ANGEL IBC NEWSLETTER. November 2026.

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From the Board.

AGM

7.30pm on Friday 27th November. For newer members, please be aware that this is the **club AGM and not the bowling committee AGM** which is held in April. The two events are very different. The club AGM is hosted by the board of directors and deals with the management of the club as a business and includes the presentation of audited accounts. The bowling committee AGM is hosted by the bowling committee and deals with all things related to bowling, such as competitions and leagues. Members of the Bowling Committee are proposed by the membership and voted to office at the AGM. As a limited company, and under the memorandum & articles of association, the existing board of Directors, may invite a member to join the board and on their first AGM stand for election. Existing directors decide whether or not to stand again after a 3 year term, retiring by rotation. If they decide to stay, then they have to be proposed and seconded at the AGM. Directors are usually invited for their skill set, knowledge, or business experience.

Catering

We have short listed two excellent applicants for the franchise but still have to make a final decision. We hope to have signed contracts before Christmas.

Congratulations



Congratulations to Chris Richards and Les Herbert who were both recognised by the Tonbridge & Malling Council for their volunteering roles in the community. Chris for his work with Comunigrow (https://communigrow.org.uk) and Les for his volunteer coaching here at our club. We are all very proud of you both and thank you both for your service.



Grand Christmas Draw 2026

On Monday 2nd November, raffle tickets for the AIBC Grand Christmas Draw 2026 will go on sale at the club at a cost of £1 per square.

Prizes will include a Christmas Hamper as well as a mixture of other prizes. Prize donations will be most welcome and gratefully accepted and can handed to the bar staff by 3rd December if possible.

The raffle will be drawn on **Monday 14th December 2026.**

Your support will be much appreciated with proceeds being split between Dementia suppo and Club Funds.

Thank you in anticipation.

Bowling News

No reports received

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In case you were wondering



Keith & Mikey have worked hard this last week installing a French drain as part of our flood protection. Not, as some thought, turning our car park into Diggerland. Thank you.

Angel's Angels

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Fun Day, our sponsors and especially Tonbridge House for contributing such an amazing grazing table - it really was the talk of the afternoon. We managed to raise £1527 which is a fantastic start to our fund. Please email angelsangels@angelibc.co.uk if you or someone you know needs assistance from AABF. We can't promise we will be able to help everyone but we will do our best. Also, please remember donations can be made anytime at the bar or using the collection tins. Unfortunately the 15p contribution when paying rink fees has not been sorted but we're working on it. Many thanks also to JP Glass who we inadvertently missed off of the sponsors list in the last edition and to everyone who donated raffle prizes.
Just this month we have sent 2 bouquets, 1 hamper, 1 voucher, sent numerous cards and arranged transport for a hospital visit. Thanks to everyone who has signed up to volunteer.



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Social Angels

Here we are again. Happy to report another very successful quiz night. Fierce competition, but it will come as no surprise to our regular quizzers that The Blessed Cheesemakers were the champions for the third time. Congratulations, fantastic result. Think you can beat them, well start planning your team for next time.



Friday 13th November, fitting date, is shaping up to be a good night. Magic Adam is sharing his new show with us. Tickets were limited to 50, due to the intimacy of the show, and they sold out in a day and a half! Can't wait to see you there if you secured your ticket.

Thank you for all your support.

Jude Knowles Chair of Social Angels

In other news



Thank you so much to everyone who helped at the Macmillan coffee morning. We raised £300 on the day plus an additional £208 which came from the 'Name the Unicorn', the honesty box from the sale of the remaining bric a brac and other items sold by the Knit and Natter group.

Despite there being considerably fewer people this year we did well to raise over £500 for such a vital charity that helps so many people following a cancer diagnosis.

Is wiping your feet too much to ask?



This week was my turn to vacuum the bowls hall carpet.

When I arrived at the club early this morning, I was amazed at the amount of leaf matter that was on the changing room floor.

I then went into the bowls hall and noticed the same at the side of bowls hall, adjacent to the lockers.

As this is very unlikely to have blown in, we must conclude that it was carried in on members shoes.

With this number of leaves, we must also assume that those same shoes also carried in plenty of dirt and grim.



Once bowlers have changed into their bowls shoes, it is inevitable that they will walk on all this dirt and grim and transfer it to our biggest asset, the bowls surface.

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If everyone wiped their feet properly at the entrance, there would be little or no leaves, dirt, or grim in the changing rooms or in the bowls hall, and the chances of transferring it to your bowls shoes would be eliminated.
It's a simple task and if you do it, others behind you might follow your lead.
I'm sure when you go home you will, at the very least, wipe your feet upon entering.
Please do the same at our club.
All volunteers at this club do it out of love and respect of Bowls. All we ask in return, is that you show that same love and respect for our bowls club.
Richard Comben.

100 Club

October winners

Jean Holland. Avril Williams. Stephanie Gates
Each win £12

Deadline for the next Newsletter is strictly 5pm on November 28th

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