



Romsey Bowling Club Newsletter

March 2019

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The festive season is a far distant memory, but as I prepare this Newsletter the weather has been decidedly strange. First the beasts from the North, South, East and West paid us an unwelcome visit here in the South, followed by Erik, and surprise surprise we have high temperatures in late February. Hopefully we can soon begin to look forward to warmer days. The Dave Condon Triples will start on Monday 29th April, all fixtures should have now been received by Team Managers. The Club Booklet will be issued in the very near future, so that you can update your social diary.

Message from our President

Welcome to the 46th season of the Romsey Bowling Club. I am sure that, like myself, you are all looking forward to getting out into the sunshine again and spreading your bowls far and wide across the green which has been so diligently looked after by our Green Committee through the winter. A tremendous amount of effort has been put in by the committee and other volunteers to maintaining the green so let's hope we can do it justice in the coming season of league and friendly fixtures. We are planning to begin the season with our Opening Drive on Saturday 13th April so do please try and come along to make this an enjoyable afternoon, and as usual there will be an afternoon tea/buffet to refresh us after the exertions of trying to propel our bowls over a mere 25 metres or so of grass (quite an effort for those of us who have been playing indoors during the winter!). There will be a small charge of £4 per person payable on the day for the buffet, but to assist our catering arrangements, can you please let either Diane Smith or Babs Randles know if you are planning to attend. In addition to the usual roll-ups and friendly fixtures, we have a full programme of social events throughout the summer (see list later in this newsletter) but the success of these events is dependent upon the support of club members. So do please look out for details of the events on the notice board and sign up to participate in as many as you can. Finally, can I wish you all a happy and successful season's bowling and I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the green and at the social gatherings throughout the year. **Bob**

Skittles Evening and Quiz - 16th March 2019

@ Wellow Golf Club @ 6.15pm

There is still availability for this popular event. Members who would like to take part should contact Sheila Brightmore first for choice of menu and then post payment

Friday Roll ups

As mentioned in previous newsletters, volunteers are needed to run these weekly sessions. It was agreed at the AGM that a list would be put up in the Club House Foyer at the start of the season for any member who feels able to help, to put their names and dates they would be available to share the duties. It is not an onerous task and most members who attend these sessions all help in one form or another.

Membership

At the recent GMC meeting discussions took place regarding the increased number of annual subscription payments not being received by the due date of 31st December. This date was set to ensure monies were available to the club to pay bills arriving in January. Late payments result in time consuming work to ensure membership details are available for the Club Fixture Booklet to go to print for the new season. The GMC has therefore decided that with effect from 31st December 2019 a late payment fee of £10.00 will be set for members who do not pay by the required date.

Sponsors Wine Event - Wednesday 22 May @ 6pm

Once again our Sponsors (now re-named Eight Wealth Management) will be hosting a free wine tasting event at the club, members wishing to attend are asked to enter their names on the list, which will be in the foyer and to arrive by 5.45 prompt.

Voting was not required to appoint the 2019 selection committee as only three women and four men were nominated.

Selectors for 2019 Season

Men's League

Andrew Hurst : John Legg : Alan Noble : Robin Oliver

Ladies League

Gill Hurst : Julie Smith : Babs Randles

Past member Walt Parsons is now in Edwina Mounbtbatten and would be very pleased to receive visitors. He was previously out at Wellow

Future Social Club Events for 2019

16th March : Skittles Night
13th April : Opening Day Drive
13th May : Bowls Roadshow
22nd May : Sponsors Wine Event
27th May : Organised B/Holiday Drive
1st June : Fish & Chip Evening
30th June : Presidents Afternoon
14th July : Ladies v Men (plus Cheese & Wine)
26th August : Organised B/Holiday Drive
7/8th Sept : Finals All Day (plus BBQ)
10th Sept : Joe Quigley Triples
28th Sept : Closing Day Drive
13th Oct : Walking Treasure Hunt
9th Nov : Presentation Dinner
24th Nov : AGM



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On a personal note may I thank everyone who has expressed concern over Bob's Blip, he is being well cared for in the SGH and my aim is to get him back 'over the hedge' as soon as possible. My nurses outfit is pressed and ready for when he comes home !!!!! Babs