March 2019

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CITY AND COUNTY OF BRISTOL INDOOR BOWLING CLUB

FROM THE LEAGUE MANAGER

Summer Leagues

Starting - Week Commencing 6th May 19

Tuesday Aft Open Triples @ 2.00pm - Starts 7th May 19

Thursday Aft Australian Pairs @ 12.00 Noon Starts 9th May 19

If you would like to enter a team in the above Summer Leagues, please complete a registration form and hand in by 15th April 19, Also add your details to the sheet on the League Tables notice board. The Registration form can be obtained from Reception or Angela.

Existing Summer Teams

Sheets are on the League tables board showing existing teams from last year.

Please can you tick to confirm you are entering your team for this year or advise me if you are not entering on Mobile 07974107729 or Email: leaguemanager@bristolibc.co.uk.

Looking to join a League Team this Summer

If you are looking to join a league team for this Summer.

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.

Mobile 07974107729 or Email: leaguemanager@bristolibc.co.uk .

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.

LADIES' FRIENDLIES

Lorraine Paget

The remaining friendlies this season are still on, and I would love to see some new names on the availability sheets outside the ladies' locker room.

We have had to rely on some of our male colleagues to make up the numbers in recent matches, and whilst it was greatly appreciated, I would rather have a ladies' team comprising all ladies!

For those of you do regularly play, please try and convince some new ladies to join in.

Lorraine.



CLUB COMPETITIONS - FINALS WEEKEND

SATURDAY 13th & SUNDAY 14th APRIL 2019





CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Cedric Gunson

Our 9th Gala Day held on Saturday February 23rd attracted an entry of 22 teams with several newcomers to the event. These newcomers took most of the spoils with "The Positive Four" coming out the Winners having won all 4 of their matches and having a better shot difference than both the second and third teams – "Grayliners" and "Western Wanderers".

Next year's event is to be held on Saturday February 22nd.

Friendly Match results this month have been 5 wins and 2 losses, one of which was an 8 rink visit from Kingsthorpe Tourists, a very pleasant match.

The Club looks forward this coming weekend to a return visit from a composite IOW team when they play 3 9rink matches – Chew Stoke on Friday March 1st, the Club on Saturday and then Somerset Patrons on Sunday. We look forward to a visit from Bucks VP's on Tuesday March 12th.

Matches with Leominster and Cotswold have had to be cancelled due to lack of available players.

There are still a very few available places left for our annual Torquay tour in January next year.

Recent results

Sat 9/2 – Bristol 102 / Bromsgrove 122 - HOME – 6 rinks.

Sun 10/2 – Bristol 117 / Malvern 101 – Home – 6 rinks.

Cheers, Cedric

JUNIOR NEWS

Thomasina Goodman

The Pig Racing evening was a great success with a great attendance. The races were loudly supported, and no stewards enquiries were necessary.

A big thank you to everybody involved in the organisation, and to all who attended. The exact amount raised has yet to be finalised, but it will represent a considerable contribution to the Junior Section.

We are now all looking forward to the trip to Ireland where the juniors will be playing against teams from around the UK.

LOCKERS Lyn Griffiths

Several spare keys to the lockers have not been returned to Reception.

Please check with Reception if your locker's spare key is in the cupboard – if not, and you are able, please get a spare key cut and claim reimbursement (on presentation of key and receipt) at Reception.

Many thanks Lyn





¶ PegasusLife

Born out of a desire to rethink the way the UK is addressing the ageing population

We want to provide housing solutions that take a modern approach to some of these very real problems.

While we are set to see significant increases in the percentage of the population over 60, there will also be considerable growth in the number of people over 85, with nearly 20% of the current UK population expected to see their 100th birthday.

Retirement housing helps prevent some of the largest hurdles facing elderly people in the UK today. While the physical health problems that arise with old age are well documented, issues such as mental health and loneliness are still misunderstood and remain largely unspoken throughout society. Retirement housing provides support on a physical and emotional level, improving the health, security and overall well-being of those who live there.

PegasusLife has provided sponsorship to Bristol Indoor Bowls Club, and their notices will be appearing on the notice board soon

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Some very keenly fought national competition matches involving club members have been held recently. Some of you may have been fortunate enough to watch a few of these exciting matches. It certainly shows the standards needed to reach the national finals and sadly, whilst this year we had a number of teams reaching the final regional stages, we will not have any representation at the national finals.

At a much younger level it was good to see our juniors playing their tournament against Poole IBC juniors. This is a year when many of the senior juniors were not available so our younger juniors were invariably playing against much older opponents. It was a good learning curve experience and we wish them success in their trip to Ireland to play against teams representing clubs in Scotland, Wales, Ireland and the Channel Islands.

The club competitions are progressing well and soon the finals weekend will be upon us on 13th and 14th April. It is good to see many new faces entering these competitions.

Gala Day was again a huge success with 22 teams competing. Many thanks to Cedric for his organisational skills and to all the competitors who entered into the spirit of the event so well.

A major event in the clubs calendar is the Singles Circuit Open Singles Tournament being held at the club over the weekend of 23rd and 24th March. This year we will have 96 entries involving a large number of preliminary rounds where we need to provide 9 markers for each of these sessions and later for the final rounds. We will also need help with the raffle, bar and kitchen. We look for your support at this event so please contact Angela if you can help out.

The annual Volunteers Evening is being held on Saturday 9th March. This is the opportunity to thank the volunteers without whose support the club could not survive. This year we will have a different form of entertainment which promises to be most enjoyable.

We have recently been approached by TrustFord whose offices are located opposite to our entrance on South Liberty Lane. They are experiencing a major challenge finding enough on street parking, particularly for their female office staff. We are close to finalising a licence agreement with them that will provide car parking spaces at the rear of the club for their use between 8.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. each weekday. These are the least used parking spaces and by slightly extending one of the bays back by two metres we will be able to generate parallel parking spaces alongside the kerb. To offset this loss of parking spaces we are planning to create additional parking spaces at the side of the building. We will also relocate the bin storage area currently in that parking location to a position on the grass area opposite the speed ramp near to the Function Room. We will shortly be placing a plan showing these proposals on the main notice board, once we have received permission from Bristol City Council.

Lewis Toman







Coaching Sessions

Wednesdays 6 to 8pm and Fridays 2 to 4pm

The first of the Wednesday Coaching sessions was well attended by 12 students and 5 coaches From 6 until 7pm we spread out over the rinks and did various training items from 7 to 8 played a game where the coaches gave prompters and highlighted elements of play

The session worked well we are now looking forward to next week with more skills and variations on bowls Unfortunately the Friday session was posponed due to a tourist match but will take place from Friday 8th March

A Rink Schedule Reminder

Please contact Angela if you have booked rinks and find that you are unable to use them whether you have a block booking, league match or roll up. These unused rinks can be used by others bringing in revenue for the club

The television in the lounge is intended for club pictures, promotions and notices, for viewing live sport and items of national importance.

If play is taking place on the rinks, please ensure that the screen is angled away from the rinks and that the volume is suitably low.

Thank you.