

HORSHAM DISTRICT INDOOR BOWLS CLUB

Keeping our Members informed of News and Events

Welcome to the January 2019 edition of our monthly Club Newsletter. If there are any specific topics that you would like to see included, please let our Editor, Jo Lawrence, know. You can also see this newsletter on our Club website - why not have a look. www.horshamdistrictindoorbowlsclub.co.uk

IN BRIEF (but important!)

Jack High Winners - January Draw

No. 37	Mr D Haynes	£30
No. 45	Mr B French	£20
No. 69	Mr M Bright	£10

ATHERLEY TROPHY

Another great win by Sussex in the latest round of the Atherley Trophy played against Kent at our Club on 12th January. Sussex are now in the semi-final of this inter-county Competition with the next round being played at Arun Bowls Club on Saturday, 2nd March against Dorset. **GOOD LUCK SUSSEX!**

CAR PARKING

Don't forget - you can continue to park in the Tesco car park until **January 31st 2019**, with cameras switched off until then. Our Club Committee are monitoring the situation - please look out for a notice in our reception area, should this deadline be extended.

BOWL 4 FUN EVENINGS

These are currently being run on **Wednesday evenings from 7 - 9:30 pm**. Why not bring your friends or family along to join in for 2 free taster sessions?

No need to book, just turn up!
For more info, ask at Reception or talk to a Committee member.

IT WAS A GREAT RUN.....

In December, we reported on how well our ladies had done in reaching the **last 16 of the National Yetton Plate Competition** and the next round of the **National Masons Trophy**.

On 5th January, our ladies took on the Isle of Wight Team with both the home and away teams playing well and **winning through to the quarter final stage** - a fantastic result. Well done ladies, especially for our away team who had a long return journey on the day - although they did sample the delights of McDonalds on the Island for breakfast and injuries narrowly avoided in an encounter with a clothes rail in the changing rooms (it would appear the clothes rail came off worse!!!).

However, a semi-final place was not to be and on 19th January, this great run came to an end, despite a brave fight, with Horsham losing to Sutton in the quarter final.

WELL DONE LADIES

- you did the Club proud!!!

Unfortunately, our team in the Masons Trophy was also knocked out of the Competition the same weekend with a very narrow loss to Eastbourne.

Ladies - interested in the ladies' leagues or competitions? Contact Jan Barnes, our Ladies Captain. We'd love to hear from you.



JUNIOR SUCESS.....

The Junior under 25's competition, Sussex v Surrey was held at our Club on 13th January, with victory for Sussex by 9 shots. Well done Sussex Juniors.....and particularly three of our own junior bowlers who were representing Sussex on the day and all acquitted themselves well. Congratulations on selection and the win to **James Loader, Archie Batten and Grace Loader**.

RESTAURANT

Normal opening times now apply for the restaurant. Saturday through to Thursday, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm each day and later on match days. The Restaurant is closed on Fridays. For further info on functions or outside catering, contact Paul on 07783810824 or at the Club

JUNIOR SECTION

Following a short break, the Junior Section will be back up and running from **Saturday, 19th January.**

If you have family or friends with children between ages 8-18 years and they are interested in trying the game of bowls, then please bring them along on any Saturday Term Time, between 10 am and 11:30 am when they will be warmly welcomed. We are also keen to hear from any experienced bowlers who have a Saturday morning free to help out on occasions.

And finally, congratulations to **Catherine Imms** and **Lewis Kennedy** who both recently attained their Sussex County Junior Academy Level 4 grades.

PRESIDENT'S CHARITY DRIVE

The afternoon was a great success with 54 players taking part - 6 rinks and one triple match. We were a player short so Paul our Caterer was persuaded to take part, receiving a big cheer when he joined his team on the rink. Paul had a fantastic 'toucher' for his last bowl (as evidenced in picture below!!) and enjoyed the game. Thanks also to Clare and her helpers who were left to do the cooking etc!! Message from our President, Mick Porter: "**The raffle donations were amazing; thank you to Margaret Brown and Jane de Fraine for their help and support in running another successful raffle**



on my behalf. A wonderful £144 was raised for the President's Charity - thank you everyone"

President Mick had everyone laughing during his speech and our Ladies Captain entertained with one of her famous jokes! So a great afternoon everybody. Mick claims' that the President's team won - it would seem however, that the evidence has gone missing!!



MIXED DRAWN FOURS - A REMINDER

The following quarter final matches are to be played on **Sunday, 24th February**

A Dalrymple	v	J Lawrence	T Palmer	v	J Barnes	T Hazell	v	N Brown
T Bowen		A Barker	H Grant		M Morris	L Adamson		W Smith
G Kentish		A Potter	J Puffett		A Collett	D Cotton		J Loader
C Laker		P Elliott	J Morris		K Bowen	P Wren		G Loader

Full details, including reserves and "best losing team' for semi-final place, on Competitions Board. For further info, please contact Andy Simmons.

CAN YOU PLAY?

Please check the boards regularly and sign up as soon as you can for any of the matches which you are able to play in - some matches are cancelled or played with insufficient players and ultimately this can have a big impact on Club income. If you are able to play in any of the matches below, please add your name:

Sunday, 3rd February - Mixed Friendly Match v Leatherhead & Newdigate, 8 rinks, Home

Thursday, 7th February - Ladies League Match v Arun, 5 rinks, Away

Saturday, 9th February - Mixed Friendly Match v Thameside Wanderers, 8 rinks, Away

Tuesday, 12th February - Ladies League Match v Worthing Pavilion, 5 rinks, Away

Tuesday, 19th February - Ladies League Match v Worthing IBC, 5 rinks, Home

Saturday, 23rd February - Mixed Friendly Match v Horsham BC, 6 rinks

Tuesday, 29th January - Ladies Match v Langney Sports (Away)

Further info, contact Tony Male or Fran Baillie(Mixed) or Jan Barnes (Ladies).



