October 2026

Preston Bowls Club Newsletter

Thank you to all who have renewed & we hope you are looking forward to a positive season. There's much on offer – regular Drives, friendly competitions, the Challenge League & the Club Champs. Without wanting to wish the autumn away …. the Christmas Menu is also on display!! As always please speak to Michael if you would like to book your group lunches.

<u>There are a few reminders in here along with some success stories from the summer.</u>



<u>Second Hand Sale</u> <u>**THIS WEEK****</u> – There will be a sale of lost property & second hand bowls equipment on <u>Wednesday 28th October</u> in the lounge area from 10am – 2pm. Come along & bag a bargain!**



<u>Wake & Event Increase / Guest Fee Decrease from 1st November</u> – With regret we notify of an increase of £75 to members & £100 to non-members for wakes & events held at the club.
Non-playing guest fees will be reduced to £1 (from £2 per person). Please remember to complete the Visitor Sheet.

<u>Bowlswear Direct</u> – The first sale of the new season will take place on Wednesday 25th November from 10-30am – 2pm in the lounge area.



<u>Bin Contamination</u> - We received notification from our waste provider regarding several items being placed in the incorrect bins, as per the photo. A pair of slippers were also found in the cardboard recycling!!!!!
Please do not bring items from home. The above can result in extra charges to the club. If this continues we will have no choice but to place locks on the bins.



<u>Quiz</u> Thank You to all who supported the recent quiz. A fun time was had by all with a real mix of questions! We also acknowledge the support of Bowley & Gallagher, plus the evening raised £241 for the Club.



Locker Keys– Please note that lost locker keys will be charged at the cost of £10.



Much Appreciated - Directors would like to thank all members who have made contributions in various ways – financially, volunteering etc. Your efforts are wholeheartedly valued & welcomed.



26/27 Outdoor Season Report – Phil Cresswell has provided some season highlights. Thanks to all those who have volunteered in gardening, match arranging, weekly rollups & the many other roles that are required to ensure the club is run smoothly.

- 2 Open Days attracting many new members
- Finished third in Division 1 of the men's Brighton league
- Won the Nicholas Soames trophy
-Finalist in the Oxley Fours cup
-Many successes in the County & National outdoor competitions with special mention to Andy Smalldridge & Jonathan Smith getting to the National pairs finals at Leamington
-successful Preston Open week
-Over 30 friendly matches played against clubs across Sussex
- Winners of the internal competitions

Men's Singles - Jonathan Smith
Men's Pairs - Martin Law /Jono Dalton
Over 70's - Ric Carr
2 Wood & Men's Handicap - Martin Law
Mixed Pairs - Phil Cresswell/ Jacqui Collins



Bowls Matches Reminder - For all players representing the club in friendly & competitive matches – please wear club shirts. Please speak to team organisers for further info.



New Ladies Captain & Vice Captain WANTED!! – Jackie Ward & Hazel Wells will be resigning from the positions & we require 2 people to take over the excellent work that they have been doing. This is for the 2027-28 season.