ANGEL IBC NEWSLETTER

October 2019

YOUR CLUB, YOUR NEWS, YOUR NEWSLETTER



100 CLUB DRAW RESULTS

This month's prize winners are:

Mrs S Lacey Mrs J Dann Mrs V Weaver

Each wins £12

Cyril Stares Trophy winners

Summer 2019

THIS SEASON'S COMPETITIONS

Details of this year's Club Competitions are now on the notice board. **The closing date is November 3**rd. Entry forms can be downloaded from the website or are available on the noticeboard by the bowls hall entrance.

We have four new competitions this year so hopefully that will encourage more members to join in. Last year we had 70 members enter the various competitions, so we want to better that this year. Competitions are fun to play in and really help to improve your bowling, so if you have never entered before, give it a go this year.

A NEW IMAGE FOR THE ANGEL IBC

As I am sure most members are aware, at the end of last winter season at the Angel both the Ladies and Men's sections of the club began investigating the possibility of changing the club kit. This was followed by a unanimous decision at the Men's AGM to implement this change. The new Joint Committee then took on the responsibility of investigating this idea further.

Following intensive research into design, materials and cost we were able to offer a choice of two shirts for members to consider and indicate their preference. There has been a good response to this and although there was support for both designs, the one that came out as the clear favourite was Option 2. Below is the Men's design, the Ladies' design has an open placket neck with no buttons.



As of January 1st 2020, the official club kit for the Angel IBC will be black trousers and the new design shirt.

The full price of a new shirt will be £22.00.

However initially the club will subsidise this, so the cost of the first shirt to members will be only £10.00.

Order forms for the new shirts will be available at the reception desk. No money is needed at this stage but please put in your order asap so we can ensure that we have the correct sizes available.

Many thanks

The Bowling Committee

PICKED TO PLAY FOR ENGLAND

Following on from Duncan Hanmore's trial recently at Northampton he has been selected to play for the England Over 50's team in the BIIBC international series at Warners Lakeside Coastal Village on the 24th & 25th January 2020.

It was a trial of 24 players and only 8 were needed. Also a minimum of 4 of the players that are picked have to be ex/current international players so for the other players in the trial only a maximum of 4 could be picked.

Obviously this is a great achievement for Duncan and fantastic for the Club.



CLUB BYE-LAWS UPDATE

Updated bye-laws are on your website and Club Noticeboards.

This update recognises

- a) the merger of the men's and women's bowling committees,
- b) the wearing of shorts in the bowling hall all year round, and
- c) that running to legitimately follow a bowl up the green is an acceptable part of the competitive side of our sport

All of these updates have been ratified by both your Directors and Bowling Committee.

See the updated bye-laws for further detail...

https://www.angelibc.co.uk/about/club-notices/club-bye-laws



TAMS (TONBRIDGE & MALLING SENIORS FORUM) SAT SEPTEMBER 28TH

Hosted in the Angel Centre, this is a great annual event for seniors and carers in our community to find out what's available to them in and around Tonbridge.

And this year Angel IBC were one of the exhibitors for the first time.

Thanks to Roger Hood and Dave Hayward for 'manning' our stall on the day.

The objective of these events is to raise the Club's profile within our community so that when it comes round to events like our 'Open Days' we have already got some awareness out there.

For learn more about TAMS follow this link ... https://tamorsfum.weebly.com/

The theme of our stall was the great facilities we have to offer any bowler needing any form of assistance to bowl. With Roger's help we produced a new single page informational 'flyer' to hand out on the day. If you feel you know someone who could benefit from our Assisted Bowls facilities, you can access the flyer here

https://www.angelibc.co.uk/public/files/Bowling/Assisted Section Flyer 1.pdf

2019 TONBRIDGE XMAS LIGHTS FESTIVAL



We will be repeating our promotional stall at this year's Rotary Club Tonbridge Xmas lights festival, to be held on Sunday November 24th.

Please put a date in your diary and let the Office or bar know if you feel you may be available to help out.

BOWLS FOR SALE?

With a surge of new members following our successful Open Days this would be a great time to sell any spare sets of bowls you may have!

See the Office to place an advert or just let us know the make and size of bowls you have available and we will try to match you to a new bowler looking for woods. Two sets already sold this week!

NEW BOWLER ROLL-UPS

We have established a couple of weekly 'novice' roll-ups just for our new bowlers.

One is running at 9.30am on a Tuesday morning and one is to run at 9.30am on a Saturday.

The objective is to provide a fun and safe environment for new bowlers to bowl together and build confidence and experience before joining the regular roll-ups, club leagues, etc.

If you have been bowling for less than 12 months and would like to join one of these new bowler roll-ups please speak with one of the Club Coaches.

Thank you to all the volunteers who are helping with these roll-ups and to any bowlers on adjacent rinks who may have to gather the very occasional 'stray bowl'!

CARPET STRETCH

Greenguages spent a full 8 hours on Thursday 26th September stretching our bowling hall carpet. A very thorough job. This was the first time we have used Greenguages to maintain our carpet.

As part of their inspections they identified further opportunities to improve the running of the green. They are planning to return in January to effect these.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

To see the 'public record' of the Club's latest Board meeting (held on September 26th), simply login to the members section of the website and look under the "members" tab.

A hard copy can also be accessed from the Club's Noticeboard.

As part of the Club's ongoing desire to improve member communication, your Bowling Committee have also agreed to publish their meeting minutes going forward. Look out for these in the Club.

SEPTEMBER TRIPLES

The September Triples competition is held annually and is open to both members and non-members.



It runs over just one week with the format depending on the number of teams entering.

This year the competition was won by Paul Gent (sub. Richard Comben), Neil Ramage and Gwen Smithies.

Special congratulations to Gwen who retains the Trophy having won last year with Tony Morez and Gary McIlravey.

Congratulations also to Tony Morez, Gary McIlravey (sub Arthur Reagan) and Diana Morgans who made the final.

If you would like to enter this competition next year all you need is a mixed gender team of three. Look out for the competition entry forms next September.

Thanks to Tony Morez for organising this year's competition.

EIBA TOP CLUB

Congratulations to our Top Club side who won a nail-biting preliminary round against Prince Arthur on Saturday 5th.

The next round is at home to Swale on Sunday October 20th at 10am.

Swale are one of the strongest and most consistent Clubs in the country and have won this national competition more than once. Angel will need to be on their best form to beat them.

Why not come down and support and see some great bowls?

To find out more about Top Club follow this link... https://www.angelibc.co.uk/top-club

RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

Thank you to everyone who has renewed their membership for the 2019/20 season. If you have yet to do so it would be appreciated if this could be addressed as soon as possible. Reminder letters will be posted out shortly. If you have misplaced your renewal forms, please let the office know so a duplicate can be provided to you. If you have previously paid your subscriptions by bank transfer, please ensure you still supply the office with your renewal

form in order that the two can be married up and processed. If you believe your renewal should have been processed by now but you have not received your renewal pack (placed in members' pigeonholes) then please contact the office.

Many thanks.

Mark Hutcheon.

Club Manager.

DRINKS VENDING MACHINE

You may be aware that the Club's drink vending machine is supplied by a company called Lavazza. The Club has been informed that Lavazza is increasing their pricing as of 4th November. Whilst the Club attempts to absorb such increases wherever possible, as it has for the last few years, on this occasion there will be a 5p increase on drink prices to reflect this increase which will take effect from Monday 4th November.

TONBRIDGE AND TUNBRIDGE WELLS CRIB LEAGUE

The club was approached by this league to see if we would like to take part. Monies raised from the matches go to charity and this year the charity is Hospice in the Weald.

After some volunteering (and some bullying) we managed to get a team together and we hope that by joining the league we can promote the club and its great facilities. The matches run from October to March and we play at various local venues and they visit us. This opportunity means that the opposing team can see at first-hand what we have to offer as a club and hopefully they will want to visit again and perhaps even join the club.

We were very lucky to have our joining fee paid for by the 100 Club and the Social committee have agreed to help start the season off by contributing towards our costs for food. Food is a round of sandwiches, not a three-course meal. Our thanks to both parties concerned because without their support we would be a non-starter.

We played our first match away at Poult Wood Golf Club on Monday 7 Oct. and now have three matches at home. We lost the first match by just 1 point and my grateful thanks go to the fantastic team who did so well. The club can be really very proud of them.

Our team would love members to come and support them either at the club or even one of the other venues. Paul has a list of venues and dates we are playing but occasionally the match may have to be postponed for whatever reason and will have to be rescheduled.

If anyone in the club would like to join, please contact me or leave your contact details with Paul behind the bar.

Bev Bradshaw



A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO ATTENDED

THE MACMILLAN "WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING"

ON FRIDAY 27[™] SEPTEMBER

AND TO THOSE WHO DONATED THE CAKES, BISCUITS, PIES AND FRUIT, THE RAFFLE PRIZES AND ITEMS FOR THE BRING AND BUY STALL. ALSO SPECIAL THANKS TO PAUL FOR FUND RAISING BEFORE AND SETTING UP TABLES ETC SO EVERYTHING RAN SMOOTHLY ON THE DAY. AS YOU MAY HAVE SEEN FROM THE POSTER IN THE CLUB, THE TOTAL RAISED FOR MACMILLAN WAS £867.22.

FOR SALE

Taylor Legacy SL Size 3 Heavy. Hardly used, £50. Call 01892 529455

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Some events coming up in your Club over the next month ...

Wednesday Oct 9th Friendly Match v Falaise

Friday Oct 11th Friday Night is Burger Night in your Restaurant

Saturday Oct 12th Mens Kent League v Folkestone

Sunday Oct 13th Egham Trophy v Betteshanger

Saturday Oct 19th Women Yetton v Folkestone

Saturday Oct 19th Men Denny v Prince Arthur

Sunday Oct 20th Top Club Round 1, home v Swale @ 10am

Sunday Oct 20th Men Kent League v Thanet

Wednesday Oct 23rd Women Kent League v Oyster

Friday Oct 25th Friday Night is Indian Night in your Restaurant

Saturday Oct 26th Mens Kent League v Swale

Sunday Oct 27th Friendly v Wealden

Friday Nov 1st Friday Night is Halloween Quiz & Buffet

To add anything to our next newsletter, to be published 14th November, please email gwencat@hotmail.co.uk by 12th November latest.

If you have any replies to or comments on this newsletter, please send them to office@angelibc.co.uk



