

## **EREWASH INDOOR BOWLS CLUB - MARCH NEWS**

**SHAKING HANDS:** It is customary to shake hands with your teammates and opponents before/after a game of bowls. However, some members have voiced concerns about shaking hands due to the Corona Virus outbreak. We feel this should be a personal choice and as things stand do not intend to introduce a ban on the shaking of hands. However, until more clear advice is forthcoming, we do ask members not to be offended should some people not wish to shake your hand.

I would also like to remind members that there are 2 antibacterial hand wash dispensers in the lobby and request members make full use of this facility. We will continue to monitor the virus situation and follow official HM Gov guidelines.

**WINTER LEAGUE RENEWALS:** It's that time of year again when team captains need to renew their league registrations for next winter. Registration sheets will be given out with your score cards this week, but if you miss this handout, additional forms are available on the bar. If you need additional players for your team, please leave your details at the bar and we will try & find you someone. Likewise, if you are looking to join a league team, let us know & we will try to fix you up with a captain looking for new players.

**NEW TEAMS:** Most of our morning leagues are already full, but we have a couple of vacancies on Mon morning (Men's 4's) & Tues morning (Mixed 4's). We have vacancies in all our afternoon & evening leagues. Wed afternoon (Ladies Trips) and Fri afternoon & evening (Mixed 4's) are dangerously low numbers, so if you are considering entering a new team please look at one of these leagues as they are all in dire need of more players.

**SUMMER BOWLING:** We hope to run the same league program as last summer. Four separate Triples Leagues on Tues & Thurs mornings and Wed & Fri evenings. Plus 3 competitions. Entry forms for Summer Leagues and Comps will be available later in March. Bev will once again be serving snacks & lunches on Tues & Thurs, so the centre will remain open until 2.00pm on these days. Normal summer hours are: 5 evenings (Mon to Fri) and 4 mornings (Tues to Fri) Closed Sat, Sun & Bank Holidays.

**EIBA WINTER COMPS:** Entry forms are now available for next winters National Competitions. There is a wide range of Men's, Mixed, Ladies, Seniors & Juniors comps to choose from and the entry fee is just £4 per person per comp. Entry will only be accepted if submitted on an official EIBA form & the GDPR declarations signed.

**BAR PRICE INCREASE:** Our suppliers have all increased their prices during Jan & Feb and while we have absorbed as much of these increases as we can, we will have to make a small increase on most of our soft & alcoholic drinks. Full details of these increases will be posted on the bar in the next few days.

**OWN FOOD & DRINK:** I would also like to take this opportunity to remind members that they should not bring their own food & drink into the centre. The exception being for dietary or medical reasons. If you have such a need, please advise the duty manager.

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