Denton Island



Welcome to October



2026 Edition

BOWLER

The Newsletter of Denton Island Indoor Bowls Club

SUMMER MIXED MATCHES

The winter season is now under way.
The majority of the outdoor bowlers are now back indoors.
To date we have played 4, games and won all four.
The victories included Eastbourne, Adur and Grattons.
It shows how far as a club we have come beating teams that are classed as the elite in the area.
Support so far has been good so please keep putting your names down.
Alot of the new bowlers are contributing.
A special well done must go to our top rink at home to Eastbourne. The team was Pete Adams, Liz Wright, and our skip Anne Duffy.
This is the second match in succession we have beaten Eastbourne. Please keep supporting the games in the numbers that you have. I can't guarantee everybody a match but your support is most appreciated. Onwards and upwards.
Pete.
Mixed team Captain.

COUNTY INFORMATION

It is a privilege to become the County representative for Denton Island Bowling Indoor club. We, as a club, have become more proactive with Sussex County Indoor Bowls Association. During the next month Ian Williams will receive his Colt's badge, Peter Meale and Dave Dawkins will have got their full County Badges. Congratulations to all.
To our Men members please don't be afraid to put your names down, you may not get picked for a match straight away, but who knows next time.
Don't forget to keep your eyes on the notice board.
Keep bowling.
Thanks for all your support.
Vic Sherwood SCIBA Rep.

WINTER COMPETITONS

Have now been drawn and are on the Competitions Board.
Please try not to leave these matches until the last moment as there a lot of games that need to be played before the next round.
The Club has extended the opening hours so please check online or ask at reception. Please see more details at the end of the Newsletter

LADIES

The ladies league programme has not yet started, our first league game is on the 10th November at home against Egerton Park. We have a friendly away to Adur on the 3rd November. I am looking for one player for the Adur match, so if you are able to play, can you please let me know.

We have however started our National competitions, and I am delighted that we won our Preliminary round of the Yetton Trophy against Wealden. The next round is being played on the 31st October and this will be against Adur. The format for this competition is we play 2 home rinks and 2 away rinks, and the combined score of the home and away determines the winner.

We have also played in the preliminary round of the Egham Trophy which this time is a mixed competition, 2 men, 2 women in each team, again 2 home teams and 2 away. We narrowly won this one (9 shots) this was again against Wealden, so Denton are not very popular !!!! We play the next round on Sunday 1st November which will be against Eastbourne,

Please come down and support us.

Chistine Page - Ladies Captain

INTERNAL LEAGUES

The internal leagues got underway last week - The Wednesday mixed league and the Thursday Mens League - unfortunately we did not have enough teams to put in a Ladies League which is very disappointing, however, we have kept Monday mornings for Ladies, and will play as a Ladies drive, so ladies please come and join us.

Just one thing on the leagues

1. Can you please make sure you put your team players names on the scorecard
2. Can you please put your completed and signed score cards in the locker (marked League) next to rink 6

Christine Page



The next Bingo dates is are:
30th October
November 27th

There will not be any Bingo in December

Please book with Reception

Tickets for Fish & Chips can be purchased at any time during the month, just as long as we have all orders in to the Fish and Chip shop by Midday on the Thursday before.
Any orders taken after that time or not paid for, can no longer be added.
Also please bring the tickets you were given, as these need to be exchanged for a F&C or S&C ticket.



Murder Mystery Afternoon

Our very talented Cast

Selena, Pauline, Chris, Pam, Robert, Pete, Sue, Ken, Nigel, Anne, The Professionals & David.

Thank you, you were all brilliant!



Our Super Sleuths,

who solved the Murder

Pauline, Chrissy & Rich

Well done!

Thank you to everyone who took part and all those that attended. If you missed it, we will definitely do another one in the future!

30th Anniversary Match



Our Winners

Mo, Dave & Jean



Runners up

Bob, Marie & Dave

Third Place

Mel, Gina & Ian



Extended opening

The board have agreed, that due to the high demand for rink time, we will keep the club open on Tuesdays and Thursdays until 5pm. This will enable you to book rinks for 12.30 – 2pm, 2pm – 3.30pm & 3.30pm to 5pm.

The only exception to this is when the club has a match when you will only be able to book 12.30 – 2pm. These matches will be shown on the on-line diary and they are also listed in the fixture booklet.

Tuesday afternoon will generally have all 6 rinks available from 12.30 and Thursday will have 3 rinks available up to 3.30 then 6 rinks for the last session.

The Club competitions have been drawn this week, and are up on the board now. Please use these extra rink times to book your competitions as it will be extremely difficult to book in the morning. If you require a Thursday evening, please let us know and arrangements can be made for the club to stay open in the evening. This will be the only evening available for competitions, as every other evening is currently being used.

PLEASE BOOK YOUR RINKS AS SOON AS THE COMPETITIONS ARE UP - DO NOT LEAVE UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE, THEY WILL ALL HAVE PLAY BY DATES ON THE TOP OF THE LIST OF NAMES.

If you want a particular rink and it is already booked but another one is available, we will do our best to accommodate this, but it is not guaranteed.

If you need to book a weekend and there are no rinks available, then please speak to us and we will either stay open Saturday afternoon or Sunday afternoon, again the exception being when we have matches booked. Just to advise you that due to our on-going coaching for new members, this takes place on a Saturday morning so rink 1 WILL NOT be available usually until 12.30.

During these very busy times, the reception staff are doing their very best to ensure everyone gets their bookings, so we will not tolerate any abuse aimed at them.

The best way to get booked is to do it on-line, so we encourage you to try this system, we would be happy to show you how to do it if you are not sure. But as always, you can phone or speak to the receptionist when you are in the club. We are doing our very best to make sure that we are using all the rink times we can, but if you do not use the extra rinks that we have made available, then we will reconsider staying open. So please USE THEM or LOSE THEM.

PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT DURING THESE BUSY TIMES, THE RECEPTION STAFF NEED A BREAK AND THEY WILL TAKE HALF AN HOUR BETWEEN 12.30-1.30PM, THE RECEPTION DESK WILL BE CLOSED AND THE PHONES WILL BE SWITCHED TO ANSWER PHONE. PLEASE DO NOT DISTURB THEM DURING THIS TIME.

Thank you for your understanding

The Board



CHRISTMAS OPENING TIMES

24th December - Morning only Book and Pay in advance please

25th December - Closed

26th December - Closed

27th December – Morning only Book and pay in advance please

28th December Afternoon Drive only Book and Pay please

31st December Morning only Book and pay in advance please

1st January - Closed

2nd Re-open as normal