

CROYDON BOWLING & SPORTS CLUB LTD.



July



Newsletter

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Anyone know what these three words represent? (in relation to the Club!!) Worm.woof.incomes

President's Report

Hi everybody.... I hope all of you who came to the Open Day enjoyed it. The weather was not kind to us but our stalwart stall holders and coaching teams weathered what was thrown at them and with great success. It makes me very proud to be a member of the Croydon Club and how the efforts put in are rewarded by the success of these events. These events take weeks to prepare and thanks must be given to Yvonne and Alan for heading this and to all those who contributed.

Indoors was also covered by Members giving tasters and showing visitors around. Bar and Catering also came into their own A GREAT SUCCESS AND MANY, MANY THANKS TO YOU ALL.

We are still in dire need to fill our vacancies on the Board and I would like you all to give thoughts in this direction, we need to get vacancies filled to give the existing Directors a helping hand in keeping Croydon, a top Club. We are in desperate need of a Membership Secretary as we now, sadly have lost Frank. Dave has been doing his utmost to assist but really needs some help.

Please consider putting your name forward.

Daphne

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

20th September 7.00 pm

There will be no newsletter in September (I am on holiday). Unless anyone volunteers to do it.....

Frank Snell

It is with sorrow that we report that Frank Snell passed away on 6th July 2021.

Frank joined Croydon Bowling Club in 2005 and was a valued member of the finance section, providing important information in helping to steer the committee. He was also our membership secretary.

During the time he was fit and well he supported the club bowling tours and attended many of our social events. He was a distinguished character in the Club whose dry wit was often misunderstood, - (he did it his way) but he was a kind and generous person and will be missed by those who knew him.

Our sincere condolences go to his family.

Ladies,

What a miserable few weeks it has been – rain and more rain! But we are promised better temperatures and some sunshine soon. Ideal weather for bowling.

I would like to give you a date for your diaries.

We are planning to have a Pre-Season meeting on: **Saturday 18th September at 10.00 am upstairs in the Committee Room.**

Following a recent Ladies Indoor Committee meeting we discussed the league situation as we have had several fold as they didn't have enough members. Our League Secretary, Chris Uphill, will put forward proposals for the 2021 Season as soon as possible to give you advanced information for discussion at the Pre-Season meeting.

Jane and I are planning to run a **MIXED DRIVE** on Friday mornings from 10.00 -12.00 where the diary allows. We did manage to have one just before we were put into Lockdown in 2020, which everyone said that they enjoyed and was well supported. Do come along as they are good fun, competitive and very friendly!

Meanwhile stay safe.

Kay Cadd
Ladies Indoor Captain

Outdoor Ladies Section

Hope you are all enjoying bowling at the height of the season. Please continue to put your names on the match sheets, so that we can fulfil the fixtures. The C&D League schedule for June is on the notice board in the lobby and Croydon have 4 points, so about average. The Smith Trophy is doing well but last week our game against Sutton was postponed due to thunder and lightning but will be rearranged. The C&D League with Purley last Thursday was also postponed until 1st September. Croydon is hosting a SCWBA 2 wood day on 23rd July which is the finals, so should be an exciting event.

Pat Bentley
Captain, Outdoor Section

Men's Indoor Section

I trust everyone is enjoying the summer and the reduction in Covid restrictions. There is not a great deal to report although I can tell you the match fees for our members in club matches will be £9 and £4 for those playing in the Denny Cup and over 60s double rink games.

The County have provisionally agreed that the indoor County league for this season only will be 3 rinks. However, clubs with a large membership can enter 2 teams if they wish and everything will be reviewed at the end of the season.

Until we know membership numbers, we are unable to plan too much for our internal leagues although Wayne and Luke will be contacting league captains from mid-August onwards to see if they will be running their teams.

In Early December Dave Williams will be organising a "Children in need" charity day - more details to follow soon.

Enjoy the rest of the summer

Bill Hudson
Men's Indoor Captain

The following letter has been emailed to all members:

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SAFETY – COVID 19

On 19th July the Government have stated that they will relax the mandatory rules in relation to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

Croydon Bowling & Sports Club will be, as always, following any Government guidelines in this respect.

HOWEVER

1. We shall continue to sanitise all areas (*did you realise that Rick has been doing this throughout the crisis – spraying all areas with a sanitising solution – for your protection?*)
2. The barriers in the restaurant and bar will remain for the time being.
3. We shall continue to sanitise tables, chairs etc. after use.
4. Sanitisers will continue to be provided, please use them.
5. WE RECOMMEND THAT MASKS CONTINUE TO BE WORN WHILST TRAVERSING THROUGH THE BAR AND RESTAURANT AREAS OF THE CLUB.

WE ASK YOU AND GUESTS TO:

1. Continue to be diligent, wash your hands frequently.
2. Use the sanitising sprays provided throughout the Club.
3. Do not shake hands.
4. Respect others' social distance.
5. Enjoy your bowling in our safe environment

The Board of Directors thank you for your co-operation

We may have to live with this threat – but let us all remain as safe as possible.

Summer League and Aggregate 2021

With the relaxation of Government strictures once summer had (nearly) started, I thought I would try to withdraw from running the two mixed leagues – Tuesday Afternoon Fours and “Babs Carson” Thursday Evening Triples but nothing significant materialised. So, instead, I asked for some help and things progressed to my running the Tuesday Afternoon League and Tony Rowland looking after Thursday Evenings.

I thought that 36 players should be the minimum number to run a league and the Fruits League just got there when we fixed the date for the first matches. Another 4 joined later so 40 players was not too bad – except that you had to be in the first 100 to sign up 7 years ago!

This time, the great thing was that all of the “Captains” I asked, agreed to help and to organise their teams, relieving me of any arm-twisting which has usually dogged the “Meeting” we used to have pre-season. “Thanks very much” to Maggie Bennett, Pat Bentley, David Swift, Chris Davis and Tony Rowland for their support. Meanwhile in the background David Blackburn weaved his magic to make the whole lot happen.

However, only 23 players signed up for Thursday evenings so we couldn't run the usual league but we played around with ideas for other competitions and we decided that an “Aggregate” was the most favoured option. The fact that Ken Kosbab knew what he was doing and had all the necessary paraphernalia helped immensely. With the enthusiasm of Chris Davis, the “Ken, Tony and Chris Show” has been most successful.

Tom Carson has sponsored the Thursday league for many years and he so very kindly agreed to continue his sponsorship this year. BUT, with the abandonment of the Thursday evening league, I felt that we should transfer the Babs Carson (Plate) Trophy to the one remaining league. The Fruits League had twice been sponsored by an Insurance Company but that finished a couple of years ago. Tom was very happy to accept the transference.

So where did all this land up? The answer is the most friendly/happy couple of days a week I have had since I joined the Club over 10 years ago. The atmosphere on Steve's superb greens and in the bar after every game has been fantastic. In the past, if anyone stayed for a drink, even for a short time, you were lucky. Here, we had a good number of Fruiterers and on every occasion all of the Aggregate performers who turned up each time (up to 16 at the time of writing) stayed behind for a drink (thanks mainly to mine hosts, John and Jane Seymour) and a chat!

For the rest of this season, we have weekly games until the last Fruits League matches on Tuesday, 24th August. At 5.00 p.m. we will have a "Buffet and Wine Presentation" event where the "Babs Carson Fruits League Trophy" will be given to the winners, along with individual prizes. We know Sam will do us proud!!

The last date for the Aggregate is hoped to be Thursday, 2nd September when Tony Rowland would like to put on a similar function to the Fruits Presentation effort.

David Jackman

Snooker – Now Open!!!

Hello to all club members, both new and old.



I would like to inform you all that we are expecting the snooker room to be open from
Monday 26th July

To all our new members I would like to welcome you to our club, enjoy it all. Just to remind you PLEASE leave the snooker room as you find it; take glasses and cups back to the bar or restaurant; replace the table covering and leave the door unlocked when you leave, it makes life a lot easier. Please sanitize both at the start and when you leave, for safety - both for you and the next person.

Now, to all our established members who used to play snooker, I would like you to reclaim your cues. If they are hanging up in their cases, please put them on the table with your name on a piece of paper and I will return them back on the wall. All the rest, not claimed, will be opened and removed, so space can be made for anybody who wishes to leave their cues at the club. I will look at this situation again in October.

Hope to meet you all in the coming months.

Alan Whittlesey

TIDY UP!!!



The Men have tidied the men's changing room recently – please try to keep the room clean and tidy.

The visitors' changing rooms need some attention now – **Members should not be using this room** if you have any items in the visitors' changing room, please ensure they are labelled or disposed of by the first week in September. Any items not labelled will be disposed of. Trousers, Shirts etc. should be taken home and washed!!!!

Thank you for your co-operation.

WELL DONE EVERYONE

£519 was raised at the Bazaar held on Open Day
A big thank you to all the helpers who worked so hard
and also to the men led by Rick Long who erected the Gazebos
and manhandled all the tables etc.

It was a hugely successful day all round and there was a great
buzz about the place

The Sales Table is now up and running again, if you have any
donations please leave in Little Office marked Marion
but please NO BOOKS - CDs or ELECTRICALS

Thank you - **Marion Branch**

Social report

Although not "Social" in the absence of a Development Director it fell upon us. I think we can all agree that the open day was a great success.

We had 135 people attend –69 visitors and 66 members who helped make the day a great success. Marion made a very good profit on the Bazaar, Sam and John both fared well in the bar and restaurant.

In summary – thanks to everyone who took part, coached, donated, bought etc. etc.

7 people joined on the day, 5 people requested further taster sessions, in A further 12 people requested membership forms and 4 of those have since been returned. Well done all of you who took part – we now have at least 11 new members and possibly more to come. If you see a new face in the Club, please make them welcome.

Maggie's Quiz returned in June, and although run on Covid guidelines 60 people attended and had a very good evening. Congratulations to the winning team, Chris, Neal, Dave Monica Nisha and John.

Special mention to Maggie, who did a tremendous job as usual. Watch out for the next quiz with a twist - date 1st October.

We have had two lunches in the past month, a very popular and tasty event. Both meals superbly undertaken by Sam and her team of helpers.

We had 24 people join us for a great Prosecco afternoon. I am sure you will agree, the standard was excellent, thanks to Sam and helpers.

17 "Beetles" attended our first Drive, which was organised by Jane, Sue, and Rose. A frenetic but most enjoyable afternoon– we shall have another one in the future.

The above events have raised approximately £1400 for the club, plus any profits from the bar. With the members who have already filled in application forms we will be in receipt of at least £1500 in membership money.

We hope you will show your hospitality to all new faces at the Club and welcome all new members in friendship. (As you always do!)

Thanks to those who continue to support the Club in whatever way, without your loyalty the Club could not function as well as it does.

Yvonne

Bar and Catering

WE NOW HAVE



again

John Seymour has been doing wonders in taking over the helm at the bar, we also have a willing bank of helpers who are, in the main working a session a week. If you can assist in any way, please see Alan.

We have been told that Norman is still awaiting news of his operation, everyone has been passing on best wishes and we hope he will be back behind the bar before too long.

We have also organised or preparing to organise other events (birthdays & wakes). Don't forget, you can hire the restaurant for your events for very reasonable prices.



Alan



**DID YOU MISS OUT ON A BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY PARTY
LAST YEAR?**

**Would you like a reunion with your family and friends
Now restrictions are lifted?**

WHY NOT CELEBRATE THIS YEAR IN THE CLUB?

HIRE THE RESTAURANT, BAR AND FACILITIES
(FOR UP TO 90 PEOPLE)
FOR YOUR SPECIAL OCCASION
FOR A MORE INFORMAL GATHERING OR MEETING
YOU CAN ALSO HIRE THE CONFERENCE ROOM UPSTAIRS
(up to 40 PEOPLE)

Sam, our Restaurant Manager, can provide a party buffet menu or a "sit down"
at a very reasonable price!!

For more information or to book your function contact Alan 07772022156
special concessions available for regular bookings (clubs & societies)

Bookings are now being taken



Hi all,

Can you believe we have been open again for just over 9 weeks already!

Restrictions have been lifted, however to allow some social distancing we currently have the restaurant set up as 6 tables of 6 on the ground floor and 4 tables of 4 on the upper floor. A daily menu is available Monday to Friday and daily specials are available Tuesday to Thursday after 12pm.

Tea and coffee making facilities are now available to you when the restaurant is closed. Everything is in individual sachets, for hygiene purposes. The cost of hot drinks is £1 and there is an honesty pot on the counter next to the hot water machine.

Thank you for all of your continued support, it really is appreciated.

Sam,
Restaurant Manager

Bridge Club Is restarting on 21st July.

Thanks must be passed to Maureen Lyons for donating £265 from the bridge afternoons. This was donated pre-covid and, due to an oversight, was not mentioned before – our apologies go to Maureen and the Bridge club.

We are delighted to announce that on

19th August 2021

we present a

Beauty consultation with tea and cakes!!!

Kathryn Mincer, a Beautician with 14 years of experience, will be attending from

2pm to 6pm

10 and 20 minute appointments, including tea and cakes are available at £7.50 or £12.50 respectively



A 10 minute appointment, includes a Skin and Nail Care Consultation, recommendations, and comforting Hand Massage

A 20 minute slot, offers a Skin and Nail Care Consultation, recommendations, and comforting Hand Massage

Plus a choice of the following;

Nail File and Shape or Nail Polish

You can book your space by emailing alan9483@aol.com

these treatments are available for all ages and genders



Kathryn can't wait to see you there - Indulge yourself!

SOCIAL CALENDAR going forward to 2022

AUGUST	13 th	Lee Rivers & his band £14 members £17 non-members
	19 th	2-6 pm Beauty presentation with tea and cakes £7.50/£12.50
SEPTEMBER	8 th – 13 th	Club Tour
	17 th	Fri Black Tie event – Ian Gallagher in cabaret – watch out for details
OCTOBER	1 st	Fri Quiz – with a twist
	17 th	Sun Sunday lunch
	20 th	AGM 7.00pm
	22 nd	Fri Tina Turner Experience
NOVEMBER	19 th	Fri Race Night
	27 th	Sat Christmas Bazaar
DECEMBER	3 rd	Fri Christmas Quiz
	10 th	Fri Carol Concert
	17 th	Fri Face the Music, Xmas Dance & Xmas Draw
<u>2022</u>		
February	4 th	Fri Cockney Night – (Chas & Dave tribute)
March	25 th	Fri “Madness” comes to Croydon – tribute band
June		Platinum Anniversary Celebration, Queen Elizabeth & Centenary of our Green

WATCH THE NOTICE BOARDS FOR FURTHER DETAILS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fixture List

24	July	Old Coulsdon	Home	Men's	2.30	RSB League
25	July	Surrey BA	Home	Men's	9.30	Surrey County
26	July	Warlingham	H/A	Mixed	2.30	Vilamoura League
27	July	4s League	Home	Mixed	2.30	Fours League
28	July	South Norwood	Home	Men's	2.30	RSB league
29	July	Babs Carson League	Home	Mixed	6.15	Babs Carson Trophy
31	July	Godstone	Away	Ladies	2.30	Friendly
31	July	Purley Bury	Away	Men's	2.30	East Surrey League
31	July	SCBA under 25	Home	u25's	10	Surrey County
1	August	SCBA Men's Finals	Home	Men's	10	Surrey County
3	August	4's League	Home	Mixed	2.30	Fours league
4	August	Grangewood Park	Home	Men's	2.30	RSB league
5	August	Babs Carson League	Home	Mixed	6.15	Babs Carson Trophy
6	August	Epsom	H/A	Mixed	2.30	Vilamoura League
7	August	Sutton	Home	Men's	2.30	East Surrey League
10	August	4's League	Home	Mixed	2.30	Fours league
10	August	New Addington	Home	Men's	2.30	RSB league
11	August	Purley Bury	Home	Ladies	2.00	C/D league
11	August	Purley Bury	Home	Ladies	2.00	Friendly
12	August	C Service v Purley Bury	Home	Mixed	2.30	Hire Green
12	August	Babs Carson League	Home	Mixed	6.15	Babs Carson Trophy
13	August	Rosehill	H/A	Mixed	2.30	Vilamoura League
13	August	Lee Rivers Band			7.30 for 8.00 Social Event	
14	August	Surrey Match	Home	Men's	10.30	SCHL
17	August	4's League	Home	Mixed	2.30	Fours League
18	August	Mitcham	Home	Mixed	2.00	Friendly
19	August	Gonville	Home	Men's	2.30	RSB League
19	August	Babs Carson League	Home	Mixed	6.15	Babs Carson Trophy
19	August	Old Coulsdon	Home	Ladies	2.30	C/D league
21	August	Horley	Home	Men's	2.30	East Surrey league
21	August	TLC Finals Day	Home	Ladies	9.30	TLC
23	August	Old Coulsdon	Away	Men's	2.30	RSB League
24	August	4's League	Home	Mixed	2.30	Fours League
24 th	August	presentation	Babs Carson		5.00	Fruits League
25	August	Purley Bury	Away	Men's	2.30	RSB League
26	August	Babs Carson League	Home	Mixed	6.15	Babs Carson Trophy
26	August	Spring Park	Away	Men's	2.30	RSB League
26	August	Beckenham / Stanhope	Away	Ladies	2.30	Friendly
27	August	Wallington	H/A	Mixed	2.30	Vilamoura League
28	August	Epsom	Away	Men's	2.30	East Surrey League
28	August	Castle Green	Home	Mixed	2.30	Friendly
29	August	Men's Captains Day	Home	Mixed	2.30	Captains Day
31	August	4's League	Home	Mixed	2.30	Fours League

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see Yvonne or Alan