



NEWSLETTER



Melton & District Indoor Bowls Club Limited

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Help

Occasionally club members find themselves in situations or circumstances where some short term help would be most welcome.

Not everyone has family nearby to offer transport, for hospital appointments or even shopping, especially during normal working hours! Public transport may not be suitable for members with restricted mobility.

During an illness, loneliness, for someone living on their own, may be an issue when a timely visit or telephone call could be 'just what the doctor ordered' if not better!

In discussing this topic recently with our Chairman David Brown, we were hopeful that we could establish a register of club members who might be willing to offer support to fellow members.

Interested? please email me at dfry690@gmail.com or contact me at the club.

Thank you.
David Fry
Personnel Director

News form the 650 Group

Summer Open Day Publicity.

Mick advised that the Pink Pages advertisement had been purchased and circulated and that Arnold had updated the Club Banner.

Cheryl circulated updated leaflets for the Market, Club use and for posting in Sainsburys and the Library. The Team chose the preferred poster/leaflet and Cheryl agreed to manage the printing of it.

Peter suggested that when the leaflets were being handed out in the market it would be better for the Team to wear suitable tee shirts to aid Club. He agreed to explore this initiative for future publicity events. He also agreed to send out an e-mail to the Club's Meeters and Greeters to ensure there were sufficient people present on the Open Day.

Action: Cheryl to finalise the poster/leaflet printing. Peter to e-mail the Meeters and Greeters and explore the Tee shirt initiative.

Peter Breeze

Peter has decided to stand down as a Director with immediate effect, so on behalf of everyone at the club I wish to publicly thank Peter for his significant commitment and contribution to the business over the past few years.

A Private Function

On Saturday 14th May, the club hosted a private Birthday party for a member of the public which was planned for around sixty adults and thirty children, including four hours of bowling and a meal in the Restaurant.

I know that there was a degree of scepticism amongst some people regarding the staging of an event involving children, but the party were made aware beforehand by Racheal of what the club expects in terms on behaviour, and there was no evidence of unruly behaviour by the children and the adults behaved themselves as well.

Whilst I am sure that we all acknowledge the need to control such events, and be aware of the potential for misbehaviour, I believe that

this event was properly organised, with a number of Club Coaches and Meeters and Greeters provided to help with the event. Our new code of Conduct informs potential outside user groups of what we expect within our club, and I would hope that any future users would respect that as indeed this party did.

In the event, this function raised **over nine-hundred pounds** in revenue for the club, plus more revenue for the Restaurant, on a Saturday afternoon when we would otherwise have taken **nothing**.

So all in all, a great success, and I must thank the Coaches, the Meters & Greeters, the Bar staff, Medhi and of course Racheal for their help in making this event the success that it was.

The email below from the guy who brought his family and friends to our club, clearly indicates how *he* viewed the success of it.

Thank you and well done to everyone involved.

Bar Manager - Racheal

With immediate effect, Racheal has reverted to her maiden name of "Freeman", following her recent marriage separation.

Junior Club Activity

One of juniors, Paul Warrington, was selected by the EIBA to attend the U18 England International Trial Event at Rugby Thornfield IBC on Sunday 15th May 2016.

Forty nine juniors were selected from around the country to attend the event of which only 10 plus 2 reserves would be selected to play in Aberdeen in October 2016.

Paul was initially put in a rink at 3 with Ruby Hill (Spalding), Joshua McCarthy(Egham) and Aaron Johnson(Norfolk)winning 12-7 in a 10 end game against Isaac Jenner(Swale), Chloe Brett(Huntingdon), Tom Wheeler(Rugby) and Adam Pitfield (Wellingborough).

Their second match saw them win 9-6 against Sophie Purrell (Huntingdon), Nicole Moseley (Lynnsport), Tay O'Neill (Desborough) and Jamie Tindall (Wey Valley). Unfortunately Paul

did not make the selection for Aberdeen due to the high calibre of the invitees.

Both matches were invigilated by Andy Thomson MBE(U25 Team Manager) and David Attwood (U18 Team Manager) respectively.

Further News

Last weekend saw the last of the junior club winter season finals, the Plate Trophy being decided. The winner was Lewis Metcalf with the runner up being Alexia Agrafioti.

As this award could not be presented at the Presentation evening in April last, it will be presented alongside the summer competition and league winners in September with the rest of the club.

Quiz Night

A quiz has been organised by Racheal Freeman for Saturday 16th July with all proceeds going to the "Wish Upon a Star" charity which the club has supported for a number of years. It is open to teams of between four and six people.

This should be a great fun night raising money for a very worthwhile cause.

All details have been posted in the club, so why not get a team together and pit your wits against other members of the club, in what should be a very entertaining evening.

The Bell

You will by now have noticed that the Bell which signals the start and end of each session of bowls has been working satisfactorily since the end of the National Championship Finals in Mid-April.

Or sincere thanks and appreciation must go to Richard Muddimer who has designed and built the new controller using modern technology ,which should prove to be more reliable than the old unit.

It is just fantastic when the club is helped by its own members who have the necessary skills and experience to provided the much needed assistance from time to time.

Thank you Richard and well done.