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PALM READER

The Palmerston Indoor Bowling Club Magazine

Hello Everyone

Welcome to another winter bowling season at Palmerston.

We have 22 friendly matches planned this season, which need your full support to make them successful.

Other clubs visit our club to enjoy the 'Palmerston experience' and it is a privilege to welcome our visitors and ensure that we all have a good time. We especially encourage new bowlers to sign up for friendly matches, as it is a great way to gain experience and meet new people on cold winter weekend afternoons.

I am looking forward to seeing you all around the club during the coming months, and wish you all an enjoyable and successful season.

Happy Bowling

Marilyn Williamson

President



The President's chosen charity this year is the 'Stroke Association' and fundraising activities will be taking place during the season, so look out for details of forthcoming events.

The Stroke Association

Our vision

We want a world where there are fewer strokes and all those touched by stroke get the help they need.

Our mission

Our mission is to prevent strokes, and reduce their effect through providing services, campaigning, education and research.

Our values

Our core values are based on professionalism, passion for our cause, innovation, respect and openness, and working together to build successful partnerships in pursuit of common goals.

Together we can make a difference

The Stroke Association relies heavily on voluntary donations.

Palmerston Business Park (off Newgate Lane, Fareham) Tel 013 2923 2005

Notes from the JMC

(see full minutes on notice)

The President welcomed everyone and hoped that those bowling outdoor were having as good a season as the indoor bowlers.

Competitions - Following discussion it was agreed that there was no particular problem provided competitions were completed to Semi-final stage by mid March. Date to be promulgated and "strictly adhered to".

Non availability to play by the specified date would result in the opposition being given the game.

It was agreed that next year the presentation of prizes would be made before the start of the AGM.

Janet stated that the club was currently running at a loss and so the Savings Account had been used to keep us afloat. However this was normal for the time of year and once subs are received the situation will improve. Currently not making a profit on the bar as opening times are limited again during the winter season the situation will improve.

Andrew Miller advised the Honours Board had been updated and last year's information redone at no additional charge.

Andrew Miller advised the sideways stretch of the carpet had resulted in the speed of the green being 18.1

The Bowls Master Scoring System has now been updated and names can now be entered electronically. Andrew has also produced "Idiots Guides" for using the system and these will be put to the test by Janet Mudd and Maureen Holloway.

The lights now come on automatically in the Loos and the changing rooms. They remain on for approximately 9 minutes after motion is last detected.

The President expressed her thanks to Andrew Miller and his band of helpers for their efforts during the Maintenance Week.

Keith advised that entries for competitions were slow. 11 entries for the Palmerston Cup had been received and this would be played on a league system with 6 teams in one league and 5 teams in the other. The top two in each league would progress to the Semi - Finals. It was suggested that Semi Finals and Finals would be at no charge and this was agreed by the committee.

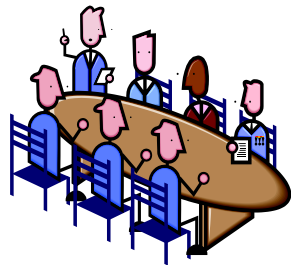
Maureen, the Ladies Captain has received several complaints about the temperature within the bowling area being so high. The adverse conditions could be due to the "Thermistors" that control the temperature being located within the roof area. Andrew is continuing to monitor the situation and locating the "Thermistors" within the bowling area may resolve the discrepancies.

Janet Mudd was asked whether winning either of the First Winners / Novice competitions precluded you from entering the other of the two competitions. The rules state that you can only enter the Novice/First Winners Competition if you have not won ANY competition in the last 3 years.

Since the start of the Winter Season has been moved by 1 week to 19th September there are no stewards covering the period from 12th - 19th September. Andrew Miller to ask those who wish to roll up during this period to enter their name on a list at the times they wish to play. Stewards will be arranged accordingly. There will be one day during this period when work on the Thermistors will be carried out so the Club will be closed. Watch the Notice Board!!

Bill Jackson advised League fixtures had been organised but had to be revised due to one team dropping out on Monday at 4.00pm.

Charlie Livingston advised that a Steward was required for the Thursday session from 3.45pm to 7.00pm. President Marilyn advised she would be holding a Charity Evening in October or November in support of the Stroke Association. A member of the Association will be invited along to receive a cheque for the amount raised so far.



Stewards

Can you volunteer some time to help by joining our team of club Stewards. This can involve as little as a few hours a week and is a vital role in our club. We are particularly looking for someone for the Thursday session from 3.45pm to 7.00pm. If you are interested in becoming a steward please contact **Charlie Livingston** for details.



Dress standards

Just a quick reminder that the club standard dress for leagues / drives / roll ups is

Women

White blouse or tee shirt with collar, grey trousers or skirt and if required light blue waistcoat / cardigan (can be obtained from club) with authorised shoes.

Men

White shirt or Tee shirt with collar, grey trousers and if required white short or long sleeved jumper or cardigan with authorised shoes.

Team coloured tops are permitted in the leagues.

PALMERSTON CUP LEAGUES 2011/12

"The competition is an open competition for members of OUT-DOORS bowling clubs to compete against each other on an inside rink during the winter months. All the clubs in Portsmouth and District and the majority of those in Southampton and District were invited to take part. Spectators are to be encouraged to watch the matches when they are played and arrangements will be made for the bar to be open at these times. Whilst it is disappointing that only three clubs from Portsmouth and District entered the competition, it is pleasing to see the response from the teams from the Southampton area, including the entry from one of the smallest clubs in the area at Meon Valley. Games are to be played on Sunday evenings throughout the winter season and generally a team will play once in every three weeks at the most, although there are a couple of exceptions. There are some very interesting ties thrown up as a result of the draw made by the Club Vice-President Peter Carter, and I look forward to a fiercely fought competition which will come to its conclusion in March 2012.

Keith Fleming

Men's & Mixed Competition Secretary.

<u>LEAGUE "A"</u>	
1	HAMPSHIRE POLICE
2	ATHERLEY RED
3	FAREHAM "B"
4	ATHERLEY BLUE
5	ATHERLEY STRIPES
6	TRIPLE T's (GOSPORT)

<u>LEAGUE "B"</u>	
1	FAREHAM "A"
2	MEON VALLEY
3	BANISTER PARK "B"
4	BANISTER PARK "A"
5	LEE ON THE SOLENT

PALMERSTON BAR OPENING TIMES

Monday	11:00 - 2:30	5:30 - 10:30
Tuesday	11:00 - 2:30	5:30 - 10:30
Wednesday	11:00 - 2:30	5:30 - 10:30
Thursday	11:00 - 2:30	5:30 - 10:30
Friday	11:00 - 2:30	5:30 - 9:30
Saturday	11:00 - 2:30	
Sunday	12:00 - 2:30	

The bar may be open at other times when bowling matches or social functions are held.



BRAS

Ladies.....Please keep bringing in your old bras, new or used (laundered) to the club. These will be despatched to the Hampshire and IOW Air Ambulance who are sending them to Africa to 'support' a very worthy cause. They do help.

Janet Mudd



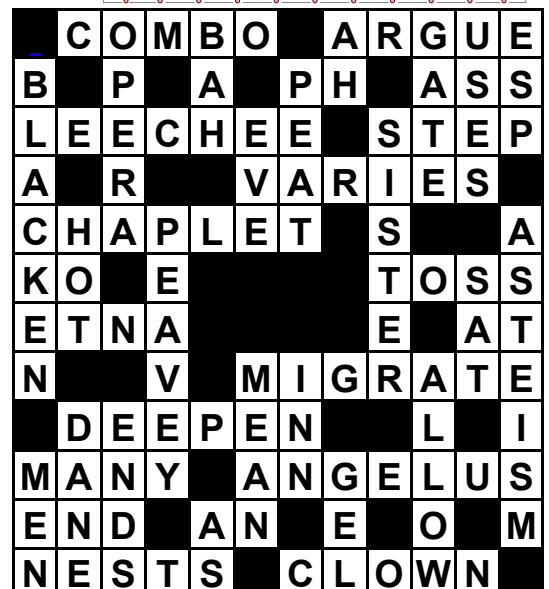
The scoreboard is now fully electronic meaning names can be input from the office, replacing the partially manual system

Answers to crossword 18

Please remember that no food is allowed in the rink area

Having edited the Palmreader for more than three years, I have decided that it might be a good idea to let someone else have a go at this job. If you are interested please let me know. I will give you all the assistance you need to get started.

Brian Hayles



FREE BOWLS OPEN DAY

SATURDAY THE 10 SEPTEMBER 2011
BETWEEN 10:00 & 15:00.

PALMERSTON INDOOR BOWLING CLUB (PIBC)
GOSPORT & FAREHAM'S INDOOR BOWLS CENTRE

**PALMERSTON DRIVE (OFF NEWGATE LANE), FAREHAM,
HAMPSHIRE, PO14 1DJ**

Website: www.palmerston-indoorbowls.co.uk

E Mail: palmerstonIBC@googlemail.com or

Membership secretary: lesley.howell3@ntlworld.com

Tel: 01329 232 005 (Please ring between 10:00 & 12:00)

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRY YOUR HAND AT INDOOR BOWLING?

***TOTAL BEGINNERS, NOVICES AND EXPERIENCED BOWLERS
ARE ALL VERY WELCOME. THE CLUB CAN LEND YOU BOWLS
AND BOWLING SHOES IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ANY. NO SPE-
CIAL OUTFIT IS REQUIRED JUST TURN UP IN COMFORTABLE
CLOTHING AND HAVE A GO. COACHES WILL BE THERE TO
GIVE GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE TO PLAYERS***

HOW TO FIND US

(From Newgate Lane, turn into Palmerston Drive (Palmerston Business Park). Just after you pass the 'royal mail postal sorting office/depot' the road turns to the left and the PALMERSTON bowls centre car park is about 40 yards up on the right hand side of the road)



Please cut out and display this notice

We are now coming to the close of the summer leagues.

Some 200 members have taken part in the six leagues offered, with the Tuesday to Thursday leagues being complete with 14 teams, and Monday having 13.

Morning leagues are popular, and to try and extend the interest I have tried a post lunch session, but there were no takers.

Friday was a limited league to accommodate an organized roll-up, and both league and roll-up were well supported.

Sunday was a light league of five teams, but they were full triples unlike last year when we had to go to pairs.

The free practice session at lunch time has been taken up, and a new offer of a team roll-up with a payable rink fee has also been used.

Next season, I expect the same format to be offered to those bowlers who do not wish to play outside, so if you wish to take part get your teams entered on the sheets February/March time.

The Club Night session continued on a Friday evening at 7.00p.m. with an average attendance of some 28 members.

Two charity afternoons were organised with a tea to follow, and these were well supported.

The Stroke Association benefitted from the proceeds

I hope you enjoyed the summer programme.

Roy Mudd

Please note the following about friendly matches:

They are open to all full members with the same cost as last season of £7:50 (Including meal).

This has been achieved through zero increases in rink fees and chef Richard absorbing the increased cost of supplies.

Non playing partner guests are welcome and can enjoy the match meal at the end with the cost of the meal at £5:50.

Don't think that you are not a skilful enough player, we try to get a mix in each team.

Whites (white trousers, dark blue blazer and tie for men - ladies white skirt or trousers with white top and Palmerston blue waistcoat) are normally required, but they are not too expensive if you have none. Don't forget that once purchased these will last a long time

Friendlies bring finances into the club through rink fees, bar takings and restaurant use.

It is a good Sunday afternoon in the winter months.

There is a meal at most matches so no cooking at home.

Other clubs enjoy coming to Palmerston and only cancelled friendlies due to the adverse weather last season,

therefore we need to try and fill each of the fixtures

We have a 800 full members and we generally need between 18 and 32 players for a match, so make a note in your diary and think very seriously about playing in some or all of these matches.

Please have a go and put your name down for friendlies because they are just that - friendly



Social News

September 17th is the first function of the winter season.

We are having a Dinner Dance and the entertainer is Phil Owen, a vocalist/

guitarist. The menu for the evening will be "Food from around Britain". Poster and booking forms are displayed on the notice board.

On **October 29th** there will be a Dinner Dance to celebrate Halloween. (Witches will be Welcome !!)

November 19th sees Roy holding another of his popular Race Nights.

Saturday 3rd December at 11am we will be having a Christmas get together when the Club Christmas Draw will take place. We are considering ideas for some light entertainment.

The clubs Christmas Dinner Dance will be held on **Saturday 17th December**.

We will be arranging a New Years Eve party with an entertainer to provide the music.

Watch the notice board for further details of all functions.

Sylvia Wrightson

Social Committee.



LIGHTER SIDE

Did you hear about the woman who entered a pun contest in a newspaper. She sent in ten different puns, in the hope that at least one of the puns would win the prize. Unfortunately, no pun in ten did.

A man took his wife to the doctors. After he had examined her the doctor said "Your wife's mind has completely gone!" To which the man replied, "I'm not surprised. She's been giving a piece of it to me every day for the past 30 years."

Which burns longer, a red candle or a white candle?
Neither, they both burn shorter.

Why did the bees go on strike?
Because they wanted more honey and shorter working flowers

One liners

Every calendar's days are numbered.
A lot of money is tainted - 'taint yours and 'taint mine.
A boiled egg in the morning is hard to beat.
He had a photographic memory that was never developed.
A plateau is a high form of flattery.
A midget fortune-teller who escapes from prison is a small medium at large.
Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.
Once you've seen one shopping centre, you've seen a mall.
Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead-to-know basis.
Santa's helpers are subordinate clauses.
Acupuncture is a jab well done
Consciousness - the time between naps.
Accountant - someone you hire to explain that you didn't make the money you did.
Justice - a decision in your favour.
Flattery - an insult in gift wrapping.
Capitalism - the survival of the fattest.

What has two humps and can change colour?
A camel-ion.

THE COMPUTER SWALLOWED GRANDMA

The computer swallowed grandma.
Yes, honestly its true!
She pressed 'control' and 'enter'
And disappeared from view.
It devoured her completely,
The thought just makes me squirm.
She must have caught a virus
Or been eaten by a worm.
I've searched through the recycle bin
And files of every kind;
I've even used the Internet,
But nothing did I find.
In desperation, I asked Jeeves
My searches to refine.
The reply from him was negative,
Not a thing was found 'online.'
So, if inside your 'Inbox,'
My Grandma you should see,
Please 'Copy', 'Scan' and 'Paste' her
And send her back to me
This is a tribute to all the Grandmas and Grandpas who have been fearless and learned to use the Computer..... They are the greatest!!!



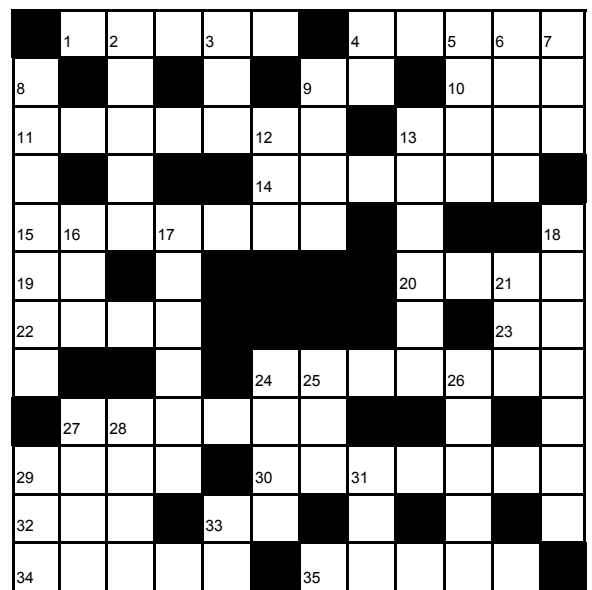
- 1 Snappy short holiday?
- 4 Image in this
- 9 Not 'either'
- 10 Pointed to hold down
- 11 We love it
- 13 Our 'make - up'?
- 14 PDQ
- 15 Steamy or windy drive
- 19 Nearly a girl for 'one'
- 20 Was 'Tubby' one of these?
- 22 'One jot'
- 23 "The only way is -- "
- 24 Healthy floating?



- 27 Can he make beer or tea?
- 29 Where we walked
- 30 Engaged in particular line of study
- 32 Affirmative vote
- 33 Neuter pronoun of the third person
- 34 An Armenian
- 35 Largely challenged?

Cross-word 19

- 2 Human boat engine?
- 3 Was he "The Greatest" ?
- 4 A promotion intended to create goodwill for a person or institution
- 5 Certainly not closed
- 6 Hue can last a while
- 7 Posh me
- 8 Able seaman makes a mark
- 9 U came from a from a rascal to become a giant
- 12 Maybe sister or mother
- 13 2nd half gains points with this posh person
- 16 Is this game Spanish?
- 17 Slowed down round a garden tool
- 18 Dance craze begins this joy
- 21 Hope this cake is not hairy
- 24 Mixed bets are tops
- 25 Change fish eggs to yield metal
- 26 Cancel out a year
- 27 Is this rabbit your brother?
- 28 Wondering without a mixed up smell?
- 29 A way of knotting
- 31 Is one of your parents quiet?
- 33 Not out



Articles, comments, letters **are always welcome** and can be put in my pigeon hole or sent by email to b.hayles@ntlworld.com