

Wycliffe Bowls Club



NEWSLETTER



Hall Park, Hall Lane, Bitteswell, Lutterworth, LE17 4LN

October 2018

It's almost October - the signs of autumn are all around and we have completed the outdoor bowling for this year. Now the social events for the winter season are starting to get underway so do make a note of the dates and will look forward to seeing you there.

Greenkeeping News

A vote of thanks goes to Keith Freakley and team for all their hard work on maintaining the green and providing a good playing surface for us all to use throughout the summer season. Thanks are also due to all those who helped to maintain the green surrounds and keep the outdoor part of the Cub looking neat and colourful all summer.

The green was 'put to bed' on 17th September. Our Greenkeeper, Keith Freakley would like to thank all those who helped – they worked very hard and did a great job.

Aussie Pairs

This is the first year that we have played some organised Aussie Pairs games on a Monday evening, following the finish of the Hinckley League matches. The Aussie Pairs proved very popular with a full green on each of the 4 weeks for which it was run. It was enjoyed by all those who took part and there are plans to run it again next year. Many thanks to Jo and Nigel Warren for doing the organising.

County Competition Entry Reminder

If you would like to enter as an individual for any of next year's County Competitions, the entry forms are available from the Club Secretary, Chris Knight. The closing date for receipt of entries at County HQ is 31st October for both Ladies and Men's Competitions. If you would like to enter or find out more, please contact Chris Knight

Completed forms need to be returned to the Chris Knight by the second week of October.

Club Competition Presentation Evening and Dinner

Trophies for winners and runners-up for this season will be presented **on Saturday 27th October at Lutterworth Golf Club – arrivals from 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start**, the presentations will be followed by a 3 course meal and coffee. Dress is smart casual. If you haven't yet booked and chosen your menu there are still a few days left to do so as the closing date for returning your menu choices and payment (£23 per person) is 30th Sept. If you have any queries, please contact our Competitions Secretary Mike Tanser

2018 Competition Winners and Runners up

John Addison Cup

Winners: Harry Hayes & Dennis Matthews

Runners up: Ette Bray & Ann Hetherington

Mixed Pairs

Winners: Jackie Davies & Harry Hayes

Runners up: Lin Carter & Keith Freakley

Mr & Mrs Competition

Winners: Victoria & Nigel Burt

Runners up: Jo & Nigel Warren

Club Triples

Winners: Victoria Burt, Lin Carter & Harry Hayes

Runners up: Ray Carter, John Harratt & George Tarbox

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Winners: Harry Hayes, Dennis Matthews & Viv Perkins

Runners up: Nigel Burt, Jackie Davies & Tony LaRosa

Ladies Pairs

Winners: Ann Bull & Linda Freakley

Runners up: Jackie Davies & Ruth Bones

Ladies Singles 2 Woods

Winner: Marion Orr

Runner up: Ette Bray

Ladies Singles 4 Woods

Winner: Linda Freakley

Runner up: Marion Orr

Mens Pairs (Dennis Matthews Cup)

Winners: Ray Carter & Barry Davies

Runners up: Harry Hayes & Nigel Warren

Mens Singles 2 Woods (Mark Perkins Cup)

Winner: Keith Freakley

Runner up: Tony LaRosa

Mens Singles 4 Woods (Lindsey Ford Cup)

Winner: Keith Freakley

Runner up: George Tarbox

Millennium Novice Cup

Winner: Harry Hayes

Runner up: Nigel Burt

AGM and Committee Positions

At the AGM we hear reports on the past season, vote on any changes to the constitution and vote in the committee members for the next year. It is always good to have a mix of experience and new ideas, so we would welcome any expressions of interest from newer members who might be interested in joining the committee. Committee meetings are held once a month, usually on a Thursday evening, so it is not a big commitment in terms of time. We usually have a mix of members who are happy to stay in their committee role for another year and those who want to stand down and let others have a go. The committee is voted in by those attending the AGM and any member can put their name forward to stand for a position. This year the club will have committee vacancies for the following roles: **Captain, Vice Captain, Membership Secretary, Social Secretary and Newsletter Editor.** If you might be interested and would like to find out more, please contact the Club Secretary, Chris Knight.

This year's AGM will be held in the clubhouse on Sunday 18th November – 10 am for a 10.30 am start. A quick reminder that Club Subscriptions are due from October, and there will be an opportunity to pay at the AGM, so please bring along your cheque books.

Fence Painting

The fence surrounding the green needs re-creosoting this year to keep it in good condition. We are looking for volunteers – an organiser and several helpers - to form a working party. If you can help, please contact Chris Knight.

Possible indoor match with Daventry

Daventry Indoor Bowls Club have approached us to see if we would like to play an indoor game with them. The venue would be Daventry and it would be held on a weekday afternoon or evening. Sue Poulter is co-ordinating our response, so if you are interested in taking part in a match with Daventry, please contact Sue Poulter.

Short Mat Bowls 2018/2019

The Short Mat will start on **Wednesday 24th October 2018 at 6-30pm** with a charge of £2-50 (Games, coffee/tea and cakes). It's a lot of fun and everyone is welcome, so if you haven't yet tried it but would like to find out more, please contact the organisers John Kibble or Tony LaRosa.

Bingo Night & Christmas Raffle - Friday 21st December 2018

Reminder from John Kibble that we are now collecting items big or small for our annual Christmas Raffle to be placed in the black basket under the tea trolley in the clubhouse. Items should be something that you yourself would not mind winning. Raffle Tickets will be on sale from October. The draw will take place on the Bingo Night – Friday December 21st2018.

Dates for the Diary for the next month or so:

Tues 9th Oct – Tractor Club

Thurs 18th Oct - Committee Meeting 7pm

Wed 24th Oct – Short Mat Bowls 6.30pm

Sat 27th Oct – Dinner & Presentation Evening 7pm for 7.30pm start

Wed 31st Oct - Short Mat Bowls 6.30pm

Tues 7th Nov – Tractor Club

Wed 8th Nov - Short Mat Bowls 6.30pm

Wed 15th Nov - Short Mat Bowls 6.30pm

Sun 18th Nov – AGM 10am for 10.30am start

Wed 21st Nov - Short Mat Bowls 6.30pm

Fri 23th Nov – Games Night 7pm for 7.30pm start

Wed 28th Nov - Short Mat Bowls 6.30pm

And Finally... a few autumn jokes

- What did the leaf say to autumn?
I'm falling for you!
 - What do you call an American who really likes autumn?
A fall guy!
 - Why do trees hate going back to school in the autumn?
Because they're easily stumped!
 - What did the lawn say to the rake last autumn?
Leaf me alone!
 - Did you hear about the tree who deserted the forest at the end of the autumn?
He was absent without leaves.
 - Why did the tree worry that he would never get his leaves back after autumn?
He didn't be-leaf in himself!
 - If money really did grow on trees, in autumn we'd all be *raking it in*.
 - Just wanted to leaf you with my best wishes for autumn. Orange you glad the leaves are turning? I'm so happy, I could yellow 'bout it.
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