

1998

Hornsea & District IBC Newsletter



2023

(Note new e-mail address: hornseaindoorbowls@gmail.com)

Welcome to our quarterly newsletter! There has been a real buzz about the club lately with busier sessions, more food served and the club even on TV!! So how can you join in?

Diary Dates

- 4th Mar (Sat) – Directors Open Forum (10am – 11am) & 1st Saturday of every month
- 4th March (Sat) – **Saturday Social Bowls** – 9.30 – 11.30 every Saturday – with or without brunch
- 12th Mar (Sun) – **Ladies vs Gents – Club Friendly** -2pm – please see board to sign up
- 20th March – **Tea Dance (& also 17th April)** – 2pm all welcome
- 28th Mar (Tues) – **Bowls Committee AGM** at 7pm in the Function Room
- 1st & 2nd Apr (Sat/Sun) – **Finals Weekend** (& Fri 7th – Mon 10th April if needed)
- 1st Apr (Sat) - **25th Anniversary Supper Bowls Drive**
- 7th Apr – **Winter leagues end (10th – 14th April – catch up week)**
- 17th April – **Summer Leagues and Summer Opening Hours Start**
- 22-23rd Apr – **Hornsea Open Singles Circuit event** - entries now open on HIBC website
- 19th May (Fri) – **Friendly against Leicestershire team**
- 25th Jun (Sun) – **HIBC Fun Pairs Whistlestop and Hog Roast – 25th Anniversary Event**
- 26th & 27th Aug – **Bowls Open Days and Members Re-enrolment Weekend**
- 31st Aug – **Winter League Entries Close**
- 11th Sep – **Winter Leagues start** (Christmas Break 23rd Dec – 1st Jan, Catch Up week 2nd – 5th Jan)
- 1st Oct – **Friendly vs Disability Bowls England team**
- 8th Oct – **25th Anniversary Dinner**
- 22nd Oct – **Presentation Night with Guest Speaker**

Please see noticeboards for more details or to sign up for events or check out the club website: www.hornseabowls.co.uk.

League Updates

Current Winter Leagues are in their final weeks and bowlers are asked to ensure they catch up on all missed matches as a courtesy to their opponents (and because rink fees are still due whether or not the game is played so you may as well enjoy the rink time). A missed matches list is on the board or games can be found on Bowlr. Final games can be played in Catch Up week – 10th – 14th April.

Winter 2023-24 Leagues – League sheets will go up next week and members are asked to indicate their teams for next season. Anyone wanting to join a league can add their name to the bottom of the list (do NOT overwrite a scrubbed out team – such entries will go to the bottom of the list). Entries close 31st August to allow leagues to be set up in Bowlr and draw sheets available from 6th Sept.

Summer Bowling & Leagues – could anyone who intends to bowl indoors please indicate their preferred days and times for bowling with the office so that we can ensure the club is open whenever there is most demand. Also **sheets are now up for summer leagues** again with choices of dates and times. The **Friday Accumulator**, **Academy League** and **Fun Midweek Medley** (trying new formats) are also open to Social Bowlers. For the first two, play when you can, new partner drawn each week, only your top 14 scores count. For more info see the **Bowling Opportunities Board**.

Yorkshire Summer Double Rink Triples League –the club has entered a team in this competition for Mixed Rinks of triples – please see the Ladies Board for details and to sign up (teams open to men and ladies)

Saturday Socials are back (9.30-11.30) and its great to see new members joining some familiar faces. Tea/coffee & biscuits served at half time and bacon/sausage or egg sandwich available after.

Cake Anyone? Marie's famous cakes are now available most days - £1 a slice! Delicious!!!

1998

Hornsea & District IBC Newsletter



2023

(Note new e-mail address: hornseaindoorbowls@gmail.com)

Bowls Committee AGM – all members are invited to put forward proposals for bowling activities, new leagues or rule changes for consideration at the Bowls Committee AGM on **28th March**. Members can also nominate to take on a role in the committee. Proposals and nominations need to be made by 7th March and all will be posted on the Bowls Committee Board from 16th March. Would you like to see a league just for teams from outdoor clubs, try a new format every week in a fun league, or feel a rule needs tweaking? Come along and have your say.

25th Anniversary Functions

Saturday Supper Bowls Drives were popular in the early years of the club hence why we are holding one to start the 25th Anniversary celebrations. The main event over summer will be a fun Whistlestop competition and hog roast. Entry and food are all included in the price of each with all members welcome. So why not pull a team together and join us at each event?

Open Singles Circuit – 22nd – 23rd April

The HIBC event is the last in the winter series so we hope to see some entrants chasing final points plus a lot of our local club talent entering, Sponsored by Help will be needed over the weekend whether that be marking matches, helping behind the bar, tidying up the club, selling raffle tickets or even just welcoming competitors.

Staffing

Tracy has left the club for health reasons and it has been decided not to replace her with another manager but to run the club using a more flexible team of part-time staff and volunteers, at least until next winter. The club is very grateful to all the volunteers who help at Saturday games, staffing events, with coaching, running competitions and leagues, covering for holidays and illness or with club and grounds maintenance. The directors are also volunteers who give up their time to oversee the finances, staffing and legalities of running the club. Much more goes on behind the scenes than many realise so all help is welcome. If you have any comments or complaints please bring these to the Open Forums (1st Saturday of each month) and keep them off the rinks.

Club Competitions

Spectators are welcome to see the club's top players battling it out for the club championship trophies over the finals weekend - 1st & 2nd April. Refreshments will be available.

Short Mat

Congratulations to the Hornsea Hotshots who have reached the semi-finals of the HSMBA Knockout Plate in their first season. Short mat will continue through summer and all members are welcome to give it a go. Players are also needed for the **friendly on 7th March** vs Burton Pidsea.

Celebrating Success

Congratulations to the Yorkshire League Hornsea B Team who will finish second in the 3rd Division and hence gain promotion into Division 2 next year.

HIBC will be represented at the EIBA National Finals by Katie Baxter playing in the Ladies Singles on 23rd March & in the Ladies 2 Bowl Singles on 26th March. Holly Chator & Lydia Cutmore join Katy for the ladies triples finals on 12th April. Jack Bird & Dave Tooley have their regional 2 wood final at Hornsea on Fri 3rd March at 7pm to see who goes to the finals on Mar 23rd. Jack Bird, Katy Baxter, Dave Tooley and Cliff Holmes also lead teams in several other Regional Finals. Sadly the Top Team's National hopes were ended by Spalding Lightning in the quarter finals.

Entry forms for the 2023-24 National competitions normally appear in March and need to be submitted to the office with payment by **24th April 2023**.