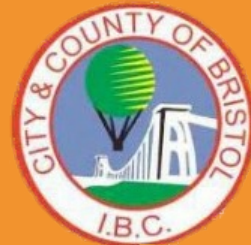


CITY AND COUNTY OF BRISTOL INDOOR BOWLING CLUB



FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We do not usually issue newsletters during the summer, but in view of recent events it was felt that a single page newsletter was warranted - so here it is.

As you are all aware, Lewis & Wendy Toman have decided to stand down as directors of The City & County of Bristol Indoor Bowls Club Ltd. in order to pursue other avenues and devote more time to their family. Whilst this came as a surprise to the board of directors, their reasons were perfectly understandable as they had been closely and heavily committed to putting the Club on a sound sporting and financial basis since becoming directors (and in Lewis' case, Chairman) over nine years ago.

At that time, the Club had lost its way and was in extreme financial straits and very close to failing altogether. Driven by Lewis' business experience and the hard work of the new board of directors the Club has recovered to the point where it is a model for not only bowls clubs, but for all amateur sports clubs. In a recent survey, it was classed as the premier sports club in the region and is considered by the English Indoor Bowls Association as being of the standard that all their clubs should aspire to achieve.

The remaining directors have held several meetings to discuss the way forward, and initially the new board structure is as follows:

Chairman - Bob Griffiths ; Financial Director & Company Secretary - Mike Humphries ; Property Director - Ian Anderson ; Marketing and Business Development - Brian Blight ; Director without Portfolio - Margaret Ford.

A new non-executive position of Club President has been created, and it is with pleasure that we can announce that Lewis Toman has agreed to accept the position.

You will have noticed the changes occurring behind the bar. This is due to the change in suppliers which we are sure will result in a better service delivery. Initially, our draft cider will be Thatchers Gold and our draft beer will be Hobgoblin. There is an improved choice of cask ales, and we hope to try several in rotation at the start of the winter season before settling on one.

We have been chosen to host the Wessex League finals in April 2020, which will mean bringing the club competition finals forward by a week or two, so the entry forms will be available somewhat earlier before Christmas. This should also avoid club finals clashing with the start of the outdoor season.

Finally, a reminder that new volunteers are always welcome to assist in all areas of running the club, whether it be maintenance, hosting, bar duties, assisting the coaches etc. If you can spare an hour or two here and there, please see Angela, Brian or any of the directors for information.

The future of the Club has never looked better, and we hope that all members will assist us in maintaining and improving the facilities on offer, so that we can all enjoy our bowling.

The Board