

CROYDON BOWLING & SPORTS CLUB LTD.



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President's Report

Hi everybody.....at last we are seeing the light at the end of the tunnel, where we can all get together and bring us together and get on with getting our Club back into the swing.

Our AGM has been carried over and will be on the 20th September at * 7.00pm for 7.30pm. It would be much appreciated if you could attend, this is a very important Meeting which will explain how we want the Club to progress.

We still have vacancies i.e. Development Director, Secretary, which are very important jobs on their own. Think hard and if you feel you can give us some of your time Board application forms are on the Notice Board for ANY position. A full Board makes light work. If you feel you have expertise in any form please do not hesitate in contacting us. I'm on the end of a telephone 24/7.

I now have the pleasure of passing on congratulations to our Sam Gingell who left us recently and moved to East Sussex. She has now become Sussex Singles Champion, how's that! She played in the Walker Cup and also the Johns Player and will be in Leamington next week playing in the Singles. Sam loves Croydon and said so, thanks Sam we miss you. Calm down Rick and Gill we don't have long enough ropes to bring you down to earth.

To end, I will say ATTEND THE AGM..... IT IS AN IMPORTANT BEGINNING TO THE REST OF OUR BOWLING FUTURE.

My best wishes to you all REGARDS



**20th September 7.00 pm
In the restaurant**

**GOT SOMETHING TO SAY ?
NOW IS YOUR CHANCE !!**

Nomination forms in the foyer

ALL MEMBERS SHOULD ATTEND

**Happy
Hour**

**1/2 price wine & beer
served from 6.00 pm
for those attending**

CAPTAIN'S DAY Sunday 29th August 2021 All Ladies' and Men's Outdoor members are cordially invited to attend. There will be a match starting at 2;00 pm preceded by a 'spider' to win a bottle! You do not necessarily have to play in the match. A free meal of a hot & cold buffet with cheese board and trifle, free drink and a raffle. *There will be a few surprises too.*

Please make a note in your diary and put your name down on the sheet provided.

I look forward to seeing you.

Barrie Swannie

P.S. If you are reading this after the 29th August, then I hope you enjoyed the 'day' – or I am sorry that you missed it.

Green closures

One green will close on 20th September. The other on the 27th September.

Rick Long

Ladies Indoor

We will be holding our Ladies Pre-Season meeting on: **Saturday 25th September at 10.00 in the Committee Room**

The Ladies Club Uniform will be on sale - Marion Branch and Sue Lammars will be on hand to help.

Please come along as we get ready for the Indoor season.

Thursday evening aggregate – a big thanks to Tony Rowland whose idea it was to have this aggregate as the Babs Carson League wasn't able to go ahead. He has asked me to thank and mention on his behalf those who have helped him - Ken Kosbab, Chris Davis, David Jackman and me. There are just a few dates left to play:

Thursday 19th August at 6.00pm

Thursday 26th August at 6.00pm.

On Thursday 2nd September there will be a presentation to the winners.

It has been an enjoyable time of the day to bowl when it has been cooler and followed, after playing, by a get together in the bar for drinks and chat.

Saturday afternoon aggregate at 2.00pm

Please come along and support. Another enjoyable afternoon of bowling.

The TLC (The Ladies of Croydon) Competitions have again been very successful and supported by several Croydon Clubs. Thanks go to Gill Long for organising them. There is a presentation lunch **on Friday 3rd September 2021** at Croydon Bowls Club – 12.30 for 1.00pm.

This invitation is open to all ladies of TLC Clubs at a cost of £11.00 for a 2 course lunch + Tea/Coffee. If you are interested in coming please speak to Gill or myself for details.

Your club needs you so please come and support – keep bowling and stay safe

Kay Cadd
Ladies Indoor Captain

Many Thanks:

Janet Tanner who came to Croydon from Lloyd Park Ladies Outdoor club when it had to close has donated the proceeds of the sale of her bowls to the Club along with several other bowls items. Sadly she has had to give up bowling after many years. We wish her well and thank her for her generosity.

Outdoor Ladies Section

The outdoor season is gradually winding down and I would like to thank you all for your support throughout the season. We are currently second in the C&D League, so well done everyone.

Congratulations go to Linda Webb and Dominique Horne for qualifying for their County badges this season.

Competitions are well underway, so good luck to you all.

The Smith Trophy is now at an end I am happy to report that Croydon are in the semi-finals and the finals on Sunday 29th August at Chessington, so well done ladies.

The finals of the TLC are to be played on Saturday 21st August and we wish our ladies good luck in that. Enjoy the rest of the season.

Pat Bentley
Captain, Outdoor Section

Bowls Director's Report

Hi to all you Bowlers it's been great to see the club busy again outdoors and now we start preparing for the indoor season. We have some new bowlers joined us and a few beginners, as we start to prepare for the indoor leagues do remember to post any vacancies in your teams so our new members can join in with us.

Our AGM is on the 20th September the present board members have served throughout the Covid era so we now prepare to move forward again, you ALL have a role to play as the club develops with new activities while growing the BOWLS sections. Your section Committees the Bowls Committee and your Board need your support, ideas, etc. even the moans and groans, as we move forward.

Welcome back to some old faces, we have missed you during covid, good to see you back. Welcome to the many new faces, as we get to know one another. We are one club let's work as one and get back to enjoying our sport and the social activities we all share. See you in the bar.

Paul Baker
Bowls Director

Men's Indoor Section

Not much to report this month as it is difficult to plan anything without knowing membership numbers.

In the next 2 or 3 weeks Luke and Wayne will be contacting internal league Captains to ascertain if their teams will be running this coming season, so I would ask all Captains to check with their team members in advance of Luke or Wayne's call so that you have the answer to hand.

We have a full list of fixtures and I would urge all members who put their name down for matches to check the match meal which is located at the top right hand side of the match sheet, if the meal is unacceptable to you, the Captain of the match must be advised at least 72 hours before the start of the game to arrange an alternative, alterations after the 72 hours will not be accepted and only a vegetarian will be offered.

I was also sorry to learn that one of our ex members Phil Wood (Woody) is in ITU and very ill. Phil was part of the successful men's indoor team that won both the National Denny Plate and the London and Southern Counties Shield, I am sure all our thoughts are with his Wife Denise and the rest of his family, and we hope he makes a full recovery.

Bill Hudson
Men's Indoor Captain

Surrey at Croydon Bowling & Sports Club

We have been very fortunate this year with the number of representative games that have been played at Croydon. The games included the Middleton cup and Johns cup trials; the Middleton cup matches against Berkshire (these are the premier men's and Ladies competitions); Surrey v Buckingham and Hampshire. We also hosted the Surrey men's finals day, when they managed to drink our bar dry!

In addition we have staged the Surrey 2 wood quarter finals, Surrey under 25 semi-finals and Surrey ladies' 2 wood day.

I report on this as the reasons Surrey play their games at our location, is the standard of our greens and the bar and catering facilities we offer. Thanks Steve, and thanks to Sam and John's teams.

Alan Hart

The End of Summer

So that's it after another mixed-weather summers bowls! How can we say it has been "lovely" with all that's going on around us? However, some bright spots have been the return of some of the established leagues and competitions across the Club, sadly with a couple starting somewhat late in the day.

The newly-titled "Babs Carson Fruits Afternoon Mixed Triples League" has been most successful from the enjoyment point of view, if not the numbers of players.

The League was won by "Apple" comprising Pat Bentley as Captain and Lesley King, Bob Lock, Terry Ribbens, Harold Richards and Eddie Ward as her crew.

The Runners-up were "Lime", under Maggie Bennett's stewardship, abetted by Sue Gregory, Barbara Jukes, Ken Kosbab, Keith Pearson, Chris Taylor and Geoff Wright.

Delightfully placed last were the “Wooden Spoon Booby Prize Winners”, “Berry”, carefully selected by David Jackman not to attract international attention with Geraldine Graham, Howard Morgan, Monica Nye, Christina Savage, Ray Uphill and Brian Willett “almost winning” every match..... but just not quite!!

On Thursday evenings, when we didn't have enough players signing up to play the “Cars” League, we have been disappointed that the low numbers varied between 6 and 16 participating in Tony Rowland, Chris Davis and Ken Kosbab's “Aggregate Roll-up”. This competition has a few weeks yet to run so the winner is still held under wraps.

The common factor in both sets of events has been the friendliness on every occasion culminating in the majority of Tuesday players and all of the Thursday players staying for a drink and a chat afterwards (continual chat on the green has nothing to do with it!) Hopefully, this “atmosphere” will rub off next year with increased attendance on both days.

Thank you to everybody involved in this season's activities with special thanks to Steve on the greens and Sam and Zoe serving their greens. We have also seen fantastic bar work from John and Jane Seymour, recently helped by a number of players – we seem to be approaching the team spirit we meet at smaller clubs where considerable player involvement in the running of their club is vital. Brilliant!

David Jackman

Social report

We continue to hold a number of raffle prizes and are always grateful for donations. Thanks again are given to Dave Barkway for his efforts and to those of you who bring prizes to the events.

John's Bingo session was well attended and £150 was raised for the Club.

The Lee Rivers evening was a great success – over 40 people attended our first après Covid function. Sam's buffet, which some people purchased, was great value for money and very, very tasty!!!! I can thoroughly recommend it for any future events that do not include food!



Unfortunately, the “beauty afternoon” planned for 19th August has been cancelled.

Our next big event will be the black tie evening on 17th September. Please see the advert below, or if you want tickets get in touch with Alan 0777 2022 156.

19th November Race Night THEY'RE OFF !!!

Race Night Forms will be available in the entrance hall in September. You can sponsor Horses and Races. Sponsors for 8 races and 64 horses (prizes on offer) are needed to make this as successful as previous years.

Entrance is £5 for members, £10 for non-members, horse sponsorship is only £5 (you can win £25), and race sponsorship is £25 with a chance to win £100.

Yvonne Russell

N.B. There will be no newsletter in September

SOCIAL CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER	8 th – 13 th	Club Tour
	17 th Fri	Black Tie event 7.00 'til late– Ian Gallagher, cabaret & dinner £25 members £30 non-members – tickets from Alan 0777 2022 156
	20 th	AGM 7.00pm (6.00 pm “happy hour” ½ price drinks!!!)
OCTOBER	1 st Fri	quiz – with a twist 7.00 for 7.30pm £3 members, £6 guests
	17 th Sun	Sunday lunch 2.00 pm (Roast Beef & all the trimmings) £13
	22 nd Fri	Tina Turner Experience £14 members, £18 guests 7.30 for 8.00 buffet available from Sam
NOVEMBER	19 th Fri	Race Night – Sponsor forms are available now!!!
	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

COMING SOON !!!!

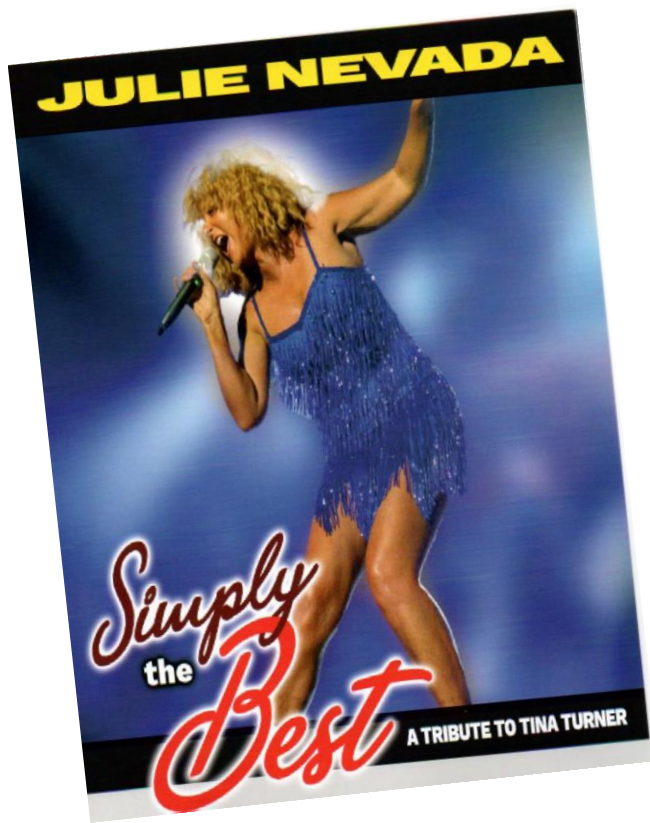
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AN EVENING WITH IAN GALLAGHER

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live and swinging
party experience

APPEARING
17th September 2021
Cabaret & Dinner
£25 members £30 non-members

7.00 pm 'til late
dress: Black Tie / smart
Please book with Alan: 0777 2022 156

info@classicsinatra.co.uk mob: 07768 872 587



22nd October 2021
7.30 — 8.00 pm
£14 members £17 non-members

Book your tickets with Alan: 0777 2022 156
Buffet available from Sam

1st OCTOBER 2021
7.00 for 7.30 pm
In the restaurant



**Roast Beef,
Yorkshire Pudding,
Roast Potatoes,
Roast Parsnips,
Cauliflower Cheese, Carrots**

Syrup Sponge & Custard



17th OCTOBER 2021
2.00 pm
£13

book with Alan

ALSO FOR YOUR DIARY.....

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
01	Sept	Grangewood	Away	Men	2.30	RSB League
01	Sept	Purley	Away	Ladies	2.30	C/D League
02	Sept	Norwood Grove	Away	Mixed	2.30	Friendly
03	Sept	Chipstead	H/A	Mixed	2.30	Vilamoura League
05	Sept	Club Finals Day	Home	Mixed	9.30	Competition
06	Sept	Ewell	H/A	Mixed	2.30	Vilamoura
09	Sept	Norwood Grove	Home	Mixed	2.30	Friendly
11	Sept	New Addinton	Away	Mixed	2.30	RSB League query
12	Sept	Sutton	home	men	2,30	ESL
13	Sept	Epsom Park	H/A	Mixed	2.30	Vilamoura League
15	Sept	Croydon Adults	Away	Men	2.30	RSB league
18	Sept	Cheam BC	Home	Men	2.30	East Surrey League
20	September	AGM 6.00 FOR 7.00			7.00	Happy Hour from 6.00 pm
20	Sept	Vilamoura Day	Wallington	Mixed		Vilamoura League
21	Sept	Purley	Home	Mixed	2.20	Friendly



We have plans to decorate the bar and reception area – If you can offer your services to volunteer and give some hours to help out please let Dave Warrington or Rick know. We can then organise a work team to carry out the updates.

Many thanks

Too good not to share!

The older I get the earlier it gets late.

When I say “the other day”, I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago!

I remember being able to get up without making sound effects.

I run like the winded.

Late entry!!

Men's Team Managers
2021 Opening Letter

Dear all indoor men members

I would firstly like to welcome you all back and hope you all have keep well during the last year, we have all had to adapted to a new way of living and now it time to try and get back to some sort of normality.

My job as team manager is to look after and run the Over 60's and Denny Cup, I would like to take this opportunity to invite you all to trials for which I will post dates as soon as I can. There will be a sheet up in the indoor bowls area on the left hand side and one opposite the competition boards.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a good and fun season of bowls and look forward to bowl against and with you all at some point.

Luke Grffin