

“Well I never knew that”

Next up is Chris Brown. My thanks to him.

How long have you been playing bowls?

I have been playing since 1978.

Your favourite piece of music?

“You’ll Never Walk Alone” by Gerry Marsden.

What did you do in your working life?

On leaving school, I joined the Prison Department of the Home Office and worked there from 1971 to 1994. I then moved to become a police constable with Hampshire Police with my first posting in Aldershot. I rose through the ranks to Detective Chief Inspector with my final posting as head of the Drugs and Crime Unit in Havant. During my police service I had been posted to the Island. After the police I worked for a firm of solicitors in a variety of roles. I used my fraud squad experience in examining companies that had gone into liquidation and I worked for several regulatory bodies investigating complaints against among others doctors, nurses and teachers. Before I finally retired I did some school exam invigilating on the Island.

Which living person do you most admire?

Jurgen Klopp the manager of Liverpool Football Club who I have supported since 1965 when I saw them for the first time when they played Arsenal at Highbury.

Favourite meal?

A Sunday roast with all the trimmings.

Favourite holiday destination?

I remember fondly joining a Round the World Cruise at Singapore for a memorable six week trip to Acapulco.

Favourite book?

I have always had an enthusiasm for geography so an Atlas of the World would be ideal for me.

Proudest moment?

During my time in the police I received a Chief Constable's Commendation for disarming an armed man in Aldershot.

Favourite place to play bowls other than Bembridge?

Although I can't remember the precise details, I did play in a representative game at Worthing on the green where National Championships were played.

Favourite Film?

"Titanic".