

THE BUZZARD

Newsletter of Shifnal Bowling Club Limited

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**AGM and Registration
Evening**

Thursday 18 January

7pm for registration

7.45pm for the Meeting

Memorial Hall

Shifnal

News Update

The Management Committee News

First, a reminder of the date of our AGM and registration evening at 7pm on **Thursday 18 January 2024**. Fees for the 2024 season will be, as last year, £35. This can be paid by cash, cheque or bank transfer.

The registration forms will be available on the night as well as being sent out with AGM agenda, they need completing to make sure we have all your details up to date.

The preference form attached will give us an idea of which team you would prefer to play in and how many teams we are able to put into the various leagues. (See attached form.) If these are sent back to me before the end of the year, we can start to sort out our teams. An email, text message or phone call will suffice.

We do run a raffle to help with club funds and if you would like to bring a prize, that would be greatly appreciated. Also look out for the sign in for when you arrive. This gives us a head count to ensure we have a quorum as well as for safety in case of a fire.

Formal notice of the AGM and all the paperwork will be emailed/posted to members in the New Year.

There are two proposals from MSBL to consider and vote on. Details can be found on the MSBL website <https://midshrop.co.uk/2023/11/all-change-4/> Have your say at our AGM for our rep to take to the MSBL AGM on 23 January.

Could you also seriously consider becoming a member of our committee? We have spaces on the committee which need filling. Remember, the more who are prepared to help with this vital group the less each member needs to do. We look forward to you joining us. We shall also be gathering volunteers' names for us to call on when we have the all-important working parties to organise.

Donations

We very much appreciate the funding we have received from the Carnival Committee which has helped towards installing LED lighting in the Clubhouse which should help to reduce our electricity costs.

Also, the Co-Op in Shifnal has donated £50 with which we have purchased a teriyaki grill pan which will enable us to provide hot food for upcoming events. If anyone has a food hygiene certificate and is willing to help at such events, please let us know; your help would be very much appreciated.

School Link Programme

In order for us to restart the School Link programme we need volunteers to do their DBS check. This programme does help to bring new members into the club and hopefully some new juniors once again.

Fund Raising

At this time of year, when you are doing online Christmas shopping, please try to use the easy fundraising route. Take a look - <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> As you will see, many big names are prepared to give a small percentage of the value of your order to your designated organization: Shifnal Bowling Club Ltd. All the details are on their website. It costs you nothing extra but gives money to the club as long as you designate it and shop at your favourite websites that you click from the easyfundraising site. Thank you.



As ever we're always looking for ideas for social events during our closed season and would also very much appreciate some volunteers to help. These events keep us in touch with one another and help to raise a little cash for our club. Please let Sue know generalsecretary@shifnalbowlingclub.co.uk .

This and other out-of-season editions of the Buzzard will be made available in both Co-ops, so please pass this information on to any member you know does not have email so cannot receive this electronically.

Finally, a big **thank you** to all of you who have volunteered this year and

Merry Christmas to all our Members

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

18 January 2024

Shifnal BC AGM & Registration 7pm
Shifnal Memorial Hall

20 January 2024

Don't forget this date if you have booked for -

MSBL Annual Presentation Dinner on
Saturday 20th January 2024, at The West
Stand at Telford United Football Club.

Further information regarding tickets, menu selection and, importantly, parking can be found on the MSBL website <https://midshrop.co.uk/2023/09/time-to-dine/>