

**“Well I never knew that .....**”

Lorraine Whelan is the next in line. My thanks to her.

*How long have you been playing bowls?*

About 12 years

*Your favourite piece of music?*

Songs from the 60s and I also like opera with Madame Butterfly being my favourite

*What did you do in your working life?*

I trained as a nurse and then as a midwife. I worked in the community as a District Nurse and also tutored District Nurses before doing a Teachers Training Course. I then lectured in Community Health at Southampton University where I continued to work until retirement. It was there also that I obtained a Masters Degree in Community Health and Social Policy.

*Which living person do you most admire?*

I heard a talk by Simon Weston and found it a most inspiring experience. He suffered 46% burns when the ship he was on was bombed and set on fire in the Falklands conflict. He is known for his charity and campaigning work which he undertakes without a hint of self pity.

*Favourite meal?*

Roast beef, all the trimmings with a good bottle of wine

*Favourite holiday destination?*

The Rhine and Mosel valleys and Black Forest area of Germany

*Favourite book?*

Anything by Dan Brown. I like the mixture of factual research and story telling.

*Proudest moment?*

Each year as Vince and I celebrate our wedding anniversary. We are in our 57th year of marriage at present. I was also very proud when I qualified as a nurse

*Favourite place to play bowls other than Bembridge?*

Leamington. It was a wonderful experience and one I would love to repeat

*Favourite film?*

The Quiet Man, a 1952 film starring John Wayne and set in Ireland