



PONTELAND BOWLING CLUB

June Newsletter 2023

100 Years of Bowling in Ponteland



Hello one and all,

Please find in this edition all the arrangements relating to the Centenary Celebration game June saw an improvement in the weather, but again the rain put a dampener on our BBQ and Jumbles. We have quite a few special games during July. Please check the notice board and read the instructions/information carefully especially for the rearranged BBQ and Jumbles. There are also **sign-up sheets** for the **Celebration Day Jumbles** and **President's Day (going up tonight)**.

BBQ

New Date for BBQ and Jumbles **Friday 28th July, 1.30 for a 2.00pm start**

If you intend to come to the BBQ on the new date and you have already paid, you need to do nothing. Your name and payment will automatically be transferred across.

If you cannot make the new date and have paid, please speak to Linda Bolam and she will arrange a refund of your payment for you.

If you could not make the first date for the BBQ & Jumbles but wish to come along on the new date, please add your name to the list on the notice board in the clubhouse and put your £10 payment in an envelope for Linda in the plastic folder below for collection.

BBQ Jumbles

If you can no longer play in the BBQ Day Jumbles, please cross your name off on the team sheet that is on the notice board.

If you were unable to play on the original date but now wish to play, please add your name to the list on the clubhouse notice board.

Centenary Match - Wed 12 July - **Final Arrangements**

Invite past members to the celebration game.

An email has already been sent out to all members asking them to invite past members of the club to come along on the day, if they so wish. We are unable to send out official invites to anyone that is no longer a member as we no longer hold their personal data and if we did have it, we could not use it as this would breach the Data Protection legislation and our own policy - we could face legal action for the misuse of personal data. So, if you are in contact with ex members, please feel

free to invite them along to watch the game and enjoy the finger buffet in the clubhouse afterwards. After this there will be drinks in the lounge bar in the Memorial Hall.

- We will need help with setting up the green, collecting and moving crockery, setting up the clubhouse and putting out chairs for spectators etc. Please be willing to lend a hand if asked.
- There will be no charge for the food on the day.
- A light buffet will be available to BE players/guests before the match as they arrive from 12.30 in the clubhouse.
- From 1.30 to 1.45 players assemble on the green for a welcome, photo and to raise the flags. The game will start at approximately 2.00 and will last 18 ends.
- The team has been selected and can be viewed on the clubhouse notice boards.
- We are asking PBC team to come along dressed ready to play - (white top with Centenary badge and grey bottoms) and to use the Memorial Hall lounge for any final preparations to play. This will leave the changing rooms in the clubhouse free for the BE team.
- When the game against BE has finished the teams (and BE guests) will move over to the Memorial Hall for afternoon tea/presentations and speeches. There will be a buffet available for spectators, members, and ex members in the clubhouse.
- When BE have vacated the clubhouse and after the finger buffet there will be a Jumbles game for members who could not participate in the BE game, if they would like to play on the day. Teams and organisation will depend on how many members sign up to play This will allow members to watch the celebration game, grab a bite to eat and then participate in a fun competition. **A sign-up sheet is up on the notice board in the clubhouse for the Jumbles - please sign up before next weekend.**
- The Bar will be available from 4.00pm onwards for everyone - **times TBC**. After the afternoon tea and Jumbles everyone can meet in the lounge of the Memorial Hall for a drink and to socialise.
- Display of history of the club will be put up in the clubhouse on notice boards.
- Dress code for the BE game - all team members to wear centenary badge on their white top with grey trousers.

- If we have bad weather and cannot play on our green, the game will be played indoors at WDIBC. Everyone will meet at PBC, drive together to WDIBC, play the game, and then come back for the afternoon tea, buffet etc. In this scenario there would be no Jumbles, so after the tea and buffet it would be socialising in the lounge bar.

Lockers

We now have keys for all the lockers that needed one. We just need to check they all work correctly before making them available to members. For the women's lockers speak to Carolyn Burbeck and for the men's speak to Graham Lord.

New Members

We have many new members joining us, please help them with settling in. All have been offered an induction session, but a few were unable to attend due to other commitments. So, they may need some additional support from everyone explaining and showing them how everything works.

Can all new members please make sure they have completed a Personal Preferences Data Protection Form - these can be found in a plastic wallet on the Health & Safety Notice Board. **If you do not complete one**, which gives the Club permission to use your name, telephone number and email address for all Club communications, **you will not get any emails or newsletters from the Club after July**. If you complete a form, just pin it to the noticeboard and I will pick it up.

Bowling Shoes

We make a dispensation that flat soled training shoes can be worn for the Taster Sessions. However, once you have become a member you need to invest in a **pair of approved bowling shoes** to play. **No one** should be wearing any other footwear on the green.

League Results

We have a mixed bag of results this month due to the difficulty we have had getting teams out because of members not being available for a variety of reasons. It has been particularly challenging for our selection committees. Thanks to them for their dedication and work to ensure we were able to put out teams. And thanks to everyone who played in our hours of need.

North East Ladies League

6th	June	won the match and also 2 rinks	10 pts
13 th	June	won the match and all 3 rinks so max	12 pts
20 th	June	match cancelled rain	
27 th	June	restricted ends due to rain - won 3 rinks	12pts

Collins and Shipley Div 1

7 th	June	won the match won 1 rink drew 1 rink lost 1 rink	9 pts
14 th	June	won the match won 1 rink drew 1 rink lost 1 rink	9 pts
21 st	June	lost the match won 1 rink lost 2 rinks	2 pts
28 th	June	lost all 3 rinks	

Collins and Shipley Div 2

7, 14, 21 June - lost all 3 games and all rinks so no points for those 3 weeks
28th June lost 2 rinks, drew one 1pt

Knight

6th June v Centurion Park away	Won 12 pts to 2 pts
13 th June v Souter home	Won 12 pts to 2 pts
20th June v Health & Sec home	Lost 4 pts to 10 pts
27 th June v Crawford Park away	Cancelled

Parliamentary

1 st June v Benfield away	Lost 14 pts to 0 pts
8 th June v Health & Security home	Won 10 pts to 4 pts
15 th June v Forest Hall away	Lost 11 pts to 3 pts
22nd June v Gosforth home	Lost 10 pts to 4 pts
27 th June v Westerhope away	Lost 10 pts to 4 pts

Public Utilities

Pont A - played 7, won 5, lost 2 - 10 pts (joint top on points)

Pont B - played 6, won 2, lost 4 - 4 pts.

29th June Pont A v Pont B - Pont A won 35 pts to 32 pts - a very tight contest.

Future Events - dates for your diary

Wednesday 12th July - Centenary Celebration Day/game

Friday, 21st July - Quiz night, bring along some drinks and nibbles.

Saturday 22nd - joint President's Day & faith tea (Sign-up sheet will be on the noticeboard from Monday night)

Friday, 28th July - Mixed jumbles and BBQ (rearranged)

Gardening

Huge thanks to Mike Anderson and his able assistant Ken Simpson who have done a great deal of work cutting hedges and tidying up the shrubs, it has made a real difference.

If anyone one is heading to the recycle centre over the next week or so it would be appreciated if you could call in and take some of our green waste with you. It would be great to have everything clean and tidy for our Celebration Day on the 12th.

If anyone has any feedback or comments on what we are doing, please get in touch. I regularly chat to members when I am out and about and discuss various aspects of what we are doing with them, to make the club more fun, friendly, supportive, and most importantly **sustainable - fit for the future** and ready for another 100 yrs.

regards GPC