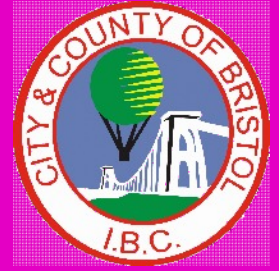


NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2022

CITY AND COUNTY OF BRISTOL INDOOR BOWLS CLUB



AUTUMN / WINTER OPENING HOURS

From Monday 5th September

Mon - Fri 1000 to 1600

Sat. 1000 to 1200

From Monday 26th September

Mon - Fri 1000 to 2100

Sat. 1000 to 1200

(Friday will close at 1800 if evening league does not take place)

The Club will be also open as required on Saturdays and Sundays for International, National and County competitions, and Club friendly matches.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & PRESENTATION EVENING

As last year, the Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held in October to give new season members a chance to get involved early in their membership.

As the World Bowls Indoor Championships took up a lot of time, it was not possible to confirm a date for the Presentation Evening in May, it was considered that holding it immediately after the AGM would be the best way to proceed. This means that the Summer League winners will only have to wait a couple of months for their certificates etc. instead of nine months as before.

The date for the AGM / Presentation has been set for Friday 21st October 2022, with the AGM starting at 7.00pm and the Presentations at 8.00pm.

CHANGES TO THE RULES OF BOWLS

In August 2022, the Rules governing the sport of bowls were reviewed and amended.

The new rules are in Crystal Mark Fourth Edition. This will not be available in hard print until early 2023, but can be downloaded from www.worldbowls.com.

A copy of the new rules has been printed out and is available for members to view, together with a summary of the changes from Third Edition. They will also be available on the Club website.

LOCKERS

Lockers are available in both men's and ladies' locker rooms, and 'For Hire' notices have been attached to them. If you wish to hire a locker, take the notice to Cheryl. From £7.50 per year.

If you have a locker that you no longer require, please return the key to Cheryl.

If you need to borrow a duplicate key to your locker at any time - please return it to reception. There is an increasing number of lockers with disappearing duplicate keys, which is a considerable cost to the Club to replace.

For updates and league information, please see the Club website

www.bristolindoorbowls.org.uk

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VOLUNTEERING

For the twelfth year in succession, membership fees remain unchanged, as do rink fees.

This is something we are proud of, but it is only possible because of a prudent four year deal on energy and a strong volunteering ethos running through the Club which keeps financial outlay to a minimum.

Since the Covid pandemic, however, there has been a noticeable decline in the number of volunteers coming forward, which raises the possibility of having to increase members' charges to pay for staff hire charges.

We would love to hear from members who are willing to give a few hours of their time to help in reception and behind the bar. Volunteers to help behind the bar for some of the evening league sessions and social functions would be especially welcome.

We appreciate that some of you will have indicated on your membership renewal forms that you are willing to volunteer, but processing around 700 membership renewals at this time of year is really time consuming, so please make yourself known to Cheryl as well.

On the subject of increasing prices, we will be raising some of the prices at the bar as inflationary increases cannot all be absorbed. These increases will be kept to a minimum, and are the first increases for three years. For example, the price of beers and lagers will increase by 20 pence, a cup of tea will rise to £1 and coffees to £1.20 from 26th September. We regret having to do this, but it is an example of how we are able to minimise the impact of inflation with the assistance of volunteers. compared to price increases in retail outlets.

CALLED TO THE BAR

We have a new bar steward at the Club -

Dave Phillips.

Thanks to Dave for filling the vacancy, he will be behind the bar most days between 1100 and 1430, and would be pleased to have some volunteers to man the bar at other times (see above).

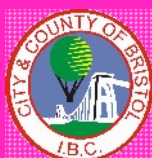
Dave will also be pleased to take your hot meal orders if you come onto the Club in winter to save on your home energy bills!



GIVE US A CHANCE

The busiest times at Reception are leading up to the changeover of sessions.

It would help us greatly if membership renewals were not made at these times, when the reception staff are most busy issuing match scorecards. Please try to renew your membership between 1015 to 1130, 12.15 to 13.30, 1415 to 1530. If you are renewing your membership in the evenings, please arrive by 1830.



FROM THE LEAGUE MANAGER

Steve Neal

Please see below list of Leagues, this shows confirmation of the entries for 2022/2023 received so far. Entries must be confirmed by 11th September 22, Schedules will be sent to Team Secretaries the following week, ready for the start of the Leagues week commencing 26th September 22.

If you would like to enter a new League team or re-enter a team withdrawn during the pandemic, this must be received by 11th September 22.

Please Note: Monday Evening 19.00

This League has now been changed to an OPEN TRIPLES League

if you would like to enter a team in this League, please contact me by 11th September 22.

The above decision was made after Five Boys, The Park & PBA all Withdrew from the fours League, this left only six teams, which is not enough to run a League. PBA has now re-entered the Open Triples and with one new team, we have enough to start the Open Triples League, as long as all the original six fours teams play in this League.

Ladies Monday & Thursday Triples 12 Noon

Good News, there has been a steady trickle of Ladies enquiring about the Leagues, it looks like both Ladies Leagues will go ahead this Winter. Big thank you to Wendy.

Reminder, if interested, but not contacted us yet, Contact Cheryl, Steve Neal or Wendy, who will be able to support, help or advise.

Wendy Email: w.d.toman@gmail.com or 07773075914

Thursday Evening Mens Triples

I have a team looking for 1 or two players, if interested contact me on the email or mobile below.

New Leagues

Monday Afternoon Singles - Time 16.00

I have been asked to start a Singles League to replace the Wednesday Box Ladder, if you would like to enter this League, please contact me by 11th September 22.

Wednesday Evening Open Pairs/ Friday Evening Open Triples - Time 19.00

If you would like to enter a team in these Leagues, please contact me by 11th September 22.

We would need at least 8 teams to start the Leagues.

Day / Time	League	Vacancies	No. Confirmed	Confirmation Awaited
Monday 1200	Ladies Triples	Yes	7	LA Girls / On The Up
Monday 1400	Open Fours	Yes	14	Eccentrics
Monday 1600	Open Triples	Yes	8	
Tuesday 1000	Open Triples	Yes	22	Golden Bay
Tuesday 1400	Open Fours	Yes	10	Musketeers/ Westbury Park
Tuesday 1900	Open Triples	Yes	10	Bowls R Us
Wednesday 1000	Aussie Pairs	Full	38	
Wednesday 1400	Open Fours	Yes	12	
Thursday 1200	Ladies Triples	Yes	7	Shrimps
Thursday 1400	Open Triples	Full	18	Bowls R Us
Thursday 1900	Mens Triples	Yes (1)	17	The Dark Horses
Friday 1200	Open Pairs	Yes	18	Shireen Matley
Friday 1900	Open Triples	Yes	1	



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BOWLS CLUB**



DAY

Suitable for all ages

Bring a friend!

SUNDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 2022

10am - 4pm

An opportunity to try indoor bowls **FOR FREE.**

If required, coaches will be available to give you some guidance, and equipment can be provided - all you need is a pair of clean, flat, smooth soled shoes or slippers. (Don't worry if you haven't got any, you can bowl in your socks - so make sure there are no holes!). There's even a free hot drink on offer.

Food will be available, and the licensed bar will be open. Book in advance or just turn up.

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