

HAYLING ISLAND BOWLS CLUB

NEWSLETTER APRIL 2019

Message from Brian, Club President

Well done to all the bowlers that joined me at Sinah throughout the winter. Here's to a successful 2019 Summer season.

Message from Beryl (Ladies Captain)

Warm wishes to the ladies and I hope we have an enjoyable and successful season. Looking forward to our informal Spring Meeting on Wed 3rd April at 10.30 a.m.

Charity Coffee Morning

Please support this coffee and cakes event at 10 a.m. on Saturday 6th April in the Club House.

Membership update

As yet, no new members have enrolled for the 2019 season. Membership is again down from last year and this in turn will impact on the club's finances.

ALL members need to do their best to promote the club to friends and family, and, if possible, bring along potential new members to our "Have-a-Go" sessions which are noted in the latest Fixture List (and see below).

Artificial Green update

We have in principle reached an agreement with the Community Centre regarding the lease of the clubhouse for October through March.

We are in discussions with HBC regarding the lease of the green agreement and for the surface tender.

We are striving to have the artificial surface in place for the start of the 2020 season, but this is an extremely aggressive target and a more realistic expectation is 2021.

Cribbage Group

The cribbage group had their last game on 27th March and Martin would like to say a big thank you to Geoff Belding and the Cribbage Group who have made a donation of £300.78 to club funds from their winter activities.

Gosport Friendly Thursday 21 March

On Thursday 21st March the club played a friendly match against Gosport on their all-weather green. Hayling managed to field six mixed triples teams and, after a slow start while we got accustomed to the playing surface, gave a good account of ourselves.

The final score was three rinks each with Hayling coming out on top by 110 shots to 109. David Johns skipped the top rink with fellow players Lesley Shayler and Derek Earl contributing to a 20-13 score line.

Gosport made us very welcome and all participants enjoyed the match. The intention is to repeat the match next year.

Martin Hopper

P&D Mens Match Start Times

April & August – 5:45 PM

May, June & July – 6 PM

There are 10 Monday fixtures

Smoking/Vaping

There will be no smoking / vaping on the patio or adjoining wall – the Community Centre are putting up a sign.

Mats

Mats will almost certainly be required to protect the green in the early weeks of the season.

How to Set up the rinks

Is there anyone who doesn't know how to set up the rinks? Then come along on Monday 8th April at 13.30 a.m.

Dress Code

Smart casual for casual play & club competitions

Club Finals remain all white

White & grey for Men's Tuesday League

Dress code for Roll-Ups will be smart casual

Friendlies

There will be Captains for each match (President will assist with organisation). If you would like to captain a friendly please contact Brian.

REMINDER: Dress Code for Friendly matches

As discussed at the enrolment meeting, the dress code for all Friendly matches (home and away) will be Blue Club shirts rather than white.

Below the waist will be White or Grey as agreed with the visiting teams. This is in line with the dress code change successfully adopted for the Reflex league for the last couple of seasons.

Have a Go (OPEN) Days

There will be a number of Have-a-Go / Open days throughout the season to attract new members. We need existing members to support these sessions. A list of dates and times for these sessions will be on the notice board for members to add their names when they can provide help. To give atmosphere, these sessions will also be extra Roll-up sessions. They will all take place at weekends.

Also, visitors will be welcome to join roll-ups on Monday and Friday afternoons.

Sun 28th April starting at 10 a.m. (full day)

Sat 4th May starting at 10 a.m. (full day)

Sun 2nd June starting at 2 p.m.

Sat 6th July starting at 10 a.m. (half day)

Sun 4th Aug starting at 2 p.m.

Changes to Fixture List

Here is a list of the changes to the fixture list from V1 which was distributed at the enrolment meeting. Please update your copy.

A copy of the new version (Version 2) will be displayed in the clubhouse.

Version	Date	Fixture Date	Comp	Comments
V1	18/02/19			First version for enrolment meeting
		27//02/2020	n/a	Date for 2020 Enrolment confirmed as 27/02/ 2020 (not 2019 as in V1 fixture list)
		12/05/2019 15/06/2019 26/06/2019 14/07/2019 31/07/2019 04/09/2019	F	Dress codes changed to BW (Blue & White)
		13/06/2019 & 25/07/2019	F	Dress codes changed to BG (Blue & Grey)
V2	27/03/19			Second version for start of season

Forthcoming Events for April/May

Wed 3 Apr	Ladies Spring Meeting (10:30)
Sat 6 Apr	Charity Coffee Morning (10:00)
Wed 17 Apr	Friendly v Gosport Ladies Away (11:00)
Fri 26 Apr	Bowls Direct clothing & equipment sale (12:30 prior to Roll-up)
Sat 27 Apr	President's Team vs Captains' Team (14:00)
Sun 28 Apr	Open Day (10:00 – 16:00)
Mon 4 May	Open Day (10:00 - 16:00)
Sat 11 May	Club Open 2-Woods (10:00)
Sun 12 May	Friendly v Fishbourne Home (14:00)

Other Notable Events from 2019 Fixture List

Sun 2 June	Open Day (14:00)
Thurs 13 June	Friendly v Petersfield Away (18.15)
Sat 15 June	Friendly v Haywards Heath & Beechland Home (14:00)
Sun 16 June	Club Event (14:00)
Weds 26 June	Friendly v Pagham Home (14:00)
Sat 6 July	Open Day (10:00 Half Day)
Sun 7 July	President's Day (14:00)
Wed 10 July	Friendly v Wittering Ladies Home (14:00)
Sun 14 July	Friendly v Hedge End Away (14:00)
Sat 20 July	Club Event (10:00)
Thurs 25 July	Friendly v Petersfield Home (18.15)
Weds 31 July	Friendly v Fishbourne Away (14:00)
Sat 3 Aug	Club Event - Open Pairs (10:00)
Sun 4 Aug	Open Day (14:00)
Sat 17 Aug	CLUB FINALS (10:00)
Sun 18 Aug	CLUB FINALS (10:00)
Sun 1 Sept	Charity Day (14:00)
Wed 4 Sept	Friendly v Pagham Away (14:00)
Sun 8 Sept	Club Event - Australian Pairs (10:00)
Weds 11 Sept	Ladies Day (10:00)
Tues 17 Sept	Friendly v Wittering Ladies Away (14:00)
Weds 18 Sept	Ladies AGM (14:00)
Thurs 19 Sept	Mens AGM (19:00)
Sun 22 Sept	Ladies v Gents/Presentation (14:00)
Thurs 26 Sept	AGM (19:00)
Mon 30 Sept	Club Closes

Further details for each event will be displayed on the noticeboard nearer the time.

Charity & President's Days

These will be bowling events for Club members. Our charity in 2019 is Hayling Island First Responders – Charity Coffee Morning, Wrong Bias and Charity Day will provide our contributions. President's Day is Sunday 7 July and Charity Day is Sunday 1 September

Presentation 22 September/End of Season Lunch

Competition certificates will be presented to winners & runners-up after the Ladies Vs Gents event on Sunday 22 September. Trophies have been discontinued as the £1 entry fee did not cover certificates & engraving costs.

Members will be canvassed regarding an end of season lunch to be arranged for early October.

Trustees

The Committee has appointed David, Martin and Mike as Club Trustees. They are authorised to sign cheques and contractual documents on behalf of the Club.

Fundraising

1 year's "fixed" costs amount to approx £13500 – Rent £11,500, Registrations £1000, Cleaning £1000.

Our income sources along with membership fees are club lottery, social events, Pauline & David's Jams & Chutney sales donation, the Crib group donation, match day raffles and tea money.

Volunteers Welcome

Arrive early to set up the rinks for Roll-Ups and matches

Help with teas for friendlies - if you can spare some time to make tea for home matches it will be much appreciated. Please add your name to the match sheets that are posted on the noticeboard in the clubhouse.

Keeping the garden areas tidy

Painting the benches

Joke of the month

An old man, a boy and a donkey were going to town.

The boy rode on the donkey, and the old man walked.

As they went along they passed some people who remarked, "What a shame, the old man is

walking, the boy is riding." The man and boy thought maybe the critics were right, so they changed positions.

Later they passed some people who remarked, "What a shame, he makes that little boy walk." So they decided they'd both walk.

Soon they passed some more people who remarked, "They're really stupid to walk when they have a decent donkey to ride." So they both decided to ride the donkey.

They passed some people who shamed them by saying, "How awful to put such a load on a poor donkey." The boy and the man figured they were probably right, so they decide to carry the donkey.

As they crossed the bridge, they lost their grip on the donkey; the donkey fell into the river and drowned.

The moral of this story: If you attempt to please everyone, you might as well kiss your ass goodbye!

As supplied by Peter Allman

Our Website

The Club constitution, rules, fixture list and other information relating to the club can be found at www.haylingislandbowls.org. If you would like something included, please contact Geoff Holland at geoff.j.holland@btinternet.com.

Any Bowling News you would like included in the next Newsletter

Please email me at sue.hall700@gmail.com and I will be happy to include it. If you do not use email please let me have a written note.

The deadline for receipt of items is 26 April.