



MALVERN PRIORY BOWLING CLUB

NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2018

The Green

In the next couple of weeks Hamish will start work on the refurbishment of the ditches.

This work is costing a considerable sum of money and will further enhance the green. It is the first stage towards installing an automatic watering system planned for 2019/20.

Work on the ditches will take a week and we hope those playing short mat during that week will be tolerant towards the men working, who will from time to time want to use toilets and have tea or coffee.

Pre Season Salmon Lunch Sunday 8th April at 12.30 pm

Tickets are now on sale for the Salmon Lunch which was a huge success last year. The menu will be homemade soup of the day, poached salmon, new potatoes, salad, home made Tiramisu or fresh fruit salad. Cost £12.50 per person. There will be a chicken dish for those unable to eat salmon but I need to know at the time of purchase. Please contact Jackie Oakey for tickets on 01684575057 or e mail at jackie.oakey@gmail.com

Fundraising Supper Thursday 22nd March 2018

A pasty or pie and pea supper will be held at the club house on Thursday 22nd March at 7.30 followed by a Beetle Drive. Price is £8 per person.

Please put your name and choice on the form on the board or email/phone Jackie with your choice of either pasty, steak pie, chicken pie or cheese and onion pie.

This is a favourite Northern social event - we have it on good authority from our Northern Country members!

Membership fees

Membership renewal fees for the forthcoming season are due by 31st March 2018. Renewal forms have been sent to you either by email/post shortly by the Membership Secretary, Brian Wheeler, for completion and return with your cheque for £50. Membership will continue to be free for those where 2018 is their first year of playing at the club.

Working party with lunch Saturday 24th March - weather permitting VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

A complete schedule of work will be emailed to all members in the next week. Typical jobs to be done - edging of the green, cleaning the ditch prior to replacing the stored artificial grass, weeding all paths and sweeping, tidying up the gardens we are responsible for, cleaning out the shed and other essential jobs.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SHED AND STORE ROOM ARE NOT TO BE USED AS DUMPING PLACES FOR UNWANTED ITEMS!

Open Day 20th May

We are looking for volunteers who can organise/help with our OPEN Day on Sunday 20th May. Please contact Roger Davies or Jackie Oakey if you can help in some way.

Club promotional stand at Civic Week 29th June

Volunteers are also needed to man our Promotional stall at Malvern Civic Week on the morning of Friday 29th June, the aim being to encourage people to 'have a go' during the afternoon at roll up and possible membership of the club. What do you think of a cream tea during the afternoon to raise funds?

Short Mat Bowling

Club competitions are well underway with the doubles final between Roger Davies and Roy Barber against Gail Davis and David Mowlem taking place on Monday 12th March. Singles matches are still talking place.

Roger Davies has asked that all finals are completed by 31st March 2018.

Clubhouse Diary

There is now a small diary kept in the kitchen for booking short mat times. Please do use this to ensure you are booked in with your times etc. to avoid disappointment.

Help wanted

I am putting together a list of people who are willing to help at fund raising events. This could be in the kitchen or setting up tables etc. or even running an event.

If you can help in some way I would love to hear from you. In addition to raising much needed funds we have a great deal of fun and a great sense of achievement.

Please contact me at jackie.oakey@gmail.com or phone me on 01684575957

Dates for your diary

22nd March at 7.30 pm Pasty/pie and pea supper £8 per person followed by a Beetle Drive. This will be a fun fundraising event.

24th March 9 am Working party with lunch - external work and green preparation - weather dependent - LUNCH PROVIDED FOR THOSE WHO WORK

31st March Club membership fees to be paid by this date

8th April 12.30 pm Pre Season Salmon Lunch at clubhouse tickets in advance £12.50 per head (chicken dish for those who do not eat salmon but must be requested when booking)
tickets now on sale - contact Jackie Oakey

14th April 9 am Special Spring Clean - volunteers needed

17th April first roll up

18th April 6.30 pm first Wednesday evening roll up

19th April first Thursday roll up

20th April first Friday roll up

22nd April first match - at home against Ledbury

20th May - Open Day

5th June evening - Social bowls evening for 41 Club with supper (Fundraiser)

10th June - Club Garden Party

29th June - Club promotional stand at Civic Week

12th August President's day and BBQ time

1/2 September - Club finals

15/16th September - Interclub finals

Health and Safety

Brian Palmer and Brian Wheeler recently attended a Legionella course organised by MHDC resulting in various areas that need some rectification. The outcome of this will be a schedule of various checks that need to take place throughout the year.

Recruitment of New Members

Currently there is great Government emphasis on getting people active both physically and mentally.

In conjunction with Bowls England we are to order a quantity of free marketing material that will need to be distributed.

Do you know of someone who might be interested or benefit from joining our Club? Could you help distribute information to Drs surgeries, retirement villages and other organisations? If you are able to help please contact Sophia Buxton or Jackie Oakey.

Club Shirts and jackets

I am taking orders for shirts, caps and jackets so we receive them in time for the start of the season. The prices are:-

Waterproof jackets mens/ladies	£33
Waterproof fleecy lined jackets mens/ladies	£49
Shirts	£22
Caps	£11

ORDER FORMS WILL BE LEFT AT THE CLUB ALONG WITH A SHEET ON THE BOARD TO COMPLETE WHEN YOU HAVE PLACED AN ORDER. ALL CHEQUES TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO MALVERN PRIORY BOWLING CLUB. PLEASE PLACE YOUR ORDER AND CHEQUE IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO ME, JACKIE OAKEY, AND PUT IN THE INTERNAL POST TRAY. DO NOT PLACE IN THE TREASURERS TRAY.

Delivery is usually one month from placing the order.

Cleaning and tea roots

Have you put your name on the cleaning rota yet?

The home match tea rota will shortly be on the board for members to sign up for. We welcome help from both the ladies and men - equal opportunities etc. This applies to the cleaning rota - don't be shy to come forward.

We had some fantastic teas last year, I know I am eagerly awaiting Margaret and Jeans sandwiches this summerr - they were delicious.

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