



SIBC NEWS

November/December 2021

Welcome to the first edition of the SIBC newsletter for the 2021/22 season.

If there is anything you would like to see included in future newsletters, or news items for the website or local press, please contact me (Martin Spencer) either via e-mail: martinspencer1988@gmail.com or mobile telephone: 07540 066241.

Welcome Back Message From Our New Chairman, Simon Lilley

I welcome you all to the new season and wanted to say a few words about my appointment as your new chairman.

I of course want to wholeheartedly thank Roger for his relentless and continued efforts for the good of the club over the many years of his tenure as chairman. It will be a very tall order for anyone to follow in his shoes, but I thank him for having the faith in asking me earlier this year if I would consider taking on the role. I can assure you all that I will do my very best for the benefit of everyone within the club. I'm also very pleased to see Roger will still be around on the management committee as your men's president and of course, a life member. I hope Roger, your health troubles don't prevent you from still being an integral part of our clubs' continued growth and success and I look forward to the future with anticipation.

Those that don't know me or may not remember, I returned to indoor bowls the season before this dreadful pandemic that has plagued us the last couple of years. Prior to that, up to the 2014/15 season, I took over from Derek Sands as secretary and fixture secretary that I did for seven years. Before that, I had also been club captain and a committee member.

Most will not know, but I have also been involved as the chair of two school's governing bodies for the past 15 years. This has given me some amazing experiences and hopefully the skills that I can bring to this role as your chairman.

Looking to the future, I know we are going to have some very difficult times ahead here at SIBC. Not having a caterer, and having a complex operator who still doesn't quite understand the benefits and income we bring to them is challenging. Trust me, your management committee have still been working very hard to try and overcome these issues. Membership numbers are probably at an all time low, but we are seeing some recovery recently and they are increasing.

A coffee machine has now been installed, that we are paying for, and is one member benefit. Anyone can use this and we are taking the profits. As you have also probably heard, we have also tried to get access to the serving hatch to operate a "tuck shop" style offering for you. This is still ongoing. Sadly, we don't have and it's looking increasingly unlikely to change, a permanent caterer or bar. We have looked at many options over the last 6+ months but almost all have not been financially viable.

All we can do, is remain positive and continue to do as much as we can for everyone's enjoyment of this great sport we all love. Thank you and I look forward to seeing you all around the club.

Meet Your Management Committee for the 2021/22 Season

Men's President	Roger Perkins
Ladies President	Julie Hicks
Chairman	Simon Lilley
Secretary	Jenny Horner
Internal Fixture & League Secretary	David Nunney
External Fixture Secretary	Graham Smith
Treasurer	Anthony Cronin
Club Captain & Competition Secretary	Graham Smith
Publicity Officer	Martin Spencer
Under 25 Co-Ordinator	Colin Wilson
Bowls Co-Ordinator (SIBC & Lex)	Graham Hicks
Committee Members	Maisie Belding, Pauline Day, Carole Nunney, Hazel Tokley & Tony Westland

Our new men's president, Roger Perkins, would also like to welcome you all back with the following message:

For those unable to attend the club EGM on Wednesday 13th October 2021, please be aware that I have changed my role within the committee and am now holding the position of men's president. This is after something like 15 years in the job and I hope I have been of benefit to all you bowling members and the club itself. I would like to thank you for your assistance during this period.

The mantle of chairman will be taken up by Simon Lilley and hopefully a new younger leader will be of benefit to the club moving into the future. When looking for a chairman, I have spent many an hour with the complete list of members in order to select the right person for the job. Simon for me will do the job admirably and with his new ideas the club can only progress. I wish him well and look forward to working with him.

Concerns Raised At The EGM on Wednesday 13th October 2021

For those of you in attendance at the EGM, we appreciate that you have raised some concerns and would like to address them in the best way we can.

One particular thing that was raised was the lack of support by the complex operator which was evident within the recent press release which didn't mention the bowls side but focused on extra staff employment to cover the gym members. Please be assured that we have and continue to express our concerns with the complex operator as well as keeping them up to date with the club's recent successes and hope they will make use of such material.

We have also expressed your concerns about the closing of the catering element however, as our chairman has mentioned within his welcome back statement, our efforts are ongoing.

It was also raised as to why we have funds in our business reserves. Several years ago, it was decided to put away these funds as it was muted that we may have had the opportunity to operate all or part of the bowls hall ourselves. There could be the possibility of this again in the future but we watch this with anticipation. It is felt these funds should remain in their entirety for now, even more so as the complex operator has ceased with the "kick back" we used to receive for advance block bookings. The future is unknown and it is always best to have such funds available if needed.

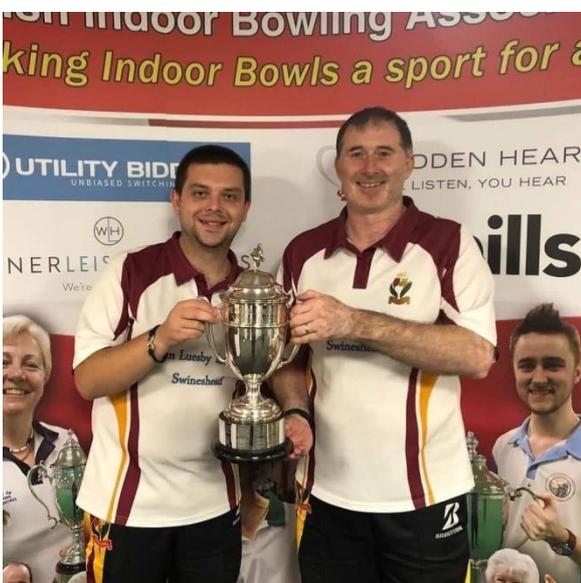
National Championship Success

Whilst our national championship qualifiers would have no doubt been disappointed when Covid-19 struck which meant that the 2019/20 national finals couldn't go ahead, they certainly came back refreshed and by storm as they were completed last month at Nottingham. Having already won the mixed fours (Ruby Hill, Chelsea Tomlin, Martin Spencer and Mathew Orrey) in February 2020 before we went in to lockdown, the club can be proud that we have secured two more individual titles as well as a team one.

Ladies Triples Champions (Ruby Hill, Chelsea Tomlin and Annie Dunham)

Ruby, Chelsea and Annie added to their already impressive CVs by winning the national ladies triples title for the first time. In the last 16, they beat a rink from Desborough, skipped by Mary Price who was fresh from winning the over 50s triples title on the day before and followed it up with a comfortable win against Colchester in the quarter final.

This set up a mouth watering clash against the defending champions from Norfolk, skipped by former world ladies singles champion, Katherine Rednall. It was the defending champions who started the stronger of the two teams, leading 6-3 at five ends however, our girls bounced back well to take the lead, 11-10 at ten ends. A count of six shots helped them to extend their lead before they closed out a 21-14 win. In the final, Ruby, Chelsea and Annie faced a rink from Sussex, skipped by fellow international Lorraine Kuhler, who with her two partners, had won the ladies fours title earlier in the week. Our girls started well to lead 7-5 at five ends which was extended slightly to 13-10 by ten ends. The in form Kuhler and her team mates were not willing to give up as they actually took a 16-14 lead by 15 ends however, our girls again showed their fighting qualities to go 17-16 up playing the last end. After the jack was driven into the ditch on the last end, it was effectively down to the skips for the title. Kuhler drew within a foot of the ditch with her first bowl however, Annie held her nerve to draw shot with her last bowl before seeing the Sussex skip's final bowl drop in to the ditch to hand the title to Ruby, Chelsea and Annie. Our girls will now represent England at the British Isles Championships to be held in Belfast in March 2022.



Men's Pairs Champions (Stephen Harris and Graham Smith)

The girls triples success was soon followed by Stephen and Graham as they won the national men's pairs title, also for the first time. They beat Whiteknights and Blackpool Newton Hall in the last 16 and quarter final respectively before playing against home favourites, skipped by former world pairs champion, Simon Skelton in the semi-final.

Stephen and Graham showed no early nerves as they raced in to a 7-2 lead before Skelton and his partner narrowly took the lead 13-10 at 12 ends. A couple of big counts helped Stephen and Graham

take a 20-14 lead by 15 ends before closing out a 22-18 victory and set up an eagerly anticipated clash with yet another former world champion in Nicky Brett and his partner, Lewis Baker from Huntingdon. Baker and Brett actually won this title back in 2016/17 so it was always going to be a closely contested affair and that proved to be exactly the case. Stephen and Graham were the early pace setters as they took a 13-6 lead however, twelve shots in four ends saw the Huntingdon pair lead 18-13. Our boys showed incredible grit and determination as they led 21-18 going in to the last end. By Graham's own admission, Baker and Brett played a very good end which saw them holding the four shots they needed for the title with Graham's last bowl in hand. Fortunately, Graham managed to move the jack far enough to only drop three shots and set up an extra end finale. The men's pairs was part of the last session so a final with an extra end seemed like a fitting conclusion to the championships. Stephen and Graham were always in control of the extra end as they held their nerve and lifted the men's pairs title. Like the girls, they can also look forward to representing England at the British Isles Championships in Belfast.

Top Club Champions

Our mixed top club team also won the title for the second time and became only the third team in the competition's history to win it on more than one occasion, having previously clinched the crown back in 2015.

Before the pandemic, they played a series of qualifying rounds to set up a semi-final clash with the Egham club from Surrey. The first points on the board were by Chelsea Tomlin, winning the ladies singles 21-12 which was quickly backed up by Stephen Harris in the men's singles as he won 21-4. With four points on the board, this meant that we only needed one win from the pairs, triples and fours and win the overall aggregate to secure a place in the final and that's exactly what happened. Ruby Hill and Jordan Philpott found their opposition in top form in the pairs, while Jean Patterson, Lauren Finbow, Graham Smith and Mathew Orrey narrowly lost in the fours with the last bowl of the game. With the aggregate safe after two comfortable wins in the singles, this meant that the triples of Andy Dunham, Annie Dunham and Martin Spencer had to win - which they did 21-17. The match score was actually eight points all however, we won the aggregate 87-77. Elsewhere, St. Neots beat Exonia by an even closer margin (91-87) to complete the final line up for the following day.

In the final, there was an array of junior and senior internationals on show and the final was expected to be of the highest quality. The men's singles was actually played first in the final as Stephen got us off to the best possible start with another comfortable win, 21-13. With the match close overall and the pairs, triples and fours still in the balance, the ladies singles was crucial for both teams. Chelsea held her nerve to win 21-18 and effectively the club with one hand on the trophy. The equation was the same as the semi-final but we could soon relax when the pairs and fours secured their discipline wins and the championship win for 2019/20. The triples were actually 16-11 behind with three ends left to play however, with the match out of St. Neots reach, the concession was made.



The club lifted the trophy as well as being presented with the £1,500 winners cheque.

Atherley Trophy Champions

There was no rest for some of our ladies as they went straight on to represent Lincolnshire in the Atherley Trophy final against Sussex. We had seven representatives in the team, being Ruby Hill, Chelsea Tomlin, Judy Jackson, Maisie Belding, Annie Dunham, Lauren Finbow and Betty Deaton. Lincolnshire were always going to be favourites in the final having won the competition no fewer than eight times - and there was no surprise when they made it nine.



Lincolnshire stamped their authority from the outset and soon found themselves 20 shots in front. This was slowly extended throughout the match as they won by 40 shots (129-89). Our very own internationals, Ruby and Chelsea, who played as a back end with Gloria Davies from Sleaford and Louise Harris from Stamford, contributed massively with a top winning rink score of 32-9. The win was made even more impressive as the county did not lose a rink, winning four and drawing two in the final.

Friendly Fixtures For 2021/22

Lincs VPs (H) - Saturday 25th September 2021 at 2pm
Sleaford (A) - Sunday 3rd October 2021 at 2pm
Grantham (A) - Saturday 9th October 2021 at 2pm
Peterborough (H) - Saturday 16th October 2021 at 2pm
Stamford (H) - Sunday 24th October 2021 at 2pm
Newark (A) - Sunday 31st October 2021 at 2pm
Boston (H) - Sunday 7th November 2021 at 2pm
Melton (H) - Sunday 14th November 2021 at 2pm
Cambs VPs (Peterborough) - Sunday 28th November 2021 at 2pm
Grantham (H) - Sunday 5th December 2021 at 2pm
Lincs VPs (H) - Sunday 12th December 2021 at 2pm
Friendly Christmas Party - Saturday 18th December 2021 at 2pm
Stamford (A) - Sunday 16th January 2022 at 1.10pm
Perkins Retired (H) - Saturday 29th January 2022 at 2pm
Peterborough (A) - Saturday 5th February 2022 at 2pm
Sleaford (H) - Sunday 13th February 2022 at 2pm
Terrington St. Clements (H) - Sunday 20th February 2022 at 2pm
Huntingdon (A) - Sunday 27th February 2022 at 2pm
Presidents Charity Match - Tuesday 15th March 2022 at 2pm
Huntingdon (H) - Sunday 20th March 2022 at 2pm
Newark (H) - Saturday 26th March 2022 at 2pm
Lincoln (H) - Sunday 3rd April 2022 at 2pm
Boston (A) - Sunday 10th April 2022 at 2pm

Other Friendly Fixtures

Lincs VPs v Norfolk VPs - Friday 22nd October 2021 at 2pm

Ladies Friendly v Stamford (H) - Tuesday 5th April 2022 at 12.15pm



County League Fixtures For 2021/22 Season

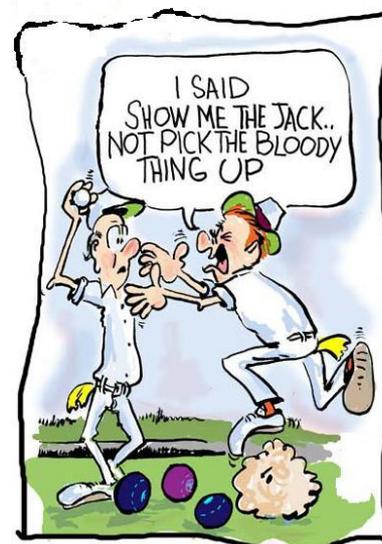
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Stamford (H) - Thursday 21st October 2021 at 10.30am
Grantham (A) - Thursday 18th November 2021 at 10.30am
Stamford (A) - Wednesday 15th December 2021 at 10.30am
Skegness (A) - Thursday 27th January 2022 at 10.30am
Boston (A) - Thursday 3rd February 2022 at 9.15am
Grantham (H) - Thursday 24th February 2022 at 10.30am
Skegness (H) - Thursday 17th March 2022 at 10.30am
Boston (H) - Thursday 31st March 2022 at 10.30am



Men's County League

Grantham (H) - Saturday 2nd October 2021 at 2pm
Stamford "A" (H) - Saturday 13th November 2021 at 2pm
Stamford "B" (H) - Saturday 27th November 2021 at 2pm
Boston "B" (A) - Saturday 4th December 2021 at 2pm
Boston "A" (H) - Sunday 19th December 2021 at 2pm
Sleaford (A) - Saturday 15th January 2022 at 2pm
Stamford "B" (A) - Sunday 30th January 2022 at 1.10pm
Stamford "A" (A) - Sunday 6th February 2022 at 1.10pm
Boston "B" (H) - Saturday 12th February 2022 at 2pm
Boston "A" (A) - Saturday 26th February 2022 at 2pm
Sleaford (H) - Saturday 5th March 2022 at 2pm
Grantham (A) - Saturday 19th March 2022 at 2pm



Mixed County League

Skegness "B" (A) - Sunday 19th September 2021 at 2pm
Boston (H) - Sunday 26th September 2021 at 2pm
Stamford (H) - Sunday 10th October 2021 at 2pm
Grantham (H) - Saturday 30th October 2021 at 2pm
Skegness "A" (H) - Sunday 21st November 2021 at 2pm
Grantham (A) - Saturday 8th January 2022 at 2pm
Skegness "A" (A) - Sunday 20th February 2022 at 2pm
Skegness "B" (H) - Saturday 12th March 2022 at 2pm
Boston (A) - Sunday 27th March 2022 at 2pm
Stamford (A) - Saturday 16th April 2022 at 1.10pm

Over 60s County League

Boston "A" (H) - Thursday 30th September 2021 at 10.30am
Skegness (A) - Thursday 14th October 2021 at 10.30am
Sleaford (H) - Thursday 18th November 2021 at 10.30am
Stamford (A) - Wednesday 1st December 2021 at 10am
Boston "B" (H) - Thursday 23rd December 2021 at 10.30am
Grantham (A) - Tuesday 4th January 2022 at 10.30am
Sleaford (A) - Monday 24th January 2022 at 10.30am
Stamford (H) - Thursday 17th February 2022 at 10.30am
Boston "B" (A) - Thursday 24th February 2022 at 10am
Grantham (H) - Thursday 10th March 2022 at 10.30am
Boston "A" (A) - Thursday 24th March 2022 at 10am
Skegness (H) - Thursday 7th April 2022 at 10.30am



If you fancy a game in a friendly or county league team, please do get in touch with the respective captain who we are sure will only be too happy to try and accommodate!

Player Profile

For this edition, I have had the pleasure of speaking with one of our new members, Dominic McVittie, who has moved down here from Blackpool. I have done this as an introduction for him as I believe he will be an excellent club man and someone who will also bring some good ideas to the table. I would still like to encourage you all to let me know who you would be particularly interested in hearing from therefore, any ideas, please e-mail me at martinspencer1988@gmail.com or contact me on 07540 066241. In the meantime, I will leave you with the achievements and views of Dominic.

Name:	Dominic McVittie
Age:	28
Occupation:	Primary School Teacher
Club:	Spalding IBC (Indoor) and Royal Mail Cart BC (Outdoor)
National Honours (Indoor):	National Under 25 Singles 2015/16 National Mixed Pairs, Mixed Fours, Men's Triples and Men's Fours Runner Up 2019/20
National Honours (Outdoor):	Balcomb Trophy (Lancashire) 2018
County Honours (Outdoor):	Lancashire County Pairs 2014, 2019 Lancashire County Triples 2015, 2019 Lancashire County Fours 2016, 2019 Lancashire County Under 25 Singles 2015, 2017
International Honours:	Junior International (Indoor and Out) 2014-15, 2017-18 British Isles Under 25 Singles 2015/16 World Indoor Bowls Council Under 25 Mixed Triples 2017
Age Started Bowling:	5
Bowls Use:	Henselite Tiger or Evo Size 4 (Indoor) Henselite Tiger Size 3 (Outdoor)
Favourite Shot:	Backhand Runner
Favourite Club:	Blackpool Newton Hall - I have played there since I was young and the club members taught me a lot. I was sad to see it close down.
Sporting Hero:	Rafael Nadal due to his never say die attitude
Other Hobbies or Interests:	Tennis, Badminton



How did you get in to playing bowls?

As my parents split up at a young age, I spent a lot of time with my Nan at the bowls club. She took every opportunity to get me on the green and with watching her success, it made me want the same.

As a youngster developing in the game, who did you aspire to be like and why?

Watching bowls on the TV, I was a massive fan of Andy Thomson MBE. I liked his game style and tried to model myself on it. More recently, I was very lucky to have the opportunity to play with Mark Dawes and I have learnt a lot from him over the last few years.

What is your most memorable and/or proudest moment?

Winning the National Under 25 Singles title in 2016. I had been dropped from the junior international team and was low in confidence at the time. I went to the finals with no expectations and fortunately, I managed to find some good form. I travelled on my own and it was a special moment when I shared my success with my Nan over the phone afterwards.

What do you think could be done to promote the game of bowls in general, especially to the younger generation?

Although I have been to Potters and I enjoyed my experience there for the world championships, I am not sure it is the best advert to get the younger generation into the game. I think televising an international series (as hard as this may be) would be a better advert as the passion showed of representing your country is second to none. People who know me will know that I am not a massive fan of quiet so I think having music played in the background would help to create a more inviting atmosphere. Being a primary school teacher, the children in my class have taken a shine to my bowls and I am looking into the option of taking them for a taster session.

How do you think we can get people back playing bowls after the Covid-19 pandemic?

Being new to Spalding, I think the club is doing a fantastic job with the junior and coaching sessions which is something that Blackpool Newton Hall didn't do. Whilst I would love to help as much as I can in getting younger people into the game, it is also important to build a healthy membership of all ages. I would love to help with future open days to continue to attract new members because no matter how much success you have as a club, you need the foundations to keep the club in a good position.

What do you think you would be doing if you didn't play bowls?

Playing more tennis and badminton.

Do you have any goals?

On the bowls front, I would love to win a senior national title as losing four national finals in one season was hard to take. I would also like to be fortunate enough to represent my country at senior level. It is a very tough team to break in to but this would probably be my main goal.

National Under 25 Singles Finals



Over the weekend of Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd January 2022, we will again be the proud hosts of the national under 25 singles finals. We have prided ourselves on our junior section over the years and have had a number of young men and women represent England - so to host such a prestigious event is quite an honour for the club. We hosted the finals back in January 2020 which was well run and a great success. The defending champions are Ryan Atkins from Malvern Hills and Nicole Rogers from Exonia who won the men's and ladies events respectively.

The qualifiers for this season's event will take place over the next couple of months with our own local talent trying to qualify. Jordan Philpott, Stephen Harris, Harry Mycock, Ollie Jeapes and Aaron Barnes have entered the men's event whilst Ruby Hill and Louise Harris have entered the women's.

The event was really well supported when we hosted in January 2020 so please come and show your support again to some of the best young bowlers the country has to offer!

Club Competitions

Please remember, club competition forms are due in by Christmas and the entry forms will be up on the competition notice board soon. The club needs your support so please give them a go. They will run after New Year right the way through to April 2022.

After much feedback over the last couple of seasons, two club competitions, the men's fours and family pairs, are handicapped. These competitions were ran on a handicap basis last season however, even after the feedback, still received disappointing entries. Our club captain and competition secretary, Graham Smith would like to extend the amount of competitions that are handicapped however, without your support, club competitions will slowly die away. For details of the system for the handicap competitions, please refer to the competitions page in your handbook.

The Quintet club competition will also be ran between 19th and 22nd April 2022. This is designed to involve players of all abilities and is great fun for everyone. Teams are drawn so it gives you the opportunity to play with and meet new people. Please keep an eye out on the competition notice board nearer the time for more details.



Social Update

There is very little happening on the social front as Covid-19 is still lingering and it is very difficult to make firm decisions and bookings which could have to be cancelled at short notice. On the bright side, a few of our members are going to stay and play in the Potters Bowls Tournament during the week commencing the 8th November 2021. For those involved, we hope you have an enjoyable trip!

As we get used to having Covid-19 around and we enter in to the "new normal", we will hopefully see more opportunities for such trips and events to take place. Please do check out the social notice board for forthcoming events in the future.



Spray Chalk

Unfortunately, spray chalk comes from China and is caught up in the shipping problems that are affecting many other imports at the moment. As a result, suppliers have stopped selling chalk by the box. However, after much searching, the club has been able to obtain a single box which is being sold to members at £4 per tube. This is the cost price. It is not known when supplies will reach the UK but stockists have quoted expected deliveries from now until December. Until the delivery situation is resolved, this may well be the last box we will have for a while.

National Team Competitions

The mixed top club team have already progressed through two rounds in their defence of the title that they won only a few weeks ago. On 10th October 2021, the team travelled to Charnwood and with wins in both singles, triples and fours, they secured a comfortable 12-4 win. A couple of weeks later, they played a strong Barwell team at home. The two singles wins got the team off to a good start and we followed them up with wins also in the pairs and triples to obtain another 12-4 win and set up a third round clash with Church Gresley at home on the 21st November 2021.

The only other team competition to be played is in the club under 30 double triples on the 16th October 2021, again against Barwell. Club debuts were handed to Dominic McVittie, Lewis Parnell and Louise Harris. The main damage was done by the home rink of Ruby Hill, Parnell and Jordan Philpott who won 25-9. Brother and sister duo, Louise and Stephen Harris partnered McVittie in the away rink as they consolidated well to only lose by one shot to help the team with an overall win of 39-24. Next up are Melton Mowbray on the 7th November 2021.

On Saturday 30th October 2021, we had no fewer than eleven members represent and help Lincolnshire to an exceptional 166-77 win in the first round of the Liberty Trophy against Yorkshire at Grantham. Our club members were Graham Smith (captain), Stephen Harris, Brian Martin, Dominic McVittie, Kevin Ekins, Jordan Philpott, Mark Dawes, Martin Spencer, Mathew Orrey, Ean Morton and Tristan Morton. In the next round, the county will play Nottinghamshire on the 18th December 2021.

Forthcoming team fixtures:

Denny Cup & Yetton Trophy v Peterborough on 6th November 2021

Under 30s Double Triples v Melton on 7th November 2021

Egham Trophy v Grantham on 14th November 2021
(Current world singles and pairs champion, Mark Dawes, will be making his club debut in one of the away rinks)

Top Club v Church Gresley on 21st November 2021

Over 60s Inter-Club Double Rink v Grantham or Stamford "B" on 30th November 2021

Mason Trophy v Peterborough on 10th December 2021



Important Notices

Health & Safety

We would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that it is important that we keep the fire doors free for use in the event of an emergency. To try and help with this, we would like to encourage everyone to use space between the chairs down each side of the green to put your bowls bags after you have changed your shoes. This will help to keep the scoreboard end of the green clear and ultimately, easier access to the fire doors.



Lockers

We have plenty of lockers available for all our members to use. This obviously will come at a small cost but if you are interested, please contact Julie Hicks who will be able to assist.

Rink Availability and Priority Order

There has been a recent incident where a member was having a roll up on a particular rink however, due to a county competition being played, the roll up was asked to move. On this occasion, this was the fault of the complex as when they checked their system, the roll up was meant to be on another rink anyway. Mistakes can happen therefore, if this situation does occur again, please take it up with the front desk who will ask the necessary party to move. This leads on nicely to the priority of rink bookings. It has always been the case that national and county competitions have taken priority of rink bookings over league games and lastly, roll ups.

League Dress Code

This is just a reminder that the dress code for all leagues are predominantly white bowls shirts above the waist and grey trousers or shorts below. Bowls shoes must also be worn.

Etiquette

We have been asked to address a few simple things to be mindful of when it comes to etiquette and will help us all enjoy our game of bowls.

1. Stand still when someone is about to bowl - bowls is a game of concentration. If you are stood at the head, please do try to stand still. This also extends to walking around the green when other games are on. Just because you're not on the green, this does not mean that you won't be in the eye line of people on the green.
2. Observe the rules of rink possession. After you have delivered your bowl, you have two choices. If you decide to follow your bowl, you must be at the head when it comes to rest. If you choose to stay at the mat, you must be behind the mat when your bowl stops. It can be frustrating if you have to wait to play your bowl as your opponent is not out of your eye line. Rules do state that rink possession belongs to the team who is playing or about to play.
3. Shake hands. It is good sportsmanship to shake hands before and after a game and introduce yourself when necessary. We appreciate that during Covid-19 times, you might not be comfortable shaking hands however, this can be avoided with a fist or elbow touch. After a game, it might be tempting to leave straight away, especially after losing however, please do ensure you acknowledge your opposition in our respectful game.





**SPALDING INDOOR BOWLS
CLUB LADIES SECTION**

**PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT
OUR BRING & BUY**

CAKE AND PRODUCE STALL

FRIDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2021

FROM 10AM - 12.30PM

CAKES, TARTS, PUDDINGS, PIES



ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE CLUB

**THERE WILL ALSO BE
CRAFT, JEWELLERY AND CARD STALLS**



Christmas Greetings

As there will not be another newsletter published before, the Management Committee would like to wish all members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

