

BROMLEY IBC NEWSLETTER

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Hello everyone.

How quickly the summer appears to be passing and preparations are already in progress for next season that is our 25th Birthday' year.

The Membership Renewal form is already out - one thing that has not gone up in price!! (an early return would be appreciated) and you will have noticed the opportunity to purchase a £12, 200club 'ticket' which enters you in a monthly draw over the 12 months of the year - just £1 a month.

You can purchase more than one £12 ticket which will improve your chance of winning. Apart from this, why make a purchase? Your renewal subscription, as do the rink fees, goes to the company (Board of Directors) to pay the rent, running costs and upkeep of the building and grounds, replacement of the indoor and outdoor greens and staff costs.

The Management Committee, responsible for the organisation and running of bowls, has to raise money to meet its obligations which will in this coming year of celebration be even greater as we are host to certain events. Your support of the £200 club therefore would be much appreciated.

MESSAGE FROM ALEX DUCKWORTH

World Championship Qualifiers &The Scottish Open

Here at Bromley Bowls Indoor Centre, we have hosted **World Championship Qualifiers** for nearly 20 years and this year is no exception. In fact, the Professional Bowlers Association have added an extra Qualifier, the **Scottish Open**.

On Saturday 17th September 2022 is the qualifier for the Scottish Open; on Sunday 18th September 2022, the qualifier for World Championships at Potters.

At present Sunday is fully booked with 56 Players which include 4 of our members, and a further 6 from Kent. Some of those playing qualified in the past and played in the World Championships, and last year's qualifier from Bromley, Wayne Willgress, is now in the top 16.

I have a loyal band of Umpires and Markers whom I have written to and will be writing again with a Schedule when received so that the weekend can be planned but this year, I believe we could require more Markers. You may not have been on a Markers Course but consider yourself to be experienced enough to mark a game of bowls, whatever your gender, please get in touch for a chat.

200 CLUB DRAW for the season 2021-2022

Results for AUGUST 2022

1 st Prize	Darren Mortemore	£100.00
2 nd Prize	Cyril Bulmer	£50.00

This is the last Draw for this Season. Next Season. as entries for the year 2022-2023 may be delayed, the Draws for September and October will be carried out on the 1st October and the results will be in the newsletter and posted on the general notice board as usual.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

ART GROUP held at fortnightly intervals through the summer

Next meeting at 11.00 am to 2.00pm Friday 5th August

FRIDAY MONTHLY QUIZ NIGHTS please note

Dates to be held;; 12 AUGUST; 16 SEPTEMBER; 14 OCTOBER; 11 NOVEMBER & 16 DECEMBER 2022.

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S QUIZ



How did you do?

Well, my apologies everyone – the JULY Quiz should have been a multiple choice (making them a little easier to do?). I have repeated them and added 10 more to test those brain cells!



THIS MONTH'S QUIZ

Seas and Oceans

1. About what percent of the Earth's surface is covered in water?

- A. 86%
- B. 90%
- C. 75%

2. How many oceans are there?

- A. 5
- B. 3
- C. 7

3. Which is the largest ocean?

- A. Pacific Ocean
- B. Atlantic Ocean
- C. Indian Ocean

4. Which is the smallest ocean?

- A. Arctic Ocean
- B. Indian Ocean
- C. Southern Ocean

5. Which ocean did the European explorers sail in to get to America?

- A. Atlantic Ocean
- B. Pacific Ocean
- C. Indian Ocean

6. The Mid-Atlantic Ridge is...

- A. a mountain range
- B. a trench
- C. a tectonic plate

7. How many known species are thought to live in the Earth's oceans?

- A. 230,000
- B. 1,980,000
- C. 500,000

8. What is the total combined volume of all of Earth's oceans?

- A. 1,330,000,000 cubic kilometers
- B. 5,000,000 cubic kilometers
- C. 280,000,000 cubic kilometers

9. Which two oceans are covered partly in sea ice year-round?

- A. Pacific and Indian Ocean
- B. Arctic and Southern Ocean
- C. Indian and Atlantic Ocean

10. Which of these separates the Arctic Ocean from the Pacific Ocean?

- A. Philippine Sea
- B. Mid-Atlantic Ridge
- C. Bering Strait

New ones:

11. At which landmass do the Pacific and Atlantic ocean meet?

- A. Cape Horn
- B. Polynesia
- C. Guam

12. The Indian Ocean is bordered by which of these countries?

- A. Cuba
- B. Germany
- C. India

13. What is a superocean?

- A. An ocean that borders a supercontinent
- B. An ocean that covers at least $\frac{4}{5}$ of a planet
- C. An extremely deep ocean

14. Pangea, one of Earth's past supercontinents, was surrounded by the superocean...

- A. Mirovia
- B. Panthalassa
- C. Atlanta-Pacific Ocean

15. Which is the deepest ocean?

- A. Atlantic Ocean
- B. Pacific Ocean
- C. Indian Ocean

16. The deepest natural oceanic trench in the world is...

- A. Mariana Trench
- B. Tonga Trench
- C. Philippine Trench

17. From where do the oceans get their salt?

- A. Rocks from land
- B. Meteorites
- C. Sea creatures

18. Which of these was NOT an explorer who navigated the Earth's oceans?

- A. James Cook
- B. Strabo
- C. Louis Antoine de Bougainville

19. Why is it so difficult to explore the deepest areas of the ocean?

- A. Lack of light
- B. Deadly sea creatures
- C. The extreme pressures

20. What important chemical compound do all oceans contain?

- A. Sodium chloride
- B. Hydroxide
- C. Hypochlorite

**A CORRECTION ?
HISTORIC IDIOMS**

**Mind your P's and Qs
Pints and Quarts or**

I am told that "Mind your p's and q's" comes from the printing industry. When a compositor is selecting letters to make up a block for printing the individual letters are formed back to front which become the right way round when printed. Because of this it is very easy to mistake a 'p' from a 'q', hence "mind your p's and q's".

As a follow up to this, and also from the printing industry comes the terms upper case and lower case. Lower case being small letters and upper case being capitals.

Individual letters for printing are in separate compartments in the case. The capital letters are in the top section, hence upper case and small letters at the bottom giving us lower case.

Sounds right!!

And now for a joke.

What's got one wheel and fly's? - A wheelbarrow full of manure.

Murphy's lesser known dictums

Some old, some new.

Murphy's Lesser-Known Dictums

Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

He who laughs last, thinks slowest.

Those who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.

Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.

The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.

The things that come to those who wait will be the things left by those who got there first.

Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.

The shin bone is a device for finding furniture in a dark room.

A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.

When you go into court, you are putting yourself in the hands of 12 people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.

Green Credentials

Checking out at the supermarket, the young cashier suggested to the much older woman, that she should bring her own grocery bags because Plastic bags weren't good for the environment. The woman apologized and explained, "We didn't have this 'green thing' back in my earlier days." The young cashier responded, "That's our problem today - your Generation did not care enough to save our environment for future generations." She was right -- our generation didn't have the 'green thing' in its day.

Back then, we returned milk bottles, lemonade bottles and beer bottles to the shop. The shop sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilised and refilled, so it could use the same bottles over and over. So they really were recycled. But we didn't have the "green thing" back in our day.

Grocery shops bagged our groceries in brown paper bags, that we re-used for numerous things, most memorable besides household bags for rubbish, was the use of brown paper bags as book covers for our schoolbooks. This was to ensure that public property (the books provided for our use by the school), was not defaced by our scribbles. Then we were able to personalize our books on the brown paper bags. But too bad we didn't do the "green thing" back then.

We walked up stairs, because we didn't have a lift in every supermarket, shop and office building. We walked to the local shop and didn't climb into a 300 horsepower machine every time we had to go half a mile. But she was right. We didn't have the "green thing" in our day.

Back then, we washed the baby's Terry Towel nappies because we didn't have the throwaway kind. We dried clothes on a line, not in an energy-gobbling machine burning up 3 kilowatts – wind and solar power really did dry our clothes back in our early days. Kids had hand-me-down clothes from their brothers or sisters, not always brand-new clothing. But that young lady is right; we didn't have the "green thing" back in our day.

Back then, we had one radio or TV in the house - not a TV in every room and the TV had a small screen the size of a big handkerchief (remember them?), not a screen the size of Scotland in the kitchen. We blended and stirred by hand because we didn't have electric machines to do everything for us. When we packaged a fragile item to send in the mail, we used wadded up old newspapers to cushion it, not Styrofoam or plastic bubble wrap. Back then, we didn't fire up an engine and burn petrol just to cut the lawn. We pushed the mower that ran on human power. We exercised by working so we didn't need to go to a health club to run on treadmills that operate on electricity. But she's right; we didn't have the "green thing" back then.

We drank from a tap or fountain when we were thirsty instead of using a cup or a plastic bottle every time we had a drink of water. We refilled writing pens with ink instead of buying a new pen, and we replaced the razor blades in a razor instead of throwing away the whole razor just because the blade got dull. But we didn't have the "green thing" back then.

Back then, people took the bus and kids rode their bikes to school or walked instead of turning their Mums into a 24-hour taxi service in the family's \$80,000 'People Carrier' which cost the same as a whole house did before the "green thing."

We had one electrical outlet in a room, not an entire bank of sockets to power a dozen appliances and we didn't need a computerised gadget to receive a signal beamed from satellites 23,000 miles out in space in order to find the nearest Pub!

But isn't it sad that the current generation laments how wasteful we old folks were just because we didn't have the "green thing" back then?

Here endeth the lesson

Remember this one last month?



Happy Alien

(Calceolaria Uniflora)

Here are his friends?



Or is this one more scary??

Monkey Face Orchid
(Dracula Simia)



Isn't nature wonderful?

ENJOY THE SUMMER

Keep in touch on emails and email alerts, which can be obtained via the website at www.bromleyibc.org.uk

I would personally appreciate your help:-
Please send me any bowling news, stories, quizzes, jokes, items for sale etc **email:** daphny.richards@gmail.com

REMEMBER TO KEEP YOURSELF SAFE

As we are still hearing of members going down with Covid, it does seem sensible to take reasonable care when you visit the Centre over the summer.

We therefore kindly ask you to still:

- not to turn up if you have any symptoms or feel unwell
- to continue to take your temperature on entering the Centre and before entering the cloakrooms or any other facility
- use the gels provided
- think carefully still about personal contact - 'Fist bumps' are less risky than handshakes - your choice and
- retain social distances as far as possible throughout your stay.