of Fareham Bowling Club, without whom we would not be able to continue to re-home these beautiful animals. We thank you all very much for your support and commitment.

Chris continued; "With rising costs of keeping these dogs until finding their forever homes, every penny counts."

Brian's choice of charity is very close to his heart as he and his wife Gina adopted 'Fletch' a retired Greyhound at just three years old in 2022.

Brian said; "We are delighted to be able to help support such a worthy cause, Fletch is a very much loved member of our family and is thoroughly enjoying his retirement!"

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As part of Brian's closing duties he led a minute silence to remember those past members no longer with us who are greatly missed. Club members joined together for its 'Memorial Trophy' game to conclude the end of a very successful season.



Trophy Winner Paschal Powell with Brian Shakespeare President and runner-up Lorna Jackson.

#### Season Successes

Won back the Rowlands Cup this year in the Portsmouth and District Bowling Association.

Gosport and Fareham (G & F)

Matchmakers cup winners, first and second place in G & F Division 1 and many more successes across the area.

Plus P & D mixed triples winners Keith Young Mandy Young and Cyril Friend.



All the results can be found at <a href="https://www.farehambowls.club.co.uk">www.farehambowls.club.co.uk</a> along with details about the club and its membership.

All in all a great outdoor season with plenty to strive for next year, to hold on to the titles earned.

#### **Ends**

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**Photograph 1 caption**: (left to right) Katie Redpath, Brian Shakespeare Fareham Bowling Club President and Chris Redpath, Greyhound Trust Portsmouth with Brian's retired greyhound pet 'Fletch'.

**Photograph 2 caption**: Winner of the Memorial Trophy Paschal Powell with Brian Shakespeare (President) and Lorna Jackson

**Photograph 3 caption**: Fareham Bowling Club Men's Team winning the Rowlands Cup August 2025

**Photograph 4 caption:** (left to right) Portsmouth and District Mixed Triples Winners Keith Young, P & D Vice President Les Davis, Mandy Young and Cyril Friend