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PALM READER

The Palmerston Indoor Bowling Club Magazine

Finals for the 2007–2008 Season

	Winners		Runners Up	
Men's Singles	B Jackson		B Stafford	
Ladies Singles	R Beynon		L Maple	
Open 2 Wood Singles	A Miller		B Jackson	
First Winners Singles	M Ellis		D Arnold	
Men's Pairs	R Gadd	N O'Donovan	R Lowe	C Friend
Ladies Pairs	J Turner	R King	E Camilleri	J Chinn
First Winners Open Pairs	D Croad	D Turner	R Lowe	C Friend
First Winners Mixed Pairs	L Whitefoot	M Whitefoot	B Reading	S Ryves
Mixed Pairs	L Maple	R Gadd	C Reed	N O'Donovan
Men's Triples	B Jackson	R Gadd	V Bennett	T Cole
	N O'Donovan		F Voller	
Ladies Triples	L Keyford	M Lowe	L Maple	C Prince
	R King		J Chinn	
Men's 2 Wood Triples	V Bennett	H Macartney	E Machin	B Grinaway
	F Voller		E Brierley	
Ladies 2 Wood Triples	L Whitefoot	C Cole	J Weale	A Cooper
	P Duckworth		J Chinn	
Men's Fours	V Bennett	H Macartney	R Hall	G Thomas
	T Cole	F Voller	I Stafford	B Stafford

The club finals weekend passed off very successfully despite the expected drop in attendance on the Saturday with competition from the FA Cup semi final and the Grand National! Those who came along to watch were entertained by some first rate games.

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Thank you to all those who offered stalwart support – the umpires Ian Dobson, Roy Mudd and Tony Grant, the markers Graham Clapham, Pat Duckworth and Charles Fitzgerald, and the club President Lesley Howell who was present throughout the whole weekend.

This was the first year of the First Winners competitions, open only to those members who have not previously won a club competition or been a losing finalist in the last 2 years. The competitions were well supported and proved so successful that it is intended to run them in future years.

RINK NEWS

The usual maintenance will be carried out in the first week of August 2008. Hopefully some of the problems we have experienced this winter with protruding gripper rod nails and loose carpet areas will be rectified; we will also use this time to check the underlay for any imperfections.

A sincere thank you to the group of members who have formed a rota to Hoover the carpet (and ditches) every Saturday morning – Ian Tolputt, Charlie Livingston, Harry Macartney, Bernard Spall, Laurie Clark, Eddie Machin, John Evans and Mike Jacobs. We are still looking for more volunteers – it only takes an hour and would be a great way to put something back into the Club. We work in pairs and with the present numbers duties come round every 5 weeks – of course this will get longer if we can get more volunteers. Please contact me if you can help from next September.

Andrew Miller

BONUS BALL COMPETITION

Don't forget that the bonus ball competition runs throughout the summer, but only once a week based on Saturdays lottery bonus ball. Rita Grant runs the competition and is at the club on Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday mornings to take your entrance money of £1. If Rita is not there Marge or one of the stewards will be able to point you in the right direction to pick a ball and relieve you of your £1.



For those who are unfamiliar with the competition, basically you pay your £1, pick a number between one and forty nine from the bag and if the number is the same as the lottery bonus ball number.....you win!!

In the winter there are two competitions per week (Wednesday and Saturday lottery draws) and in the summer one (Saturday's draw). The winner receives £30 and the Club £19 per draw. This generates a fair amount of cash for the club, so thanks Rita for all your efforts in running it.



Good Luck to all Palmerston members playing outside for the summer season and here's hoping for sunny weather.

For all members playing inside this summer let's hope for an enjoyable season in the leagues.

Remember that the restaurant is open weekday and Sunday lunchtimes and some rinks are available in the mornings for those who want a roll up.



New Members

If you have any queries or problems after joining the club, please contact Lesley Howell or any committee member (photos on entrance foyer notice board).....they will be only too pleased to help. Don't forget you can always raise any questions / worries through this magazine where letters or emails (b.hayles@ntlworld.com) are always welcome

CLUB NIGHT TROPHY 2008

Throughout the 24 weeks of the club night being run on a Friday evening, 100 members have attended at some time. Of those 100, half are regular attendees and 40+ of the members hardly missed a week. During the winter season, an aggregate score system has been running whereby scores for the night are recorded, and totalled at the end of the indoor season.

The only requirement to take part in the Club Night Trophy is to turn up and play. The more times that you come, the more chance there is of winning. All teams are drawn, so there is an element of luck in



the people that you play with. New bowlers from the coaching scheme are always welcome, and we try to integrate them into Club Night with their friends until they have sufficient confidence to be on their own in the system.

As a result of the 24 weeks that we played, the Trophy was awarded as follows:

1. Bruce Bedford
2. Peter Holmes
3. Norma Bedford
4. Sheila Quantrill
5. Marilyn Hayles
6. Bill Pennicott

All the above members had a score above 400 shots, which represented an average of 17 shots per week, a very creditable achievement.

Gold Silver and Bronze medals were awarded to the top three by the President Lesley Howell, with Bruce Bedford collecting the Trophy donated by Gerry Thomas.

Club Night continues throughout the summer with a starting time of 7.00 p.m (booking in at 6.30 p.m.) Following the Christmas break, it was not unusual to have between 36 and 48 members playing and there have been 52.

All are welcome to come and take part and it is a fun evening as there is usually some stipulation about the jack or the mat or how you deliver the bowl. All forms of scoring are employed and a great deal is learned.

Why not come and try!

Roy Mudd Organiser..





Congratulations to Ron and Glo Dollery & Roger and Pauline Parsley for getting through to the quarter final stage at the recent bowls competition at the Warners Bembridge Coast Hotel last month. About twenty members from Palmerston had a very enjoyable four day break, arranged by Ron Brown, at the hotel.



LEAGUE WINNERS 2007 to 2008	
League	Team name
J	Crabs
K	Gremlins
L	Gulls
M	Whiskey Macs
N	Drumbeg
O	Advance
P	Potters
Q	ILAM
V	See Hear B
W	Pacemakers
X	Mullets
AB	HEP JACs
AC	Starlights
AD	Advanti
AE	Snowballs
AT	The Tulips
AG	Megabytes
AL	Cowlos

Congratulations to all the winning teams and a big thank you to all the teams that have taken part in the leagues this season.

FUND RAISING COFFEE MORNING

The fund raising coffee morning on 22nd March raised a magnificent total of £540 thanks to the efforts of the stallholders and members who contributed to the various craft, gardening, cake, toiletries, preserves, bottle and gifts stalls. Thanks also to all the members and their families who supported on the day and made such a successful day.

ROLL OUT THE BARREL

In order to save the club some money, I have made the decision to withdraw Guinness and Kronenburg Lager, which are supplied to us in barrels. Not enough of these items are being drunk and so therefore we are having to return stale stock to the brewer at a cost to us. However, all is not lost. Both of these items remain on our shelves as either a bottled or canned replacement. The few people who imbibe in the above items have been advised of my decision and are quite happy with the outcome. I am at your disposal for any complaints and if you do have any, please make them to me, as requested before and not to our Bar Staff. We have a super club run by very dedicated people who deserve your support. So within the confines of our drink and drive laws ENJOY.

Peter J Carter D.O.B.S.



Lighter side

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Once upon a time there was a cruise ship sailing. On board, a magician was giving a show to some passengers. The magician ALWAYS had a parrot on his shoulder. Whenever the magician told a joke, the parrot would give it away. One time the magician had a knife, he spun it around, it disappeared! The parrot said "It's in his pocket, it's in his pocket". The crowd booed him because the parrot gave it away. The next trick he did, he waved a wand around and it vanished. Again, the parrot said, "It's up his sleeve! It's up his sleeve!" The magician got mad because he couldn't keep any of his tricks secret. The parrot kept giving them away.

One day the cruise ship sank. The magician and the parrot managed to make it to an island where they stayed for about 3 months when the parrot, suddenly burst out and asked:

"Ok, I give up! Where'd you hide the ship?"

Dracula met Frankenstein in the street one day. Drackie says to Frankie; "You know, you're better than all my friends put together.....Come to think of it, you ARE all my friends put together!"

*Why did the Maharishi not want Novocain when he had a tooth pulled?
He wanted to transcend dental medication*

A man walks into a bar and asks the barman, 'Was I in here last night?'

'You certainly were,' replies the barman.

'And did I spend a lot of money?'

'You spent over £100', replies the barman.

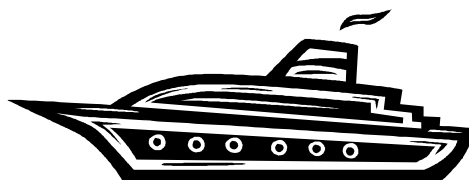
'Thank god for that,' says the man, 'I thought I'd wasted it.'

Summer Palm Reader

During the summer months the Palm Reader will be issued at 2 monthly intervals but will return in September to the regular monthly issue.

CALLING ALL RETIRED ROYAL YACHTSMEN

I believe that there are enough retired Royal Yachtsmen within our club to form a team to enter the winter bowls league. Should we be able to find enough players we shall be known as 'The Britannia Braves'. Norrie is interested in getting a team started, we just need interest from other retired 'Yachties', (Jerry King, Ian Tolputt and others). I know that Norrie is endeavouring to entice Rob White to join the club.



It is now in your hands guys. I can be contacted at the club or on: 023 92 353638.

Yours in anticipation. Peter (Nick) Carter

Warners Bowls Holiday 23rd - 27th March 2009 Bembridge Coast Hotel, Isle of Wight



Bowlers approx £195
Non bowlers approx £180

Four in a car free ferry. All others as below

Car Ferry £TBA (£30 this year) per car

For more details and booking forms contact

Mr Ron Brown Tel: 023 9225 6635 or write to
54 Sunnymead Drive, Waterlooville, PO7 6DA

LIBERTY TROPHY

Good luck to Russell Gadd who is our only member in the Hampshire IBA team playing Durham IBA in the final of the Liberty Trophy on 13th April in Nottingham

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31st March 2008

Group A Winner
Mrs I Hind no.987

Group B Winner
Mr L J Howard no.696



FIRST WINNERS - FINALISTS