

## News from the Chair April 2021

The good news is that we are preparing to open: -

We are looking into how we can re-open the kitchen once we have opened and what preparation work can be done.

The kitchen along with other areas of the club has been redecorated and cleaned and the general feeling at a meeting held today, 31<sup>st</sup> March (held under current Covid rules) decided that the best way forward at least to start with is to bring outside caterers in for any larger events and those requiring cooked meals.

We will need to assemble the correct documentation and handling processes to meet current food handling and safety regulations. Once in place we will request Environmental Health too come along and advise what we have in place is correct or changes are required.

Initially we would only look to provide a limited tea and coffee service in house possibly served with biscuits or factory-made cakes.

To do this we need to arrange for some **volunteers** to be trained up to level 2 – Food Safety and Hygiene for Catering (1 day course).

Volunteers **will not** be required to run a full café service but occasionally make teas and coffees when it is their turn on a rota and to keep an eye on the kitchen to help ensure everything is being done correctly.

If you are interested in helping, the club are looking to contact the college and book volunteers onto a course at the club's expense.

Please contact either Maurice on 07527743622 or Keith on 07777631180 to enquire and or express an interest.

### **Other preparation works currently happening.**

Today the buildings electrical wiring is being tested and next month the appliances will be PAT tested ensuring all are safe and legal.

The outdoor green is being worked on so that by the time it opens it will be in a good condition, and the roof of the outbuilding is being re covered ready for bowlers to sit inside watching the rain 😊.

### **Summer leagues**

Applications for the Summer leagues has been below expectations and unless more teams register before April 17<sup>th</sup> not all leagues will be running, please see separate notice regarding these.

## Winter leagues

Applications for the winter leagues have started to come in and I suggest that if you wish to be sure of being able to enter a specific league that you register your interest now as the maximum number of teams allowed in each league will be strictly enforced.

## EIBA

We have affiliated to the EIBA and are waiting for details of exactly when and under what rules we are going to be allowed to re-open, this of course will depend initially on the governments 4 steps happening as hoped, the earliest financially viable date for our club being 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021.

Details of any opening times will follow as soon as we are able to make our decisions and will be based around demand for leagues and any roll ups which we expect to be like previous rules in that they had to be pre-booked.

That is all for now.

*Keith Mansbridge (chair)*

Summer Leagues as they stand on 27 March 2021.

1	Monday Open Pairs 11.30am	1
2	Monday Triples 6.30pm	3
3	Tuesday Open Triples 11.30am	2
4	Tuesday Open Pairs 6.30pm	6
5	Wednesday Triples 11.30am	1
6	Thursday Open Triples 9.30am	3
7	Thursday Open Pairs 11.30am	1
8	Thursday Open Triples 6.30pm	1
9	Friday pairs 2.00pm	1

Suggestion:

Cancel 1 3 5 7 8 9

Request all teams in cancelled league to join remaining leagues.

The only teams with sufficient interest are.

2 4 6

If we can boost them up to at least 6 teams per league we may be able to run them.

I suggest organised roll ups.

Saturday Sunday Tuesday Wednesday Friday

No single rink booking for rollups due to the cost, at least until we get leagues established and individual bookings can run alongside.

Thoughts Please to

Maurice