



PRESTON BOWLS CLUB (BRIGHTON)

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Dear Member,

Once again, we thank you for continued support throughout the past year.

Things seem to be running relatively smoothly and we are doing our utmost to improve and smarten the building and encourage new members.

The restaurant with bar service is available 7 days a week during the winter season and 6 days a week during the summer. (Closing Saturdays unless there is a special event) service hours are 9-2:30. Michael, Helen and staff have continued to provide their usual excellent service which with ever increasing food prices is not an easy task. We do urge you to support them and thank the volunteers who have helped man the bar in the evening.

The outdoor bowls club is enjoying a full season of friendly matches, roll ups, drives and club competitions. Also, the Brighton and Hove league, County and National competition entries. Although the captain has sometimes had difficulty encouraging people to play in some of the more competitive aspects, we do urge you all to give some of these fixtures a try.

The indoor club has remained open with a selection of organised drives, matches and the Fantastic Fives National competition. We thank those that have been involved in organising any of these activities.

The social side of the club especially the Bingo expertly run and organised by Ian Ward and his helpers. We very much appreciate the smooth running of these fun evenings. There are additional social activities to be organised by our new social committee. We thank the members that have volunteered to form this committee. Please look out for social event advertising on the dining tables, notice boards and newsletters. Colin Jones our Company secretary has been working tirelessly to improve the technical side of the club, with the introduction of an on-line booking system and pay by phone green frees. This is certainly a step in the right direction and has been well received by many.

We hope with the website being constantly updated and the monthly winter season of newsletter you feel more in touch with what is happening in and around the club.

It is a fact that these are troubling times financially for everyone but your Board are committed to provide the best possible availability of services and facilities within a prudent budget to safeguard the future of our club.

We are pleased to say there is no plans to increase the green fees at the present time but regrettably we have to increase the annual shareholder subscription to £170, to accommodate the rising running costs.

We hope that you will understand the necessity of this rise which we have kept to the minimum viable amount to keep our club running at the same level we have enjoyed in previous years.

We do hope that you enjoy the forthcoming year and make the most of all the club has to offer and maybe try out something new.

Yours Sincerely

The Board. (V Michael, C Jones, H Wells, T Vine, T Paddenburg, R Chitty, S Gotham, E Hegarty)

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