

NEWSLETTER

CITY AND COUNTY OF BRISTOL INDOOR BOWLS CLUB



FROM THE LEAGUE MANAGER

Steve Neal

The Wednesday Evening Open Pairs 7pm Box ladder has now started with seven teams, if you would like to enter a team in this League the next box will start on the 8th January 20.

Also, The Monday Afternoon Australian Pairs 4pm Box Ladder. The next box will start either 16th December or 6th January 20.

If you would like to enter either of the above you can email me or complete a registration form which can be obtained from reception.

The Wednesday Singles Box Ladder is full at the moment.

Looking to join a League Team?

if you are looking to join a league team for 2019/20 Winter season.

Please email or text 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.

Email: leaguemanager@bristolibc.co.uk .

Mobile 0797410772

Postponed League Matches

Most are getting rearranged in a timely manner. I would be grateful if a date has not been agreed for any outstanding matches in September or October, that one can be arranged ASAP or advise me if there is a problem.

DRESS CODE

The Club operates a Dress Code which is given in the Year Book (Page 15, Clause 21) and referred to in the Members Handbook, but is not being observed by all members.

A brief summary for general play:

All players must wear collared shirts.

Men should wear grey or black trousers or approved shorts (not sports shorts or track suit bottoms).

Ladies should wear grey or black trousers/skirt/culottes or approved shorts (not tights, leggings, jeggings etc.)



CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2019

This year's Christmas Lunch is on
Friday 13th December 2019.

Payment (£18) with reservation, please

See the Notice Board for Menu choices

CLUB COMPETITIONS 2020

Entries must be in by 6th December 2019

Entry forms available at Reception

CATERING UPDATE

Following discussions between the board and Metcalfe Catering concerning the apparent confusion over weekend arrangements, it has been agreed that a limited hot food menu will be available between 11am and 2pm on Saturday and Sunday until further notice.

Members arranging matches outside the published hot food availability times should speak to Angela or Steve Metcalfe in advance if they wish to have food laid on at the conclusion of their match.



WORLD SINGLES & MIXED PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIPS

April 20th to 24th 2020

at Bristol Indoor Bowls Club

Get Involved !!

Details later



CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Cedric Gunson

Our friendly matches continue on a winning streak having now won our last 6 weekend matches against local Clubs.

Our needle, Gents v Ladies, 5 rink match was held on Sunday November 24th resulting in a win for the Gents by 91 / 66 shots.

S.Ash	A.Moore	B.Wakley	M.Clark
I.Moore	B.Humphries	K.Tyack	M.MacDonald
R.Freeman	J.Bennett	A.Edwards	Y.Lafferty
S.Clark	M.Renwick	B.Paget	M.Ansell
25	6	15	10
P.Moore	A.Blight	A.Graves	C.Newman
C.Gunson	P.Mullen	B.Griffiths	A.Prewett
R.Gardiner	L.Paget	D.Gazzard	(B.Blight)
T.Tucker	A.Mitchell	W.Hatherall	C.Silverthorne
13	22	14	19
	D.Shaw	T.Goodman	
	G.Dimond	T.Shaw	
	C.Young	L.Griffiths	
	J.Collins	J.Young	
	24	9	



(I've listed the rinks with scores, so that the Members can see who played in this match).

Inspite of the good turn out for the Gents v Ladies, I'm still struggling to get Members to actually sign up on the Availability Sheets.

I need a few more to travel to Minehead on Sunday December 15th.

I've booked the TLH Toorak Hotel for our 2021 Tour to Torquay – January 15th/18th.

Final preparations for this seasons tour are almost complete – information will be sent out mid-December.

Remember our Annual Gala Day is on Saturday February 22nd 2020. Entry Forms are available @ Reception.



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.

FROM THE BOARDROOM

It was our hope that the revised car parking arrangements would be completed by 24th November, but we were frustrated by the Jetstream shifting a few degrees south and dumping a few weeks worth of rain over the two days on which the work was programmed.

We have consulted the weather gods and the works should now be completed by December 2nd.

You may have noticed that many of the large trees around the building have not only lost all their leaves, but also a hefty percentage of their branches. This is not due to over zealous squirrels, but a programmed pollarding of the trees to ensure their stability through the winter. It will not be too long before nature restores them to their former splendour (and we have to do it all over again).

As advised in an earlier newsletter, there will not be a 'staff' pantomime at this year's Christmas Lunch, but there will be low volume seasonal music before the meal to allow conversation, and a live band to lead us in Christmas carols after we have eaten. Tickets are £18, which we would ask that you pay when reserving your place.

The club will be closed for Christmas from 23rd December, reopening on January 2nd.

Responses to invitations for the Singles and Mixed Pairs World Championships are due on 15th December, so very early in the New Year we should know how many competitors there will be and can establish the bowling programme. Requests for volunteers will then commence for both on and off the rinks, and we hope for a bumper response.

2019 has been a year which has seen changes to the board of directors, who have in turn tried to make the club even more attractive to the members, and will continue to do so in 2020 and beyond.

We wish all members, their families and friends a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy & Prosperous New Year.

Happy bowling!

