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Ash Bowling Club News



EDITION 11



IT IS WITH HUGE SADNESS THAT WE HAVE LEARNT THAT TWO OF OUR DEAREST FRIENDS, PETER BERRISFORD AND NINA VALLACK HAVE PASSED AWAY.

PETE WAS A TRUE GENTLEMAN, DEAR FRIEND, MEMBER AND SUPPORTER OF OUR CLUB.

NINA HAD BEEN A MEMBER FOR VERY MANY YEARS AND SERVED AS A TRUSTEE.

WE SEND OUR SINCEREST CONDOLENCES TO BOTH PETE AND NINA'S FAMILIES AT THIS VERY DIFFICULT TIME.

PETE AND NINA WILL OF COURSE BE FRESH IN OUR THOUGHTS AS WE HOST OUR INAUGURAL ASH MEMORIAL TROPHY EVENT ON SEPTEMBER 14TH.

FURTHER DETAILS WILL BE SHARED IN DUE COURSE.

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www.ashbowlclub.org.uk

Have a browse of the website and give us your feedback. Events, fixtures and other information are all included for your benefit.

We can only grow the membership of our club by extending our reach into the community through word of mouth and social media advertising.

We are on Facebook - find us by clicking on the link below, like and share our posts with your family and friends.



We give a very warm welcome to our latest new members to the club:

Sue Chandler
Rhys Young
Gary Wilson

We very much look forward to seeing you at the club.

Members are reminded to adhere to our respectful and common sense etiquette. In particular, please ensure your mobile phones are on silent (if not left in your locker) and no offensive or inappropriate language is used at any time.



Bowling Etiquette on and off the Green.

Be on time (at least 30mins prior to the start) for the game and follow our local protocols for the tasks each team member should complete.

Ensure your mobile phone is on silent or left in your locker – do not take or make calls while your game is in progress.

Ensure no inappropriate or offensive language is used.

Introduce yourself and other teammates and wish everyone a good game.

While playing do not wander around the end of the rink while woods are being bowled.

While playing do not take any items onto the green i.e. drinks refreshments.

Stay in front or on the mat until your wood comes to rest.

Do not criticize wicks or lucky woods and congratulate opponent on good woods.

The Number two player is in charge of counting the shots with the No2 opponent. Any other players do not interfere or offer opinions.

Any measuring of woods is done by the No2 unless they have mobility problems and the No 1 on consultation with opponents beforehand.

Do not call the head shots until agreed with opponent.

Scorer will at intervals check the score card with the opponent's scorer.

Any query re length of Jack of called by the skip, measured by the umpire or the calling Skip, scrutinised by the sending Skip. Mat placement is checked by both skips before the Jack is sent.

Any call on foul or foot placement is pointed out to the opposing Skip on the first occasion.

Any further discretion is then dealt with by the wood being removed by the players Skip.

The last wood of the skip should be left in front of the mat, to inspect the head. Although it is not a foul to carry the wood to the head, it must not touch the ground at the head end.

Congratulate all players at the end of the game.

If tea is taken during the game, after a number of ends. The team do not leave the refreshment area until the captain's table has risen.

Drinks will be purchased for your opposite opponent.

Silence while the captains are making their address. Applause and general cheering is acceptable.



Thank you and well done to our Men's Dover League players this season.

Whilst not all of the games may have gone our way, the Dover League is a great Competition and we are very proud that Ash is able to compete - everyone involved deserves a pat on the back!

DOVER DISTRICT BOWLING LEAGUE

Final League Table

Club	P	W	D	L	Rink Points	Shots For	Shots Against	Shot Diff	Pt, s
Sandwich	10	10	0	0	66	935	479	456	106
Canterbury	10	9	0	1	66	783	507	276	102
<u>Aylesham</u>	10	6	1	3	54	736	606	130	80
Kearsney	10	6	0	4	51	722	577	145	75
Betteshanger	10	5	1	4	39	640	664	-24	61
Victoria Park	10	5	0	5	38	657	688	-31	58
Gateway	10	6	0	4	25	614	726	-112	49
River	10	3	0	7	31	570	780	-210	43
Ash	10	3	0	7	30	619	724	-105	42
St Margarets	10	1	0	9	28	573	751	-178	32
<u>Tilmanstone</u>	10	0	0	10	12	412	759	-347	12
Shots Total						7261	7261		

The Ladies Dover League is yet to finish, so we will report back in the next newsletter, so stay tuned.



Well done also to our very own Kurtis Young, Shirley Taylor and Roy Allen who won the Victoria Park Open Mixed Triples Cup.

New Shirt Order

There is a poster up in the club for anyone who wants to order a new or additional club shirts.

Also, at the end of the outdoor season we will be able to take orders for anyone who would like to have their name embroidered onto their shirt/s.

Cost is £5 for up to 5 letters or £6 for over 5 letters.

The photo shows the colour and placing of the name.



Indoor Short Mat

Don't forget, Short Mat is available all year round. If you haven't tried Short Mat and would like to do so, look on the short Mat Notice Board for more info.

The only extra to pay is 50p tea money per week (for however many sessions you play).

The list is now open for the short mat internal competitions - get your name down!



Members Forum

Thanks to all who took the time to come to our recent members forum. This was an opportunity for the Executive Committee to share with you what they have been working on and also a chance for you to raise any issues or give general feedback.

Issues discussed at the forum:

- Size of text in the fixture lists
- Members Handbook
- Proposals being worked on to provide a bar
- Events being planned



What a great afternoon we had last weekend for our first ever Indoor / Outdoor Challenge Game.

This was a fantastic opportunity to showcase both elements of the game and it was fabulous to see so many members come and take part.

We also had a fab BBQ in the glorious weather. Thanks to all who prepared and cooked the food and those involved in all the planning to make this yet another great event!



Stuart Williams is organising a fishing trip.

If you are interested, please let Stuart know - he will share some potential dates soon.



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Colin Marsh Trophy

**Saturday 23rd August: 1.30pm
arrival for a 2pm prompt start.**

The Trophy game will be triples using the 3-2-1 scoring format.

The game will be followed by High Tea.

Please be sure to get your name down to play or to come and watch - spectators are always welcome. Club shirt & whites to be worn.

Colin Marsh was Shirley Harris's father who was a member of the club from the mid seventies until he died very suddenly in 1984 at the young age of 54.

He lived and worked in the village, working as a baker in his younger days, a part-time barman in the Ship Inn and was the local postman when he died.

He was a very active and well respected member of the club encouraging both Shirley & David to join as well as other relatives. He joined the committee and was men's captain when he died.

A few members will remember him always having a smile on his face and giving encouragement to even the newest members.





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Upcoming Events

Dates for your diary

23rd August - Colin Marsh Trophy

24th August - Bat & Trap return game

14th Sept - Ash Memorial Trophy

19th Sept - Friday Finals with Pop-Up Cafe

21st Sept - Finals with Lunch

4th Oct - Quiz Night

**29th Nov - Presentation Evening
(Rising Sun - Stourmouth)**



Watch out for
further details.



The Executive Committee are here for you....

If you have any ideas, comments or feedback you'd like to give, then we would love to hear from you.

You can drop a note into the suggestions box or email secretary.ashbowlsclub@gmail.com

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT