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## NEWSLETTER

## CITY AND COUNTY OF BRISTOL INDOOR BOWLS CLUB





## **2020 ENDED IN TIERS**

At last 2020 is over, and very few people will remember it with fondness.

At least we managed to get the Club open in September and had a few weeks of comparative normality before COVID forced us to close again. Assuming that the Tier system continues, we will be unable to reopen until Bristol is returned to Tier One. Of course, we are all looking forward to the removal of all restrictions, which now looks possible in mid-2021, which would allow us to operate a full schedule from September.

We are also planning to open for bowling on all weekdays during the summer as soon as we are allowed to do so.

Thanks to all the members who rejoined and paid their full subscriptions, which has put the Club in a position to be able to survive until the start of the new subscription year in September 2021.

Those who paid for 2020 will be given the option of a reduced subscription for 2021-22 to reflect the loss of amenities during our enforced closure. The cost of this reduced subscription has not yet been set as we are waiting to assess the full impact of income losses during this year from non-renewals, rink fees, bar, catering, car park leasing etc.

We are still hoping to be selected to host the World Bowls Singles and Mixed Pairs Championships in Spring 2022, which will be the inaugural event as the 2020 (Bristol) and 2021 (Australia) events were both cancelled due to the pandemic.

Our thanks go to Steve Metcalfe and our new Club Manager, Cheryl Brown, for their efforts during shutdown which has enabled us to carry out a deep clean, and rationalise and streamline the Club's administration.

For updates and league information, please see the Club website www.bristolindoorbowls.org.uk

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