



Malvern Priory Bowling Club

Newsletter

September 2019

Bowls Development Initiative - Taster Day **Saturday 24th August**

For once the weather was on our side and we were able to go ahead as planned.

A good number of people responded to the advertising and came along "to have a go".

They enjoyed the fun games as a warm up and then were keen to learn some of the basic bowls skills on the rinks with guidance from our coaches and helpers.

Many of them spent the whole afternoon with us, enjoying the bowling and the tea and cakes!

All said they found everyone at the club friendly and welcoming and that they'd had a good afternoon.

This event has resulted in six new members for the club.

I would like to thank everyone who assisted with the preparations and running of this most successful event.

John Phillips
President

Presidents Day

It was good to see so many members and friends attending Presidents Day - it was a shame that the rain came too.

We had hoped that people would enjoy the fun activities and some bowling matches but the conditions seriously restricted the outdoor action. Well done to the hardy few who bravely battled on.

Peter, our gallant chef, and Joy, second in command, made light of the wind and rain and produced a "cordon bleu" barbeque to be enjoyed with a delicious range of accompaniments.

This event required lengthy preparation and I am very grateful to those members who worked so hard to make it a success and to all those who attended.

John Phillips

Annual Prizegiving lunch

The Presentation Lunch will be on Tuesday 22nd October at The Royal Oak, Broadwas at 12.00 for 12.30.

It will be a three course meal + tea or coffee at a cost of £15 per person.

We will have a big area of the restaurant for our sole use. Menu details will be available soon, plus lists for you to indicate if you will be attending and your choice of food.

John

Welcome to new members

A big welcome to new members who have discovered the wonderful sport of Lawn Green Bowling at Malvern Priory Bowling Club. We look forward to welcoming you at the many social and fundraising events that will be held during the winter months. If you have any special talents that could be of use to the club, please don't be too shy to come forward and let us know about them.

Inter Club Pairs Tournament

These competitions are now reaching their climax with the finals being held at Manor Park on Sunday 15th September at 2pm.

This year all the finalists are Manor Park, Priory nearly got there with Peter and Roy but they were narrowly beaten in the semi final.

A grand raffle will be held to support the Competitions and tickets are available in our clubroom.

Lorna Rodway
Ladies Captain

Les Thomas Triples League

The Les Thomas 2019 competition has now concluded and we can report the following results. Malvern Priory entered a team in Division 3 and secured a very creditable third position just below Manor Park Blue in second place. Eastnor Rebels are in top position and will be promoted together with the runners up.

We just missed promotion but had a very enjoyable and well supported season. We now look forward to the 2020 competition with eagerness and optimism.

Congratulations to all concerned and thanks for your support.
Greville Megson.

BARBEQUE SUNDAY 22nd Sept

The club's end of season social event will be another BBQ on Sunday 22nd September.

The Social Committee will be putting a list on the board for you to add your name. In the absence of the cost at the time of this newsletter, it is thought to be in the region of £8 per person.

The President's Day BBQ in August was a huge success with delicious food cooked by chef Peter, he will be doing again in two and a half weeks.

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Ladies Matches

August brought mixed fortunes to our Priory Ladies.

A home match against Bredon Ladies provided us with a clean sheet winning all 3 rinks with a resulting score of 43 to 37.

Although all of our Ladies continued to play well we were not so successful with our away match to Victoria Ladies losing by just 9 shots 48 to 57.

September finalises our season with two remaining matches when we travel to both Bredon and Droitwich, thanks to our Ladies commitment we already have our 3 x triples for these matches.

Next season we have a new fixture as Overbury have invited us to play on their picturesque green.

Lorna Rodway
Ladies Captain

Ladies Tournament Endeavours

Our four adventurous Lady Bowlers played in 2 Open Competitions at Cripplegate.

In the pairs both Carol with Di and Gail with Lorna, although bowling well, did not manage to finish among the winners.

In the triples Di, Gail and Lorna were extremely pleased to finish Runners Up and received a cash prize.

The same Triple took part in the County Benevolent Competition but unfortunately they got knocked out in the second round.

Lorna Rodway
Ladies Captain

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Dates for your diary

Saturday 14th September - Sunday 15th September Inter Club Finals at Manor Park

**Sunday 22nd September - end of season BBQ
2.30 pm onwards**

September - Quiz night - date and time to be announced

October - 'One man and his dog' - date to be confirmed

**Saturday 19th October Bridge drive 10 am - 5pm.
Finger buffet Lunch and afternoon tea and cakes
£12.50 per person. Tickets available now from Lorna**

**Tuesday 22nd October 2019 - 12 for 12.30 pm
Prizegiving 3 course lunch - will be held at the Royal Oak, Broadwas £15 per person to include tea/coffee. Menu to follow shortly. A list will be on board for you to add your name along with choices. Money to be paid up front by cash or cheques made payable to Malvern Priory Bowling Club. Bring along your spouse/partner or friend.**

Thursday 31st October - Halloween Party info to follow

Thursday 7th November - AGM - 10.00 - am free tea/ coffee and cake

December - Christmas Party - date to be confirmed

February/March - New Folk Play

It is also likely that there will be a skittles evening and a beetle drive in the New Year.

Green fees

Remember that you all need to pay a £2.50 green fee every time you play a competition. Please put the money together with a note into the safe through the letter box opening in the top.

Protective mats, nails and lawnmower

I think you will agree the new pegs, designed and made by Graham Anderson, for securing the wet weather mats are a huge improvement on what was used previously.

Not only do they add colour to the green they appear to be doing the trick. A very big thank you to Graham for making the huge quantity required.

There have been no complaints of any being left on the green.

AGM

Our AGM will be held this year on Thursday 7th November at 10.00 am at the club house when coffee and cakes will be served FOC.

Now is the time to start thinking of who you would like to run your club. This year the Club Captain, Secretary, Membership Secretary and Green/maintenance secretary will be standing down. If you would like to join the committee of our growing friendly club please come forward.

Our club has grown substantially over the past few years thanks to the hard work put in by members. We must strive to continue this momentum.

The club needs a committee to run the club, why not come forward and help. Speak to those on the committee who will guide you in the right direction.

Jackie Oakey
Secretary

WASH YOUR HANDS

Remember to wash your hands after play as chemicals may have been recently sprayed on the green.

End of Season putting the green to bed

The annual end of season preparation will be done on Monday 7th October and if the work is not completed due to weather or other problems we will continue on Monday 14th October. A schedule of the work to be done will be up on the board nearer the date along with a list for you to sign up to help.

The green will officially close at the end of September and open again 1st May 2020 in accordance with our lease.

If weather conditions are mild we will take advice to open the green earlier.

Brian

Members - a message from Tom and Caroline

So nice to have the distant support of our Bowling club Colleagues .

Good news.

I had a "followup" Ultra Sound last Monday , which revealed the 30cm vein blockage had reduced to 10cm just below the knee.

Much to her relief, Caroline no longer needs to give me the daily blood thinning injection , since oral medicine now helps to continue the healing process.

She will still be my chauffeur for a while [It works well with my eyes closed]

My 3 months long distance flying restriction remains , so we are returning to England at the end of October.

Hopefully the weather will allow the meetings to continue, because we really miss your friendly company and the exercise that goes with the Bowling.

Warmest wishes from Panama.

Tom and Caroline

Play schedule for SEPTEMBER

A play directional schedule and rink layout for September is on the folding doors above the bar.

This could change because of wear or damage to the green so always check before play.

Monday Maintenance Day

A very big thank you to all those who continue to give up their time to lend a hand on Mondays to keep the club and grounds so spic and span. An extra big thanks to those who turned up to make the club look its very best for the Taster day on 24th August. However, we really do need more volunteers.

Don't forget if you notice anything that needs to be repaired such as loose toilet seats etc. please report them so they can be rectified on a Monday.

Thanks for your co-operation.

Brian Palmer

Items For Sale

Used Drakes Pride Professional Plus Bowls Size 4M in exceptional condition. Used by County bowler. £80. Absolute bargain - would be considerably more if bought at Pershore. Contact Jackie Oakey

Drakes Pride Professional P12693. Size 00M, 4 woods in total. Hardly used, in very good condition. Asking price £100 which includes carrying case. Contact Bob or Liz Kell

IN STOCK - 2 SIZE MEDIUM men's CLUB SHIRTS BRAND NEW £21.50 each

Green watering

A very big thank you to those who have helped to water the green. Watering must continue until the end of the season and beyond if we are to maintain our green.

Brian

Bowling Green Rink Layout for September

Mondays	Green Maintenance Day - Green Closed All Day
Tuesdays	Play East / West. Rink Marker Numbers on YELLOW WHITE Rink Boundary Markers
Wednesdays	Play East / West Rink Marker Numbers on White YELLOW Rink Boundary Markers
Thursdays	Play East / West Rink Marker Numbers on BLUE TEAL Rink Boundary Markers
Fridays	Play East / West Rink Marker Numbers on TEAL BLUE Rink Boundary Markers
Saturdays	Play North / South Rink Marker Numbers on TEAL
Sundays	BLUE rink Boundary Markers