

Worthing Pavilion Bowling Club Ltd

New Member information



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CLUB REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES

If you wish to play in a Club match enter your name on the Match Availability Sheets placed on the match Notice Board at East exit. Summer and Winter Fixture Lists are available on our web site to enable them you plan ahead. These sheets provide full information (including cost) about each match and you are encouraged to apply for away games because these provide invaluable experience in discovering the foibles of rinks, indoor and outdoor. Team selection is normally completed at least seven days before a match date. Any sudden unavailability must be notified immediately to your Captain.

LEAGUE AND SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES

Availability procedures apply to these matches in general and the Selector in Chief and his team will be keen to contact players wishing to achieve the more intense levels of competition.

INTERNAL INDOOR LEAGUES

These Leagues are played on Monday (triples) and Tuesday (rinks) nights (both at 6.30pm) and on Mondays at 4.00pm (triples) and Thursdays 2.00pm (triples). The evening leagues now are "handicapped" to encourage bowlers of all levels to play. Also on Friday afternoons at 2.00pm there is a "mixed" league with fixtures running throughout the Winter. Contact the Competitions Committee to get a place.

FRIDAY NIGHT FOURS (6.00pm and 8.15pm)

Another very popular "open" competition with teams entering from Littlehampton, Lancing etc. High quality play, social and a great learning platform. More players are sought by the several Pavilion teams in this league.

OUTDOORS LEAGUE (triples)

In the Summer this League commences at 2pm on Mondays and Thursdays.

LADIES (dedicated times)

Summer Tuesday 2.00. pm to 6.00. pm
Thursday 2.00. pm to 6.00. pm
Winter: Monday 2.00. pm to 4.00. pm
Tuesday 2.00 pm to 6.00 pm
Thursday 10.00 am to 2.00 pm

The ladies only matches and ladies only competitions are usually played in these times.

SOCIAL

Finally, to have a rest from bowls read the SOCIAL notice boards and there you will find day trips, card clubs, theatre and racecourse visits through which you can extend your contact with Club Members.

CLUB WEB SITE

Has a comprehensive members section that keeps you informed on rink allocations, club competition progress, match results, social diary, club notices, fixtures list, club bye-laws and for sale board. Includes a short videos of how to bowl and a online bowls game in "Getting Started"

Web address: www.wpavilionbc.org

If you need help please contact the club secretary who will either help you or direct you to the right section to handle your query

ENJOY YOUR MEMBERSHIP, AND IF YOU DO, WHY NOT INTRODUCE SOME OF YOUR FRIENDS TO YOUR CLUB.

Welcome to Worthing Pavilion Bowling Club. A new Member has much to learn, so these notes will assist you to enjoy your bowling at whatever level you seek.

CLUB OPEN HOURS, BAR AND CATERING

In the Winter play can begin at 8am through to 10.15pm except on Saturdays & Sundays when 8pm is the closing time. In the Summer, play does not begin until 10.00am (the bell is rung) and can continue until sunset.

Each day except Mondays the catering service operates from 9.00am until the lunch trade subsides but on match days booked meals continue and are served at the time when the match meal is served.

The bar is open daily from 11.00 am to 2.00pm and 5.00pm to 10.00pm except Saturday and Sundays (open 12.00 noon) when the bar closes at 8.00pm. Food and bar prices are very reasonable and you are welcome to bring your family and friends to enjoy these facilities.

DRESS CODE

The Club has a "dress code". For casual play wear white shirts /blouses and grey trousers/skirts; these also are worn for club competitions. Club shirts and grey trousers for league matches when they start after 6.00p.m. For afternoon Friendly and League matches and some Representative games, whites are worn with Club shirts as advised on the team selection sheet.

Off rinks, in the Club Lounge, **smart casual**. The men's full dress code for club matches is

- A blazer or Club Jacket optional
- Club shirt

White trousers /Grey Trousers

Shoes can be any type or colour of an approved Bowls England flat soled bowl shoe

Ties and badges can be purchased from behind the bar.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Health and Safety Policy document may be viewed at the Company Secretary's office and an "Accident Report Book" is sited close to the Daily Diary Sheets.

PLAYING RINK ALLOCATIONS

The Greenranger writes up the daily rinks allocation sheets using the Club fixture list book; the yellow diaries on the table immediately inside and to the left of the main entrance and which contains bookings for External and Club Internal Competition matches as entered by Members.

The daily allocation sheets show at a glance which rinks are available for men and for ladies. These are displayed in the secretary's office corridor also on the web site. In writing them up the Greenranger takes note of the priorities accorded to National, County, Club and Internal Competition levels. If you are planning such a game please try to enter your booking early and follow the instructions on the front of each yellow diary; casual play rollups have a separate entry method not involving the yellow Diaries. The above applies to Summer and Winter play.

DAILY ROLL-UP

For Members playing a Roll-Up there is a "sign in" book also kept on the table by the main door. Members sign in as they arrive and names are allocated to rinks on a first come first served basis. The players by agreement form "rinks", "triples" or "pairs" according to numbers of players and rink availability and who will play in what position (1,2,3 and Skip). This activity is an excellent stepping stone providing practice and social contact. You may invite non members who must pay the appropriate rink fee. (Envelopes are on the table by the door.)

SPOONDRIVES (men only) (10.00am-Tuesdays and Fridays)

These "drives" provide one of the best forms of friendly competitive bowling available at the

SPOONDRIVES (continued)

Club. For many years these drives have been superbly run and are a constant nursery sending developing players forward to play at Club and higher levels. In Summer up to ten rinks may be available to Spoondrivers so invariably all attending can play.

In Winter, however, with only six (maximum) rinks there is usually an excess of bowlers over rink space. The administration in the Winter Season is such that bowlers are unlikely to be "sent home" more than twice. The "system" devised many years ago was the invention of the Spoondrivers.

To take part, bowlers enter their names in a special "sign in" book, this usually being done before 9.30am and on a first come first served basis to try to secure inclusion. The event lasts 2 hours including a refreshment break and the entry fee is 20p. The top prize is £1, if you come second the prize is 50p. Spoondrivers play to win, but losing is unimportant!

CLUB KNOCKOUT COMPETITIONS

All Members are eligible to enter Club Competitions (ENTRY FORMS AND FEES PAYABLE) although for some, the rules limit eligibility. Most Competitions are non handicap but there are handicap singles and drawn (handicap) pairs and mixed pairs. An unbendable rule is that if you know at entry closing date that you will not be able to make the date of the Finals you are barred from entry. After players have submitted their entries the Competition organisers compile the "draw" sheets and publish them (including dates by which rounds must be played) in the office corridor and on the web site, the first named player in each match is the "Challenger" who in the main has prime, but not sole responsibility, for offering the opponent three alternative dates (including one weekend) and agreeing a start time. If you have not been contacted ring the opponent do not leave it to the last minute.

Usually the Challenger arranges for the match to be entered in the Daily Yellow Diary. Also for singles, the Challenger arranges the "marker". For other rules contact the Competitions Committee Members.