NEWSLETTER

CITY AND COUNTY OF BRISTOL INDOOR BOWLING CLUB



FROM THE LEAGUE MANAGER

Steve Neal

With the Indoor Leagues now started, I now have my fingers crossed, hoping I do not get a phone call saying a schedule is wrong or a team is withdrawing.

The New Friday Triples 2 pm. I still only have one entry, it looks like we will not be able to start a Triples League at this time and Sunday Eve League Australian Pairs, we only have two confirmed, so we require more entries to keep the League going.

The Box Ladder Leagues will start beginning of October to allow new members a chance to join them, so please get your team registration forms to Angela ASAP.

Please can you let me have your Team Registration form for 2018-19 if you have not already done so. Have a good Indoor season

Box Ladder leagues

Leagues normally run for approx. five to six weeks depending on number of teams. The league is reset after each box to enable new teams to join.

This type of league is good for new members to get experience in playing League. If we have enough teams, leagues are split into two boxes with promotion and relegation after each box.

Mon Aft Open Australian Pairs 4pm Box Ladder 6 teams confirmed Box Ladder 14 players confirmed Wed Aft Open Singles 4pm Sun Eve Öpen Australian Pairs Box Ladder 2 teams confirmed 6pm

New: Friday Open Triples League @ 2 pm We are planning to start a new Open Triples League in the winter, which will start beginning of October if we can get enough teams. With the 2.pm session being very popular during the week, this is a good opportunity for new or existing members to enter a team.

If you are looking for players to make up a team, I have a couple of ladies interested.

Please complete a registration form and enter on the sheet, which will be placed on the friendly match notice board. The form can be obtained from Reception or Angela or myself.

If you need help with how to set up a league team and playing schedule for your team members, please contact one of the above.

Looking to join a League Team Winter 2018/19?

Please email me giving details of the day and time you would like to play and I will circulate to team secretaries and try to place you in a team. There is also a file on reception where you can enter your contact details or see if a team is looking for players.

Friday Afternoon 4pm & Evening 7pm Open Fours

A couple of teams in these Leagues are urgently looking for one or two players.

Email: <u>leaguemanager@bristolibc.co.uk</u>. Mobile 07974107729

Postponed Game- Six week Rule (Rules 59-72)

A postponed game must be arranged and played within six weeks of the postponed match scheduled date. It is the postponing team's responsibility to offer dates, but if no dates are offered after two weeks, then the opposing team can offer dates, one of these must be accepted to avoid penalties being imposed. Teams are liable for rink fees if not played.

The new roll-up / coaching session between 6 - 7pm is proving successful, with several potential new and rejoining members taking advantage of the opportunity to call in on the way home from work to hone their bowling skills.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE FOR 2018 - 2019

Don't forget there is a discount for payment by 30th September, and remember to include payment for your locker if you have one.



CAPTAIN'S CORNER

CAPTAINS DAY

Cedric Gunson

Sunday October 14th 2018 @ 2pm.

Registration from 1pm.

Dress theme :- All **blue** with **red** trimming.

£5 entry fee, including tea/coffee.

Usual team scoring (2 pts win, 1 point draw), plus individual 'football' scoring (4 pts nearest jack, then 3 pts, 2 pts and 1 pt.)

Teams to play 20 ends, winning teams moving up one rink after a set of five ends.

Our away match @ Malvern on Sunday October 21st will be a coach trip leaving our Club @ 10.30am. We will not be stopping on the way for a comfort stop, nor will there be any snack available @ Malvern Club on our arrival, so team members can take a snack with them to consume on the premises.

As a result it's possible that the take off time will be put back to 11.30am. Please watch the Notice Board.

I will be completing selection for our first two matches over the weekend October $13^{th}/14^{th}$.

Entry Forms for Gala Day on Saturday February 23rd 2019 are available @ Reception.

Please note that we NOW ALSO have an away Coach trip to Cynon Valley on Saturday March 23rd 2019.

LADIES' FRIENDLIES

Lorraine Paget

First away match is against Cotswold IBC on Tuesday 6th November. Coach travel has been arranged. The cost will be £10.

Details of other friendly matches are on the notice board (now located outside the Ladies' locker room).

New players are always welcome - just put your name down and turn up.

200 CLUB

The 200 Club is a monthly draw with three cash prizes each month, for just £12 per annum (£1 / month).

Subscribe with your membership renewal or see Angela to join and boost club funds.

= Good Luck =

IT'S BACK!

7pm for 'Eyes Down' at 7.30



First session on Friday 19th October 2018

Then on the first Friday every month

Raising funds for our Junior section

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The new season has now started and it is very pleasing to see the members returning after their outdoor season. Maybe the word "after" is a little premature as many bowlers are still combining outdoor and indoor bowling until the outdoor season finishes. It is also very pleasing to see the new members at the club and we wish all of you a particularly warm welcome and hope that you are able to quickly settle down in the club.

At this time of year it can be confusing to members as there is so much information on the various notice boards and tv screens that we maybe guilty of information overload. It is difficult to get the right balance as without showing this information members may not find out about something that they later wished they had known. All I can suggest is that you spend time seeing what is on the various notice boards and if anything is not clear do speak to one of the club Officers, Directors or Angela Green the Club Coordinator. If you are not sure who these people are look on the Mission Statement/Volunteers notice board by the water vending machine where there are photographs of all these people.

For a variety of reasons there are more postponed matches than normal at this time of year. May I remind all league team secretaries that all postponed matches must be played within six weeks. I would also remind everyone that all subscriptions should be paid by the end of September and anyone playing in the league team after that date who has not paid their subscription will result in their team forfeiting the match. To avoid the issues of last season and help league team secretaries we will be putting up a notice showing the paid members at the end of September so that league team secretaries can check and ensure that all their team players have paid.

I would recommend that all members take a copy of the Year Book which is available at reception. This contains all the fixtures for the season and the latest set of club rules. For new members the Members Booklet provides useful information about the club to help you settle in as quickly as possible.

I would like to thank those members who support the 200 Club which provides an important contribution to club funds whilst giving members the opportunity to win three cash prizes each month. The membership form also provides a section where members can advise areas where they can help the club as volunteers. This is a vital part of the way the club operates and I would encourage all of you to see whether you have a little spare time that could be used to help at the club.

We always monitor closely the membership numbers at this time of year and compare these to previous years. It is encouraging to see that we already have 30 new members this year and a further 18 people who have rejoined the club after being away for a while. We also have a further 8 people in coaching. Our club coaches are particularly busy at this time of the season helping novice bowlers. The 6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. slot is already being used for coaching new members who are working. The Improver Coaching course will also be starting shortly at 2.00 p.m. each Friday. This course aims to help bowlers improve their bowling ability and awareness of bowling tactics. I would encourage people who wish to improve to sign up to join this course. In addition this year on the first Friday of each month a clinic is being arranged for bowlers who feel that they have a specific bowling problem they wish to cure. I guess that situation probably applies to all of us! So do come along and improve your bowling ability.

The fixed duration leagues are now all operating and shortly we will be issuing the rotas for the box ladder format leagues. These leagues allow new teams to join during the season which provides an opportunity for members who join during the season to play in these leagues. The initial box ladder leagues will be the Monday 4.00 p.m. Australian Pairs and the Wednesday 4.00 p.m. Singles. We are looking to start an adult/junior Australian Pairs league on Friday afternoons when we know how many juniors wish to participate. If you are interested in playing in this league please contact either Steve Neal or Angela Green. We are also considering the possibility of starting a new members league for anybody who has joined the club within the last two years. More details on this will be available in due course but if anyone has interest please contact Steve or Angela.

We play a variety of matches against other clubs. The friendly ladies and mixed matches are an ideal way of gaining experience so please put your names down on the availability sheets. The men also play in the Somerset and Wessex leagues and those wishing to play are encouraged to put their names down on these availability lists. Members can also play in county matches and these availability lists are on the county notice boards.

For those of you who enjoy an early morning snack before playing please note that the breakfast menu is available at the club from 9.00 a.m each midweek day for a trial period. If there is sufficient demand then this will become a regular feature of the club.

Lewis Toman

GALA DAY

SATURDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2019

COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM

This event is held early each year in the form of a round robin competition.







Bowlers from any club, indoor or outdoor, are invited to create mixed fours teams and play a set of ends against the other teams in their group.

Entry cost £40.00 per team, to include tea/coffee on arrival and a hot/cold buffet lunch

1st Prize: £120.00: 2nd Prize £80.00: 3rd Prize £40.00

Entry forms available at Reception or online at www.bristolindoorbowls.org.uk

Closing date for entries: 10th February 2019

DID YOU KNOW?



- All players that are registered with a Somerset Indoor Club can play for Somerset County and Somerset County Patrons. Please complete the match availability sheets displayed regularly on the club's notice boards.
- The normal cost of a game is £12, which includes a two course meal after the match.
- We wear whites for all matches with a club or county tie (ties approximately £7). Players either come wearing the Somerset County Green blazer, their club blazer or club jacket.
- For some games the County supply a coach with pick up points in Somerset.